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## SPRING MEETING

One Hundred Seventy-Sixth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 1, 1969, 9:30 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

R. H. Pierson, W. R. Beach, W. Melvin Adams, James J. Aitken, G. T. Anderson, R. Allan Anderson, E. H. Atchley, R. Curtis Barger, David J. Bieber, R.R. Bietz, W. J. Blacker, O. A. Blake, F. L. Bland, Leonard F. Bohner, J. W. Bothe, W.P. Bradley, M. V. Campbell, Theodore Carcich, R. L. Cone, E. E. Cossentine, C. G. Cross, John A. Davis, M.D., J. L. Dittberner, E. W. Dunbar, J. E. Edwards, K. H. Emmerson, W. A. Fagal, R. R. Frame, Clyde O. Franz, V. E. Garber, Edwin Gibb, Jesse O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, Willis J. Hackett, C. D. Henri, M. Carol Hetzell, Charles B. Hirsch, D. W. Hunter, E. W. Howse, George A. Huse,

I. H. Ihrig, D. S. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, Caris H. Lauda, B. E. Leach, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, C. D. Martin, O. O. Mattison, D. A. McAdams, F. R. Millard, C. E. Moseley, Jr., Charles J. Nagele, G. R. Nash, L. M. Nelson, R. H. Nightingale, Robert E. Osborn, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, A. V. Pinkney, C. E. Randolph, M.D., Marvin H. Reeder, L. B. Reynolds, Frank E. Rice, H. E. Rice,

Cree Sandefur, Milo C. Sawvel, H. H. Schmidt, W. M. Schneider, V. W. Schoen, Walter R.L. Scragg, James V. Scully, J. Russell Shawver, H. D. Singleton, Francis A. Soper, Chris P. Sorensen, E.H.J. Steed, I. V. Stonebrook, Ralph F. Waddell, M.D., E. R. Walde, C. D. Watson, Ralph S. Watts, F. W. Wernick, K. H. Wood

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, Philip S. Nelson, M.D., Stanton Parker

## DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

F. L. Bland, Chairman, led in singing to open the meeting, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

C. Dunbar Henri, Pastor of the Atlanta, Georgia, church, offered prayer, giving thanks especially for the restoration of D. S. Johnson to health and his presence with us; also for travel mercies.

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Theodore Lucas, Secretary of the YPMV Department, referred to the second chapter of Acts which describes the birthday of the Christian Church. The incident is called Pentecost. The mother of Jesus was there. The brothers of Jesus were present. The first disciples with the exception of Judas were there. They were met together in prayer, each with his memories of the Lord Jesus-- how He lived, how He died, how He rose. Suddenly the room was filled with a mighty wind and individual tongues of flame sat upon the head of each person present. Each disciple had his own inner experience of Christ. Each individual here has his own inner experience in Christ. But it is more than that. It is a group experience as well. What we do here must be like a mighty wind that fills the whole house--the whole house of the church.

Christ comes to the Christian as he worships in a group, as he shares the Christian life with others, as he joins in praise with others. There is no such thing as a solitary Christian. A person is a Christian within a community. That community is the Church. Christians in groups can be more idealistic than those same Christians as individuals. The only way a Christian can grow is by relationship--by sharing one's faith. Each of us has the necessary function within the church, no matter how lowly.

We have come here this morning in the very beginning of the Spring Meeting. We are a part of that ever-widening fellowship of believers, sharing as did His disciples in the sublime mystery and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. We come here because we have been set aside for a special duty. We cannot perform this duty without first coming to our Lord and Saviour. We come because in simple and personal humility we want to walk in the road pressed by His own bleeding feet.

The world knows not our secret. It scorns the cross. It ridicules our way of life. The children of this world would win their victories by the cheap and tawdry devices of self-seeking and selfishness that is the low road. To walk with Jesus, to believe in the words that He gave, to have His approbation upon our lives, to find our reward in the fuller and richer life He gives to those who are His own--that is the high road.

The love of Christ levels our petty, human distinctions. In this place today, we respect the dignity of human personality, and try to come as close as possible to faultless work. Through this experience of the Spring Meeting we should rise to the heights of godlikeness. It is our undeniable duty here before we begin the substance of our work to pledge ourselves to fight and to suffer and to yield our lives that our world may once again hear His voice, heed His call, that He may come soon with His kingdom. Here we are challenged to meet this hour victoriously. We are responsible for the destiny of the Church which has seen fit to design each of our lives in a way so that we have become eligible to be here.

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G. A. Huse, retired worker, formerly Publishing Department Secretary, led in the closing prayer for the devotional service.

At 10 A.M. F. L. Bland called the first business meeting.

The Agendas for the Spring Meeting were distributed; also copies of the revised Working Policy.

Registration cards were completed.

#### NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED:

The Secretary, W. R. Beach, read the names of those who have been elected members of the General Conference Committee since the 1968 Autumn Council. He requested those present to stand. The following named persons were present and were welcomed:

John A. Davis, M.D., of Denver, Colorado  
 C. D. Henri, of Atlanta, Georgia  
 Ronald R. Lain, M.D., of Ontario, Canada  
 F. E. Rice, of National City, California  
 W. M. Schneider, of Colliedale, Tennessee  
 J. R. Shawver, of Dayton, Ohio

Included among those welcomed was C. D. Watson, who has recently come to join the General Conference staff as an Associate Secretary in the Temperance Department. He has served as a member of the General Conference Committee, previously as a departmental secretary in the Northern European Division, and more recently as President of the Ethiopian Union Mission.

#### TREASURY REPORTS:

The Treasury Reports for the Spring Meeting of 1969 were distributed.

On request of the Treasurer, K. H. Emmerson, the Undertreasurer, O. A. Blake, presented leading facts from the Treasury Reports.

He presented the Balance Sheets, Statements of Operations, and Retained Net Worth for the twelve months ended December 31, 1968, for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; also the Financial Statements for the Sustentation Fund and Investment Fund. The Balance Sheets, Statements of Operations, and Retained Net Worth for the twelve months ended December 31, 1968, for the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists were presented; also for the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists. The Auditor's Statements also were read. A statement concerning the North American Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists was also presented.

VOTED, To accept the 1968 Treasury Reports for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Financial Statements for the Sustentation Fund



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and the Investment Fund, the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, the Auditor's Statements; also the statement concerning the North American Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, as follows:

(Please see the following pages.)

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

SUSTENTATION FUND

INVESTMENT FUND

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE CORPORATION

TREASURY REPORT

FOR THE

SPRING COUNCIL OF 1969

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Takoma Park, D. C.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Consolidated Balance Sheet  
31 December 1968

Exhibit AASSETSCurrent Assets:

S-11	Cash and Banks	1,316,976.70	
S-12	Bonds and Securities	<u>28,460,541.95</u>	
	Total Cash, Banks & Securities		29,777,518.65
S-13	Accounts Receivable	8,136,884.64	
S-14	Notes and Loans Receivable	699,438.12	
S-15	Inventories	220,930.88	
S-16	Prepaid Expense	19,268.14	
S-17	Deposits	<u>3,370.35</u>	
	Total Other Current Assets		<u>9,079,892.13</u>
	Total Current Assets		38,857,410.78

Other Assets:

S-21	Long Term Receivables		<u>6,040,012.48</u>
	TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>44,897,423.26</u></u>

LIABILITIESCurrent Liabilities:

S-41	Accounts Payable	7,582,942.35	
S-44	Trust Funds	4,399,429.27	
S-45	Deferred Income	<u>33,867.20</u>	
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		12,016,238.82

NET WORTHRegular Net Worth:

	Balance 1 January 1968	11,171,080.23	
	Increase during year	<u>507,715.62</u>	
	Regular Net Worth 31 Dec 68		11,678,795.85

Net Worth Reserves:

S-66	Balance 1 January 1968	21,913,447.83	
	Decrease during year	<u>711,059.24</u>	
	Total Reserves 31 Dec 68		<u>21,202,388.59</u>
	Total Net Worth		<u>32,881,184.44</u>
	TOTAL NET WORTH AND LIABILITIES		<u><u>44,897,423.26</u></u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
31 December 1968

Exhibit BStatement of Financial Position

Total Cash, Banks and Investments per Balance Sheet	29,777,518.65	
Plus: Accrued Accts. Receivable in Transit	<u>7,019,911.43</u>	36,797,430.08
Provision for the following:		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	7,582,942.35	
Trust Funds	4,399,429.27	
Deferred Income	<u>33,867.20</u>	
	12,016,238.82	
Net Worth Reserves	<u>21,202,388.59</u>	
Total Commitments		<u>33,218,627.41</u>
Remaining Balance of Cash, Banks and Investments		3,578,802.67
Other Current Assets:		
Accounts Receivable	1,116,973.21	
Notes and Loans Receivable	424,438.12	
Inventories	220,930.88	
Prepaid Expense	19,268.14	
Deposits	<u>3,370.35</u>	
Total Current Assets		<u>1,784,980.70</u>
Other Assets: LLU Loan Receivable		5,363,783.37
Total Operating Capital		<u>6,315,012.48</u>
		<u>11,678,795.85</u>

Actual and Required Operating CapitalActual:

Total Assets	44,897,423.26	
Less: Total Liabilities	<u>12,016,238.82</u>	
	32,881,184.44	
Less: Net Worth Reserves	<u>21,202,388.59</u>	
Actual Operating Capital		11,678,795.85

Required:

20% of 1968 Appropriations and Operating Expenses \$49,215,509.76		<u>9,843,101.95</u>
Actual Operating Capital EXCEEDS Required Amount by		<u>1,835,693.90</u>

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth  
 Year Ended 31 December 1968

Exhibit C

## INCOME

Tithe:

## North America:

Union Conference 1%	794,794.41	
Local Conference Percentage	15,680,606.92	
Special Percent for Exchange	10,754,488.65	
Miscellaneous	<u>73,291.21</u>	
		27,303,181.19

## Overseas Divisions:

Regular 1%	<u>271,015.29</u>	
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## Total Tithe

27,574,196.48

Mission Offerings:

## North America:

Dollar-A-Week Funds less		
Ingathering	10,932,274.60	
Ingathering, G.C. Share	3,170,123.68	
Ingathering, Unions Share	<u>3,484,790.56</u>	
		17,587,188.84

Specific Foreign Missions	159,858.54	
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Miscellaneous Missions	<u>31,017.24</u>	
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17,778,064.62

## Overseas Divisions:

Revertible	3,203,013.95	
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Non-revertible	<u>4,088,064.44</u>	
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7,291,078.39

## Total Mission Offerings

25,069,143.01

Miscellaneous Income:

Securities Interest and Dividends	1,605,094.55	
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Bank and Loan Interest	19,383.76	
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Legacies and Matured Annuities	257,436.43	
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Commissions and Discounts	7,633.20	
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Royalties	42,185.47	
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Miscellaneous	<u>3,268.33</u>	
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## Total Miscellaneous Income

1,935,001.74

Total Operating Income

54,573,341.23

Total Operating Expenses

49,215,509.76

Operating Gain

5,362,831.47

Exhibit C,  
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth  
Year Ended 31 December 1968

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EXPENSES

General Operating Expenses:

Department Expenses		
Salaries	1,695,098.79	
Subsidies	523,334.82	
Travel	640,769.66	
General	<u>475,316.13</u>	
Total	3,334,519.40	
Less Departmental Income	<u>705,456.69</u>	
Net Departmental Expense		2,629,062.71

Administrative Expenses:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield	45,727.75	
Book & Equipment Allowance	8,338.79	
Cables and Telegrams	3,058.77	
Cafeteria Loss	22,540.81	
Entertainment	26,693.16	
Funeral Allowance	392.50	
General Expense	16,561.65	
Heating	15,176.03	
Insurance	49,010.75	
Legal	5,000.00	
Light and Power	15,193.49	
Luggage Allowance	2,375.00	
Medical Allowance	72,208.69	
Medicare	708.00	
Rent	121,000.00	
Scholarship Grants	28,127.55	
Social Security	49,776.65	
Social Welfare	392.48	
Station Wagon	2,516.82	
Utility Allowance	12,204.96	
Yearbook	<u>9,600.04</u>	
		<u>506,603.89</u>
		3,135,666.60
Total Appropriations		<u>46,079,843.16</u>
Total Operation Expense		<u>49,215,509.76</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth  
 Year Ended 31 December 1968

Exhibit C,  
 (cont'd)

EXPENSES

Appropriations:

Regular:

Overseas:

Regular	18,331,378.46		
Missions Extension	106,169.01		
Spring in Tithes & Offerings	533,134.76		
Specific Mission Offerings	<u>159,858.54</u>	19,130,540.77	

North American Division:

Regular	5,542,663.35		
North American Missions	<u>239,250.00</u>	<u>5,781,913.35</u>	

24,912,454.12

Revertible:

Overseas:

Ingathering and Missions Ext.		3,203,013.95	
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North American Division:

Ingathering and Missions Ext	90,142.03		
Giveback (1.4%)	2,158,984.27		
Ingathering Overflow Rever.	3,484,790.56		
Special Percent of Tithe	<u>10,754,488.65</u>	<u>16,488,405.51</u>	19,691,419.46

Miscellaneous and Fixed:

Overseas:

Appointee Expense	33,516.11		
Missions Ext. Overflow	11,658.10		
Permanent Returned Workers	103,493.48		
Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow	<u>420,063.44</u>	568,731.13	

North American Division:

Books for Public Libraries	184.72		
Contingency Fund	11,500.00		
Donations	23,637.50		
Emergency Fund	50,000.00		
INFORMANT Magazine	3,367.21		
Ingath. Promotion & Supplies	406,873.83		
KIT	3,000.00		
Servicemen's Cong. Overseas	194.75		
Sustentation Fund Approp.	<u>196,627.69</u>	695,385.70	

General:

Autumn Council	31,730.03		
Bible Research	609.90		
Contingency Fund	3,107.81		
Defense Literature	2,892.28		
Donations	7,100.00		
Emergency Fund	43,600.00		
MINISTRY	6,567.45		
Offerings Promotion	44,081.57		
RAH Quarterly Color Issue	10,670.85		
Seminary Extension Travel Fund	1,274.32		
Spring Council	3,040.13		
Student Missionary Expense	12.00		
Travel, Miscellaneous	7,727.91		
Worker Retirement and Transfer	<u>49,438.50</u>	<u>211,852.75</u>	<u>1,475,969.58</u>

46,079,843.16





## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

31 December 1968

<u>Schedule 1 - Bonds and Securities</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Market Over or (Under) Cost</u>
Government Bonds (US & Canadian)	3,908,974.60	3,573,969.50	(335,005.10)
Savings & Loan Ass'ns (Calif.)	85,000.00	85,000.00	
Savings & Loan Ass'ns (Cert. of Dep.)	90,000.00	90,000.00	
Bank Certificates of Deposit (Insured)	360,000.00	360,000.00	
Financial and Industrial Notes	347,469.90	347,469.90	
GC Investment Fund (193,826.62 Units)	19,352,332.40	19,663,516.77	311,184.37
GC Income Fund (40,826.27 Units)	4,164,250.05	4,502,459.86	338,209.81
Preferred Stock	<u>152,515.00</u>	<u>152,515.00</u>	
	<u>28,460,541.95</u>	<u>28,774,931.03</u>	<u>314,389.08</u>

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
**TAKOMA PARK, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20012**

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To the Members of the Executive Committee  
 General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists General Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the related Statement of Income and Expense and Analysis of Retained Net Worth for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, as staff auditors of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the accompanying Balance Sheet of the General Fund and notes appended thereto, showing a total Net Worth of \$32,881,184.44 and the related Statement of Income and Expense and Analysis of Retained Net Worth, present fairly the financial position of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists at December 31, 1968, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of preceding years, and in harmony with the applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
 Auditor  
 General Conference of  
 Seventh-day Adventists

Washington, D. C.  
 March 31, 1969

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

SUSTENTATION FUND

TREASURY REPORT  
FOR THE  
SPRING COUNCIL OF 1969

APRIL 1 - 3  
TAKOMA PARK, D. C.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Sustentation and Retirement Funds

Funded Balance Sheet

31 December 1968

ASSETS

Regular Sustentation Fund

Cash and Bank		74,353.59
Investments at Cost		14,392,377.53
(Market Value \$15,179,515.34)		
Accounts Receivable Accrued - In Transit		766,547.46
Due from - General Conference	262,322.54	
Hospital Retirement		
Fund	6,865.95	
Publishing House Fund	<u>51,691.58</u>	<u>320,880.07</u>

Total Regular Sustentation Fund 15,554,658.65

Hospital Retirement Fund

Investments at cost		1,874,696.47
(Market value \$1,979,927.95)		
Accounts Receivable Accrued - In Transit		<u>82,126.12</u>

Total Hospital Retirement Fund 1,956,822.59

Publishing House Sustentation Fund

Investments at cost		272,457.34
(Market Value \$288,094.87)		
Accounts Receivable		
Accrued - In Transit	394.80	
Southern Publishing Association	<u>54,125.00</u>	<u>54,519.80</u>

Total Publishing House Sustentation Fund 326,977.14

Special Retirement Fund

Cash and Bank		4,940.87
Investments at Cost		32,160.63
(Market Value \$31,960.13)		

Total Special Retirement Fund 37,101.50

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Sustentation and Retirement Funds

Funded Balance Sheet

31 December 1968

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

Regular Sustentation Fund

General Conference Corporation	123.81	
Unredeemed Checks	<u>86.00</u>	
Total Liabilities		209.31

Fund Balance

Regular Sustentation Fund

Balance	15,529,448.84	
Disability Reserve	<u>25,000.00</u>	
Total Fund Balance		<u>15,554,448.84</u>

Total Regular Sustentation Fund. 15,554,658.65

Hospital Retirement Fund

Due to Regular Sustentation Fund	6,865.95	
Hospital Retirement Fund		
Balance	<u>1,949,956.64</u>	

Total Hospital Retirement Fund 1,956,822.59

Publishing House Sustentation Fund

Due to Regular Sustentation Fund	51,691.58	
Publishing House Sustentation Fund		
Balance	<u>275,285.56</u>	

Total Publishing House Sustentation Fund 326,977.14

Special Retirement Fund

Special Retirement Fund Balance	<u>37,101.50</u>	
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Total Special Retirement Fund 37,101.50

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Regular Sustentation Fund

Statement of Income and Expense

For the Year Ended 31 December 1968

<u>Operating Income</u>		
Sustentation Receipts	6,941,077.79	
Earned Income from Investments	<u>574,976.38</u>	
Total Operating Income		7,516,054.17
<u>Operating Expense</u>		
Regular Payments	5,377,006.42	
Child Allowance	52,860.39	
Disability Expense	11,200.00	
Medical Allowance	538,034.49	
Medicare Payments	124,475.64	
Administrative	43,252.91	
Office and Mailing	<u>6,570.53</u>	
Total Operating Expense		<u>6,153,400.38</u>
Operating Gain		1,362,653.79
<u>Non-Operating Income and Expense</u>		
Gains on Security Sales	230,977.29	
Returns from Beneficiaries	<u>14,775.08</u>	
Total Non-Operating Income		245,752.37
Less: L.L.U. Special Retirement Settlement		<u>11,000.00</u>
Net Non-Operating Income		<u>234,752.37</u>
Gain Before Transfers		1,597,406.16
<u>Transfers</u>		
To Hospital Retirement Fund	1,606,254.20	
To Publishing House Sustentation Fund	<u>257,081.00</u>	
Total Transfers		<u>1,863,335.20</u>
Net Decrease in Fund Balance		<u>(265,929.04)</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Hospital Retirement Fund

Statement of Income and Expense

For the Year Ended 31 December 1968

Operating Income

Sustentation Received from Medical Institutions	1,294,617.02	
Earned Income from General Conference Investment and Income Funds	<u>72,884.62</u>	
Total Operating Income		1,367,501.64

Operating Expense

Regular Payments	925,869.75	
Child Allowance	9,102.05	
Medical Allowances	92,644.45	
Medicare Payments	21,433.52	
Administrative Expenses	7,447.74	
Office and Mailing Expense	1,131.38	
Professional Fees	<u>350.00</u>	
Total Operating Expense		<u>1,057,978.39</u>
Operating Gain		309,522.75

Non-Operating Income

Gains on Security Sales	30,557.65	
Returns from Beneficiaries	<u>3,622.04</u>	
Total Non-Operating Income		<u>34,179.69</u>
Gain Before Transfers		343,702.44

Transfers

From Regular Sustentation Fund		<u>1,606,254.20</u>
Net Increase in Fund Balance		<u><u>1,949,956.64</u></u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Publishing House Sustentation Fund

Statement of Income and Expense

For the Year Ended 31 December 1968

<u>Operating Income</u>		
Sustentation Received from Publishing Houses	471,358.12	
Earned Income from General Conference Investment and Income Funds	<u>10,906.15</u>	
Total Operating Income		482,264.27
<u>Operating Expense</u>		
Regular Payments	410,160.57	
Child Allowance	4,032.21	
Medical Allowances	41,041.52	
Medicare Payments	9,495.05	
Administrative Expenses	3,299.35	
Office and Mailing Expense	<u>501.20</u>	
Total Operating Expense		<u>468,529.90</u>
Operating Gain		13,734.37
<u>Non-Operating Income</u>		
Gains on Security Sales		<u>4,470.19</u>
Gain Before Transfers		18,204.56
<u>Transfers</u>		
From Regular Sustentation Fund		<u>257,081.00</u>
Net Increase in Fund Balance		<u>275,285.56</u>



GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Special Retirement Fund  
Statement of Income and Expense  
For the Year Ended 31 December 1968

<u>Operating Income</u>		
Sustentation Payments Received	36,290.87	
Earned Income from Investments	<u>378.48</u>	
Total Operating Income		36,669.35
<u>Non-Operating Income</u>		
Gains on Security Sales		<u>432.15</u>
Net Increase - Fund Balance		<u>37,101.50</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
Sustentation and Retirement Funds  
31 December 1968

Regular Sustentation Fund  
Analysis of Fund Balance

Balance January 1, 1968		15,795,377.83
Net Gain from Operations for the Year	1,597,406.16	
Less: Transfer to Hospital Retirement Fund	1,606,254.20	
Transfer to Publishing House Sustentation Fund	<u>257,081.00</u>	<u>1,863,335.20</u>
Net Decrease in Fund Balance		<u>265,929.04</u>
Fund-Balance 31 December 1968		<u><u>15,529,448.84</u></u>

Hospital Retirement Fund  
Analysis of Fund Balance

Balance January 1, 1968		None
Net Gain from Operations for the Year	343,702.44	
Transfers from Regular Sustentation Fund	<u>1,606,254.20</u>	
Fund Balance - 31 December 1968		<u><u>1,949,956.64</u></u>

Publishing House Sustentation Fund  
Analysis of Fund Balance

Balance January 1, 1968		None
Net Gain from Operations for the Year	18,204.56	
Transfers from Regular Sustentation Fund	<u>257,081.00</u>	
Fund Balance - 31 December 1968		<u><u>275,285.56</u></u>

Special Retirement Fund  
Analysis of Fund Balance

Balance January 1, 1968		None
Net Gain from Operations for the Year	<u>37,101.50</u>	
Fund Balance - 31 December 1968		<u><u>37,101.50</u></u>

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
**TAKOMA PARK, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20012**

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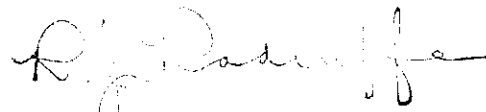
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To the Members of the Executive Committee  
 General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Sustentation Fund

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the Sustentation Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the related Statements of Income and Expense and Analysis of Retained Net Worth for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, as staff auditors of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the accompanying Balance Sheet of the Sustentation Fund, showing a Fund Balance of \$17,816,792.54 and the related Statements of Income and Expense and Analysis of Retained Net Worth, present fairly the financial position of the Sustentation Fund at December 31, 1968, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of preceding years, and in harmony with the applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
 Auditor  
 General Conference of  
 Seventh-day Adventists

Washington, D. C.  
 March 31, 1969

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

W. E. Emerson, Treasurer

C. A. Blake, Undertreasurer

SPRING COUNCIL

APRIL 1 - 3, 1969

## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INVESTMENT FUND

Exhibit AStatement of Assets and Liabilities

31 December 1960

## ASSETS

Bank - Checking Account	3,433.87	
Securities at Market (Carried on Books at Identified Average Cost of \$44,564,103.92)	45,187,064.13	
Accounts Receivable	119,120.81	
Accrued Dividends and Interest	<u>292,155.36</u>	
Total Assets		45,601,724.17

## LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable		<u>114,276.35</u>
Net Assets		<u><u>45,487,497.82</u></u>
Units of Fund Outstanding (Par value \$100)	448,377.77	
Net Assets per Unit		\$101.4490



## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INVESTMENT FUND

Exhibit CStatement of Changes in Net Assets

For year ended 31 December 1968

Net Assets - January 1, 1968		41,168,639.90
Amount received on Sale of Units (includes distributions)	5,628,467.70	
Less: Amount disbursed	<u>3,780,410.14</u>	
Net Receipts		1,848,057.56
Net Investment Income for Period	1,748,679.44	
Less: Distribution	<u>1,743,326.16</u>	
Net Investment Income Undistributed for Period		5,353.28
Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Sec.	706,066.15	
Less: Distribution	<u>704,017.85</u>	
Net Capital Gains Undistributed for Period		2,048.30
Unrealized Appreciation		<u>2,463,398.78</u>
Net Assets - December 31, 1968		<u><u>45,487,497.82</u></u>

## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INVESTMENT FUND

## Calculation of Performance

For year ended 31 December 1968

Net Assets December 31, 1968		45,487,497.82
Plus: Pay Outs - Earned Income	1,743,326.16	
Capital Gains	<u>704,017.85</u>	
Total Pay Outs		<u>2,447,344.01</u>
Net Assets, December 21, 1968 Including Pay Outs		<u>47,934,841.83</u>
Number of Units Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1968		448,377.77
Per Unit Value Dec. 31, 1968		\$106.9072
Per Unit Value Jan. 1, 1968		\$ 95.7838
Increase in Per Share Value Year 1968		\$ 11.1234
Performance for Year 1968		<u>11.6130%</u>



**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
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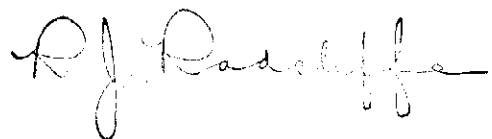
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To the Members of the Executive Committee  
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Investment Fund

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have examined the Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the General Conference Investment Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the related Statement of Income and Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances. The securities held by custodians were accounted for by direct confirmation received from the custodians.

In my opinion, as a staff auditor of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities, showing net assets of \$45,487,497.82, and the related Statement of Income and Statement of Changes in Net Assets, present fairly the financial position of the General Conference Investment Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the results of its operation for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of the previous year, and in conformity also with applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
Auditor  
General Conference of  
Seventh-day Adventists

Washington, D. C.  
March 21, 1969

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INCOME FUND

K. H. Emmerson, Treasurer

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SPRING COUNCIL

APRIL 1 - 3, 1969

## GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

## INCOME FUND

Exhibit AStatement of Assets and Liabilities

31 December 1960

Assets

Bank - Checking account	\$ 5,257.44
Securities at Market (carried on books at identified average cost of \$6,420,941.24)	6,912,836.25
Accrued Dividends & Interest	<u>33,539.66</u>
	6,951,683.35

Liabilities

None	.00
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Net Assets	<u>6,951,683.35</u>
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Units of Fund outstanding	63,034.72
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Net Assets Per Unit	\$110.2834
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
INCOME FUND

Exhibit B

Statement of Income and Expense  
For the Nine Months Ended 31 December 1968

## Income Account

## Income:

Dividends		124,764.58
Interest		<u>92,814.98</u>

	Total Income	217,579.56
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## Expense:

Counseling Fees - Lionel D. Edie & Co.		<u>2,274.12</u>
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	NET EARNED INCOME FOR PERIOD	<u>215,305.44</u>
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Statement of Realized Gain on Investments  
For the Nine Months Ended 31 December 1968

GAIN ON SALES OF SECURITIES		141,183.78
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Statement of Net Unrealized Appreciation of Investments

For the Nine Months Ended 31 December 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:

April 1, 1968		0.00
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Dec. 31, 1968	Bonds -	20,120.00	
	Equities - Gain	<u>512,065.01</u>	<u>491,945.01</u>

APPRECIATION DURING NINE MONTHS		<u>491,945.01</u>
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
INCOME FUND

Exhibit CStatement of Changes in Net Assets

For the Nine Months Ended 31 December 1968

Net Assets, April 1, 1968					.00
Amount Received on Sale of Units		6,751,646.03			
Less: Amount Disbursed		<u>303,055.06</u>			
Net receipts on Sale of Units				6,448,590.97	
Net Investment Income for Period		215,305.44			
Less: Distribution		<u>209,863.24</u>			
Net Investment Income Undistributed for Period				5,442.20	
Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Securities		141,183.70			
Less: Distribution		<u>135,478.61</u>			
Net Capital Appreciation Undis- tributed for Period				5,705.17	
Increase in Net Unrealized Appreciation of Securities					<u>491,945.01</u>
NET ASSETS, DECEMBER 31, 1968					<u>6,951,683.35</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS  
INCOME FUND

Calculation of Performance

For Nine Months Ended 31 December 1968

Net Assets 31 December 1968		\$6,951,683.35
Plus Payout Earned Income	209,363.24	
Capital Gains	<u>135,478.61</u>	
Total Payout		<u>345,341.95</u>
Net Assets 31 December 1968 Including Payouts		\$7,297,025.20
Number of Units Outstanding 31 December 1968		63,034.72
Net Assets Per Unit		\$115.7620
Per Unit Value 1 April 1968		100
Performance for 9 months 1968		15.762%
Performance on Annual Basis		21.016%

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
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To the Members of the Executive Committee  
 General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Income Fund

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have examined the Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the General Conference Income Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the related Statement of Income and Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances. The securities held by custodians were accounted for by direct confirmation received from the custodians.

In my opinion, as a staff auditor of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities, showing net assets of \$6,951,683.35, and the related Statement of Income and Statement of Changes in Net Assets, present fairly the financial position of the General Conference Income Fund as of December 31, 1968, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of the previous year, and in conformity also with applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
 Auditor  
 General Conference of  
 Seventh-day Adventists

Washington, D. C.  
 March 23, 1969

GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

TREASURY REPORT

FOR THE

SPRING COUNCIL OF 1968

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NATIONAL PARK, D. C.



Exhibit A

Balance Sheet  
31 December 1968

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash and Banks	121,198.00	
Bonds and Securities	4,280,800.53	
Accounts Receivable	127,906.00	
Notes and Loans Receivable	34,489.19	
Inventories	53,118.50	
Prepaid Expense	<u>1,636.78</u>	
		4,619,150.63

Other Assets:

Long Term Receivables	50,000.00	
Real Estate Investments	42,796.18	
Other Assets	<u>906,000.00</u>	
		998,796.18

Fixed Assets:

Land	409,672.65	
Land Improvements (net)	15,096.49	
Buildings (net)	2,068,117.70	
Equipment (net)	<u>490,144.20</u>	
		<u>2,983,031.04</u>

3,600,977.90

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	415,234.90	
Trust Funds	53,973.17	
Deferred Income	<u>50,000.00</u>	
		519,208.07

Long Term Liabilities:

Notes and Loans Payable	87,500.00	
Annuities and Irrevocable Trusts	<u>1,743,383.23</u>	
		<u>1,830,883.23</u>

2,350,091.35

NET WORTH

Regular Net Worth:

Balance 1 January 1968	4,258,233.40	
Increase during year	<u>232,043.50</u>	
		4,491,076.90

Net Worth Reserves:

Balance 1 January 1968	1,759,809.65	
Increase during year	<u>0.00</u>	
Balance 31 December 1968		<u>1,759,809.65</u>

Total Net Worth 31 December 1968 6,250,886.55

Total Liabilities and Net Worth 31 December 1968 8,600,977.90

## General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists (Exhibit A - page 2)

## Notes:

1. Securities in the amount of \$300,000.00 have been designated as "Funds-Functioning-as Endowment" for Oakwood College, the earned income from which is assigned to and becomes a part of the operating subsidy of Oakwood College.
2. The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, cosignatory of an agreement for financing of the Loma Linda University Medical Center, is contingently liable to the New York Life Insurance Company as of December 31, 1968 in an amount of \$9,598,332.84 and to the Security First National Bank of Loma Linda, California in an amount of \$2,014,598.17.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE CORPORATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit B                      Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth

For Year Ended 31 December 1968

Income from Properties and GeneralIncome:

Rental Income	130,760.12	
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Expense:

Depreciation - Land Improvements	2,237.51	
Depreciation - Buildings	67,845.68	
Depreciation - Equipment	67,644.56	
Apartments - Net Loss	6,874.98	
General Expense	637.33	
Grounds Expense	2,766.06	
Legal Expense	5,139.95	
Repairs - Building	30,388.13	
Repairs - Equipment	8,372.52	
Salary	1,803.60	
Taxes	8,016.38	
Insurance	<u>4,559.96</u>	
		<u>206,286.71</u>

Loss on Properties and General

(75,526.59)

Income from InvestmentsIncome:

Oregon Property	5,400.00	
Investments - Dividends	155,351.47	
Investments - Interest	5,061.74	
Miscellaneous Interest	<u>1,776.01</u>	
		167,589.22

Expense:

Annuity Payments	21,332.68	
Interest	<u>19,237.52</u>	
		<u>40,570.20</u>

Gain on Investments

127,019.02

Net Operating Gain

51,492.43

Non-operating:

Income	198,466.84	
Expense	<u>17,115.77</u>	

181,351.07

Net Increase to Net Worth

232,843.50

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
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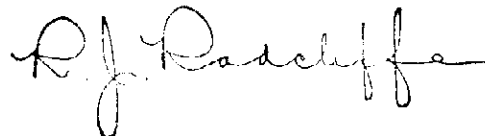
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To the Members of the Board of Trustees  
 General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists  
 Washington, D. C.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have examined the Balance Sheet of the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists as of December 31, 1968 and the related Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, as a staff auditor of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Balance Sheet and the notes appended thereto, showing a total Net Worth of \$6,250,886.55 and the related Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth present fairly the financial position of the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists as of December 31, 1968, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year, and in conformity also with applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
 Auditor  
 General Conference of  
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Washington, D. C.  
 March 23, 1969

GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION  
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

TREASURY REPORT

FOR THE

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WATERGATE PARK, D. C.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit ABalance Sheet

31 December 1968

## ASSETS

Current Assets:

General Conference Corporation Receivable	58,036.05
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Fixed Assets:

Real Estate	200.00	
Less: Reserve	<u>200.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

58,036.05

## LIABILITIES

None

## NET WORTH

Regular:

Balance 1 January 1968	58,397.30
Less: Decrease for year	<u>361.25</u>

Balance 31 December 1968

58,036.05

Note: The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, cosignatory of an agreement for financing of the Loma Linda University Medical Center, is contingently liable to the New York Life Insurance Company as of December 31, 1968 in an amount of \$9,598,332.84 and to the Security First National Bank of Loma Linda, California in an amount of \$2,014,598.17.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit BStatement of Operations and Retained Net Worth

For year ended 31 December 1968

## INCOME

None

## EXPENSE

Filing Fee	5.00	
Accrued Interest Write-off	<u>356.25</u>	
Net decrease to New Worth		<u>361.25</u>

**GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS**  
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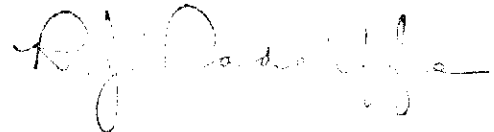
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To the Members of the Board of Trustees  
 General Conference Association of  
 Seventh-day Adventists

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have examined the Balance Sheet of the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists as of December 31, 1968 and the related Statement of Income and Expense for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with auditing standards, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, as a staff auditor of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the accompanying Balance Sheet and the note appended thereto showing a total Net Worth of \$58,036.05, and the related Statement of Income and Expense present fairly the financial position of the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists as of December 31, 1968, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles, generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year, and in conformity also with applicable policies of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.



R. J. Radcliffe, C.G.A.  
 Auditor  
 General Conference of  
 Seventh-day Adventists

Washington, D. C.  
 March 21, 1969



NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE CORPORATION  
OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

The North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists, organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, has no known assets or liabilities. The Corporation is being continued in order to care for wills, legacies, or bequests which may have been written in favor of this organization; and to adjust property interests which may still exist in the name of the North American Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists.



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Treasurer



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Secretary

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**SUSTENTATION ITEMS:**

J. C. Kozel, Assistant Treasurer, gave a number of items of interest affecting the Sustentation Fund and beneficiaries. During the course of the year 1968 the number of beneficiaries increased by 285. The total number receiving sustentation on December 31, 1968, was 3,340. Approximately 55 per cent of the 3,340 are single, and 45 per cent are family beneficiaries.

Taking a look at our reserve funds in relationship to the objective of minimum goal of 300 per cent of the annual expense--we have a reserve of 253 per cent in the Sustentation Fund; 184 per cent in the Hospital Retirement Fund; and 59 per cent in the Publishing House Sustentation Fund. The average of all the reserves is 232 per cent.

The total number of years of service represented by those on sustentation is 92,926, divided among 3,340 beneficiaries.

**SUSTENTATION FUND--PERCENTAGE:**

The General Conference Officers have given consideration to the advisability that the sustentation percentage paid by the General, union, and local conferences should be increased from 7 to 8 per cent, effective January 1, 1970.

VOTED, That we refer to the 1969 Autumn Council the question of the proper percentage of tithe to be paid into the Sustentation Fund, by the General, union, and local conferences.

**INVESTMENT AND INCOME FUNDS:**

R. E. Osborn, Assistant Treasurer, said that two years ago at the 1967 Spring Meeting of the General Conference Committee authorization was given for the General Conference to establish a unitized Investment Fund similar to a mutual fund.

We have now completed two years of operation of the Investment Fund, and the net assets totaled \$44 million as of February 28, 1969. A year ago we voted at the Spring Meeting to establish a second fund known as the Income Fund, and its net assets stood at \$7 million on February 28, 1969. The total net assets of the two funds came to about \$51 million as of a month ago.

The year 1968 was a rather difficult year in the bond area, and an up-and-down year in equities. For the year 1968, the performance in the Investment Fund came to 11+ %; the Income Fund performance on annual basis estimate came to 21+ %. For comparable information, the Dow Jones industrials performed 3% for the year, and the Standard and Poors 500 index stocks returned 10 %. So when we consider that we got the performance indicated even with a substantial decline in values in the bond area of the portfolios, we believe the funds did quite well on balance, and our investing bodies seemed to be quite satisfied with this return on investment for 1968.

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The first two months of 1969 were very difficult months for investors. Our funds we believe performed well in this downside market--the Investment Fund was off only 3.50 % and the Income Fund was off 4.26 %.

The General Conference Officers presented recommendations from the Sabbath School Advisory Council held March 19-22, 1969, concerning the Sabbath School Teachers' Quarterly and Sabbath School Worker, which were adopted as follows:

SABBATH SCHOOL TEACHERS' QUARTERLY  
AND SABBATH SCHOOL WORKER:

'WHEREAS, There is insufficient time to work out production problems and suitable price arrangements in connection with the adult Sabbath School Teachers' Quarterly and the three-section Sabbath School journal to succeed the present Sabbath School Worker in time to meet required deadlines for January, 1970 issues, as recommended by a special lesson format committee and voted by the 1968 Autumn Council, it was

VOTED, 1. To defer full implementation of the above-mentioned action until appropriate production and pricing details can be negotiated.

2. That in the interim the teachers' edition of the adult Sabbath School Quarterly be published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association, to begin with the first quarter of 1970, with the understanding that the quarterly will contain 224 pages per issue, 5½" x 8½" in size, punched and trimmed for use in a three-ring looseleaf binder; and that the price will not be more than \$5.50 per year on an individual subscription basis.

3. That in the interim, with a review of the matter before the 1971 issues are due to be produced, the Sabbath School Worker be prepared in its present general format, with the understanding that the expanded adult teachers' notes will not be included, since they will appear in the special teachers' quarterly, but that special teaching tips for teachers in the adult division will be included; that in addition to general promotional articles, full program helps and teaching aids for Youth, Earliteen, Junior, Primary, Kindergarten, and Cradle Roll divisions will be included; that each monthly issue contain 128 pages of the Worker's present page size, and that the cost is to be approximately \$4.75 per year on an individual subscription basis.

It is understood that Worker production schedules will permit distribution to the field three months in advance of issue dates so that those who prepare demonstration materials for quarterly workshops will have their copies in time to make adequate preparation.

4. To retain the present name of the official Sabbath School journal, and that when it is deemed feasible to carry out the action of the 1968 Autumn Council to publish the journal in three more specialized sections, each section

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shall carry the general name, The Sabbath School Worker, with a subtitle, Program Helps and Teaching Aids, and with the designation of the divisions for which the section is intended carried in an appropriate and conspicuous position on the cover."

#### TRAINING BIBLE INSTRUCTORS:

Further recommendations were presented from the General Conference Officers concerning Training Bible Instructors. A number of constructive suggestions were made.

VOTED, That this series of recommendations concerning Training Bible Instructors be referred to the small committee set up by the General Conference Officers which previously considered it, to restudy and rewrite it for presentation to the Spring Meeting.

It was further--

VOTED, That the matter of whether an internship should be offered to individuals who want to take the Bible Instructors' course be referred to the Ministerial Training Advisory Committee to meet in Berrien Springs, Michigan, April 15, 16, 1969.

Announcements as to meetings called were distributed by D. W. Hunter.  
Closing prayer by M. V. Campbell, until recently General Conference Vice-President, now retired.  
Adjourned at 12:25 P.M.

F. L. Bland, R. H. Pierson, Chairmen;  
A. Edwin Gibb, W. R. Beach, Secretaries;  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

One Hundred Seventy-Seventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 1, 1969, 2:00 P.M.

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Opening prayer by Wm. A. Fagal, of Faith for Today.

#### COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM REHABILITATION:

VOTED, To appoint a committee for the purpose of giving counsel in setting up a program on alcoholism rehabilitation in harmony with the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy, this committee to meet in Washington, D.C., in May, 1969. Committee members named as follows:

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E H J Steed, Chairman  
 W P Bradley, Secretary  
 D A Delafield  
 T S Geraty  
 Marvyn Hardinge  
 Harold Knox

J C Kozel  
 P S Nelson  
 L A Senseman  
 C D Watson  
 W Welch  
 Thomas K Williams

**DIRECTOR OF DEFERRED GIVING:**

Inasmuch as the 1968 Autumn Council provided for the addition to the General Conference staff of a Director of Deferred Giving, it was

**VOTED**, To request the Southern Union Conference to release A. C. McKee and to elect him Director of Deferred Giving for the General Conference.

**WEST COAST INSURANCE CORPORATION:**

**WHEREAS**, The General Conference Committee in 1935 authorized the formation of the General Conference Insurance Service to provide insurance counseling services to our denominational organizations, and

**WHEREAS**, In 1958 it was considered advisable to incorporate the Western Branch as a non-profit insurance agency thereby limiting its activities exclusively to insurance where there was a definite denominational insurable interest, and

**WHEREAS**, There is an increasing demand to provide certain additional services for employees and other subsidiary profit corporations, the legality of which may be seriously questioned if handled through a non-profit tax-exempt organization,

**VOTED**, That a taxable corporation to be known as Gencon Agency, Inc., be established for the following purposes:

1. To provide certain personal insurance programs for employees, especially those for which a savings is available on a mass merchandising basis, to include
  - a. Automobile insurance for teachers and other employees
  - b. Long term salary continuation insurance
  - c. Professional liability insurance
  - d. Broad form accident insurance
  - e. Homeowners insurance
  - f. Aviation insurance
  - g. Any other personal line of insurance approved by the Board of Directors
2. To provide insurance counseling service for any subsidiary profit corporation authorized by General Conference or union conference committee action.
3. To provide fire and theft insurance on contents of trustors buildings including liability protection for accidents occurring on premises.

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4. To provide employee financial services on a payroll deduction basis as may be recommended by the Board of Directors and approved by the General Conference Committee.

**GENCON AGENCY, INC. - INCORPORATORS:**

VOTED, That the following individuals serve as Incorporators of the Gencon Agency, Inc.:

K H Emmerson  
J W Peeke  
Stanton Parker  
John Roth  
Gene Marsh

**ASSOCIATE SECRETARY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:**

VOTED, To elect William Wagner, M.D., as an Associate Secretary in the Department of Health beginning July 1, 1969, with residence in Loma Linda, California.

**EXPANDED SPIRIT OF PROPHECY PROMOTION -- NORTH AMERICA:**

We recommend, 1. That in the unions and larger local conferences administrative committees select key men who give promise of ability and enthusiasm in the promotion of the Spirit of Prophecy, suggesting:

- a. Retired men with strength to devote to this field of endeavor
- b. One teacher among the younger men in each college and academy to give special attention to Spirit of Prophecy emphasis in their schools.

2. That three area workshops be held in 1970, one in the East, one in the center of the continent, and one in the West, under the auspices of the Spirit of Prophecy Committee, as a means of developing plans, making materials and ideas available, and further equipping these men for special Spirit of Prophecy promotion in their respective fields and institutions.

**TESTIMONY COUNTDOWN PROGRAM:**

WHEREAS, The Spirit of Prophecy Committee and the Officers of the General Conference, having observed the large interest and unprecedented attendance at the pilot program of Testimony Countdown as conducted in the Takoma Park Church, and noting the blessing which this study program is bringing to church members,

We recommend, That in the local conferences the Ministerial Association Secretary or the Coordinator of Evangelism be appointed to sponsor the Testimony Countdown program, and that we look forward to the launching of the program in those churches that are ready to go forward, by September, 1969.

2. That we invite the Spirit of Prophecy Committee to develop a worldwide Testimony Countdown program to be presented at the 1969 Autumn Council.

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**DISCOUNT ON TESTIMONIES FOR THE CHURCH:**

We recommend, 1. That the Pacific Press Publishing Association be requested to continue to offer a discount on volumes of Testimonies for the Church during Testimony Countdown programs.

2. That we request the conferences to consider subsidizing Testimonies for the Church sets sold during Testimony Countdown programs from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per set.

3. To request the Book and Bible houses to give a liberal discount on these volumes during Testimony Countdown campaigns.

**G R NASH--RETIREMENT:**

VOTED, To accept the resignation of G. R. Nash as Secretary of the General Conference Sabbath School Department, effective November 30, 1969, and to recommend his name to the Sustentation Committee. Further,

To record the sincere appreciation of the church for the 42 years of denominational service given by Elder and Mrs. G. R. Nash which has covered many areas of the world and varied responsibilities.

Adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Reconvened at 4:30 P.M.

Dr. Richard Hammill gave a brief report on Andrews University to open the meeting.

**LOMA LINDA FOODS--TRANSFER FROM PACIFIC UNION TO GENERAL CONFERENCE:**

VOTED, 1. That the transfer of Loma Linda Foods from the control of Pacific Union Conference to the General Conference be effective January 1, 1970.

2. That should the General Conference ever consider a plan to relinquish the control of Loma Linda Foods, the Pacific Union Conference shall be given the opportunity to take it over on terms to be mutually agreed upon.

3. That while we reaffirm our historic position that the health food work has a direct relationship to the teachings and organization of the church, Loma Linda Foods be incorporated as a tax-paying entity.

4. That the following subcommittee be appointed to study and recommend the nature of the corporation to operate Loma Linda Foods with the understanding that this committee is authorized to retain the services of W. D. Donnelly and J. Ludlam as consultants: R. R. Bietz, Chairman; Warren Johns, Secretary; E. W. Howse, Boardman Noland, R. J. Radcliffe.

5. That any legal expense associated with the foregoing be met by Loma Linda Foods.

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6. That the composition of the General Board of Management of Loma Linda Foods be as follows:

General Conference	5
Union Presidents (to be rotated when term expires)	3
Pacific Union Conference	2
Loma Linda Food Executives	5
Loma Linda University	2
Laymen	2

7. That the General Board of Management be appointed as follows:

R. R. Bietz, Chairman	Warren Johns
E. W. Howse, Vice-Chairman	Werner Carlson
C. P. Miles, Secretary	J. E. Denehy
O.A. Blake	D. J. Keeler
N. C. Wilson	R. H. MacGowsn
1 GC representative	M. G. Hardinge
W. J. Blacker	R. L. Cone
Cree Sandefur	M. C. Horning
B. E. Leach	R. I. Rodriguez
A. G. Munson	

8. That the Western district Executive Committee of the General Board be comprised of the following:

R. R. Bietz, Chairman	Paul Damazo
E. W. Howse, Vice-Chairman	J. E. Denehy
C. P. Miles, Secretary	R. H. MacGowan
W. J. Blacker	P. L. Maguire
Werner Carlson	A. G. Munson
	R. L. Watts

9. That the Eastern district Executive Committee of the General Board be comprised of the following:

R. R. Bietz, Chairman	C. P. Miles
E. W. Howse, Vice-Chairman	Cree Sandefur
D. J. Keeler, Secretary	D. B. Simons
R. G. Cannon	C. W. Trott
Werner Carlson	1 other
W. A. Mayes	

10. That the following subcommittee draft a suggestive working policy for Loma Linda Foods and the future function of the International Nutrition Research Foundation so far as research is concerned: E. W. Howse, Chairman; C. P. Miles, Secretary; A. G. Munson.

11. Areas of responsibility of the two executive committees and the rotation of union conference presidents, and other organizational items will



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be resolved when the policy covering this organization is effected.

Adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

T. Carcich, Chairman  
C. O. Franz, Secretary  
Mildred Dumas, Recording Secretary

### One Hundred Seventy-Eighth Meeting

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 3, 1969, 9:00 A.M.

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#### DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Ralph S. Watts, Chairman, led in singing "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee."

Opening prayer by J. W. Bothe, President of the Canadian Union Conference.

C. B. Hirsch, Department of Education Secretary, read 1 Kings 19:15-16. God here bids Elijah to anoint another to be prophet in his stead; in effect, to be his successor! There is an important principle here, and that is to train future leaders, not necessarily to succeed us in our various posts, but-- more important, so that they can be available to lead in other areas. Elisha had a combination of the two.

Elisha came from a well-to-do if not wealthy family. His father was a farmer. His family had not bowed down to the knees of Baal. His early training at home was in the habits of simplicity and obedience. He was following his father's footsteps and getting ready to manage the family business. It was not beneath his dignity to put his hand to the work. The Lord was obtaining a future leader from amongst His own faithful flock. In Prophets and Kings, page 218, we are told that "By faithfulness in little things, Elisha was preparing for weightier trusts."

Too many think "If they could do some great thing, how gladly they would undertake it." Often students look for a "college major" for a conference presidency. Let us not long for special talents with which to do a wonderful work, but rather perform well the duties close at hand. Dr. Hirsch told of his being asked while in Mexico City to preach to a large audience. At the close of his talk he invited those who were not Seventh-day Adventists but who would like to become Seventh-day Adventists and to be baptized to come forward, and fifty responded to this call. He felt this was not because of the work of

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himself or Elder Aeschlimann, but the working of the Holy Spirit on their hearts.

Elijah was divinely directed in seeking a successor and he cast upon Elisha the mantle of consecration. Elisha was ready to accept the prophetic commission and separate himself from his family. He responded to the call of the prophet by killing a yoke of oxen. He was turning his back on the past; he was entering God's service; he would not need his oxen again. Prophets and Kings, page 220, stated that he accepted "the call to service, casting no backward glance at the pleasures and comforts he was leaving." Also "The call to place all on the altar of service comes to each of us." It is to 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week service.

After Elisha accepted the call, what kind of work did he perform as he started his service? He was a personal attendant of Elijah and learned lessons of humility and service. He continued to prove faithful in little things. He learned all that he could from Elijah, but he did not become an Elijah; he was still Elisha, a servant of the Lord--with some different approaches. In Volume 9 of the Testimonies, page 259, we are told that "the leaders among God's people are to guard against the danger of condemning the methods of individual workers who are led by the Lord to do a special work that but few are fitted to do." Each of us, as followers, as coworkers, as leaders, have our obligations and responsibilities. As leaders our greatest responsibility is to prepare and train future leaders. They are to be given small duties at first and larger responsibilities as they gain strength and experience. As each of us has received our respective mantles for service, may each of us in turn use our influence to guide, direct, and train others for a role of leadership in God's cause.

Closing prayer by C. P. Sorensen, former President of the Far Eastern Division, now retired.

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At 9:40 A.M. the Chairman called the third business session of the Spring Meeting.

MINUTES of the meeting held March 27, 1969, were approved.

W. A. BENJAMIN--DEATH;  
APPRECIATION; SYMPATHY:

The death of W. A. Benjamin occurred April 1, 1969, at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland. A short sketch of his life was given, with the statement that he left a very lucrative insurance business in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and went to Southern Missionary College. While there he was invited to connect with the General Conference and to form a corporate body for insurance. At the beginning a \$25,000 loan was made to begin the service. Mr. Benjamin served as head of the General Conference Insurance Service for twenty years.

VOTED, To record our deep appreciation for the years of service W. A. Benjamin gave to the cause, and our sympathy with the family.

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VINSTON ADAMS--DEATH;  
APPRECIATION; CONDOLENCE:

Vinston Adams passed away at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland, on March 24, 1969. A resume of his service was given as follows: He worked at the Columbia Union College Press for five years, at Emmanuel Missionary College twelve years, in the Orient eleven years, and at the General Conference for nine years. His latest service was for five months in the Jamaica College press. This is a total of thirty-eight years in the cause. His dedication to the work and friendliness were appreciated.

VOTED, To record an expression of condolence to the family of Vinston Adams.

MRS. W. H. TEESDALE--DEATH;  
SYMPATHY:

Information was given of the death of Mrs. W. H. Teesdale, in Bakersfield, California, on April 2, 1969. Dr. Teesdale as President of the Home Study Institute from 1946 to 1965 made a contribution to the work of the denomination which is deeply appreciated.

VOTED, To record our sympathy with Dr. W. H. Teesdale and other members of the family in the passing of Mrs. Teesdale.

BIBLICAL RESEARCH AND DEFENSE LITERATURE COMMITTEES:

The General Conference Officers presented recommendations which were adopted as follows:

"VOTED, 1. That the Biblical Research Committee and the Defense Literature Committee be merged and that the new committee be designated the Biblical Research Committee.

"2. That the following be nominated to membership on the Biblical Research Committee:

- (a) Resident members: W. J. Hackett, Chairman  
Secretary of the Biblical Research  
Committee (H W Lowe)  
T. Carcich  
N R Dower  
D W Holbrook  
D S Johnson  
J C Kozel  
H W Lowe  
D F Neufeld  
E W Pedersen  
A L White  
K H Wood

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(b) Consultant members: The following persons are named as consultant members of the Biblical Research Committee with the understanding that they will be requested from time to time to review and report on manuscripts, to prepare papers on assigned topics, and to meet occasionally with the resident committee members as may be arranged:

G S Balharrie	Earle Hilgert	R L Odom
R F Cottrell	Siegfried Horn	M R Thurber
D A Delafield	A Graham Maxwell	
H E Douglass	W G C Murdoch	
Richard Hammill		

"3. That the secretary of the Biblical Research Committee be a fulltime employee of the General Conference carrying out the directive and objectives of the committee. It would be expected that he will refer theological questions and assign topics to a wide circle of denominational Biblical scholars and occasionally to Bible Conferences or larger study groups. It is suggested that in studying assigned topics it would be well to involve a number of men in study of the same subject bringing the results together for comparison and further refinement and study.

"4. That it be understood that this is a study committee and that it does not have final authority to speak for the church on theological or doctrinal matters. The Committee will present its recommendations and the results of its study on various topics in this area to the General Conference Officers and, where necessary, through this group, to the General Conference Committee and to the Quadrennial Session.

"5. That the objectives and work of the Biblical Research Committee be the following:

- a. To explore new areas of truth
- b. To study questions of Biblical interpretation
- c. To review problems of Biblical chronology
- d. To study and analyze problems of Biblical translations
- e. To provide an agency for the examination of theological interpretations, ideas and theories presented by laymen and/or church scholars
- f. To prepare materials as needed by the church in the defense of truth and to recommend individuals for specific field assignments."

In connection with the foregoing actions, R. H. Pierson spoke of the great service H. W. Lowe has rendered on these committees, and said he has given help far beyond the call of duty. Elder Pierson expressed appreciation for Elder Lowe's services, and also to R. L. Odom, who has been a real help in some of these areas.

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Recommendations were presented from the Committee on Sustentation Items and the General Conference Officers, and adopted as follows:

**SOUTHWESTERN UNION CONFERENCE--**

**REQUEST RE BRANDOM CORPORATION:**

During 1968, the Southwestern Union Conference acquired major ownership of the Brandom Manufacturing Corporation of Texas which operates factories on the campuses of Southwestern Union College and Ozark Academy. It is planned that this corporation will remain a commercial, tax-paying stock corporation and that employment at Brandom Corporation will not qualify for sustentation service credit. It is felt, however, that in the future some denominational employees may be invited to connect with Brandom Manufacturing Corporation and the request is that the denominational service record of such individuals be "frozen" so that they will not lose their sustentation credit or forfeit their sustentation eligibility.

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union Conference be advised that inasmuch as it has only recently acquired major ownership in the Brandom Manufacturing Corporation of Texas, no policy be adopted at this time with respect to denominational employees who may be called to connect with Brandom Corporation, but that the General Conference will consider requests for the "freezing" of the sustentation service record of employees who are called to connect with Brandom Corporation in an administrative or supervisory capacity on an individual basis.

**PHYSICIANS--SERVICE CREDIT**

**DURING INTERNSHIP YEAR:**

At the Autumn Council held in October, 1965, the sustentation policy was revised granting service credit to physicians during the year of internship under certain conditions. Prior to this, no credit was granted to physicians during the internship year.

VOTED, To recommend that the following guidelines apply in implementing the change in the sustentation policy voted by the 1965 Autumn Council which permitted the granting of sustentation service credit to physicians "during their internship year in a Seventh-day Adventist institution provided they enter regular denominational service within a five-year period after the end of the internship year, or if they enter a denominationally-sponsored residency-training program immediately after the internship year, looking toward entering denominational service:"

- (a) Service credit be given for the internship year only to those physicians who are granted sustentation benefits after October, 1965.
- (b) No service credit be given for the internship year to those physicians who are faculty members of the Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, and Public Health at Loma Linda University, and who have had their service credit frozen or have been granted a special retirement plan

settlement, as requested by the Loma Linda University Board and authorized by the General Conference Sustentation Committee.

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION--  
SOLUSI COLLEGE UPGRADED:

On recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division and the General Conference Department of Education, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That Solusi College be authorized to offer sixteen grades of course work leading to the Bachelor of Theology Degree, with the major to be called "Theology," "Religious Education," or "Ministerial," with minors in History and Education. This upgrading is to be carried out as qualified personnel, library facilities, and supporting areas for the degree permit. It is understood that the conditions will be met, and the standards maintained as specified in the reports of the inspection committee and the recommendations of the Division and General Conference Department of Education.

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMY ACCOUNTING MANUAL--  
MEETING:

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

VOTED, That a meeting of the Committee on Academy Accounting Manual be held at Loma Linda, California, August 24, 1969, in view of the fact that many members of the committee will be in the area on that date in connection with other appointments.

MERLENE OGDEN--UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call from Central Union Conference for Miss Merlene Ogden, a Teacher in the English Department, to connect with Union College as Chairman of the English Department.

VOICE OF PROPHECY--  
MANAGER:

The present Manager of the Voice of Prophecy, Ithiel E. Gillis, has requested retirement effective July 1, 1969. Mention was made that he served in the Far Eastern Division from 1929 to 1942, and since that time has been connected with the Voice of Prophecy staff. He has served with great distinction and business acumen, with Christian principles. Appreciation was expressed to him for the work he has accomplished.

The Voice of Prophecy Board has placed a call for Alvin G. Munson to succeed Ithiel E. Gillis.

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference a call for Alvin G. Munson, Treasurer, to replace Ithiel E. Gillis as Manager of the Voice of Prophecy.

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**JACK B. BOHANNON--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:**

VOTED, To authorize an extension of furlough and study leave for two weeks to Jack B. Bohannon, from Iran, to take a total immersion Berlitz language course in the Farsi language; the leave to end September 15, 1969.

**JEANINE WISPING--RELEASED :**

VOTED, That Miss Jeanine Wisping, of the Southern European Division, be released from appointment as Office Secretary for the Central African Union, since for personal reasons she is not clear in accepting the call.

**HELENE DEVOS--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Helene Devos from the Congo Republic, Africa, to Belgium. Miss Devos has served faithfully in the field since 1953. Appreciation was expressed for her service.

**F. ROLLIN BLAND, M.D.--ILE-IFE HOSPITAL, WEST NIGERIA:**

VOTED, To reassign F. Rollin Bland, M.D., from service in the Jengre Hospital to the Ile-Ife Hospital, West Nigeria.

**RAMIRO ALONSO, M.D.--ANDREWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, JAMAICA:**

VOTED, That Ramiro Alonso, M.D., of Houston, Texas, now taking a surgical residency, be placed under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division, as Surgeon and Physician for the Andrews Memorial Hospital, Jamaica.

**FUAD B. MASHNI--ANTILLIAN COLLEGE:**

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call for Fuad B. Mashni, of the AU Press, to connect with the Inter-American Division as Pressman for the Antillian College, in Puerto Rico.

**GEORGE SITTLINGER, M.D.--PUSAN, KOREA:**

VOTED, To pass on to George Sittlinger, M.D., of Red Rock, Ontario, Canada, an invitation to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service in Pusan, Korea.

**ANNA REED--ISHAKA HOSPITAL, EAST AFRICA:**

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference and Washington Sanitarium and Hospital be requested to make the services of Miss Anna Reed available for three months of relief service in the East African Union as a Nurse for the Ishaka Hospital, Uganda.

**SYLVIA STURDEVANT--KENDU HOSPITAL, EAST AFRICA:**

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Sylvia Sturdevant, of Seattle, Washington, a

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request for her services in the East African Union as a relief Nurse for the Kendu Hospital, Kenya, for three months.

**HAROLD LEE CHAPMAN--SOLUSI COLLEGE, RHODESIA:**

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences be requested to release Harold Lee Chapman, Principal of the Lodi Elementary School, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as College Education Teacher, at Solusi College, Rhodesia.

**DONALD COOTZ--MALAMULO PRESS:**

VOTED, To regularize the appointment of Donald Cootz as of February 15, 1967, as Foreman of the Malamulo Press. He has been employed at the Press for two or more years, and it is desired to have him regarded as a regular worker.

**ROBERT BUYCK--KIVOGA SEMINARY, BURUNDI:**

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College be requested to release Robert Buyck, of the PUC Foreign Language Department, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as French Teacher for Kivoga Seminary, Burundi.

**D. CHRISTOFORIDES--CYPRUS:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern European Division a request from the Middle East Division for the services of D. Christoforides, of the Greek Mission, to hold evangelistic meetings in Cyprus, for five weeks, from April 14-May 19, 1969.

**MIDDLE EAST DIVISION--WORKER FOR SYRIA:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern European Division a call from the Middle East Division for a worker for the Syria Section, suggesting the name of E. Bereta, of Poland.

**TABEA MATTER--HERI HOSPITAL, TANZANIA:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern European Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for Tebea Matter, to serve as a Matron in the Heri Hospital, Tanzania.

**TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION--  
MATRON FOR YUKA HOSPITAL:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for a Matron for the Yuka Hospital, Zambia.



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MIDDLE EAST COLLEGE AND LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY--  
EXCHANGE OF PROFESSORSHIPS:

VOTED, To record the arrangement worked out by the Middle East College and Loma Linda University for an exchange professorship for the 1969-1970 school year, to meet affiliation requirements: Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Khoury, of the Middle East College to go to Loma Linda University, LaSierra Campus, for one year, and Dr. and Mrs. C. G. McCauley, of Loma Linda University, to go to the Middle East College for one year.

APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- W R Beach, Santa Cruz, Calif, 75th Anniversary Santa Cruz Church,  
May 17 (extension of trip to California)
- W J Brown - SMC, MV Officers Seminar, April 23-26
- Paul DeBooy - Keene, Tex, Eastern Intercollegiate Workshop,  
April 21, 22 (extension of trip voted to SMC)
- Harry House - Southern Union, Insurance Business, April 20-26
- D A McAdams - San Jose, Calif, visit Pacific Union HHES office,  
May 13; Glendale visit Publishing Dept. Secretaries, May 14,  
(extension of trip already voted)
- R L Odom - Denver, Colo., N A Missions Congress, May 13-17
- R H Pierson - Andrews University Board and Committee, April 15, 16  
Lincoln, Christian Record Board, April 17  
Enterprise Academy, Alumni meeting, April 18-20
- H L Reiner - Augusta, Ga., Start "It is Written" program, April 8, 9
- L B Reynolds - Pine Mountain, Ga., SS Council and Sabbath appointments,  
May 7-10; Akron, Ohio, guest speaker, June 13, 14.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Ralph S. Watts, Chairman  
D. H. Baasch, Secretary  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

## One Hundred Seventy-Ninth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 10, 1969, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

R. S. Watts, C. O. Franz, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, K. F. Amb, D. H. Baasch, W. R. Beach, Theodore Carcich, P. M. DeBooy, N. R. Dower, R. R. Frame, A. E. Gibb, J. O. Gibson, W. J. Hackett, R. R. Hegstad, M. Carol Hetzell, C. B. Hirsch, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, D. S. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, Caris H. Lauda, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, C. D. Martin, D. A. McAdams, Lawrence M. Nelson, R. E. Osborn, C. E. Palmer, E. W. Pedersen, J. W. Peeke, M. H. Reeder, H. E. Rice, W. R. L. Scragg, Clark Smith, F. A. Soper, J. R. Spangler, E. H. J. Steed, R. F. Waddell, M.D., C. D. Watson, A. L. White

## OTHERS PRESENT:

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

## DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

R. S. Watts, Chairman, read from Testimonies, Volume 9, page 96, in which is given a quotation from Zephaniah 1: 2, 3, 8-18, concerning the punishment of the wicked; and two further paragraphs with regard to God's judgments, and the proclamation of the gospel. He called attention to the following statements: "There will be a series of events revealing that God is master of the situation. The truth will be proclaimed in clear, unmistakable language. ... The gospel is to be given in its purity. ... Through most wonderful workings of divine providence, mountains of difficulty will be removed and cast into the sea. The message that means so much to the dwellers upon the earth will be heard and understood. Men will know what is truth."

Commenting, Elder Watts said we have not yet seen what God plans to do with this great Advent Movement. We are entering into the time now when there will be brought more prominently to the front the teachings of Seventh-day Adventists. Mountains of difficulty--He is going to make a plain out of them. As He promised to do for Zephaniah He is going to do for us today. Let us ask Him for guidance to know how to proclaim this message so that men and women everywhere will be attracted to it.

Opening prayer by N. R. Dower.

## REPORTS:

Lawrence M. Nelson, YPMV Associate Secretary, displayed pictures of the various images described in Daniel and the Revelation, and said this is their latest edition of aids to help our youth in their evangelistic work.

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He suggested perhaps layman evangelists would like to use these pictures also. They are beautiful, in full color. All together, there are ten of the pictures. They have in these pictures something that will attract interest. It is hoped our pastors and evangelists will be encouraged to make it possible for our young people to use these pictures.

Elder Nelson distributed sample copies of a booklet entitled "Do you Know the Four Steps in Christian Growth?" also produced by the YPMV Department. These are intended for use in visitation of non-Seventh-day Adventists.

R. S. Watts, Vice-President, read excerpts from a letter written by Merle L. Mills, dated April 1, 1969, to R. H. Pierson. He wrote:

"You will be thrilled to learn that on March 29 a historic and unique baptism took place near Gitwe in the South Rwanda Field. At this service 1,007 young people were baptized by 39 pastors. To our knowledge this exceeds all previous records in our Division for such a large number to be baptized in a single service, and it could very well establish a world record."

FAR EASTERN DIVISION--  
FIXED RATES OF EXCHANGE:

In harmony with a recommendation from the Far Eastern Division, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To approve changes in the fixed rates of exchange for the Far Eastern Division, effective April 1, 1969, as follows:

Indonesia Rupiah	From 410.00 to the US dollar, or .002439; to 375.00 to the US dollar, or .00266666;
West Irian I. B. Rupiah	From 41.00 to the US dollar, or .02439; to 37.50 to the US dollar, or .0266666.

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION--  
STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT SECRETARY:

The Southern Asia Division and General Conference Officers recommend that inasmuch as we have a resignation from I. K. Moses as Stewardship and Development Secretary, M. S. Prasada Rao be elected to replace him.

VOTED, That the resignation of I. K. Moses as Department of Stewardship and Development Secretary for the Southern Asia Division be accepted; and that M. S. Prasada Rao be elected to take his place.

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SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION--  
UPGRADING OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS:

On request of the Southern European Division, in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference Department of Education, and also with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the upgrading of schools in the Southern European Division, as follows:

That Seminaire Adventiste de Nanga-Eboko, Cameroun, be authorized to offer up through fourteen grades of coursework in the areas of Theology and Secondary Education as qualified personnel, library facilities, and supporting areas permit. (It is understood that the conditions will be met and the standards maintained as specified in the reports of the inspection committee and the recommendations of the Division and General Conference Department of Education. A progress report in two years of Seminaire Adventiste de Nanga-Eboko will be requested by the General Conference Department of Education.)

That Seminar Schloss Bogenhofen (Austria) be authorized to offer up through fourteen grades of coursework in the areas of Theology and Secondary Education as qualified personnel, library facilities, and supporting areas permit. (It is understood that the conditions will be met and the standards maintained as specified in the reports of the inspection committee and the recommendations of the Division and General Conference Department of Education. A progress report in two years of Bogenhofen Seminary will be requested by the General Conference Department of Education.)

That Seminaire Adventiste de Soamanandrarinny (Madagascar) be authorized to offer up through fourteen grades of coursework in the areas of Theology and Secondary Education as qualified personnel, new dormitories for older students, and an adequate library are arranged for within two years. (It is understood that the conditions will be met and the standards maintained as specified in the reports of the inspection committee and the recommendations of the Division and General Conference Department of Education. A progress report in two years of Seminaire Adventiste de Soamanandrarinny will be requested by the General Conference Department of Education.)

ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE  
AND COMMISSION ON ELEMENTARY EDUCATION--MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

On request of the Department of Education, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To authorize changes in membership on the Elementary Curriculum Committee and Commission on Elementary Education, as follows:

Mrs. Esther Novak, of the North Dakota Conference, to replace Mr. E. F. Armour, of the Minnesota Conference, as a member of the Elementary Curriculum Committee;

Dr. W. W. Liske, of Andrews University, to replace Mrs. Lilah Lilley of Southern Missionary College, and Gene Ballenger, of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, to replace Mrs. C. R. May, of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, as members of the Commission on Elementary Education.

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ISRAELITE MAGAZINE--

E. W. PEDERSEN TO REPLACE R. L. ODOM AS EDITOR:

On request of R. L. Odom, it was--

VOTED, That R. L. Odom be released from his responsibility as Editor of Israelite Magazine, to afford him opportunity for other work which has been assigned to him. It was further--

VOTED, That E. W. Pedersen be appointed to serve as Editor of the Israelite Magazine.

## PAUL HILL--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Paul Hill, to connect with Loma Linda University to be Associate Professor of Music in the College of Arts and Sciences.

ROBERT E. ANDERSON--PACIFIC PRESS  
PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to Robert E. Anderson, permanently returned from the Middle East Division, a call to connect with the Pacific Press Publishing Association, for employment in the Superintendent's office.

## CHARLES TETZ--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Lake Union and Michigan Conferences a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Charles Tetz, of Andrews University Junior Academy, to serve as a Teacher in the Central California Conference.

## MERI BLOST--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Meri Blost from the Far Eastern Division office, on her request after a term of service of three years; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

## SAMUEL COLE--EXTENSION OF FURLOUGH:

VOTED, That the furlough of Samuel Cole from Puerto Rico be extended for six months, to enable him to complete studies for his Doctor's degree; in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

## A. A. CREE--JAPAN:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division a request from the Far Eastern Division for A. A. Cree, who was previously connected with Loma Linda Foods in California, and went out to Australia, to join the health food program in Japan for two years.

## LOIS AHN--SEOUL SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Lois Ahn, a Nurse from Seoul, Korea, now resident in Los Angeles, California, an invitation from the Far Eastern Division for her

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to serve as a worker at the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital, Korea; on the basis of a national returning to her homeland.

MELVIN E. JOHNSON, D.D.S.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Melvin E. Johnson, D.D.S., be released from the call to Ile-Ife Hospital, Nigeria, because of his inability to sell his dental practice.

ANNA REED--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Anna Reed be released from appointment as a Nurse for the Ishaka Hospital, Uganda, East Africa, she having declined for personal reasons.

PASCUAL PENA--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Pascual Pena be released from appointment as a departmental secretary for the East Venezuela Mission, since he is not clear in accepting the call.

JERRY D. PEAK--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Jerry D. Peak be released from appointment as Assistant Business Manager for the Benghazi Adventist Hospital, Benghazi, Libya, he having declined the call for personal reasons.

F. R. STEPHAN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That F. R. Stephan be released from appointment as Principal for the Pakistan Union School, since for family reasons he has declined the call.

EDWARD L. BUCKLEY--SOLUSI COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Edward L. Buckley, at present living in Santa Monica, California, but who has spent most of his life in Africa, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Commercial Teacher for Solusi College; on the basis of a national returning.

CLIFTON AUD KELLER, JR.--ETHIOPIAN ADVENTIST COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Lake Union and Michigan Conferences be requested to release Clifton Aud Keller, Jr., of Andrews University Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as Science Teacher for the Ethiopian Adventist College, in Kuyera.

MRS. GEORGIA LINKINS--INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Hawaiian Mission be requested to release Mrs. Georgia Linkins, a Secretary in Castle Memorial Hospital, and that she be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division headquarters in Miami, Florida, as English Office Secretary.

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## DONNA GAIL CHRISTIANSON--PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Donna Gail Christianson, of LLU Hospital, and that she be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Ob. Instructor and Nurse in the Bella Vista School of Nursing, Puerto Rico.

## J. J. WALCKER--GUAM:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Loma Linda University be requested to release J. J. Walcker, of La Sierra College, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Construction Supervisor in Guam.

## SHIROU KUNIHIRA--JAPAN MISSIONARY COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Shirou Kunihiro, head of Research for School of Dentistry, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as President of Japan Missionary College.

## HAROLD HEBARD, SR., M.D.--PENANG HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Harold Hebard, Sr., M.D., of Long Beach, California, an invitation to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Physician for the Penang Hospital, beginning in July of 1969. Dr. Hebard has previously served overseas, having worked in India from 1926 to 1934, and in the Far East from 1937 to 1942.

## DR. LESLIE HARDINGE--MOUNTAIN VIEW COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College be requested to release Dr. Leslie Hardinge, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Head of the Bible Department in Mountain View College.

## MRS. OLGA BOOTH--ISHAKA HOSPITAL, UGANDA:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference and Washington Sanitarium and Hospital be requested to release Mrs. Olga Booth, and that she be invited to connect with the East African Union for relief service as a Nurse in the Ishaka Hospital, Uganda; for three months.

## J. L. WALLAR, M.D.--SOUTH THAILAND:

VOTED, That J. L. Wallar, M.D., of Lakeport, California, be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service in Bhuket, Thailand, June-July, 1969.

## NAOMI PITMAN, M.D.--MANILA SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Naomi Pitman, M.D., of Loma Linda University Hospital, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division for service in the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, for one year or longer, beginning some time before January, 1970.

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## JOHN D. SPROED, M.D.--DAVIS MEMORIAL CLINIC AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That John D. Sproed, M.D., of Loma Linda, California, now in military service, and under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division, be assigned to the Davis Memorial Clinic and Hospital, Georgetown, Guyana, to go forward as soon as possible after completing Army service.

## WILLIAM SHEA, M.D.--PORT-OF-SPAIN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, TRINIDAD:

VOTED, That William Shea, M.D., of Stoneham, Massachusetts, now under deferred appointment to the Inter-American Division, and whose wife is also a physician, be assigned to the Port-of-Spain Community Hospital, in Trinidad.

## WERNER LEIBOLD, M.D.--JULIACA CLINIC, PERU:

VOTED, That Werner Leibold, M.D., of Hinsdale, Illinois, now under deferred appointment to the South American Division, whose wife is also a physician, be assigned as Medical Director of the Juliaca Clinic, Peru.

## JUAN E. WATSON REID--CENTRAL JAMAICA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That Juan E. Watson Reid, a student at Andrews University, now under deferred appointment to the South American Division, be assigned to the Inter-American Division as a Teacher for the Central Jamaica Conference; on the basis of a national returning.

## PATRICIA JO GUSTIN--FAR EASTERN ACADEMY:

VOTED, That the Central Union and Missouri Conferences be requested to release Miss Patricia Jo Gustin, of Sunnysdale Academy, who has previously served in Singapore, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Dean of Girls in the Far Eastern Academy, in Singapore.

## SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION--TREASURER:

Information was given that John I. Hartman, Treasurer of the South American Division, has accepted a call to the Southwestern Union Conference as Associate Auditor.

The name of Manuel M. Carballal has been considered as a possible successor to John I. Hartman as Treasurer of the South American Division. He has had a broad experience in the work, having served in the Inter-American Division as school principal, college business manager, and conference treasurer and president. More recently he has served as Assistant Business Manager of Columbia Union College, and in the General Conference Insurance Department for several years. The South American Division and General Conference Officers have given favorable consideration to his name.

VOTED, That the General Conference Insurance Department be requested to release Manuel M. Carballal, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division, to serve as Treasurer; and that he be elected to this position. Further--

VOTED, That authorization be given Manuel M. Carballal to make a trip to the South American Division from April 14 to May 5, 1969.



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## OVERSEAS TRAVEL:

VOTED, To authorize the following visits to overseas fields and adjustments in visits previously authorized:

Authorizations

Gordon Engen	South American Division, 1969, time to be arranged. (To be passed on to Lake Union Conference.)
Mazie Herin	Southern Asia Division, November 1-December 15, 1969.
L. B. Reynolds	Australasian Division, October 1-December 22, 1969.
Raul Villanueva	New Jersey Conference Camp Meeting, June 27-July 5, 1969. (To be passed on to the Inter-American Division.)
Neal C. Wilson	Middle East Division, July 6-22, 1969.

Adjustments

E. W. Howse	South American Division, change of date, July 10 -August 22, 1969, instead of June 10-July 21, 1969.
E. H. J. Steed	Far Eastern Division, change of date, October 1-15, 1969, instead of August 1-15, 1969.

## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

F. L. Bland--Nashville, Riverside Board, July 7, 8;  
 N. R. Dower--Portland, Oakland, Sacramento, special meetings April 11-14;  
 W. W. Fordham--Huntsville, Oakwood College Board of Trustees, special meeting May 5-7;  
 W. J. Hackett--South Lancaster, Atlantic Union Seminar, May 14, 15;  
 John Hancock--Hutchinson, Minnesota; Nevada, Iowa; Maplewood and Oak Park Academy graduation programs, May 22-25;  
 Mazie Herin--North American itinerary with Miss Hannelore Witzig (Associate Medical Secretary of Central European Division), June 27-August 20;  
 M. Carol Hetzell--Riverside, California, Educational Quadrennial, June 22-27 (will be on West Coast);  
 J. O. Iversen--Stoneham, Massachusetts, evangelistic campaign, September 14-27;  
 M. H. Jensen--Northern Union, Dorcas and Welfare Federation meetings, and Disaster Relief Crash Program mass feeding with Red Cross state officials, April 18-27;  
 M. E. Kemmerer--Denver, Union Committee, Porter and Boulder Boards, April 8;  
 N. W. Litchfield--San Francisco, Los Angeles, ESDA business, June 1-6;  
 D. A. McAdams--Keene, Texas, Southwestern Union Committee, May 15;

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APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES  
(concluded):

A. C. McKee--Washington, D.C. (from Atlanta), Deferred Giving work, April 21-24;

R. H. Pierson--Worthington, Ohio, Worthington Foods Business, April 29; Berrien Springs, Andrews University budget and Executive Board, May 13, 14; Loma Linda, LLU Officers and Board, May 16-20; Healdsburg, California, Harris Pine Mills Board, May 22;

Milo Sawvel--Loma Linda University, Institute of Scientific Studies (in connection with camp meetings already authorized), June 15-20;

J. V. Scully--North Pacific Union, visit Religious Liberty clubs in academies, May 17-20 (extension of trip already voted for May 7-17);

Clark Smith--San Antonio, in interest of White Coat project, May 6-9;

F. A. Soper--Los Angeles, Houston, editorial appointments en route back from trip to Pacific Press already voted, April 23-27;

R. F. Waddell, M.D., New Orleans, Tulane University Dean's Hour Presentation and Tulane Alumni Association Board of Directors' Meeting, April 18 (extension of trip already voted);

C. D. Watson--Loma Linda, Institute of Scientific Studies, June 13-20 (camp meetings en route).

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

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

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MINUTES OF MEETINGS  
GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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## One Hundred Eightieth Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 17, 1969, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

Theodore Carcich, A. Edwin Gibb, D. H. Baasch, W. R. Beach, F. L. Bland, W. J. Brown, E. E. Cleveland, P. M. DeBooy, J. E. Edwards, G. M. Ellstrom, W. W. Fordham, R. R. Frame, J. H. Hancock, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, C. B. Hirsch, W. A. Howe, E. W. Howse, D. S. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, H. W. Lowe, Theodore Lucas, C. D. Martin, D. A. McAdams, R. E. Osborn, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, E. W. Pedersen, L. B. Reynolds, Glenn Sharman, H. D. Singleton, R. S. Watts, C. C. Weis, K. H. Wood

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl H. Bahr, D. A. Delafield, N. W. Litchfield, Philip S. Nelson, M.D., and Albert S. Whiting, M.D.

## DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Theodore Carcich, Chairman, spoke of the certainties upon which our faith is founded. We need to reaffirm and redeclare those things upon which we build. He called attention to and read the statement in Revelation 10: 7, concerning the sounding of the seventh angel when the mystery of God should be finished. The work of God is going to be finished, and in our day. Difficult though it may appear, obstacles there may be, hazardous as it may seem, the mystery of God shall be finished, as He has declared.

Therefore, let us take courage and address ourselves to the task, each man in his place. Let not the line break where we stand. His work is to be victorious. Thank God for the part we have in it.

## REPORTS:

The Chairman introduced G. M. Ellstrom, President of the Congo Union, and extended him opportunity to speak. Elder Ellstrom expressed appreciation for the privilege of speaking. He referred to the fact several of the Committee members have visited the Congo. Although the workers in the Congo Union have had problems in carrying forward the work, he said the Lord has been good to them and has seen them through all the difficulties in years gone by. They have lost a few members, but no workers. They lost some properties, but the General Conference gave them some help with this problem. They have had one whole year of peace. Last year over 2,000 people were baptized; and their goal is 3,000 or more in 1969. The work is going forward and they request our prayers.

R. R. Frame introduced Albert S. Whiting, M.D., who has just returned from Biafra, and served on a medical team for six weeks. He previously gave five years of service in East Africa. At the present time he is employed with the School of Public Health in Loma Linda. Dr. Whiting stated the Northern Ngwa County Hospital is now under the auspices of the International Red Cross. The Northern European Division is supplying the workers. It is a 40-bed hospital,

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and at present they have 115 patients, many of them in the hall, concourse, and auxiliary building. They have 400 outpatients a day. In many cases the doctor must tell the patients that he is sorry it is not medicine they need, but food. Almost every patient is malnourished. He reported two pastors have been killed in Biafra, and many of our members have been lost track of. Our workers there feel we are living in the time of the end because they see prophecy fulfilling before their very eyes. It is a very pitiful situation in Biafra. They need our support and prayers.

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MINUTES of the Spring Meeting, April 1 and 3; and April 10, 1969, with corrections were approved.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION, 1970, ALLOWANCES:

Recommendations from the General Conference Officers concerning allowances for General Conference delegates attending the 1970 General Conference session were presented and adopted as follows:

We recommend, The following financial provisions for General Conference delegates attending the 1970 General Conference in Atlantic City:

I. For members of the General Conference Committee resident in North America and heads of associations, commissions, and services who may be appointed by the General Conference Committee to represent their particular work at the session and who may be accompanied by their wives:

1. If traveling by automobile:

- a. Auto mileage at the approved rate per mile by the most direct route. (Washington, D.C., to Atlantic City round trip, 375 miles.)

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- b. Road and bridge tolls.
  - c. Motel accommodation for delegate and wife for round trip, the number of nights being calculated on the basis of 450 miles or major fraction thereof daily. (No motel allowance for delegates resident in the Washington, D.C., area.) One extra night will be allowed in cases where a Sabbath stopover is unavoidable.
  - d. Travel allowance at the rate of \$8.00 per day calculated on the basis of 450 miles or major fraction thereof daily. One extra day will be allowed in cases where a Sabbath stopover is unavoidable.
  - e. Hotel room rent for husband and wife and \$8.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.
2. If traveling by train:
- a. One clergy fare round trip if he is eligible or otherwise one regular round-trip fare for the husband and one first-class round-trip fare for the wife, or one clergy round-trip fare if she holds clergy certificate.
  - b. Two roomettes where overnight travel is involved.
- NOTE: The foregoing allowances are granted provided first-class tickets and sleeping accommodations as specified are actually used.
- c. Hotel room rent for husband and wife and \$8.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.
3. If traveling by air:
- a. Actual most economical air fares round trip to Philadelphia.
  - b. Limousine fares round trip Philadelphia/Atlantic City.
  - c. Hotel room for husband and wife and \$8.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.
4. No allowance of any kind is made for children.

II. For members of the General Conference Committee resident in North America and heads of associations, commissions, and services who may be appointed by the General Conference Committee to represent their particular work at the session and who are unaccompanied by their wives:

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## 1. If traveling by automobile:

- a. Auto mileage at the approved rate per mile by the most direct route. (Washington, D.C./ Atlantic City round trip, 375 miles).
- b. Road and bridge tolls.
- c. Motel accommodation for the round trip, the number of nights being calculated on the basis of 450 miles or major fraction thereof daily. (No motel allowance for delegates resident in the Washington, D.C., area.) One extra night will be allowed in cases where a Sabbath stopover is unavoidable.
- d. Travel allowance at the rate of \$6.00 per day calculated on the basis of 450 miles or major fraction thereof daily. One extra day will be allowed in cases where a Sabbath stopover is unavoidable.
- e. Hotel room rent and \$6.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.

## 2. If traveling by train:

- a. Actual rail travel expense in harmony with policy.
- b. Bus fares round-trip Philadelphia/ Atlantic City.
- c. Travel allowance at the rate of \$6.00 per day. One extra day will be allowed in cases where a Sabbath stopover is unavoidable.
- d. Hotel room rent and \$6.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.

## 3. If traveling by air:

- a. Actual most economical air fares round trip to Philadelphia.
- b. Limousine fares round-trip Philadelphia/ Atlantic City.
- c. Hotel room for husband and \$6.00 daily while in Atlantic City, including pre- and post-session meetings at which attendance is authorized.
- d. No allowance of any kind is made for children.

## DELEGATES WHERE WIFE MUST TRAVEL SEPARATELY:

In cases where the wife of a delegate cannot accompany him to the session, but travels separately because of denominational service obligations, travel allowance may be reported for the part of the trip made separately, according to the method of travel used and on the basis of single worker allowance for herself and single worker allowance for the husband, as determined by the employing organization.

## DELEGATES WITH CHILDREN:

Delegates to the session who are accompanied by their wives and/or children will be permitted to secure representative accommodations other than in the designated hotel, it being understood that they may report the actual cost of such accommodations up to a maximum of \$14.00 per day.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE WORKERS--MEETING APPOINTMENTS  
EN ROUTE TO GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION:

If a General Conference worker is required to meet appointments in going to or returning from the General Conference session in Atlantic City involving travel by other than the direct route, he may report his expenses in the regular way. There would be no extra allowance if accompanied by his wife.

GARAGE ACCOMMODATIONS:

As garage accommodations are provided free for hotel and motel guests in Atlantic City, no allowance is made for garaging delegates' automobiles.

TRAVEL WITH TRAILER:

Delegates accompanied by their wives and/or children bringing and occupying a trailer will be allowed \$14.00 per day for such accommodation during the time they are in Atlantic City attending the General Conference session and any pre-session meetings they are authorized to attend.

WIVES OF ELECTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Wives of retired workers who are elective Committee members are invited to the 1970 General Conference session on the same financial arrangement as the wives of the active elective staff.

ALLOWANCES TO NONELECTIVE STAFF:

I. Certain members of the nonelective staff are being authorized to attend the General Conference session for full-time service during the time of the session. Two categories of staff are designated as follows:

1. Those who will be in charge of some activity of their bureau, commission, or office, and who will be working full time, may report the same allowances as for elective staff, for themselves and wives.
2. Those authorized to attend and who will be assigned regular duties, but who would not be chief representative of their office, may report the allowances as outlined for members of the office staff sent to Atlantic City for special duties, with the exception that they will be allowed to report daily allowance and hotel at the authorized rates for delegate and wife, where the wife accompanies the worker. No allowance is granted towards any cost of the wife's transportation.

II. Where husband and wife are both nonelective staff members and where the wife has been selected to attend the session for duty, and where the husband properly requests and has been authorized to take his vacation at the time of the General Conference session, the following allowances will be granted:

1. If traveling by automobile:



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- a. Auto mileage at the approved rate per mile by the most direct route. (Washington, D.C./ Atlantic City round trip, 375 miles.)
  - b. Road and bridge tolls.
  - c. Hotel room in Atlantic City at double occupancy rate during the time services of the wife are required.
  - d. Daily allowance of \$8.00 in Atlantic City during the time the services of the wife are required.
2. If traveling by train:
- a. Train fare Washington, D.C./ Philadelphia round trip for the wife.
  - b. Bus fare Philadelphia/ Atlantic City round trip for the wife.
  - c. Hotel room in Atlantic City at double occupancy rate during the time the services of the wife are required.
  - d. Daily allowance of \$8.00 in Atlantic City during the time the services of the wife are required.
3. If traveling by air:
- a. Actual most economical air fares round trip to Philadelphia for the wife.
  - b. Limousine fare Philadelphia/ Atlantic City round trip for the wife.
  - c. Hotel room in Atlantic City at double occupancy rate during the time the services of the wife are required.
  - d. Daily allowance of \$8.00 in Atlantic City during the time the services of the wife are required.

**FURLOUGHING MISSIONARIES:****I. Furlough Missionaries who are Delegates:**

1. If the delegate is alone, and travels by train, regular round-trip clergy rail fare by the most economical route is allowed with roomette, plus round-trip bus fares Philadelphia/ Atlantic City. If travel is by automobile, auto mileage at the approved rate will be allowed. If travel is by air, the actual most economical air fare will be allowed, plus limousine expense round trip, Philadelphia/ Atlantic City.

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2. If the delegate is accompanied by his wife and travels by train, the cost of two round-trip clergy rail fares or its equivalent on the basis indicated in the preceding paragraphs will be allowed. If travel is by automobile, auto mileage at the approved rate will be allowed. If travel is by air, the actual most economical air fares for husband and wife will be allowed, plus limousine fares for both round trip Philadelphia/ Atlantic City.
3. Daily allowance while traveling and attending authorized meetings:
  - Single rate, \$6.00 per day;
  - Delegate and wife, \$8.00 per day;
  - If travel is by automobile, daily allowance will be calculated at one day for each 450 miles or major fraction thereof by direct route.
4. Hotel room while attending authorized meeting:
  - Single room while attending authorized meetings;
  - Double occupancy rate is allowed for the delegate who is accompanied by his wife, while attending authorized meetings.
5. No allowance for children.

## II. Furloughing Missionaries who are Nondelegates:

The following allowances are recommended for nondelegate missionaries who are on furlough and authorized by their controlling organization to attend the session:

1. Round-trip mileage by the most direct route at two cents per mile, plus road and bridge tolls.
2. Ten dollars per day toward hotel and meal expenses for days actually in attendance at pre-session meetings and the General Conference session up to a maximum allowance of U.S. \$100.00.
3. These allowances are granted provided the furloughing missionary attends the session for a period of not less than one week.

## RECOMMENDED ALLOWANCES FOR NATIONAL WORKER DELEGATES ATTENDING THE 1970 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION:

1. Clothing allowances where needed, and travel expense from overseas to the USA for national delegates: These to be arranged and provided by the division concerned.
2. Travel within the North American Division: To be arranged and cared for by the division concerned.
3. Daily allowance while traveling and attending authorized meetings:
  - a. Single rate, \$6.00 per day;
  - b. Delegate and wife, \$8.00 per day;

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- c. If travel is by automobile, daily allowance will be calculated at one day for each 450 miles or major fraction thereof by direct route.
4. Hotel room while attending authorized meetings:
  - a. Single-room rate is allowed for delegate who is alone;
  - b. Double-occupancy rate is allowed for delegate who is accompanied by his wife.
5. Children:

No allowance for children.

#### MISSIONARY APPOINTEES:

Missionary appointees who have been medically cleared and whose appointments have been confirmed are invited to attend the General Conference session at Atlantic City on the following basis:

1. They will attend as visitors.
2. The arrangements for those attending while en route to their fields of labor will be worked out in careful consultation with the Transportation Bureau, due consideration being given to date of departure and stopover expense that might be incurred after the session.
3. Those only are invited who live within a radius of 500 miles of Atlantic City or who have been asked to attend the Missions Orientation Institute at Andrews University. Those who are in areas more than 500 miles from Atlantic City and who desire to attend may request an invitation, it being understood that travel expense in such cases will be as for 500 miles.
4. Their travel expense as outlined above, and entertainment on the same basis as for regular delegates will be borne by the General Conference session expense excepting those who attend in connection with the Missions Orientation Institute, in which case the extra travel will be paid from the Missions Orientation Fund.
5. Special cases will be dealt with on their merits in consultation with the Transportation Bureau.
6. It is understood that these arrangements apply only in the case of missionaries under appointment for a regular term of service.
7. The assistance of this plan will apply only to those appointees who attend the session for at least one week, of which the first week end shall be included.
8. Any missionary appointee who should attend the session, but who does not come under the above provisions, shall be referred to the Officers for consideration.

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## ALLOWANCES TO OFFICE STAFF:

Members of the General Conference Office staff who may attend the session will be granted allowances as follows:

I. To those who may be sent to the session for special duties but who are not members of the Committee nor heads of departments to be represented at the session:

1. If traveling by automobile:

- a. Auto mileage at the approved rate per mile by the most direct route. (Washington, D.C./ Atlantic City round trip 375 miles.)
- b. Road and bridge tolls.
- c. Hotel room in Atlantic City at single rate during the time services are required.
- d. Daily allowance of \$6.00 in Atlantic City during the time services are required.

II. To those members of the office staff whose services are not required at the session, but who desire to attend and can arrange a vacation in order to do so:

- 1. Cash allowance of \$50.00.
- 2. Round-trip mileage of 375 miles at two cents a mile.
- 3. Road and bridge tolls.

It is understood that at least one week is to be actually spent at the session, and that any absence from the office beyond the regular vacation will be without salary.

## RETIRED WORKERS INVITED TO ATTEND:

The same allowances and travel arrangements will be granted to retired workers who are invited to attend the 1970 General Conference session as are granted to General Conference Committee members. These provisions will include travel expenses for the man and for the wife if she accompanies him, and also hotel accommodation and daily allowance for both.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION TIPS ALLOWANCE:

Tips will be allowed as a reportable expense up to \$10.00 for fourteen days, covering room and baggage service for husband and wife; \$5.00 for one person alone. Tips for shorter stays would be proportionately less.

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## MRS. BETTY WIEDEMANN--CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call from the Pacific Union Conference for Mrs. Betty Wiedemann, a Teacher in the AU Elementary School, to connect with Central California Conference as a Teacher.

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SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION--  
PUBLISHING SECRETARY:

J. A. Soule, Publishing Secretary of the Southern Asia Division, is planning to return permanently in July, 1969. Appreciation was expressed for the work accomplished by Brother Soule, he having spent eighteen and one-half years in India. The name of J. M. Curnow, Principal and Business Manager of the Lowry Memorial Higher Secondary School, in India, has been suggested to replace J. A. Soule as Publishing Secretary. J. M. Curnow served as Assistant Publishing Secretary and later as Publishing Secretary of the South England Conference. He was sent to India and was Publishing Secretary of the South India Union. On recommendation of the Southern Asia Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That J. M. Curnow be elected Publishing Secretary of the Southern Asia Division, effective in July, 1969.

HAROLD F. STURGES, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Harold F. Sturges, M.D., who served in Ethiopia some years ago, be released from deferred appointment since he is now taking up a residency and has other plans for the future.

WM. MCFARLANE, D.D.S.--HONG KONG:

VOTED, That Wm. McFarlane, D.D.S., now under deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division, be assigned to Hong Kong.

GORDON MARSA, M.D.--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Gordon Marsa, M.D., from the Trans-Africa Division, on his request for personal reasons, at the completion of his term of service; in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

JOHN I. HARTMAN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of John I. Hartman from the South American Division; in harmony with the recommendation of the Division. It was further--

VOTED, To record our appreciation for the dedicated service given by John I. Hartman to the work in South America. From 1936 to 1954 he was connected with the work in Brazil and Peru, and since 1962 has served as Treasurer of the South American Division.

EDWARD A. STREETER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return to Australia of Edward A. Streeter from the Southern Asia Division at his request, after approximately twenty-one years of service; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

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## ESPERANZA DE LA CRUZ RODA--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return to the Philippines of Esperanza de la Cruz Roda, Dietitian at Karachi Hospital, West Pakistan, at her request, at the end of two terms of service; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

## FILIPINA C. RODA--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return to the Philippines of Filipina C. Roda, General Supervisor and Assistant Director of Nursing Service at Karachi Hospital, West Pakistan, at her request, at the end of a term of service; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

## K. B. HANSEN--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To record the permanent return of K. B. Hansen from Australia to the Northern European Division (Denmark), after eight years of service in Australia, he having accepted a call back to his home Division; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Australasian Division.

## ELGIN D. FRYE--ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, That Elgin D. Frye, of Clearlake Highlands, California, and who served in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 1960 to 1965, and returned to undertake a study program, be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as Medical Technician for the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

## FLOYD FRED PETERSEN--RUSANGU, ZAMBIA:

VOTED, That Floyd Fred Petersen, a student at Walla Walla College, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Physical Science Teacher for Rusangu, Zambia.

## HOWARD C. SMITH, M.D.--LIMA, PERU:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Howard C. Smith, M.D., and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as Physician for the Good Hope Clinic, Lima, Peru.

## EMMETT L. TETZ, M.D.--TRINIDAD:

VOTED, That Emmett L. Tetz, M.D., of Riverside, California, now completing his residency in surgery at Loma Linda Hospital, be invited to connect with the

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Inter-American Division as Relief Surgeon at the Port-of-Spain Community Hospital, Trinidad, for three months, beginning in August, 1969.

**DON MARCH--BRITISH HONDURAS:**

VOTED, That Don March, of Detroit, Michigan, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division, to serve as Principal of the British Honduras Secondary School; on the basis of a national returning.

**RALPH R. TRECARTIN--CENTRAL AMAZON MISSION:**

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conferences be requested to release Ralph R. Trecartin, Manager of the Southern New England Conference Book and Bible House, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as Secretary-Treasurer of the Central Amazon Mission.

**ELLIS WAYNE EASLEY--ECUADOR MISSION:**

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences be requested to release Ellis Wayne Easley, Chaplain of the Memorial Hospital, at Beeville, Texas, and that he be invited to connect with the South American Division as YPMV and Superintendent of Education for the Ecuador Mission.

**RAY I. BLUE--FAR EASTERN ACADEMY:**

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences be requested to release Ray I. Blue, Teacher of Science and Mathematics at Lodi Union Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Mathematics and Science Teacher at the Far Eastern Academy.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

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

W. Melvin Adams--Memphis, district meetings relating to labor problems, April 11, 12; Dayton, Miami Valley Association of SDA Ministers, May 6 (en route Georgia); Pine Mountain, Georgia, Union Secretarial Council, May 8-10;

K. F. Ambs--St. Louis, National Conference on Religious Architecture, April 29-May 1;

Henry Brummett--Nashville, Atlanta, Huntsville, Insurance business, April 13-18;

E. E. Cleveland--New Orleans, week-end revival, April 25-27; Berrien Springs, Commencement speaker for Andrews University Academy, June 1;

Paul Gordon--Canadian Union College, Baccalaureate service, May 31 (en route to West Coast appointments previously voted);

Harry House--Andrews University, Insurance Seminar and business, June 15-23;

Charles Martin--Newport, Rhode Island, visit Chaplain Eslinger (finishing Chaplains' School), April 17 (Charles Martin and Clark Smith will drive up and back same day);

E. L. Minchin--Union College, Baccalaureate service, May 31;

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## APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

W. L. Pascoe--Boston, Immigration Conference and Workshop, April 28; Berrien Springs, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Treasury business, May 12-26;

H. E. Rice--Stoneham, New England Memorial Hospital consultation, April 14; Mountain View, Hospital Administrators, May 7 (in connection with Loma Linda University visit); Loma Linda, Loma Linda University Board, May 15-21;

Clark Smith--Newport, Rhode Island, visit Chaplain Eslinger, April 17;

J. R. Spangler--Southern New England Conference, Regional Evangelists' Council meetings, May 13-15;

R. S. Watts--Camp Cumby-Gay, speak at Retired Workers' Retreat (Georgia-Cumberland), April 25-27.

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Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman  
A. Edwin Gibb, Secretary  
Katie Farney,  
Recording Secretary



## One Hundred Eighty-First Meeting

## GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

April 24, 1969, 10:00 A.M.

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## PRESENT:

F. L. Bland, C. O. Franz, W. Melvin Adams, Euel Atchley, W. R. Beach, W. P. Bradley, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, N. R. Dower, K. H. Emmerson, W. W. Fordham, A. E. Gibb, J. O. Gibson, C. E. Guenther, W. A. Higgins, C. B. Hirsch, D. W. Holbrook, E. W. Howse, D. W. Hunter, D. S. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, C. D. Martin, A. C. McKee, R. E. Osborn, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, E. W. Pedersen, J. W. Peeke, R. H. Pierson, A. V. Pinkney, M. H. Reeder, L. B. Reynolds, H. E. Rice, Milo Sawvel, H. D. Singleton, Clark Smith, E. H. J. Steed, C. D. Watson, A. L. White, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

## OTHERS PRESENT:

N. W. Litchfield, Wayne A. Martin, Seth Lundstrom

## DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Referring to the 33rd chapter of Isaiah, F. L. Bland, Chairman, said doubtless it was inspired by the judgment that befell the host of Sennacherib. The invaders had ravaged Judah, but the Lord would deliver her from the might of her oppressors. The chapter alternates between strong consolation and severe rebukes for the wicked. Isaiah's prophetic vision beholds also the glorious coming of the Lord when His kingdom shall be established. The hour of man's extremity is the hour of God's opportunity. This is the thought that is very clearly brought forth in the 10th verse.

When it seemed that the situation was hopeless, and that the last vestige of Judean resistance would soon be crushed by the cruel conqueror, the Lord arose to deliver the remnant in Jerusalem. To those who love and serve God today the Lord offers protection and care during every time of trouble, even during the great crises of the last days. God has promised to provide a place of refuge for His people out of the reach of those bent on their destruction. During the trials and tribulations of the last days, God's people will find comfort in the thought that soon Christ will come. And with the eye of faith they will look through the problems of today to the Land of Promise. This we find recorded in the 33rd chapter of Isaiah. Then Elder Bland read verses 6-8, 10, 16 and 17, and the 22nd verses.

Opening prayer by C. B. Hirsch.

## A. C. McKEE--INTRODUCTION:

K. H. Emmerson, Treasurer, introduced A. C. McKee, of the Southern Union Conference, who is connecting with the General Conference officially as of May 1, 1969. He is to be Director of Deferred Giving. He is a veteran in this field. Elder Emmerson welcomed him to the staff of the General Conference.

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In response, A. C. McKee said it is a privilege, a very great honor to be called to this sacred office. He has greatly enjoyed the program of Deferred Giving. He has been connected with it in recent years. It has tremendous potential for the finishing of God's work. In a number of areas in the world we have not yet gotten into this program. It is his hope that as he gives full time to this work he can be helpful in these other areas.

#### SETH LUNDSTROM--INTRODUCTION:

E. W. Pedersen, Field Secretary, introduced a friend from Sweden, Seth Lundstrom. Brother Lundstrom began his ministry in Sweden in 1910, and was ordained to the ministry in 1917. Dr. Lundstrom of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital is his son. His daughter is wife of G. Bacher, Reception Manager of the Skodsborg Sanitarium and Hospital. Elder Pedersen told of the various positions Brother Lundstrom had occupied, and stated that the work he had enjoyed most of all was soul-winning evangelism. In this he had made a wonderful contribution to the cause of God.

Seth Lundstrom, speaking in Swedish, with E. W. Pedersen translating, said he is thankful to God for He has been with him and his beloved wife, and has blessed their work in Sweden, and also during the five years in the United States among Swedish-speaking people. He is also grateful to God for the privilege he has had of serving in some measure in his retirement. In a way these have been some of his most enjoyable years because he has had contact with missionaries throughout the world field. He expressed appreciation for the privilege of meeting with the brethren in the Committee.

#### REPORTS:

R. H. Pierson, President, recalled that many years ago he and Duane S. Johnson made a pioneer trip into Afghanistan. Elder Pierson has received word that two literature evangelists have gotten into Kabul. He feels this is encouraging, and is a step forward.

W. A. Higgins, Publishing Department Associate Secretary, reported as follows:

While in the Far East recently I was much impressed with the influence of books upon the minds of people. I brought a copy of Mao Tse Tung's communist quotations. This is the book that has inspired the activities of the millions of China as well as other parts of the world. One hundred million of these books have been printed. Soon they will print another edition which will contain a thousand quotations instead of four hundred.

I was also impressed with the tremendous power of our literature in the Far East. I saw remarkable results of literature from Korea to Indonesia. In Korea they are selling the book Adventist Home, with excellent success. The title there is Home Without Shadows. In Japan the book Education has been sold for years with excellent success. A short time ago a communist in North Japan was given this book to read while he was ill. It made a tremendous impression on him. The statement that challenged him most was on page 57 of the book "The greatest want of the world is the want of men--men who will not be bought or sold, men who in their inmost souls are true and honest, men who do not fear

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to call sin by its right name, men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole, men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall." Shortly after reading this book, he began attending the Seventh-day Adventist church, was baptized, and now for almost a year has been a successful literature evangelist.

In the Philippines they had one institute for the three unions where 865 credentialed and licensed literature evangelists were in attendance.

Twelve years ago, in Indonesia, a Mohammedan lady bought a copy of the Marked Bible, read it, joined the church, became a literature evangelist, and she in turn has won 95 persons during that time.

Last year in the Far Eastern Division our publishing houses produced more than 275,000,000 pages of literature, and these books are working miracles.

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MINUTES of the meeting held April 17, 1969, with corrections, were approved.

R. S. JOYCE--DEATH OF;  
SYMPATHY TO FAMILY:

Information was given of the death of R. S. Joyce on April 10, 1969. At the time of his death he was President of the Indiana Conference.

VOTED, To record our recognition of the service R. S. Joyce rendered the denomination, and that a message of sympathy be sent to the family.

SPRING VALLEY ACADEMY--STATUS:

In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Department of Education, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To approve the request of the Columbia Union Conference that the Spring Valley Academy, Dayton, Ohio, be authorized to operate as a twelve-grade day academy.

TULLIO PEVERINI--PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the South American Division a call from the Pacific Press Publishing Association for Tullio Peverini, a Teacher in River Plate Junior College, to serve as Assistant Editor of the Spanish Department.

PACIFIC UNION FLOOD RELIEF FUND:

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

VOTED, That we authorize a donation of \$500 to the flood relief fund in the Pacific Union Conference, Southern California, Loma Linda area.

EARL EVANS--MT. PISGAH ACADEMY:

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call from the Southern Union Conference for Earl Evans, Assistant Food Service Director at AU, and that he

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be invited to connect with the Carolina Conference as Food Service Director at Mt. Pisgah Academy.

**GUIDELINES FOR FILMS  
AND OTHER PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS:**

A series of recommendations as Guidelines for Films and Other Promotional Materials were presented as approved by the General Conference Officers, and adopted as follows:

The terms of reference dealt particularly with proper representation of all ethnic groups and presentation of promotional materials acceptable in every geographical area.

We recommend, 1. That an appeal be made to all departments and organizations to produce promotional materials acceptable to all ethnic groups, these to include films, brochures, tracts, Bible Correspondence Course enrollment cards, etc.

2. That in planning such materials guidance and counsel be secured from various ethnic groups in the early stages so as to present the materials in the most acceptable manner.

3. That pictures presenting nudity and extremes in degradation and primitive life be avoided. Depicting extreme situations as normal to any people or nation is offensive.

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**GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--  
REVIEW AND HERALD OFFICIAL BULLETIN:**

VOTED, That the Review and Herald be the official bulletin of the 1970 General Conference session.

**BEULAH FENTON--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:**

VOTED, To pass on to the North Pacific Union Conference and Portland Adventist Hospital a call for Miss Beulah Fenton, to connect with Loma Linda University as Director of Education and Training for Nursing Service.

**GEORGE AKERS--WALLA WALLA COLLEGE:**

VOTED, To pass on to Andrews University a call from the North Pacific Union Conference for George Akers, to serve as Dean of Academic Administration at Walla Walla College.

**E. R. HUTCHINSON--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:**

VOTED, That the furlough of E. R. Hutchinson from West Pakistan be extended for five months, to Dec. 31, 1969, to allow him to complete some education work, and to care for personal family responsibilities; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

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**J. B. FALCONBRIDGE--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:**

VOTED, That the furlough of J. B. Falconbridge from Thailand be extended one month, May 25 to June 30, 1969, to permit him to finish the school year at Andrews University; in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

**LORETTA AND VICTORIA TALLIOS--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Loretta and Victoria Tallios, daughters of Nick Tallios, as of August 17, 1964, from Greece; for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern European Division.

**R. G. BURGESS--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of R. G. Burgess from Taipei, at his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

**ROBERT L. SHELDON--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Robert L. Sheldon from Bangkok, Thailand, at his request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

**WM. FRED RILEY--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Wm. Fred Riley from Kuyera, Ethiopia, at his request, for health reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division. Brother Riley has served ten years in West Africa and Ethiopia.

**HERMAN E. MELLISH--PERMANENT RETURN:**

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Herman E. Mellish from Ethiopia at his request after a term of service, to study medicine; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Northern European Division.

**MARK G. ROPKA--DEFERRED MEDICAL APPOINTMENT:**

VOTED, That Mark G. Ropka, a sophomore student at Loma Linda University School of Medicine, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Far Eastern Division.

**MARIANNE ANGEL PATTON--KUYERA, ETHIOPIA:**

VOTED, That Miss Marianne Angel Patton, of Pacific Union College, who was sent as a student missionary to Ethiopia, be invited to connect with the Northern European Division as Home Economist for the Kuyera school in Ethiopia.

**HAROLD F. OTIS, JR.--CONGO UNION:**

VOTED, That the Columbia Union and Pennsylvania Conferences be requested to release Harold F. Otis, Jr., and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Publishing Secretary of the Congo Union.

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**HAROLD T. BURR--WEST PAKISTAN:**

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union Conference and Southwestern Union College be requested to release Harold T. Burr, Teacher of Religion and Biblical Languages at SUC, and that he be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as President of the West Pakistan Training School.

**MICHAEL T. OLIVERIO, M.D.--NORTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Middle East Division a call from the Northern European Division for Michael T. Oliverio, M.D., who is now at Loma Linda University, to serve in the Ile-Ife Hospital, West Nigeria; with the request that the Middle East Division process the call.

**FRITZ O. MARTINSEN--BUGEMA MISSIONARY COLLEGE, UGANDA:**

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Africa Division a call for Fritz Martinsen, now in the United States on furlough and leave, to connect with the East African Union as a Teacher/Registrar for Bugema Missionary College, Uganda.

**APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:**

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

- F. L. Bland--Birmingham, Alabama, speaking appointments, May 23-26;
- W. P. Bradley--Berrien Springs, Andrews University Board, May 13, 14; Loma Linda University Board, May 16-20;
- W. J. Brown--Atlanta, meet with United Board for College Development, April 22, 23 (extension of trip to Collegedale);
- T. Carcich--Detroit, General Assembly National Council of Churches, November 30-December 4;
- Paul DeBooy--Bismarck, North Dakota, state-wide Youth Congress, May 2, 3;
- C. O. Franz--Louisville, Kentucky, interview Dr. Clifford Ludington, April 20 (en route Southern Missionary College);
- W. J. Hackett--Simcoe, Ontario, Ukrainian camp meeting, April 25-27; Glendale, California, Conference on Financing Christian Education, May 8; North Pacific Union (or Oakland, California), Conference on Financing Christian Education, May 12;
- C. B. Hirsch--Andrews University Committees and Board, May 12-15; Loma Linda University Committees and Board, May 15-22; Riverside, Curriculum Revision and Guidance Committee, Committee on Elementary Education, Loma Linda University Foundation and Executive Committee, Quadrennial Council Secondary Education, North American Division Committee on Administration Education Advisory Committee, June 15-July 1;
- J. O. Iversen--Toronto, appointment with Canadian Broadcasting Corporation official who gives permission to advertise caroling program on TV, May 8;
- D. S. Johnson--Detroit, General Assembly National Council of Churches, November 30-December 4;

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A. C. McKee--Kansas City, May 5; San Francisco, May 6, 7; Loma Linda, Glendale, May 8, 9; Oakland, May 11-13; Minneapolis, May 14, 15; Berrien Springs, May 16-18; Lincoln, May 19, 20; Dallas, May 21-23, Deferred Giving; Washington, D.C., office work, June 2-6;

C. E. Moseley, Jr., Tallahassee, Florida, speaking appointment, April 19 (en route from Miami);

V. W. Schoen--Indiana Conference, dedication of Welfare van and state-wide Dorcas Federation meeting, May 11 (extension of trip to Detroit, May 3-10);

Ella Mae Stoneburner--Cassapolis, Michigan, Nutrition and Health Class graduation, May 10, 11;

R. S. Watts--Hot Springs, Arkansas, Laymen's Congress, May 10;

A. L. White--Loma Linda University Library, Pacific Press, Elmshaven, Research, June 16-20; San Pasqual Academy, ten churches Retreat, June 20-22; Riverside, California, Secondary Education Quadrennial, June 22-26 (substituting for Paul Gordon).

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Adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

F. L. Bland, Chairman  
C. O. Franz, Secretary  
Katie Farney, Recording Secretary