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GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 5-12, 1968

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One Hundred Fifty-Ninth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 5, 1968, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Neal C. Wilson, D. H. Baasch, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, Euel Atchley, W. P. Bradley, W. J. Brown, M. V. Campbell, E. E. Cleveland, J. E. Edwards, A. A. Esteb, W. W. Fordham, T. S. Geraty, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, D. W. Holbrook, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, Werber Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, D. A. McAdams, Lawrence M. Nelson, M. H. Reeder, R. M. Reinhard, H. E. Rice, J. V. Scully, P. G. Smith, F. A. Soper, E. H. J. Steed, E. W. Tarr, A. L. White, Herbert White, K. H. Wood

OTHERS PRESENT:

J. F. Ashlock, Karl H. Bahr, N. W. Litchfield, Maybelle Vandermark

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

The Chairman, Neal C. Wilson, referred to Romans 7 and 8, in The New English Bible, in which the Apostle Paul had been describing a little of the struggle in his own soul, the battle there was, and how miserable he felt. There seemed to be no particular remedy and rescue for him from the ultimate of doom and death. He exclaims: 'Miserable creature that I am, who is there to rescue me out of this body doomed to death? God alone, through Jesus Christ our Lord! Thanks be to God! ... The conclusion of the matter is this: there is no condemnation for those who are united with Christ Jesus, because in Christ Jesus the life-giving law of the Spirit has set you free from the law of sin and death." Those who live on the level of the Spirit have the spiritual outlook and that is life and peace. We are not obliged to live on the level of our lower nature.

As an illustration of the complete change that can be made in one's life, Elder Wilson told the story of Mr. Lonehill, in South Dakota. He had been known throughout North America among the Indians as one of the greatest and finest Indian dancers. He realized he was living on the level of the lower nature. Marvin Walter and others contacted him and worked with him. The gospel got through. He testified that previously he had not known life and peace. Now that Christ controls his soul it makes a great difference. In many ways we need this experience just as much as he did.

The Chairman welcomed J. F. Ashlock, of Ooltewah, Tennessee, as a visitor in the Committee meeting, and requested him to lead in prayer.

Opening prayer by J. F. Ashlock.

REPORTS:

 \underline{C} . \underline{E} . Guenther, Lay Activities Department Associate Secretary, gave the third Ingathering report. It was for the second official week of the crusade.

The amount reported for this second week is \$467,000. It is not a small amount--nearly a half million dollars. Yet it is \$193,000 less than the amount reported for the second week a year ago. We should add that the shortage is almost 1/4 million dollars in comparison with last year. Also, for the first time in our memory every one of the ten unions is short. Four unions are each more than \$30,000 short.

Elder Guenther referred to a number of facts which may have been contributing factors to this shortage, such as that the previous week one conference had over-reported; also that in another conference only 25 per cent of the churches reported for the week. In one union a program of financial commitment for a great building program was launched in the largest church and in many other churches of the union one week before the beginning of Ingathering. In the same union the funds are unreported and are being held for a mystery day coming next Sabbath. In one conference in another union, four districts are without pastors. In every church in North America last Sabbath a special offering was received for Nigeria relief. It was anticipated this would affect the offering of members toward Ingathering.

In spite of these factors, we are confident that the next three reports for December will be exceptionally good and that we can and will close this crusade with another gain. We have never experienced anything else and we do not expect anything else.

The requests for Bible study and literature have reached 7,651--4,064 Bible Study Guides and 3,587 missionary periodicals.

A further interesting report passed on by Elder Guenther was concerning a project carried out by the Northern California Conference. Some months ago, the church at Orland received a gift of 50,000 pounds of pears. The alert young pastor went to the American Can Company which made a contribution of 15,000 tins. The Spreckle Company donated 1,000 pounds of sugar. The church members of the area canned the pears in a period of seven weeks. Last week a truck load of about 20,000 pounds of tinned pears, or 7,032 cans, were delivered to the monument Valley Mission and the Holbrook School for Navajo Indians.

MINUTES of the meeting held November 27, 1968, were approved.

OVERSEAS VISIT:

On request of the Trans-Africa Division that J. R. Spangler be permitted to come to the Trans-Africa Division two weeks earlier than had been previously authorized, and with the General Conference Officers concurring in this arrangement, it was--

VOTED, To authorize a change in the date for the visit of J. R. Spangler to the Trans-Africa Division, the new date being January 13 to April 15, 1969, instead of February 1 to May 1, 1969.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

A change in personnel in various institutions has made it advisable to replace certain individuals who have served as members of the Health Department Advisory Committee with others who are now occupying the positions which were

held by those individuals. On request of the Department of Health, and in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the following persons be appointed as members of the Health Department Advisory Committee: R. R. Bietz to replace M. V. Campbell; Marlowe H. Schaffner to replace G. B. Nelson; Marilyn Christian to replace Maxine Atteberry; E. H. J. Steed; Bob Scott, of Hays Memorial Hospital; Carl Miller, of Southern Missionary College; and Margaret Russell, of Porter Hospital.

The Health Department Advisory Committee will be composed as follows: General Conference Health Department Secretary, Associates and Assistants, Division and North American Union Health Department Secretaries, R. R. Bietz, Marilyn Christian, E. E. Cleveland, R. E. Cleveland, Marjorie Cornor, K. H. Emmerson, J. DeWitt Fox, C. E. Guenther, Richard Hammill, Mervyn Hardinge, David B. Hinshaw, Ruth Little, Carl Miller, O. T. Moline, E. J. Remboldt, Margaret Russell, Marlowe H. Schaffner, Bob Scott, Alice Smith, C. T. Smith, E. H. J. Steed, Neal C. Wilson, and Presidents of SDA Hospital Association, Association of SDA Nurses, Association of SDA Dietitians, Association of SDA Public Health Workers, National Association of SDA Osteopaths, National Association of SDA Dentists.

R. E. GARDNER--REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to R. E. Gardner, permanently returned missionary from the Trans-Africa Division, a call to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing Association for work in the composing room.

NORTH PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE -- COURT CASE:

Information was presented concerning Miss Alyce Woodruff of Ontario, Oregon, who has been under pressure since July of this year to join the teamsters' union. She has refused and has offered to pay the equivalent dues to a charity in lieu to joining. The union has refused this offer and informed her employer that she is to be dismissed at the end of her shift, December 5. The North Pacific Union Conference has requested the General Conference to join them and the Idaho Conference in defending this lady.

VOTED, That the General Conference join the North Pacific Union and the Idaho Conferences in meeting the cost of a court defense for Miss Alyce Woodruff; the understanding being that we would bear one third of the cost, in harmony with the policy.

DAVID CLEVELAND BRODEUR -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That David Cleveland Brodeur, a sophomore student in the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, be placed under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

RAYMOND RICHARD CASTILONIA -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Raymond Richard Castilonia, a sophomore student in the Loma Linda University School of Medicine, be placed under deferred appointment to the Trans-Africa Division.

JESUS VECA, M.D. -- BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Jesus Vega, M.D., of Loma Linda University Hospital, be invited to connect with the staff of the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico, as a self-supporting Pathologist; on the basis of a national.

EVELYN ELAINE HOLT--RUSANGU SCHOOL, ZAMBIA:

VOTED, That Miss Evelyn Elaine Holt, a student at Andrews University, be placed under appointment to the Trans-Africa Division as English Teacher at the Rusangu School in Zambia; effective upon the completion of her studies next Spring.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION -- CALL FOR PHARMACIST:

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division a call from the Middle East Division for a Pharmacist for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, in Libya.

MIDDLE EAST DIVISION -- SECOND NURSE FOR BENGHAZI ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division a call from the Middle East Division for a second Nurse for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, in Libya.

GLENDA JANSSEN--PERMANENT RETURN RESCINDED:

VOTED, That the permanent return voted for Miss Glenda Janssen from Ethiopia on July 18, 1968, be rescinded; since Miss Janssen did not return as planned, but agreed to stay on for a longer period of service.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- J. J. Aitken--Glendale, California, Radio and TV appointments, and Voice of Prophecy Board Meeting, January 22-28, 1969;
- R. R. Bietz--Mountain View, California (from Glendale), meet Pacific Press Committees and entire working force, December 8, 9, 1968; PPPA Board Mtg., Feb. 3;
- O. A. Blake--Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood College Executive Board Meeting, January 5 (en route from Far East); Andrews University Board Meeting, January 17-20, 1969; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board, Officers; General Conference Insurance (West Coast), January 21-28; Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy Board Meeting, January 29, 1969;
- F. L. Bland--Pacific Union, church appointments (en route from overseas), January 24-27, 1969; Board Mtg.,
- W. P. Bradley-Andrews University, January 19, 20, 1969; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board, January 24-29, 1969; Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy Board Meeting, January 27, 1969; Palm Springs, California, Union Presidents and others, January 30-February 2, 1969;

Henry Brummett--Lake Union and Andrews University, Insurance business, December 10-13, 1968;

Gordon Bullock (on furlough) -- South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Mission Emphasis at Atlantic Union College, March 28, 29, 1969;

Max Church (on furlough) -- Melbourne, Florida, church: appointments, November 29 -- December 7, 1968;

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (continued):

Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital

Amos Crowder--Southern Union, Insurance business, January 6-17, 1969;

- D. A. Delafield--Cincinnati, Ohio, week-end service at Cincinnati Church, February 21, 22, 1969;
- K. H. Emmerson--Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board Meeting, December 11-15, 1968; Collegedale, Tennessee, appointment at Southern Missionary College, December 16, 1968 (en route from West Coast);
 - C. E. Guenther--Lake Union, Health and Welfare Council, March 10-13, 1969;
- M. E. Loewen--Atlanta, Georgia, appointments in Southern Union, December 9, 1968; Charlotte, North Carolina, South Atlantic Workers' Meeting, December 10 (Sectional); Orlando, Florida, South Atlantic Workers' Meeting (Sectional), December 12, 1968;

Louise Meyer :-- Southern Union, Sabbath School Workshops, February 23-28, 1969;

G. R. Nash--Toronto, Canada, Sabbath School Rally and Officers' Meeting, December 20, 21, 1968;

Lawrence Nelson--Pacific Union, MV Officers' Meeting, school and church appointments, January 3-February 2, 1969;

- M. H. Reeder--Texas Conference, conduct Public Relations Workshops in conference, February 15-21, 1969;
- H. E. Rice--Cincinnati, Ohio, Blue Cross of Ohio Meeting, Dec. 6, 1968; Paul Smith--North Dakota, North Dakota Elders' Meeting, January 18, 19, 1969 (returning from Departmental Council in Denver);

Maybelle Vandermark--Lake Union, Union-wide Welfare Workers' Council, March 10-13, 1969;

E. W. Tarr, M. Carol Hetzell, Wayne A. Martin, M. H. Reeder, one office secretary, R. S. Watts, J. C. Kozel, W. R. L. Scragg--Pine Springs Ranch, California, Public Relations Quadrennial Council, May 18-22, 1969; Mission Emphasis appointments:

March 17-31 D. H. Baasch Union College Ħ As arranged Porter Memorial Hospital 11 Boulder Memorial Hospital

A. Edwin Gibb February 21-26 Walla Walla College 11 " 18-20 Portland Sanitarium and Hospital 11 February 28-March 4

Canadian Union College R. R. Frame and C.O. February 7-11 Andrews University

W.R.Beach & D.S.Johnson Feb. 24-March 1 Loma Linda University Campus As arranged Glendale Adventist Hospital White Memorial Medical Center, Inc. . . Paradise Valley Hospital

W.R.Beach & D.S.Johnson March 6-8 La Sierra Campus

As arranged

E. W. Pedersen Feb. 9-15 Pacific Union College W. P. Bradley March 21-25

Columbia Union College D. S. Johnson March 28-31 Atlantic Union College As arranged Kingsway College As arranged North York Branson Hospital

December 5, 1968

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES --

Mission Emphasis appointments (concluded):

Southern Missionary College April 17-19 C. O. Franz
Oakwood College As arranged
Riverside Hospital "
Southwestern Union College March 7-12 D. W. Hunter

Loma Linda University Alumni February 14, 15 (LL-week end) (C. E. Randolph) and APC " 16, 17 (LL-Refresher (D. S. Johnson) courses) (R. R. Frame) " 18-20 (L.A.--Ambassador Hotel)

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Neal C. Wilson, Chairman D. H. Baasch, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary One Hundred Sixtieth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 12, 1968, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, D. H. Baasch, Carson F. Adams, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, W. P. Bradley, W. J. Brown, E. E. Cleveland, J. E. Edwards, A. A. Esteb, T. S. Geraty, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, W. A. Higgins, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, Werber Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, Theodore Lucas, D. A. McAdams, J. W. Peeke, J. V. Scully, P. G. Smith, F. A. Soper, E. H. J. Steed, Herbert Stoeger, I. V. Stonebrook, E. W. Tarr, R. F. Waddell, M.D., A. L. White, Herbert White, K. H. Wood

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl H. Bahr, M. A. Dopp, N. W. Litchfield, Philip S. Nelson, M.D.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

M. V. Campbell, Chairman, spoke of Job 28, saying this chapter is written to tell us truly what wisdom and knowledge are. That comes at the very end of the chapter—the solution. In bringing this to us, it first tells us of the value of gold and silver and precious stones, and how they are mined in the earth. They knew about mining in those days. It was not something unknown to them. We do not know in just what year the book was written, but it was many years ago. How fully they understood how to do mining in those days, when they probably did not have steel instruments, how to dig deep mines, even through rock, would puzzle us; but even Job knew about it in his day. Elder Campbell then read Job 28.

Opening prayer by E. E. Cleveland.

DR. HERBERT STOEGER -- WELCOMED:

The Chairman introduced Dr. Herbert Stoeger, Medical and YPMV Secretary of the Southern European Division. He is here studying plans for the World Youth Congress in Zurich. On invitation of Elder Campbell, Dr. Stoeger reported concerning the Division Quadrennial Council held in Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 2-8, 1968.

REPORT:

A. A. Esteb, Lay Activities Department Associate Secretary, presented the fourth Ingathering report. He said the amount reported for the week was \$964,864.00. The Canadian Union Conference is the first to show a gain of \$11,022.11 over any previous year for the same period.

The Southern Union Conference is leading the unions in a per capita report of \$16.73. Among the conferences, Carolina reported the highest per capita, \$25.28. Last week, Allegheny West Conference exceeded last year's total. This week Allegheny East Conference topped last year's total accomplishment.

The College Park Church in Oshawa raised over \$3,300 in one evening. The Kingsway College raised over \$5,000. The Willowdale (Branson Hospital, Toronto) Church raised \$11,500 in one week.

The headquarters Church in Takoma Park during the first week lacked only \$30.00 of having \$20,000. The Silver Spring Church became a Silver Vanguard Church in one week and a day.

The Strasbourg, Saskatchewan, Church, with twenty members finished their caroling in two weeks--before bad weather set in. Last Sabbath W. E. Kuester met with them, and met a family of five that had been found during Ingathering attending both Sabbath school and church. The little company was really thrilled.

Outstanding was the following report: The Yorkton, Saskatchewan, Church with 110 members raised \$1,050, with only six cars in one night. One car brought in \$300.00. In that town there is a man who is a well digger. Every year he has been giving \$5.00 for Ingathering. One of our members saw him recently and told him the members would come around on a certain evening for their regular contribution. The man had been having bad luck. The last two wells he had dug had been dry. He made a bargain with the Lord that if the third well he was digging on at the time would have water he would pay his tithe on the income from digging the well, as an Ingathering contribution. When the church members called on him that night for his contribution he had a check of \$176.00 for them.

Closing his report, Elder Esteb said three Canadian Conferences are over their goals. The Maritime Conference went over the top in a "blazing blizzard".

M. A. DOPP--WELCOMED:

On suggestion of the Chairman, Theodore Lucas introduced to the Committee a visitor, M. A. Dopp, who is YPMV Secretary of the Southern New England Conference. He was welcomed to the meeting.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 5, 1968, were approved.

M. V. CAMPBELL--APPRECIATION;

NAME REFERRED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE:

The application of Elder Maynard V. Campbell for sustentation was presented for consideration. Elder Campbell's plan to retire at the end of 1968 has been known for some time, and was highlighted at the time of the Autumn Council in Toronto on the morning of October 15. Several of his fellow workers spoke with appreciation of the pleasure and benefit of having been able to associate with him in service through the years.

Today we have the responsibility of acting on this application, which we probably will not wish to say that we do joyfully, except as it fulfills the wishes of Elder Campbell in making it possible for him to enjoy the well-earned fruits of a long career in service for the Church. That career began on May 1, 1921, and ends December 31, 1968, totaling 47 years and one month. Of this time a large proportion was spent carrying heavy administrative responsibilities.

A number of the Committee members spoke with appreciation of their association with Elder Campbell in various phases of the work, and told of the high principles which ever characterized his service. Among those who paid tribute were Theodore Lucas, J. W. Peeke, Dr. Ralph Waddell, and M. E. Kemmerer.

VOTED, That we herewith take favorable action on the sustentation application for Elder Maynard V. Campbell, and refer the application to the Sustentation Committee; at the same time expressing to Elder Campbell the appreciation of this Executive Committee for his service of more than 47 years in the cause, and particularly during the last $10\frac{1}{2}$ years as Vice-President in the General Conference.

NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION-ICELAND EXCHANGE RATE:

On request of the Northern European Division, it was--

VOTED, That the exchange rate for Iceland be altered from 57 Krona to US \$1.00, or .0175438; to 88 Krona to US \$1.00, or .0113636; effective Jan. 1, 1969.

QUADRENNIAL COUNCIL FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION AND EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

VOTED, That the Quadrennial Council for Secondary Education, which is to meet June 22-27, 1969, and North American Division Education Advisory Committee, which is to meet June 27-30, 1969, be held on the Riverside campus at Loma Linda University.

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION --

EAST AFRICAN UNION -- DETACHED ORGANIZATION:

Due to the political animosity existing between the governments of Kenya and Rhodesia, making it impossible for any administrative ties to exist between our Church in Kenya and the headquarters in Rhodesia, the Trans-Africa Division Committee after counseling with the General Conference Officers and the East African Union has voted that it will cease to have administrative relationships with the East African Union; and has referred to the General Conference the decision regarding the future administration of this field. It was--

VOTED, To record approval of the action of the Trans-Africa Division; and further, it was--

VOTED, To recognize the East African Union as a detached union under the General Conference.

KATHERINE BAKER -- MONUMENT VALLEY MISSION AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda University a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Miss Katherine Baker, to connect with the Pacific Union Conference as a staff Nurse for Monument Valley Mission and Hospital.

RAMONA REIBER -- MONUMENT VALLEY MISSION AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda University a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Miss Ramona Reiber, to connect with the Pacific Union Conference as a staff Nurse for Monument Valley Mission and Hospital.

ALVIN KILEY--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Alvin Kiley, to connect with Loma Linda University as a Printer.

RICHARD McCANDLESS -- LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Richard McCandless, to connect with Loma Linda University as a Printer.

RAY STEVENS -- LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Ray Stevens, to connect with Loma Linda University as a Printer.

ROBERT H. BABCOCK--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Robert H. Babcock, of Hawaii, be released from the call as Civilian Chaplain for Viet Nam, because of unfavorable medical reports.

WILLIAM G. THES MAN -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That William G. Theseman, of Simi Valley Community Hospital, California, be released from appointment as Business Manager of the Belem Hospital, he having declined.

ROBERT RIEGER - - RELEASED:

VOTED, That Robert Rieger be released from appointment as President of the Upper Amazon Mission, he having declined as he is now teaching Bible at Lynwood Academy.

BRIDGETT S. GREGORY--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Miss Bridgett S. Gregory, now a student at Andrews University, be placed under deferred appointment as a secondary Teacher for Kingsway High School at Kingsway, Jamaica, in the Inter-American Division; on the basis of a national returning.

DONALD LEE ANDERSON--DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Donald Lee Anderson, a son of Dr. Godfrey T. Anderson, who is a sophomore student at Loma Linda University, School of Medicine, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Trans-Africa Division.

JUDITH L. McDOWELL -- TAIPEI, TAIWAN:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union and Washington Conferences be requested to release Miss Judith L. McDowell, a church school Teacher, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as an elementary Teacher for Taipei, Taiwan.

CARL A. DENT, M.D. -- EAST NIGERIA:

VOTED, That Carl A. Dent, M.D., of Nashville, Tennessee, be appointed as the leader of the European Medical Relief Team to East Nigeria, for a period of three months; it being understood he plans to leave on December 29, 1968.

MERVYN MASON -- RHODESIA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern European Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for Mervyn Mason, of the Welsh Mission, to serve as Book Depository Manager in Rhodesia; on the basis of a national returning; the Northern European Division being requested to process the call.

RAIS MARX--RUSANGU:

VOTED, That the Canadian Union Conference and Canadian Union College be requested to release Rais Marx, presently Physical Science Teacher at Canadian Union College, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Physical Science Teacher at Rusangu, at the end of the current school year at Canadian Union College; on the basis of a national returning.

RICHARD RUHLING, M.D. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Richard Ruhling, M.D., be released from deferred appointment, since it is unlikely that he will be appointed to mission service in the fore-seeable future.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

Euel Atchley-Lake Union, Temperance Councils, Jan. 4-15, 1969; Northern Union, Temperance Councils, Jan. 30-Feb. 11, 1969; Central Union, Temperance Councils, February 12-23, 1969;

- W. R. Beach--Collegedale, Tennessee, speaking appointments at Southern Missionary College, March 13-15, 1969;
- R. R. Bietz--Washington, D.C. (from Glendale), General Conference Office, January 6, 7, 1969; East Coast, visit several universities in the East, January 8-10, 1969; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, American Association of Colleges, January 12-15, 1969; Washington, D.C., attend Committee meetings at General Conference, February 4-13, 1969; Washington, D.C., Spring Council and other meetings, March 20-April 6, 1969;
- O. A. Blake--Palm Springs, California, Union Presidents and North American Division Officers, January 30-February 2; Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood Board, March 17, 1969; Nashville, Tennessee, Riverside Board, March 18, 1969;

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- J. E. Edwards--Taunton, Massachusetts, Ingathering meeting of Southern New England Conference, December 13, 14; Oshawa, Ontario, Ingathering Editorial, December 15, 16; Green Bay, Wisconsin, Ingathering business, December 20, 21; Hinsdale, Illinois, Ingathering business, December 22;
- R. R. Figuhr--Pendleton, Oregon (from St. Helena, California), attend funeral of Clyde Harris, December 1, 1968;
- W. A. Howe--Lincoln, Nebraska, Central Union Board of Education, February 18; Sunnydale Academy, Evaluation Re-visitation, February 19; Enterprise Academy, Evaluation Re-visitation, February 20; Mile High Academy, Evaluation Re-visitation, February 21; Pacific Union, Evaluations and Re-visitation of Academies, February 22-March 29; Auburn, Washington, Re-visit Auburn Academy, March 30, 31, 1969; Sheyenne River Academy, Evaluation Re-visit, April 1; Grand Ledge Academy, Evaluation Re-visit, April 4;
- H. E. Rice--Atlanta, Georgia, South Atlantic Workers' Meeting, January 21, 1969; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board Meeting, January 24-28, 1969; Cincinnati, Ohio, Ohio Blue-Cross Board Meeting, January 31, 1969; Milo Sawvel--Canadian Union, Temperance Councils, February 1-28, 1969; Paul Smith--Michigan Conference, work with David Copsey in Stewardship at Langing office, December 17, 18;
- W. M. Starks--Kansas City, Missouri, Stewardship Workshop and Field Demonstration School, February 1-13, 1969;
- E. H. J. Steed--Atlantic Union, Temperance Councils, Feb. 14-23, 1969; Grand Ledge Academy, Week of Prayer, March 9-16, 1969;
- Ella M. Stoneburner--Northern New England Conference, Health Emphasis Program, February 1-14; Canadian Union, Welfare Federation meetings, April 1-30, 1969;
- E. W. Tarr--Estes Park and Denver, Colorado, Church Officers' Convention and Colorado Workers' Meeting, January 17-21, 1969 (en route to Far East); Maybelle Vandermark--Southwestern Union, Federations, April 1-30, 1969;
- R. F. Waddell, M.D.--Chicago, Illinois, Missionary Health Workshop, December 26, 27; Wheaton, Illinois, Fifth International Convention on Missionary Medicine, December 27-30; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board Meeting, January 27, 28, 1969;

Herbert White--North Pacific Union, Literature Evangelists' Institute, December 30-January 4;

Charles Wittschiebe--San Bernardino Church, Family Life Series Lectures, January 17, 18 (church will be responsible for his expenses in connection with this series).

R. L. ODOM AND RAOUL DEDEREN-EXTENSION OF ITINERARY IN SOUTH AMERICA:

R. L. Odom and Raoul Dederen are to be in South America for a Seminary Extension School from Dec. 20, 1968, to March 5, 1969. A request has been received from the South American Division that they be authorized on their return to the United States to visit Cuzco, Peru. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, it was-

VOTED, To authorize an extension of the itineraries of R. L. Odom and Raoul Dederen for ten days, to include a trip to Cuzco, Peru; the revised itineraries to be Dec. 20, 1968, to March 15, 1969.

Adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman D. H. Baasch, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary ***

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One Hundred Sixty-First Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 19, 1968, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, D. H. Baasch, Carson F. Adams, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, K. F. Ambs, W. P. Bradley, W. J. Brown, J. E. Edwards, K. H. Emmerson, A. A. Esteb, W. W. Fordham, R. R. Frame, T. S. Geraty, A. E. Gibb, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, R. R. Hegstad, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, C. B. Hirsch, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, Werber Johnson, J. C. Kozel, H. W. Lowe, D. A. McAdams, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, A. V. Pinkney, R. J. Radcliffe, M. H. Reeder, R. M. Reinhard, H. E. Rice, V. W. Schoen, F. A. Soper, W. M. Starks, E. H. J. Steed, I. V. Stonebrook, E. W. Tarr, R. F. Waddell, M.D., A. L. White, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

OTHERS PRESENT:

Willis M. Adams, Jr., Karl H. Bahr, C. D. Forshee, S. Kaplan, N.W.Litchfield, Philip S. Nelson, M.D., Ella May Stoneburner, Maybelle Vandermark

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Two paragraphs from <u>Testimonies for the Church</u>, Vol. 9, pages 286, 287, were read by M. V. Campbell, Chairman. In this quotation it refers to the homes for the pilgrims of earth, the robes for the righteous, with crowns of glory and palms of victory. Elder Campbell called attention to the statement that experiences which seemed to us at the time trying, in the new earth will not be thought of. All will fit into the picture and be a part of the life God ordered for us. In the days of eternity, as they roll on, the tide comes in and keeps on rolling. Eternity has no end. "One rich tide of happiness will flow and deepen as eternity rolls on." The quotation also states that "He has opened the gates of paradise to all who receive and believe on Him. He gives power to become the sons and daughters of God. Let the afflictions which pain us so grievously become instructive lessons, teaching us to press forward toward the mark of the prize of our high calling in Christ."

REPORTS:

With the statement that he is always happy to communicate the good news of what is happening as we reach the multitudes by radio and television, J. J. Aitken, Radio and Television Department Secretary, said that a leading newspaper of Sao Paulo, Brazil, has just given prominent coverage to the greatest evangelistic gathering in the history of the Adventist movement in Brazil. The occasion was the Voice of Prophecy radio group presentation by Elder H. M. S. Richards, accompanied by musical help from Del Delker, Brad and Olive Braley. Not only has this fine team inspired people with the good things Adventists are doing and our message of hope in Brazil, but all of South America has been blessed by their passage through the vast South American continent. Over 20,000 Seventh-day Adventists and friends gathered together for this important meeting. It is estimated that this group reached at least 75,000 people in South America with their personal appearances.

REPORTS (concluded):

At the same time that Elder Richards has been on tour with his radio team in South America, his son, Harold, Jr., has also been under the Southern Cross in another part of the world, the Far Eastern Division, with a mighty evangelistic program during October and November. It is estimated that Harold, Jr., with the Voice of Prophecy Quartet, reached over 96,000 people in their personal appearances. On one program alone from Tokyo, Japan, they were able to have a potential audience of over 11 million people. Above all, we thank God that in all of these meetings, covering 45 days and 28,000 miles, the final joyous result is that over 1,000 decisions were made for baptism as the Word of God was presented. Both the South American and the Far Eastern Divisions expressed their deepest appreciation for the General Conference authorization for this greater radio and television outreach around the world.

Elder Aitken spoke of his personal pleasure in receiving letters from Grand Forks, North Dakota, where he has just carried out an evangelistic Voice of Prophecy Crusade with Gordon and Phyllis Henderson in the Civic Auditorium. A lady has just written, expressing her deep appreciation to the General Conference and her joy in finding God's true Church. She, with others, are to be baptized December 21. The world is really waiting for our message. Let us thank God that we can still communicate it!

Miss Maybelle Vandermark, Lay Activities Department Assistant Secretary, reported the best week so far in this year's Ingathering campaign. \$1,104,730.00 was reported for the week ending December 14. This brings the total to \$5,005,342. This is about a quarter of a million dollars lower than reported for the same time in the campaign a year ago. If we have another report like this we will come out about equal to last year's accomplishment.

Canada is the only union which has reached its goal. The per capitas are interesting: Southwestern Union--\$18.12; Southern Union--\$17.96; Canadian Union--\$17.21. Pacific Union has the lowest per capita--\$6.75, less per member than last year. The over-all per capita at present is \$12.34, \$1.00 less per member than last year.

Individual conferences and churches are working very hard, and we have very encouraging news from them. The following cable from Pastor P. R. Lindstrom in Nigeria is typical:

"IFE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL CHURCH INGATHERING OVER GOAL 800 AMAZING BECAUSE OF CONDITIONS."

R. R. Hegstad introduced to the Committee Willis M. Adams, Jr., Pastor of the church in Rock Springs, Wyoming. Their church was over the Ingathering goal by Thanksgiving. He is one of those who have made the statistics look a little higher. Information was given by W. M. Adams that Willis M. Adams, who is his son, is in the fourth generation of Adventist preachers in the family.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 12, 1968, were approved.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS READING COMMITTEE--MEMBERSHIP:

Roy F. Cottrell has requested to be released as a member of the Sabbath School Lessons Reading Committee. On suggestion of the Sabbath School Department, it was--

VOTED, That L. M. Lewis, of Walla Walla College, be named to replace Roy F. Cottrell on the Sabbath School Lessons Reading Committee. It was further--

VOTED, That Daniel Ostuni, of the Buenos Aires Publishing House, be appointed as a member of the Sabbath School Lessons Reading Committee.

SPRING MEETING DATES:

At the conclusion of the North American Division Committee on Administration meeting held in Toronto, October 16, 1968, an action was taken requesting the General Conference Officers to arrange for two days in connection with the 1969 Spring Meeting, to give opportunity for further consideration of church and state problems; with the thought that these two days would be designated as a part of the total schedule of the Spring Meeting. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To record the dates of March 30 and 31, 1969, as additional dates for the Spring Meeting, to be devoted to this special North American Division Committee on Administration meeting on the question of church and state relations, and particularly of government grants. The opening hour will be 9 A.M., March 30.

REGIONAL QUADRENNIAL COUNCIL:

Authorization was given at the 1968 Autumn Council in Toronto for a Regional Quadrennial Council to be held in Daytona Beach, Florida, April 10-14, 1969. On request of the Regional Department, it was--

VOTED, To approve a change in the dates for the Regional Quadrennial Council from April 10-14, 1969, to April 7-10, beginning on the evening of April 7.

DEPARTMENTAL MEETINGS:

A report from the Committee on Attendance at Departmental Meetings, appointed by the General Conference Officers, was presented and with changes and additions accepted as follows:

- 1. North American Regional--April 7-10, 1969; place to be determined:
 O. A. Blake, G. N. Banks, F. L. Bland, W. P. Bradley, C. D. Brooks, E. E. Cleveland, W. W. Fordham, F. W. Hale, Jr., G. J. Millet, C. E. Moseley, Jr., A. V. Pinkney, L. B. Reynolds, N. G. Simons, H. D. Singleton, Neal C. Wilson, J. P. Winston; and one office secretary
- 2. Sabbath School Advisory Committee--March 19-21, 1969, Takoma Park, Maryland, Columbia Union College, Richards' Hall: J. J. Aitken, R. Curtis Barger, F. L. Bland, J. E. Edwards, D. W. Hunter, J. C. Kozel, Louise Meyer, G. R. Nash, Mary Ogle, Fernon Retzer, L. B. Reynolds, J. R. Spangler, Mrs. Mary Speidel

- 3. Public Relations Quadrennial Council--May 18-22, 1969, Pine Springs, California: Additional personnel: R. R. Bietz, R. H. Pierson, and Neal C. Wilson (all three men from Loma Linda to Pine Springs)
- 4. Publishing House Co-ordinating Committee--Mountain View, California, May 5-8, 1969 (study to be given to change of date to coincide with other meetings on the West Coast): W. R. Beach, R. R. Bietz, T. Carcich, K. H. Emmerson, D. A. McAdams, R. H. Pierson, Neal C. Wilson
- 5. Stewardship Workshop--January 12-16, 1969, Denver, Colorado: R. E. Osborn, Paul Smith, W. M. Starks, R. S. Watts
- 6. Radio Broadcasting Personnel--August 29-Sept. 4, 1969, Collegedale, Tennessee: F. L. Bland, J. J. Aitker ". R. L. Scragg
- 7. Quadrennial Council for Secondary Education, June 22-27, 1969, Loma Linda University--La Sierra Campus, Riverside, California: Department of Education staff: Charles B. Hirsch, W. J. Brown, A. O. Dart, T. S. Geraty, W. A. Howe, I. V. Stonebrook; Office Secretary; Union Secretaries of the Department of Education, North American Division; each Union to send one Local Conference Superintendent of the Department of Education, North American Division; available Secretaries of Education from Division fields; Principals of Secondary Schools, North American Division; R. E. Harris, Chairman of subcommittees on Secondary Bible Curriculum;

Secondary representatives on the Curriculum Revision Guidance Committee: Mrs. Sue Baker, English; Mr. Howard Birch, Modern Languages; Mrs. Edith Brost, Homemaking; Mr. James Cantey, Social Studies; Mr. G. B. Harper, Mathematics; Mr. William Jarvis, Health and Physical Education; Mrs. Virginia McKibben, Business Education; Mr. Don Maples, Industrial-Vocational Arts, Mr. Ron Reed, Science;

College and University secondary education personnel, North American Division, one from each;

For June 26 and 27 only--Chief accounting officers in addition to principals of secondary schools;

General Conference representatives: N. C. Wilson, D. W. Hunter, R. H. Pierson, a representative of the Insurance Department, a representative of the Public Relations Department, a representative of the White Estate; O. A. Blake, R. M. Davidson, and R. J. Radcliffe for the finance meetings, June 26 and 27;

Commission on Secondary Education;

University personnel for graduate education--W. H. Meier (Loma Linda University) and F. E. J. Harder (Andrews University);

One representative for each discipline for each union.

- Notes: 1. In order to hold down expenses it is suggested that wherever possible delegates might serve as curriculum representatives in certain disciplines in addition to major assignment.
 - 2. That these are permissive limits and not mandatory. Each union is free to appoint delegates up to suggested limits.

E. T. BURLEY--SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to E. T. Burley, an employee in ESDA on the West Coast, a call to connect with the Southern Union Conference as Auditor.

LEIF KR. TOBIASSEN--PERMANENT RETURN:

On request of Leif Kr. Tobiassen, a Professor of History and Political Science at Andrews University, for a permanent return to Norway, and in harmony with a recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To approve the permanent return of Leif Kr. Tobiassen to his homeland Norway, at General Conference expense, with the understanding that he will be retired in harmony with the provision in paragraph 48 of the Sustentation Policy (1966 Working Policy).

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BASIC LIBRARY FUND -- SUBSIDIES:

On recommendation of the Spirit of Prophecy Committee, it was--

VOTED, To authorize Subsidies from the Spirit of Prophecy Basic Library Fund as requested by the following divisions, with the understanding that the divisions concerned will contribute equivalent amounts in harmony with the policy:

Australasian Division--<u>Steps to Christ</u>, Pidgin English, Edition 5,000, \$320; Southern Asia Division--<u>Education</u>, Urdu, Edition 1,000, 324 pages, \$810.

MAX MARTINEZ -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Max Martinez from Venezuela, for health reasons, he having served a full term; effective Nov. 1, 1968; in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

MRS. ETHEL S. KOTZ AND SIEGFRIED A. KOTZ, JR.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Mrs. Ethel S. Kotz, and Siegfried A. Kotz, Jr., from the Australasian Division, at their request; in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

JAMES D. UNGER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of James D. Unger, a Teacher in the Trans-Africa Division, for personal reasons; effective in January, 1969; in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

CHARLES LEONARD LUTZ -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That Charles Leonard Lutz, a sophomore student in the Loma Linda University, School of Dentistry, be placed under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

BOYD LUWAYNE STOUT -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That Boyd Luwayne Stout, a junior dental student at Loyola University, Chicago, be placed under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

DALE LEROY MORRISON -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Dale Leroy Morrison, a sophomore student at Loma Linda University, School of Medicine, be placed under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

MAVIS ORR -- PERMANENT RETURN RESCINDED:

VOTED, That the permanent return authorized for Miss Mavis Orr from the Trans-Africa Division to the Australasian Division, August 1, 1968, be rescinded; since she now plans to return to the Trans-Africa Division after furlough and study leave.

JEROME FREDKICKSON--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Jerome Fredrickson be released from the call to the Yele school in Sierra Leone, he having declined for personal reasons.

JOHN H. LEARY, M.D. -- BANGKOK SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That John H. Leary, M.D., be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division to serve on a three-months' relief appointment in the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital, Thailand; commencing the end of January, 1969.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

Euel Atchley--Lake Union Conference, Church Temperance Secretaries' Councils, January 4-14;

- R. R. Bietz--Mountain View, California, Pacific Press business, December 23, 24;
- W. J. Brown--Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, St. Lawrence Mission Workers' Meeting, March 8, 9; New Brunswick, Maritime Conference Workers' Meeting, March 10-12; Newfoundland, Newfoundland Workers' Meeting, March 14, 15; Willow-dale, Ontario, Branson Hospital Week of Prayer, March 16-22;
- W. A. Higgins--Daytona Beach, Florida, Literature Evangelists' Convention, January 3, 4;
- R. H. Hill--Glendale and Los Angeles, California, Insurance business at White Memorial and Glendale Adventist Hospital, January 21-February 6 (in connection with Annual West Coast Office Board Meeting);
- R. J. Radcliffe--Dallas, Texas, Financial Survey of Southwest Regional Conference, February 4; Chicago, Illinois, Financial Survey of Lake Region Conference, February 20, 21; Kansas City, Missouri, Financial Survey of Central States Conference, February 23; Columbus, Ohio, Financial Survey of Allegheny West Conference, March 12;
- H. E. Rice--Collegedale, Tennessee, address seniors and student group at Senior Recognition, February 20;

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- R. M. Ritland (Geoscience) -- South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Atlantic Union College Lecture Series Forum Chapter Meetings, February 21, 22, and 24, 25;
- I. V. Stonebrook--Andrews University, Work Conference for SDA Superintendents and Supervisors, March 9-13; Chicago, Illinois, Association for Supervisors and Curriculum Development, March 16-20;
- G. E. Vandeman--Northern and Central California Conferences, launching TV "It Is Written" program, January 24-26;
- R. F. Waddell--Greenwich, Connecticut, Christian Medical Council, December 20, 1968;
- N. C. Wilson--Andrews University, Harris Pine Mills, Loma Linda Board, Voice of Prophecy Meetings, Union Presidents' Meeting, January 19-February 5.

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

M. V. Campbell, Chairman D. H. Baasch, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

December 26, 1968, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

M. V. Campbell, W. P. Bradley, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, Euel Atchley, W. J. Brown, J. E. Edwards, K. H. Emmerson, A. A. Esteb, R. R. Frame, A. Edwin Gibb, R. R. Hegstad, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Howe, M. E. Kemmerer, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, D. A. McAdams, Lawrence M. Nelson, C. E. Palmer, J. W. Pecke, M. H. Reeder, H. E. Rice, V. W. Schoen, F. A. Soper, E. W. Tarr, R. F. Waddell, M.D., A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl H. Bahr, N. W. Litchfield

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

The Chairman, M. V. Campbell, said that not all the Psalms in the Bible are in the book of Psalms. He referred to the 12th chapter of Isaiah as one of the finest Psalms to be found anywhere in the Bible. He read the chapter. Commenting on verse 4, he told of the astronauts who while circling the moon read the story of creation as given in Genesis 1. It gave him pleasure to hear those words telling of the power and wisdom of the Creator, rather than the power of man. This materialistic generation in which we live does not usually give much praise to God.

Elder Campbell said that as a boy when crossing the Atlantic Ocean during World War I, he went second class. At that time he was told by his father there is a way in which you can go first class through life, and it is given in Isaiah 12: 2--"I will trust, and not be afraid." Elder Campbell said throughout his life he has not lost an hour of sleep because of worry. There is no need of worrying because the Lord invites us to cast our cares upon Him.

Opening prayer by A. A. Esteb.

REPORT:

The North American Ingathering report was presented by V. W. Schoen, Lay Activities Department Associate Secretary. He said this is another thrilling account of the work of God's people. The last week's achievement of \$947,740.41 was the third largest during this year's Ingathering Crusade, and a quarter million larger than a year ago for the same week. Because of this outstanding success the grand total for the sixth report adds up to \$5,953,082.89. This gives us an average close to a million for each report.

Thirty-five of the sixty-one conferences in North America reported larger achievements than a year ago, and four of the unions--Canada, Central, Lake, and North Pacific, are also ahead of their last year's accomplishments for the sixth report. So far eight of the local fields have become Silver Vanguard Conferences, and four of the conferences--Michigan, Potomac, Florida, and Southern California, have gone far beyond the \$200,000.00 mark.

The Oxford Church in Michigan became a Double Vanguard Church last week, with \$55.25 per capita.

With God's help we are going to make it again!

APPRECIATION:

VOTED, To record a statement of appreciation to our administrators, departmental leaders, our pastors, members, and youth for what they have done in the 1968-1969 Ingathering Crusade.

MINUTES of the meeting held December 19, 1968, were approved.

LARGE PRINT BOOKS:

In view of the need of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., for assistance in printing E. G. White books of a doctrinal character in large type for the benefit of those who have difficulty in reading smaller type, and the Spirit of Prophecy Committee having requested counsel regarding the advisability of granting subsidies for the publishing of large print books, it was--

VOTED, That the Spirit of Prophecy Committee be advised that there is no objection to granting subsidies for the printing of E. G. White books of a doctrinal character in large type for the benefit of those who have difficulty in reading smaller type. The subsidies should be the same as for foreign language E. G. White books. Further, the E. G. White Trustees should give counsel on the selection of each book.

VINSTON ADAMS --

NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE:

An application for sustentation has been received from Vinston Adams, who recently returned from the Inter-American Division with a physical disability. He has given thirty-seven years of service to the denomination.

VOTED, That the name of Vinston Adams be referred to the Sustentation Committee with the recommendation that it be given favorable consideration.

UPPER COLUMBIA CONFERENCE DONATION:

The Upper Columbia Conference has offered to donate to the General Conference the woodworking industry at the Upper Columbia Academy. The equipment and supplies of this industry amount to approximately \$75,000.00.

VOTED, That we accept the gift of the Upper Columbia Conference Committee covering the woodworking industry at Upper Columbia Academy, authorizing and directing the President and Secretary of the General Conference to accept the gift of the equipment and supplies listed on its bill of sale to the General Conference under date of November 25, 1968 (see correspondence on file in the Treasury office). It was further--

VOTED, That the appropriate Officers of the General Conference be authorized, empowered, and instructed to make, execute, and deliver to Harris Pine Mills a Bill of Sale, itemizing the property at fair market value to be delivered to

Harris Pine Mills as contributed capital in the total amount of the fair market value of all such property in behalf of the General Conference as sole stockholder of Harris Pine Mills. It was further--

VOTED, That an expression of appreciation be given to the Upper Columbia Conference for the equipment and supplies from the Upper Columbia Academy furniture industry amounting to \$74,760.36.plus.

THIRD QUARTER THIRTEENTH SABBATH OVERFLOW OFFERING, 1970:

Attention was called to the fact that at the recent Autumn Council the Third Quarter Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering for 1970 was listed for the Southern Asia Division. However, on August 12, 1965, when the Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offerings were outlined for 1969, 1970, and 1971, the Southern European Division was listed for the third quarter. It is apparent that an error crept in when the list was presented and voted at the 1968 Autumn Council.

VOTED, That we take action nullifying the Third Quarter Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering for 1970 for the Southern Asia Division, and that instead it be recorded as allotted to the Southern European Division.

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION -- AUDITOR:

On recommendation of the Southern Asia Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the Southern Asia Division Treasurer, B. H. Stickle, be elected to serve also as Division Auditor.

E. E. BIETZ--

RESIGNATION AS TEMPERANCE SECRETARY SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION:

Information having been received from the South American Division that E. E. Bietz has resigned as Temperance Secretary, it was--

VOTED, To accept the resignation of E. E. Bietz as Temperance Secretary of the South American Division.

R. E. ADAMS -- SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION TEMPERANCE SECRETARY:

On recommendation of the South American Division, the General Conference Officers having concurred, it was--

VOTED, That R. E. Adams be elected as Temperance Secretary for the South American Division.

RODOLPHO BELZ -- SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION FIELD SECRETARY:

On recommendation of the South American Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That Rodolpho Belz, now President of the East Brazil Union Mission, be elected as Field Secretary for the South American Division.

AUSTRALASIAN DIVISION -AUTHORIZATION OF BANK SIGNATURES:

On recommendation of the Australasian Division, it was--

Resolved, That the Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, be, and hereby is, authorized to recognize the signatures of K. H. Emmerson, Treasurer, and/or O. A. Blake, Undertreasurer, and/or L. L. Butler, and/or A. H. Forbes, for the account which is in the name of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, No. 910-1-124742X, Australasian Division, to sign or make all or any changes and orders for the payment of money. All prior authorizations for this account are hereby annulled and canceled.

VERDA FOSTER -- ATLANTIC UNION COLLECE:

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda University a call from the Atlantic Union Conference for Miss Verda Foster, of the Nursing Department at LLU, to connect with Atlantic Union College as Assistant Professor of Nursing.

DeWITT YOUNG--KETTERING MEDICAL CENTER:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association a call from the Columbia Union Conference for DeWitt Young, to connect with Kettering Medical Center as a Painter in the Engineering Department.

MRS. PATRICIA BOND -- GLENDALE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Voice of Prophecy Board a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Mrs. Patricia Bond, to connect with the Southern California Conference as Secretary in the Glendale Adventist Hospital.

SYLVIA MARSH--SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call from the Southern Union Conference for Sylvia Marsh, to connect with Southern Missionary College as Professor of Nutrition.

R. E. ANDERSON--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of R. E. Anderson, Manager of the Middle East Press, at his request, for personal reasons, he having served eleven years in the field; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Middle East Division.

RICHARD L. FENN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permament return of Richard L. Fenn from the Middle East College, at his request, for personal reasons, effective in May, 1969; in harmony with the recommendation of the Middle East Division.

IVAN C. PEACOCK--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Ivan C. Peacock from Teheran, at his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Middle East Division.

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

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Merlin G. Anderson, Jr., M.D., who has been connected with the Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on his request to take further studies; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.

JOSEPH ARCHER -- DEFERRED APPOINTMENT:

VOTED, That Joseph Archer, of Brooklyn, New York, be placed under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division as District Pastor for the Caribbean Union Conference; on the basis of a national.

ZANIRA LEITZKE--SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION OFFICE:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Zanira Leitzke, of the General Conference Insurance Department, a renewed call from the South American Division for her to serve as Portuguese Language Secretary in the South American Division office; returning on the basis of a national.

HAROLD N. SHEFFIELD, M.D., D.O. -- LIBYA:

VOTED, That Harold N. Sheffield, M.D., D.O., of Santa Ana, California, be invited to connect with the Middle East Division as a Physician for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital in Libya; effective in the Summer of 1969.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

W. J. Brown--College Heights, Alberta, Canadian Union College Board, February 9-11; Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Manitoba-Saskatchewan audit and Workers' Meeting, February 12-14; Calgary, Alberta, Alberta audit and Workers' Meeting, February 14-17; Sidney, British Columbia, Rest Haven Meeting, February 18; Mission City, British Columbia, British Columbia audit and Workers' Meeting, February 19-22, 1969;

Paul DeBooy--Kettering, Ohio, MV Program at Kettering School of Nursing, January 16-18; Collegedale, Tennessee, Eastern Section of College MV Officers' Seminar, April 23-26, 1969;

- K. H. Emmerson-Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Board; Portland, Oregon, Harris Pine Mills Board, January 17-February 2; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Board; Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy Board;
- C. E. Guenther--Pacific Union, Laymen's Meeting and Conference appointments, January 30-February 19;

John Hancock--Collegedale, Tennessee, Eastern Section of College MV Officers' Seminar, April 23-26, 1969;

Mazie Herin--Collegedale, Tennessee, Nursing Education program at Southern Missionary College, February 7-10; Kettering, Ohio, Workshop for head nurses at Kettering Hospital, February 16-20; Hinsdale, Illinois, consultation with administration and restudy nursing service program at Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, February 20-26, 1969;

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- C. B. Hirsch--Berrien Springs, Michigan, and Loma Linda, California, Andrews University Board, Loma Linda University Board and Committees, January 19-30, 1969;
- M. H. Reeder--Central Union, Public Relations Workshops for Local Press Secretaries, January 22-February 8;
- H. E. Rice--New Orleans, Louisiana, Executive Committee of SDA Hospital Association in conjunction with Protestant Hospital Association, January 14-16, 1969;

Kenneth Stewart--West Virginia Conference, Ohio Conference, Mount Vernon Academy, Loma Linda Foods, Dayton Junior Academy, Kettering Hospital, Allegheny West Conference. Insurance Business and Workers' Meetings, January 5-11, 1969;

R. F. Waddell, M.D.--New Orleans, Louisiana, Executive Committee of SDA Hospital Association in conjunction with Protestant Hospital Association, January 14-16, 1969.

PUBLISHING HOUSE COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Authorization was voted at the 1968 Autumn Council for the Publishing House Coordinating Committee to be held at Mountain View, California, May 5-8, 1969. A number of the members will be in that area a little time before the dates given. In order to establish better connection for those to attend, it was--

VOTED, That the Publishing House Coordinating Committee be held May 8, 9, 11, and 12.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE--KATHLEEN ZOLBER MFMBER:

Mrs. Ruth Little who has served for some time as a member of the Health Department Advisory Committee has resigned. It was--

VOTED, That Miss Kathleen Zolber, now Director of Dietetic Services and Dietetic Education for the Loma Linda Campus of Loma Linda University, be named as a member of the Health Department Advisory Committee.

Adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

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