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#### Thirty-Eighth Meeting

# GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 4, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

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#### PRESENT:

F. L. Bland, C. E. Bradford, J. J. Aitken, D. H. Baasch, W. R. Beach, G. J. Bertochini, Theodore Carcich, W. W. Fordham, C. O. Franz, J. O. Gibson, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, D. W. Holbrook, W. A. Howe, E. W. Howse, D. W. Hunter, Gordon Hyde, D. S. Johnson, H. D. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, B. J. Kohler,

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- A. C. McKee, M. S. Nigri, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, R. L. Pelton,
- R. H. Pierson, A. V. Pinkney, Fernon Retzer, A. H. Roth, Milo Sawvel, J. V. Scully,
- B. E. Seton, Clark Smith, F. A. Soper, E. H. J. Steed, Michael Stevenson,
- I. V. Stonebrook, K. W. Tilghman, C. D. Watson, F. C. Webster, A. L. White,
- K. W. Whitney, K. H. Wood

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

M. King Deets, C. D. Forshee, J. O. Iversen, James Joiner, T. O. Moore, Ben Trout, Kit Watts

#### DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

F. L. Bland, Chairman, read from The New Testament in Modern English, J. B. Phillips' version, Romans 12: 1-9.

Opening prayer by J. O. Iversen.

# REPORTS:

J. J. Aitken, Radio and Television Department Secretary, reported: The National Religious Broadcasters' Association celebrated its fiftieth year in a special convention in Washington, D.C., held January 24 to 27, 1971, in the Washington Hilton Hotel. Over 700 religious broadcasters from across the nation and also some representatives from the World Religious Broadcasting Associations gathered together to lay plans for a greater emphasis on religious broadcasting and especially the preservation of the airwaves for complete freedom in broadcasting and telecasting the good news of the gospel.

A highlight of this fiftieth anniversary of religious broadcasting was the special one-and-a-half hour satellite broadcast which originated direct from the convention hall of the National Broadcasters anniversary banquet. Dr. Oswald Hoffmam of the Lutheran Hour was the speaker. It is most significant for us as Seventh-day Adventists to note that after very short preliminary remarks Dr. Hoffmam spoke in glowing terms of Elder H. M. S. Richards and his forty years of faithfully broadcasting the gospel of Jesus Christ. Elder Richards was present with us to receive the goodwill and ovation of the entire assembly at the time of Dr. Hoffmann's remarks.

E. H. J. Steed, Temperance Department Secretary, reported that the Temperance Advisory Council group breakfasted Wednesday morning, February 3, with the National Temperance Council in the Senate building. Congressman Staggers (a non-drinker) outlined government legislation to spend \$30 million before July 1 toward solving the nation's alcohol problems. Elder Steed said we hope to have a part in helping them spend it. Approval was given by the Temperance Advisory Council to a new Home Help plan for church members to follow in helping their friends with alcohol, tobacco, and drug problems. Also launched was a temperance information service. Pertinent research on alcohol, tobacco, and drugs will be indexed on cards and made available in a monthly subscription service.

MINUTES of the meeting held January 28, 1971, with corrections were approved.

# THE ADVENTIST LAYMAN:

The Lay Activities Department Advisory Committee has recommended a change in the format of Go Magazine to make it possible to print the periodical on offset presses. The recommendation involves also a change in the name of the magazine, and that L. A. Shipowick be named as Editor. In harmony with this recommendation, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, after careful consideration, it was--

VOTED, That beginning in mid-1971 the publication for Adventist laymen be called The Adventist Layman, and that L. A. Shipowick be named to serve as its Editor.

# E. L. LONGWAY --

NAME RECOMMENDED FOR SUSTENTATION BENEFITS; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE:

In 1918, Elder and Mrs. E. L. Longway went to the Far Eastern Division, his first position having been Treasurer of the Siam Mission. They have served over fifty-two years in the Far Eastern and China Divisions. In recent years, Elder Longway has taken a very active part in solicitation for hospitals in Hong Kong. His work in translation has been outstanding. Appreciation was expressed also for his dedication to the interest and promotion of the Spirit of Prophecy books. Elder Longway and the Far Eastern Division desire that he be permitted to continue serving the Division, he to receive sustentation, and his salary to be subsidized. In harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the name of E. L. Longway be referred to the Sustentation Committee for sustentation benefits; and that we also express to Elder and Mrs. Longway our deep appreciation for their fifty-two years of service rendered to the cause of God.

# M. EUGENE EVANS -- RETIREMENT; APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE:

D. W. Holbrook, President of the Home Institute, spoke of M. Eugene Evans, Treasurer of the Home Study Institute, as a remarkable man. He has now rounded out fifty years of service, and forty-two of those years were at the Home Study

Institute. His work as Treasurer has been very much appreciated. He has given fifty years of dedicated service to the Church. The Board has voted to accept his request for retirement.

VOTED, To record an expression of appreciation for the work of M. Eugene Evans.

JOSEPH H. WEBB --

TREASURER HOME STUDY INSTITUTE:

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

VOTED, To pass on to Joseph H. Webb, General Conference Assistant Cashier, a call from the Home Study Institute Board for him to serve as Treasurer of the Home Study Institute.

MIDTERM AUTUMN COUNCIL --

MEXICO CITY RESERVATIONS:

After thorough investigation of various facilities available in Mexico City for the Midterm Autumn Council in 1972, and on recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That we approve arrangements with the Hotel Aristos in Mexico City for meeting, office, and room facilities needed for the Midterm Autumn Council.

BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION --

DATE OF MEETING:

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

VOTED, That approval be granted for the Board of Higher Education to meet in Washington, D.C., March 17 and 18, 1971.

V. A. FENN--RESIGNATION AS

TREASURER TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION;

PERMANENT RETURN:

The Trans-Africa Division has recommended a permanent return for its Treasurer, V. A. Fenn, to take effect as soon as convenient, in harmony with his request. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, and the Committee on Appointees, it was--

VOTED, That the resignation of V. A. Fenn as Treasurer of the Trans-Africa Division be accepted, and that he be authorized to return to the homeland.

RICHARD H. RODERICK --

TREASURER TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:

On recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was-- VOTED, That Richard H. Roderick, at present Treasurer of the Korean Union Mission, be elected as Treasurer of the Trans-Africa Division; and that a call for his services be passed to him through the Far Eastern Division.

#### REVIEW AND HERALD --

OFFICIAL NAME OF CHURCH PAPER:

The Review and Herald Publishing Association Board has voted to use the name The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald on the general Church paper. The General Conference Officers concur in the decision.

VOTED, That the General Conference Committee concur with the action of the Review and Herald Board, expressing our confidence and support of the decision to use the name The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald.

# SPIRIT OF PROPHECY SUBSIDIES:

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

VOTED, That subsidies be granted from the Spirit of Prophecy Basic Library Fund to overseas divisions for the following projects, with the understanding that the divisions will contribute equivalent amounts in harmony with policy:

#### Northern European Division:

Testimony Treasures, Volume 1, in Swedish	\$1,502.50
Far Eastern Division:	
Christian Service, in Korean	725.00
Colporteur Ministry, in Indonesian	440.00
Southern Asia Division:	
Steps to Christ, in Gujerati	<b>320.</b> 00
Education, in Bengali	800.00

### CHARLES L. PIERCE--ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Charles L. Pierce, to connect with Andrews University as Associate Professor of Music.

# EDITH STONE -- ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference and Columbia Union College a call for Miss Edith Stone, to connect with Andrews University as Professor of English.

# SYNNOVE WASLI -- ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College a call for Miss Synnove Wasli, to connect with Andrews University as Assistant Professor of Nursing.

#### ALBERT GOODWIN--RIVERSIDE SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southern Union Conference and Madison Hospital a call for Albert Goodwin, to connect with the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital as Pharmacist.

On recommendation of the Committee on Appointees the following items were presented:

# CHERYL NEALL -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Cheryl Neall, daughter of Elder and Mrs. R. E. Neall, of Singapore, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

#### JAMES M. CRAWFORD, D.D.S. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That James M. Crawford, D.D.S., be released from the call to Bhuket, Thailand, at his request, for family educational reasons.

#### LAWRENCE DEAN HANSEN--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Lawrence Dean Hansen, a senior student in the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, be released from deferred appointment to the Far Eastern Division, at his request in view of his commitment to the Canadian Union Conference to work on "The Northern Light" off the coast of British Columbia.

# DR. RENATO RADA--RELEASED:

VOTED, To release Dr. Renato Rada, of the Philippines, from the call to East Africa, at his request.

### ALFONSO GREENE -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Alfonso Greene be released from the invitation to be Instructor of Business Administration in the West Indies College, Jamaica, inasmuch as the Inter-American Division has canceled the call.

# VERNON LEE SMALL -- PENANG ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences be requested to release Vernon Lee Small, Administrator of the Menard Hospital and Retirement Home, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Business Manager for the Penang Adventist Hospital, Malaysia.

# SIEGFRIED J. SCHWANTES -- FRENCH ADVENTIST SEMINARY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Afro-Mideast Division the call from the Trans-Mediterranean Division for Siegfried J. Schwantes, head of the Bible Department of the Middle East College, Beirut, to serve in a similar capacity in the French Adventist Seminary, Collonges, France; with the request that the Afro-Mideast Division process the call.

# VISITS TO OVERSEAS FIELDS:

On recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee, it was--

VOTED, To authorize visits to overseas fields and adjustments, as follows:

# Authorizations

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Auditors' Travel Ralph M. Davidson	
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Inter-America	April 19-May 7, 1971
South America	May 9-28
Trans-Africa	May 30-June 18
Afro-Mideast	June 20-29
Northern Europe	June 30-July 16
NE Transportation	
Stanborough Press	July 18-30
R. B. Caldwell	
Far EastHong Kong (Council)	April 22-29, 1971
Far EastSingapore	April 30-May 26
Australasia	May 27-June 18
Afro-Mideast	June 20-29
Trans-Mediterranean	June 30-July 16
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M. J. McCulloch	
Far EastHong Kong (Council)	April 22-29, 1971
Far EastSingapore	April 30-May 26
Australasia	May 27-June 18
Southern Asia	June 20-29
Northern Europe	June 30-July 16
NE Transportation	-
Stanborough Press	July 18-30
K. W. Whitney	
Inter-America	April 19-May 7, 1971
South America (Brazil)	May 9-14
(Uruguay)	May 17-28
Trans-Africa	May 30-June 18
Frankfurt, Servicemen's Center	June 20-21
Central Europe	June 22-29
Trans-Mediterranean	June 30-July 16
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- C. O. Franz--South America, year-end meetings and Ministerial Council; time to be arranged, 1971;
- H. D. Johnson--Trans-Mediterranean (Treasurers' and Auditors' Meetings and year-end meetings), November 1-December 15, 1971;
- M. S. Nigri--Inter-America (Antillian Union and Central American Union Quadrennial Sessions), beginning the last week of July, 1971;
- B. E. Seton--Trans-Mediterranean and Trans-Africa, year-end meetings, time to be arranged, 1971.

#### Specials

- K. H. Emmerson, C. O. Franz--Sweden (Tri-European Division Publishing Council and Commission on European Theology and Church Polity), August 16-26, 1971;
- F. W. Hale, Jr. (Oakwood College) -- Inter-America (West Indies and Caribbean), March 18-April 25, 1971;
- R. R. Hegstad--Far East (Philippine Constitutional Convention) and Australasia, May 20-July 15, 1971;
- D. W. Holbrook--Southern Asia, January 31-February 10, 1972; Far East, February 10-April 1, 1972; Australasia, April 3-21, 1972;
  - E. W. Howse--Far East, mid-1971;

Joseph Laughlin--Far East, April, 1971;

Louise Meyer -- Northern Europe, 1 month to 6 weeks (time to be arranged, 1971);

- C. J. Nagele--Trans-Africa (time to be arranged, 1971);
- J. C. Palmer, (West Jamaica Conference)--to Toronto, Ontario, for series of ten-week meetings, 1971;

Robert H. Pierson--Northern Europe, Central Europe, Trans-Mediterranean, April 19-29, 1971;

- A. L. White, Sweden, Aug. 10-21, 1971, for Tri-European Division Pub. Council:
  Adjustments
- E. W. Howse--Inter-America, February 8-March 4 instead of February 8-26, 1971;
- Caris H. Lauda--extension of Far East trip to include Southern Asia and Afro-Mideast, February 12 to May 9, 1971;
- Robert H. Pierson and Theodore Carcich, Sweden, August 16-26 instead of August 16-22, 1971;
- H. F. Rampton--Inter-American Division, May 19-July 5 instead of June 1-July 15, 1971;
- A. L. White and W. G. C. Murdoch--Seminary Extension School in Philippines, May 3-June 9 instead of April 12-June 2, 1971;

Herbert White--Northern Europe, July 27-August 22 instead of August 16-22, 1971.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- W. R. Beach--Walla Walla College, Alumni Homecoming Weekend, April 2, 3 (from Berrien Springs); Nashville, Tennessee, speaking appointment Southern Publishing Association, April 6-8 (from Andrews University);
- C. E. Bradford--Wilmington, North Carolina, Laymen's Congress, March 5-7; Mobile, Alabama, speaking appointment, April 9-11; Jacksonville, Florida, Union Session, Ministerial Institute, April 12-15; Birmingham, Alabama, Revival, April 16-18;
- W. J. Brown--St. Louis, Missouri, attend the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Administration Officers, April 18-23;

Amos Crowder--Kansas City, Fire Instructors' Conference, March 27-April 2;

- R. M. Davidson--St. Louis, Missouri, Trust Services Advisory Council, April 12, 13 (continuation of Northern Union trip);
  - W. W. Fordham -- Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood Board, February 18;
  - D. W. Hunter--Mt. Vernon Academy, Ohio Publishing Institute, April 2-4;
- B. J. Kohler--Miami, Florida, acquire information on processing of food on behalf of Danish Food Factory, February 4, 5;

Charles Martin--Southwestern Union territory, visit Academies and Colleges, April 1-14; Pacific Union territory, to conduct National Service Organization Training Schools, April 25-30;

- J. W. McFarland, M.D.--Los Angeles, California, Alumni Postgraduate Convention, February 22-25;
- R. G. Mote--Los Angeles/Loma Linda, Transportation business, February 11, 12 (from San Francisco to Loma Linda and Los Angeles);
- R. L. Pelton--Boston, Massachusetts, American Hospital Association Institute, February 17-19;

Fernon Retzer--Atlantic Union College, interview with W. Richard Lesher, February 1;

- Milo Sawvel--Denver, Colorado, Director of Seminars and Lecture appointments, March 17-20; Atlanta, Georgia, Director of Seminars and Lecture appointments, March 21-24;
- B. E. Seton--Loma Linda, California, Sabbath appointment and interviews, February 12-16 (from Andrews University); Walla Walla College, appointments, February 16-21; Portland, Oregon, interviews, February 21-26; Canadian Union College, appointments and interviews, February 26-March 3;
  - L. G. Small--Southwestern Union, Insurance business, February 1-10;

Clark Smith--Pacific Union, conduct National Service Organization Training Schools in Union, April 25-30;

Paul Smith--Texico Conference, work with Conference on Academy Development Program, February 7-9;

- J. R. Spangler--Jacksonville, Florida, Union Session, Ministerial Institute, April 12-15;
- E. H. J. Steed--Denver, Colorado, Lecture appointments and Seminars, March 17-20; Atlanta, Georgia, Lecture appointments and Seminars, March 21-24.

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

F. L. Bland, Chairman
C. E. Bradford, Secretary

Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

# Thirty-Ninth Meeting

# GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 11, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

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#### PRESENT:

Theodore Carcich, L. L. Bock, Carson F. Adams, J. J. Aitken, D. H. Baasch, M. T. Battle, W. R. Beach, G. J. Bertochini, R. R. Bietz, F. L. Bland, C. E. Bradford, R. B. Caldwell, N. R. Dower, K. H. Emmerson, W. W. Fordham, C. O. Franz, A. Edwin Gibb, J. O. Gibson, Mazie Herin, W. A. Howe, D. S. Johnson, H. D. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, N. W. Litchfield, M. E. Loewen, D. A. McAdams, M. J. McCulloch, A. C. McKee, Garland J. Millet, M. S. Nigri, R. E. Osborn, C. E. Palmer, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, H. F. Rampton, Leo Ranzolin, M. H. Reeder, Fernon Retzer, L. B. Reynolds, A. H. Roth, V. W. Schoen, J. V. Scully, H. D. Singleton, Clark Smith, E. H. J. Steed, E. W. Tarr, C. D. Watson, F. C. Webster, C. C. Weis, Roy F. Williams, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, C. D. Forshee, J. O. Iversen, Virgil Robinson, Kit Watts

# DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Theodore Carcich, Chairman, stated it is due to the mercies of God and God alone that we are here today safe and secure, while in another part of our continent there are anxiety, dread, and suffering. (The reference is to the recent earthquake in Southern California.) Let us not take everything for granted; it could have been here. As we pray, let us thank God that His mercy has been over us, and let us trust in Him for the future.

Opening prayer by C. C. Weis.

MINUTES of the meeting held February 4, 1971, were approved.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE -- BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES:

The Publishing Department Advisory Committee will convene May 18-23, 1971, in Washington, D.C. Each publishing house nominates one Book and Bible House manager from their territory to be an official delegate to this committee meeting. In harmony with the recommendation of the publishing houses, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To approve the names submitted as follows: Frank Connors, Manager of the Ontario-Quebec Book and Bible House, for the Pacific Press Publishing Association territory; Lloyd Jacobs, Manager of the Northern New England Book and Bible House, for the Review and Herald territory; and Ben Bowen, Manager of the Oklahoma Book and Bible House, for the Southern Publishing Association territory.

MRS. IRIS HAYDEN-NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE:

Richard Hayden and two sons were killed in a plane accident November 4, 1970. The family served in the Inter-American Division as missionaries for three years. Mrs. Hayden is thirty-nine years of age. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the name of Mrs. Iris Hayden be referred to the Sustentation Committee for favorable consideration.

#### PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT SALES ANALYSIS COMMITTEE:

The Publishing Department has requested that a committee be appointed to study matters which affect the "sales dollar" and the policy which covers benefits to the Literature Evangelist. On recommendation of the Publishing Department, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was-

VOTED, To name the following Publishing Department Sales Analysis Committee: Neal C. Wilson, Chairman; L. L. Bock, Secretary; Carson Adams, L. F. Bohner, O. A. Braman, T. Carcich, Hugh Forquer, W. A. Higgins, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, "A. R. Mazat, D. A. McAdams, M. C. McKinstry, John Moorhead, C. L. Paddock, Jr., J. W. Proctor, A. R. Reiswig, Eric Ristau, Herbert White

# SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION -- BURMA EXCHANGE RATE:

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

VOTED, That beginning February 1, 1971, the exchange rate for the Burma Kyat be 4.7059 to the US\$1.00, or .2125.

#### H. E. RICE--

TO VISIT BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

The Inter-American Division has requested the services of H. E. Rice to work with architects on development of detailed plans for an expansion of the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. The Department of Health concurs in the desirability of this trip. Acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, the General Conference Officers have recommended this visit.

VOTED, That H. E. Rice be authorized to travel to Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, at the earliest date possible to assist in planning for this new construction at the Bella Vista Hospital.

# INGATHERING EDITORIAL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE AND MINORITY EDITORIAL COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, To appoint the following Ingathering Editorial and Planning Committee and Minority Editorial Committee:

Ingathering Editorial and Planning Committee: D. S. Johnson, Chairman; V. W. Schoen, Vice-Chairman; C. C. Weis, Secretary; W. Melvin Adams, F. L. Baer, M. T. Battle, A. W. Bauer, C. E. Bradford, D. E. Caslow, R. J. Christian, S. Eldridge, W. W. Fordham, C. E. Guenther, H. J. Harris, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, K. J. Holland, H. D. Johnson, W. E. Kuester, W. G. Larson, C. H. Lauda, W. L. Mazat, H. F. Meyer, D. L. Olsen, P. F. Pedersen, W. E. Peeke, L. B. Reynolds, W. R. Robinson, G. M. Schram, L. A. Shipowick, Maybelle Vandermark

Minority Editorial Committee: D. S. Johnson, Chairman; V. W. Schoen, Vice-Chairman; C. C. Weis, Secretary; W. Melvin Adams, M. T. Battle, C. E. Bradford, W. W. Fordham, C. E. Guenther, H. J. Harris, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, K. J. Holland, H. D. Johnson, Caris H. Lauda, L. B. Reynolds, W. R. Robinson, P. F. Pedersen, L. A. Shipowick, Maybelle Vandermark

#### MISSIONARY LITERATURE GUIDANCE COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, To appoint the Missionary Literature Guidance Committee, as follows: T. Carcich, Chairman; M. T. Battle, Secretary; W. Molvin Adams, F. L. Baer, A. W. Bauer, C. E. Bradford, D. E. Caslow, R. J. Christian, S. Eldridge, W. W. Fordham, C. E. Guenther, H. J. Harris, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, K. J. Holland, H. D. Johnson, W. E. Kuester, W. G. Larson, Caris H. Lauda, A. R. Mazat, W. L. Mazat, H. F. Meyer, D. L. Olsen, P. F. Pedersen, W. E. Peeke, L. B. Reynolds, W. R. Robinson, G. M. Schram, L. A. Shipowick, George Taggart, Maybelle Vandermark, C. C. Weis

INGATHERING EDITORIAL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
AND MISSIONARY LITERATURE GUIDANCE COMMITTEE-DATES AND PLACE OF MEETING:

In harmony with a recommendation of the General Conference Committee, it was--

VOTED, That the Ingathering Editorial and Planning Committee and Missionary Literature Guidance Committee be authorized to meet September 13-16, 1971, in Washington, D.C.

### HERBERT WHITE--LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

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

VOTED, That Elder and Mrs. Herbert White be authorized a three-month leave of absence to the Australasian Division (New Zealand), beginning August 22, 1971, following the Tri-European Publishing Council; and to request that he spend one week of this time studying problems of the Home Health Education Service in Sydney, Australia.

#### ELENOR SPOOR -- ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College a call from Andrews University for Miss Elenor Spoor, to serve as Assistant Vice-President for Student Affairs.

# GENERAL CONFERENCE TREASURY--INVESTMENT ASSISTANT:

I. H. Harrison has expressed a desire to retire in the Summer or early Autumn of 1971. On request of the General Conference Treasury, and with the approval of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Oklahoma Conferences be requested to release W. V. Wiist, of Ardmore Seventh-day Adventist Hospital, and that he be called to serve as the Investment Assistant in the General Conference Treasury.

# JOE MELASHENKO --

VOICE OF PROPHECY EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Southeastern California Conferences a call from the Voice of Prophecy for Joe Melashenko, to connect with the Voice of Prophecy Evangelistic Association.

On recommendation of the Committee on Appointees the following items were presented:

#### GLENDON EARL CORKUM -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Glendon Earl Corkum from the Southern Asia Division, at his request for health reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

#### RAY SEET, M.D. -- SOUTHEAST ASIA UNION MISSION:

VOTED, To pass on to Ray Seet, M.D., of Gallup, New Mexico, an invitation from the Far Eastern Division for him to serve in the Southeast Asia Union Mission; on the basis of a national returning to his home division.

# DAYTON CHONG--SOUTHEAST ASIA UNION MISSION:

VOTED, To pass on to Dayton Chong, of Andrews University, an invitation from the Far Eastern Division for him to connect with the Southeast Asia Union Mission for ministerial work; on the basis of a national returning to his home division.

# ARTHUR LEROY WHITE -- PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the North Pacific Union Conference and Walla Walla College be requested to release Arthur Leroy White, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Consultant in Business in Philippine Union College.

# JUDITH C. MILLER--HONG KONG ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Miss Judith C. Miller, and that she be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Director of the School of Nursing in the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital.

# RONALD WILLIAM DORCHUK -- INDONESIA UNION COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Loma Linda University be requested to release Ronald William Dorchuk, of the La Sierra Campus, and that he be imvited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Industrial/Maintenance Head of Indonesia Union College.

BRUCE M. WICKWIRE--

CHINA TRAINING PROGRAM:

VCTED, That the Columbia Union and Pennsylvania Conferences be requested to release Bruce M. Wickwire, at present studying in Andrews University, and that he be placed under appointment as Pastor-Evangelist for the China Training Program.

# GEORGE TOLHURST, M.D. -- OKINAWA:

VOTED, To record the arrangements for George Tolhurst, M.D., of Cleveland, Georgia, to give relief medical service in Okinawa during June and July of 1971.

#### HERMAN J. LAMBERTSON -- PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, That Herman J. Lambertson, of Fletcher, North Carolina, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Pharmacist for the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico.

# JON M. MERTH--KOREA:

Jon M. Merth served as a student missionary in Korea.

VOTED, That the Pacific Union and Nevada-Utah Conferences be requested to release Jon M. Merth, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division for teaching work in Korea; on a special two-year assignment.

# APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

- W. M. Adams -- Hartford, Connecticut, Religious Liberty Workshop, April 23, 24;
- E. H. Atchley--Iowa City, Iowa, evangelistic series, March 18-20 (en route from California); Madison Academy, conduct Spring Week of Prayer, April 3-10; Muscatine, Iowa, evangelistic meetings, April 25-May 15;
  - M. T. Battle--Southern Union, Workers' Meeting, February 21-25;
  - W. R. Beach--Oakwood College, Board Meeting, February 18;
- G. Bertochini--Mile High Academy, Central Union Conference Academy Temperance Rally Weekend, March 12, 13;
- R. R. Bietz--Northern California Constituency, February 28; Nevada-Utah Conference Constituency, March 9; Southern California Constituency, March 21;
- F. L. Bland--Louisville, Kentucky, speaking appointment, April 2-5; Nashville, Tennessee, Southern Publishing Association Board and Constituency, April 7; Jackson, Mississippi, speaking appointment, April 16-20; Nashville, Tennessee, speaker, week of meetings, September 10-16;

# APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- E. E. Cleveland--Huntsville, Alabama, conduct Week of Evangelism Classes, February 14-20; Buffalo, New York, series of speaking appointments, March 6;
- N. R. Dower--Nashville, Tennessee, and Southern Publishing Association, give preliminary study to 'Mission '72," February 9, 10;
- K. H. Emmerson--Pendleton, Portland and Seattle, Harris Pine Mills Western Plants, March 18-24; Loma Linda University Board Meeting, March 25;
- W. W. Fordham--Boston, Massachusetts, Inner City Committee, February 23; Omaha, Nebraska, Inner City Program--explain and implement, March 19-21; Minneapolis, Minnesota, revival and Inner City survey, April 21-25;
  - R. R. Hegstad--Miami, Florida, Religious Liberty Rally, March 4-7;
- W. A. Howe--Detroit, Michigan, visit Lake Region Schools, March 4; Chicago, Illinois, Shiloh Academy Survey, March 5; St. Louis, Missouri, Association of Supervisors and Curriculum Development, March 6-10; La Sierra Campus, Superintendents' Workshop, March 11, 12; Pacific Union, Evaluation and Accreditation Visits, March 15-31; Southern Union, Evaluation and Accreditation Visits, April 18-28; Bermuda Institute, Evaluation Visit, April 29, 30;
- M. E. Kemmerer--Huntsville, Alabama, Executive Board Meeting, February 18; Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy Board and Loma Linda Foods Board, February 24; Loma Linda, California, Loma Linda University Committee and Foundation, February 25;
  - B. J. Liebelt--Atlantic Union, promoting Vacation Bible Schools, April 1-18;
- N. W. Litchfield--Chicago, National Association of Fleet Administrators Annual Conference, April 25-28;
- Alan Long--Riverside, California, visit West Coast office re Insurance business, February 9 (from San Francisco);
- A. C. McKee--Minneapolis, Minnesota, Research, Action Team, Wills and Special Gifts, National Council of the Churches of Christ, February 15-17; St. Louis, Missouri, Legal Association and Trust Services Advisory and National Conference Gift Annuities, April 12-15;
- C. J. Nagele--Atlanta, Georgia, studying Industrial Program re Georgia-Cumberland Academy, March 25, 26; Loma Linda and Riverside, California, Loma Linda University Board, September 13, 14; Washington, D.C., Autumn Council, October 7-14;
- M. H. Reeder--Nashville, Tennessee, Mission '72 and Newspaper Evangelism Printing Orders and Layout, February 9, 10;
- Milo Sawvel--Montana and Idaho Conferences, Temperance Training Institutes, March 24-April 3; Nevada-Utah Conference and Hawaiian Mission, series of Church and School appointments, April 4-18;
- H. D. Singleton--Huntsville, Alabama, Riverside Executive Board, February 18;
  - L. G. Small--Southwestern Union, Insurance items, February 8-12.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman L. L. Bock, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary \*\*\*

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### Fortieth Meeting

# GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 18, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

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#### PRESENT:

R. H. Pierson, L. L. Bock, W. Melvin Adams, J. J. Aitken, D. H. Baasch, F. L. Bland, W. P. Bradley, C. E. Bradford, Theodore Carcich, N. R. Dower, K. H. Emmerson, C. O. Franz, A. Edwin Gibb, J. O. Gibson, J. H. Hancock, H. D. Johnson, N. W. Litchfield, M. E. Loewen, D. A. McAdams, A. C. McKee, V. M. Montalban, Lawrence M. Nelson, M. S. Nigri, E. W. Pedersen, Ray L. Pelton, W. E. Phillips, H. F. Rampton, Leo Ranzolin, M. H. Reeder, Fernon Retzer, A. H. Roth, W. R. L. Scragg, J. V. Scully, F. A. Soper, E. H. J. Steed, Michael Stevenson, I. V. Stonebrook, E. W. Tarr, F. C. Webster, C. C. Weis, A. L. White,

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, W. J. Cannon, A. A. Esteb, C. D. Forshee, J. O. Iversen, Harold L. Reiner, Kit Watts

# DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Opening prayer by Orley Berg.

Roy F. Williams, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

The Chairman, R. H. Pierson, spoke of Adlai A. Esteb as one who lives in this area, but has gone as a missionary into two or three counties of the Potomac Conference. He has located a place for a church, and is busy endeavoring to find members. Elder Pierson invited Elder Esteb, who is considered our SDA Poet Laureate, to conduct the worship service.

Elder Esteb read from The New English Revised Version of the Bible James 2: 17 and 26, as follows: "So with faith: if it does not lead to action it is in itself a lifeless thing." "As the body is dead when there is no breath left in it, so faith divorced from deeds is lifeless as a corpse." He read a poem entitled "Desert Pete," which contained these lines:

'Now Desert Pete just can't be beat.

His doctrine of faith and works is complete.

You can't be lazy, you can't be hazy;

Believe and pump, but pump like crazy."

Another poem concerned "Christ's Second Touch." A further poem "When God Speaks," presented the thought that God through nature speaks to the soul. This may be especially sensed through the lightning flashes and earthquake.

#### INTRODUCTIONS:

- <u>V. S. Marcarian</u>, Secretary-Treasurer of the Iran Section, was introduced to the Committee. He has been at Andrews University. Recently he went to Glendale to visit his parents, and arrived there just in time to experience an earthquake. He plans to return next week to Iran. Elder Pierson extended him a welcome, and requested that he take the greetings of the brethren back with him.
- C. W. Oh was introduced by J. V. Scully. Brother Oh has served for the past twenty-eight years in the work in Korea. He has been Assistant Business Manager of the Seoul Adventist Hospital in Korea. His daughter, Mrs. Sonja Lee, was with him. She has her degree in nursing and midwifery. A wish that he might enjoy his stay here at the General Conference headquarters was expressed by R. H. Pierson.

# REPORT:

<u>D. S. Johnson</u>, Associate Secretary, stated that W. T. Clark, Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, reports on a visit just made at Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia. Damage to the airport terminal building, planes, helicopters, and other equipment as a result of the recent Viet Cong attack was considerable. 'The terminal building is a shambles."

Brother Clark, in company with V. L. Bretsch, President of our Vietnam Mission, visited our church and Pastor's home at Phnom Penh. Our Pastor and his wife are missionaries in Cambodia from Indonesia. They have moved from the ground floor of the house into the basement for safety because of sniper and small arms fire.

Troops have been billeted in our church building, but through the intervention of government officials steps have been taken to remove the troops and clean up the church. The organ has been dismantled and will have to be replaced.

Elder Bretsch is returning to Phnom Penh in the near future for meetings with our people. The populace of the city is unsettled, but our Pastor is of good courage and regular services in the church are resuming.

MINUTES of the meeting held February 11, 1971, were approved.

DEPRECIATION RESERVES IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS -- COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, That an <u>ad hoc</u> Committee be appointed to study the question of Depreciation Reserves in Educational Institutions, as follows: W. J. Hackett, Chairman; C. B. Hirsch, Secretary; R. M. Davidson, H. E. Haas, Lyle Jensen, H. D. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. P. Laurence, G. J. Millet, Charles S tokes (a layman).

BIBLE AND HEALTH SCIENCE TEXTBOOK STEERING COMMITTEE--KENNETH M. KENNEDY TO ATTEND:

A meeting of the Bible and Health Science Textbook Steering Committee will be held at Mountain View, California, April 26-30, 1971. For the most part the personnel of the Committee are resident there or will be resident for other reasons. However, it is desired that Kenneth M. Kennedy also be present at this meeting. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That an invitation be passed to the Southern Union Conference and Southern Missionary College for Kenneth M. Kennedy to attend the Bible and Health Science Textbook Steering Committee to be held in Mountain View, California, April 26-30, 1971; the General Conference to be responsible for the expenses.

#### RADIO TRANS-EUROPA:

For some time we have considered a possible project in North America that might inspire and challenge our members. Recently an opening has occurred in Europe in broadcasting. It is a plan to purchase block time of Radio Trans-Europa with transmitters located at Sines, Portugal, operated by J. Tremoulet in co-operation with Deutsche Welle, independent of the control of Portugal. We would have access to three powerful 250,000-Watt Marconi transmitters with a capability of reaching all of Europe and the Middle East. It includes 22 broadcasts per week in the following nine languages: French, German, Spanish, Italian, Yugoslavian, Hungarian, Greek, Portuguese, and Radssian. As this project was presented a number of the Committee members expressed their favor in promoting it. In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That we approve of the Central European and Trans-Mediterranean Divisions entering into a one-year contract with Radio Trans-Europa in Portugal, on the conditions drawn up and presented by the Officers. A copy of these conditions are on file in the Secretariat.

# CHINA DIVISION RECONSTRUCTION FUNDS APPROPRIATION:

A laymen's committee in Hong Kong, in consultation with Mission and Union leadership, is raising funds to provide housing for China Division sustentation beneficiaries. It will be owned and under the general management of the South China Island Union Mission, but supported and managed by and for China Division sustentees. On request of the Far Eastern Division for special assistance on this project, and in harmony with a recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VCTED, That an appropriation of US\$25,000.00 from China Division Reconstruction Funds be made to aid in the completion of the housing for China Division sustentation workers in Hong Kong.

OKINAVA SDA SERVICEMEN'S CENTER--BANK ACCOUNT:

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

VOTED, That a bank account in the name of the Okinawa Seventh-day Adventist Servicemen's Center be opened with the Bank of America, Koza Branch, Naha, Okinawa, and that the following signatures be authorized: K. H. Emmerson, M. E. Kemmerer, Clyde R. Bradley.

# NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION BOOK REVIEW COMMITTEE:

In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To appoint the following standing North American Division Book Review Committee: D. A. McAdams, Chairman; Carson F. Adams, Secretary; L. L. Bock, Theodore Carcich, R. F. Cottrell, N. R. Dower, Norma Eldridge, H. J. Forquer, J. H. Hancock, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, C. B. Hirsch, D. W. Hunter, Gordon M. Hyde, J. C. Kozel, Fernon Retzer, L. B. Reynolds, V. W. Schoen, Walter Scragg, B. E. Seton, V. C. Tooley, G. E. Vandeman, R. F. Waddell, A. L. White, Herbert White, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood

On recommendation of the Committee on Appointees the following items were presented:

#### WINIFRED PIERCE--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Winifred Pierce, who has served as a Nurse at the Songa Hospital, in the Congo Union, for the last three years, to England, at her request; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

# BRUCE A. ROBERTS -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Bruce A. Roberts from the Zambesi Union, at his request; in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division. He previously served in Nigeria, and more recently in Rhodesia for almost five years.

## E. A. BRODEUR -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of E. A. Brodeur from Singapore at his request; in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

#### E. A. HETKE -- FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, To authorize a furlough extension of four months, or to June, 1971, for E. A. Hetke, from India, at his request for health reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

# RONALD CLARK PARKER -DAVIS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Ronald Clark Parker, under deferred appointment, be assigned to the Inter-American Division, to serve in the Davis Memorial Hospital, in Guyana.

# KENNETH BURDEN, M.D. -- TRINIDAD:

VOTED, That Kenneth Burden, M.D., of the St. Helena Hospital and Health Center, be invited to serve as a relief Physician in the Port-of-Spain Community Hospital, Trinidad, for three months; with the request that the St. Helena Hospital and Health Center release him for this purpose.

#### HORLONI MARTINEZ --

WEST PUERTO RICO CONFERENCE:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and Greater New York Conferences be requested to release Horloni Martinez, an Argentinian, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Publishing Secretary of the West Puerto Rico Conference

# RAFAEL MCRALES -- BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Rafael Morales, of San Gabriel, California, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Chief Dietitian for the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico.

# SIEGFRIED NEUENDORFF--EAST PERU MISSION:

VOTED, That Siegfried Neuendorff, now located at Loma Linda, California, be invited to connect with the South American Division as District Pastor in the East Peru Mission.

# KENNETH E. JEFFERS -- SENTINEL PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, That Kenneth E. Jeffers, of the General Conference Office Press, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Pressman/Lithographer in the Sentinel Publishing Association.

# MARCEL PICHOT -- MADAGASCAR:

VOTED, That Marcel Pichot, of Hillsdale, Michigan, be invited to connect with the Trans-Mediterranean Division, to serve as Director of the Fort-Dauphin School, in Madagascar; on the basis of a national returning to his homeland.

# ROBERT WESLEY RINGER, D.D.S.--SKCUL, KOREA:

VOTED, That Robert Wesley Ringer, D.D.S., of Coloma, Michigan, be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as a Dentist for Seoul, Korea.

# NEAL TALBERT SCOTT -- WEST INDIES COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Central Union and Kansas Conferences be requested to release Neal Talbert Scott, of the Enterprise Academy staff, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Printshop Manager at the West Indies College, in Jamaica.

# TRANS-MEDITERRANEAN DIVISION -- CALL FOR TREASURER MOZAMBIQUE MISSION:

VOTED, To pass on to the South American Division a call from the Trans-Mediterranean Division for a Treasurer for the Mozambique Mission.

#### MILTON MURRAY -- LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union Conference a call for Milton Murray, to connect with Loma Linda University as Vice-President for Public Relations and Development.

#### CATHERINE SUBRIAR -- LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda Foods a call for Miss Catherine Subriar, to connect with Loma Linda University as Textbook Buyer, College Bookstore, La Sierra Campus.

#### ELAINE SHIPP--

REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to Miss Elaine Shipp, permanently returned from the Trans-Africa Division, a call for her to connect with the Periodical Department of the Review and Herald Publishing Association.

# E. A. BRODEUR -- SOUTHERN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to E. A. Brodeur, permanently returned from the Far Eastern Division, a call for him to connect with the Southern Publishing Association to work in the Department of Purchasing and Personnel.

#### APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

Carson F. Adams -- San Antonio, Texas, Southwestern Union Conference Session, February 28-March 1 (extension of trip already voted);

- D. H. Baasch--Dayton, Ohio, recruitment, February 18-25; Berrien Springs, Michigan, Andrews University Mission Emphasis, February 18-25; Michigan, recruitment, February 18-25; Loma Linda, California and Riverside, LLU (LSC) Mission Emphasis, March 2-11; Southern California and San Francisco, recruitment, March 2-11; Angwin, California, Spanish Language Course at Pacific Union College, March 2-11;
- O. Berg--Glenwood Springs, Colorado, speaker at Young Ministers' Retreat, March 14-17;
- R. R. Bietz--Denver, Colorado, American Protestant Hospital Association, March 16 (en route to Washington, D.C.); Washington, D.C., Board of Higher Education, March 17, 18; Union College, give series of lectures on Christian Leadership, March 22-26 (en route to Washington, D.C., for Spring Council);

# APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

- R. R. Bietz (concluded) -- Washington, D.C., Spring Council, March 28-April 1; Washington D.C., Publishing Co-ordinating Committee, May 25-28;
- L. L. Bock--San Antonio, Texas, Southwestern Union Session, March 1, 2; College Place, Washington, North Pacific Union Session, March 7-11; Fresno, California, Pacific Union Session, March 14, 15;
- C. E. Bradford--Jacksonville, Florida, Southern Union Session, April 12-15; Grand Rapids, Michigan, Lake Union Session, May 2-5; Des Moines, Iowa, Northern Union Session, May 10, 11;
- M. Carballal--Boston, Massachusetts, Insurance Accounting and Statistical Association, May 23-26;
  - Bob Collins--Georgia-Cumberland Conference, surveys, March 1-18;
- R. E. Green--Washington, D.C., Accounting Procedures Committee, May 13, 14 (from West Coast); Atlanta, Georgia, Home Health Education Service, Southern Union, May 17, 18 (en route to West Coast);
- J. H. Hancock--Kansas City, Youth Congress, April 8-10; Colorado, Youth Congress, April 16, 17;
  - R. Hill--Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, surveys, March 21-April 8;
  - J. C. Kozel--Chicago, Illinois, Lake Region audit, February 22, 23;
- D. S. Johnson-Andrews University, Mission Emphasis, February 18-23; Pacific Union College, Mission Emphasis, February 24-28; La Sierra College, Mission Emphasis, March 2-6; Los Angeles area, recruitment, March 7-11; Rochester, Minnesota, recruitment, April 15; Wayzata, Minnesota, recruitment, April 16; Hutchinson, Minnesota, Maplewood Alumni Weekend, April 17.
- A. C. McKee--Youngstown, Ohio, assist in Stewardship Workshop, February 19-22;
  - R E. Osborn--Bay City, Michigan, Treasury business, February 22, 23;
- W. L. Pascoe--San Francisco/Los Angeles, California, Transportation business, February 24-March 1;
- F. Retzer--Greater New York, Sabbath School Workshops and Rallies, March 13-20;
- H. D. Singleton--Savannah, Georgia, Community Services Federation, April 2-4:
- P. Smith--Ft. Worth, Texas, Conference Development Program, February 19; Corpus Christi, Texas, World Budget Program, February 20; Austin, Texas, Lay Advisory Council, February 21;

Michael Stevenson--Lincoln, Nebraska, National Collegiate Workshop, April 19-22;

Maybelle Vandermark--Syracuse area, Conference-wide Federation Meeting, April 18, 19;

- R. F. Waddell--Columbus, Wisconsin, Academy Alumni Association Meeting, April 2, 3;
- C. C. Weis--Nashville, Tennessee, Ingathering Magazines and Board Meeting, April 6-8;
  - J. Wetmore--Texas Conference, surveys, February 28-March 18;
- G. E. Vandeman--Southeastern California Conference, Countywide Program "It Is Written," February 25-March 13;
- 9. A. Blake, H. E. Rice, F. Millard, Washington, D.C., Small Consolidation Committee, February 22, 23.

Adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

R. H. Pierson, Chairman L. L. Bock, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

#### Forty-First Meeting

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

February 25, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

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#### PRESENT:

R. H. Pierson, R. F. Williams, W. Melvin Adams, D. H. Baasch, W. R. Beach, F. L. Bland, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, N. R. Dower, K. H. Emmerson, C. O. Franz, J. O. Gibson, W. J. Hackett, J. H. Hancock, W. A. Howe, Gordon Hyde, J. C. Kozel, M. E. Loewen, D. A. McAdams, A. C. McKee, Garland J. Millet, V. M. Montallan, C. E. Moseley, Jr., L. M. Nelson, M. S. Nigri, C. E. Palmer, E. W. Pedersen, R. L. Pelton, W. E. Phillips, H. F. Rampton, M. H. Reeder, A. H. Roth, J. V. Scully, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, W. M. Starks, E. H. J. Steed, Michael Stevenson, E. W. Tarr, F. C. Webster, C. C. Weis, A. L. White, K. H. Wood

# OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, J. O. Iversen, Kit Watts

#### DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

Opening prayer by R. L. Pelton.

 $\underline{R}$ .  $\underline{H}$ . Pierson, Chairman, referred to a motto which a friend in writing to him a day or so ago mentioned. The motto had been quoted to this friend by one of his early leaders. It contains a lot of wisdom, and reads:

"In all things essential there must be absolute unity; In things not essential there must be absolute liberty; Finally, in both areas there must be an abundance of charity."

When it comes to the great issues before this Church, those of us here in the General Conference do stand shoulder to shoulder. When men come here they ought to be big enough to be past the state of immaturity where they do not support the actions taken. We need loyalty in standing together in these great issues. It does not matter a great deal just which course you may take to reach New York City, whether you go by Wilmington or Philadelphia; just so you reach your destination. Rather than argue a lot on some minor issues, we are to make sure we arrive at the objective. Our Committee meetings should never be characterized by any attempt to gag any one. Everyone should have opportunity to speak. When we discuss matters that are controversial, what a wonderful thing it can be if we have an abundance of charity.

MINUTES of the meeting held February 18, 1971, were approved.

# THEOLOGY STUDY COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, That the following Committee be appointed to give further study to the theology of the Church's Relationship to Civil Government: Charles

Martin, Chairman; D. F. Neufeld, Secretary; W. R. Beach, Roy Branson, Robert Johnston, M. E. Loewen, and W. G. C. Murdoch.

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION WORKER TRANSFER PATTERNS -- RESEARCH PROJECT APPROPRIATION:

A survey of North American Division worker transfer patterns is necessary. The Hewitt Research Center is willing to make such a survey for the denomination at a cost of \$5,000.00. This expense should be shared on an equal basis by the General Conference and North American Division Committee on Administration. In harmony with a recommendation from the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To request the Hewitt Research Center to analyze North American Division denominational worker transfer patterns at the proposed cost of \$5,000; and that an appropriation of \$2,500 be made from the General Conference Contingency Fund for this study (it being understood that the North American Division Committee on Administration will appropriate a like amount).

#### AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION --

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SECRETARY:

On recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers in consultation with the Department of Education, it was--

VOTED, That Ignatius Yacoub, Academic Dean of Middle East College, be elected as Afro-Mideast Division Education Department Secretary.

#### MRS. GLORIA VEGA --

REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and Potomac Conferences a call for Mrs. Gloria Vega, of Shenandoah Valley Academy, to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing Association for work in the Proof Room.

On recommendation of the Committee on Appointees the following items were presented:

#### MAURICE T. BASCOM --

EXTENSION TO FURLOUGH/STUDY LEAVE:

VOTED, To grant an extension of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  months, or to September 15, 1971, to the furlough/study leave of Maurice Bascom, to complete his study program; in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

# MELVIN D. CAMPBELL -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Melvin D. Campbell be released from appointment as Principal of the Adventist Pakistan Seminary, West Pakistan, he having declined the call.

# JUSTIN C. HAMER--PERMANENT RETURN:

VCTED, To authorize the permanent return of Justin C. Hamer, head of the chemistry department of the Middle East College, at his request for educational reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

#### GARY GENE JOHNSON -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Gary Gene Johnson, head of the biology department of the Middle East College, at his request for personal reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

#### NANCY ELLEN JOHNSON -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Nancy Ellen Johnson, a Teacher in the overseas school in Beirut, Lebanon, at her request for personal reasons; and in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

#### ALLEN R. STEELE--

RADIO TRANS-EUROPA:

VOTED, That Allen R. Steele, of the Leland Memorial Hospital, Riverdale, Maryland, be invited to serve as Program Co-ordinator for Radio Trans-Europa, with headquarters in Portugal; on a one-year appointment, with possible extension.

# PARSHALL HOWE -- BUGEMA:

VOTED, That Parshall Howe be invited to give relief service as a mathematics Teacher for three months at Bugema Adventist College, Uganda, en route to the Far Eastern Division. He is to have a sabbatical leave from Pacific Union College.

# MARLIN MATHIESEN, M.D. -- ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, That Marlin Mathiesen, M.D., who is under deferred appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division, and has just finished a residency in internal medicine, be assigned to the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

# OVERSEAS TRAVEL:

On recommendation of the Overseas Travel Committee, it was--

VOTED, To authorize Raoul Dederen, of Andrews University, to visit the South American Division (South Brazil and Austral Unions), to attend workshops for workers, for six weeks beginning in December, 1971, or January, 1972.

### APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES:

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

W. M. Adams--Oshawa, Ontario, meeting with students at Kingsway College and church service, March 10-13;

# APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (continued):

- W. R. Beach--Hawaii, Workers' Meetings, etc., August 20-September 22;
- R. R. Bietz--Portland, Oregon, Oregon Conference Constituency Meeting, April 4; Seattle, Washington, Washington Conference Constituency Meeting, April 11;
  - F. L. Bland--Pacific Union, itinerate Regional Churches, August 6-16;
- C. E. Bradford--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Inner City Meeting and Atlantic Union Committee Meeting, February 24, 25;
- R. M. Davidson--Madison College, Founders Memorial, Λpril 30-May 2 (from Miami);
- N. R. Dower--San Antonio, Texas, Southwestern Union Session, March 1, 2; College Place, Washington, North Pacific Union Session, March 7-11; Fresno, California, Pacific Union Session, March 14, 15; Jacksonville, Florida, Southern Union Session, April 12-15; Grand Rapids, Michigan, Lake Union Session, May 2-5; Des Moines, Towa, Northern Union Session, May 10, 11; Calgary, Alberta, Canadian Union Session, May 17-22;
- W. W. Fordham--Grand Rapids, Michigan, Lake Union Session, May 2-5; Edwin Gibb--Dayton, Ohio, visit medical appointees and deferred medical appointees, February 25, 26; Denver/Pueblo, recruiting, March 1, 2; Loma Linda University area, recruiting, March 3-10; Los Angeles/San Diego area, recruiting, March 11-16; San Francisco/Sacramento area, recruiting, March 17-19; Ames, Iowa, recruiting, March 22, 23; Oakwood College, Missions Emphasis Program, March 25-28;
- J. H. Hancock--Andrews University, work with National Witnessing Troupe, February 23, 24; Union College, National MV Officers' Seminar, April 18-25; Mrs. Hedy Jemison--Washington, D.C., White Estates, June 21-July 2 (from Andrews University);
- M. B. Johnson--Miami, Florida, Exchange Control Seminar, March 22;
  M. E. Kemmerer--Loma Linda, California, Voice of Prophecy Operating Board,
  Loma Linda Foods Board, Loma Linda University Executive Committee and Loma
  Linda Foundation, April 21, 22; Huntsville, Alabama, Oakwood College Board,
  April 27; Andrews University, Budget Committee and Executive Board, April 29May 1; Grand Rapids, Michigan, Lake Union Session, May 2, 3; Alberta, Canada,
  Canadian Union Session, May 17-22;
- D. A. McAdams--Berrien Springs, Michigan, visit J. W. Proctor, Lake Union Publishing Department, March 1 (from Indiana); Pioneer Memorial Church, Literature Evangelist Meeting, March 26-29;
- J. W. McFarland--Los Angeles, California, Alumni Postgraduate Convention, February 22-25 (\$30.00 fee); Loma Linda, California, working on Health Evangelism materials, February 26;
  - C. E. Moseley, Jr. -- Southern Union, Workers' Meeting, April 18-24;
- R. L. Pelton--Denver, Colorado, attend American Protestant Hospital Association and SDA Hospital Association Meetings, March 14-18;
- R. M. Reinhard--Loma Linda University, Treasury business, March 8, 9; Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy consolidation, March 10, 11;
- L. B. Reynolds--Wilmington, North Carolina, Lay Congress and Sabbath School Workshop, March 5-7;
- H. D. Singleton--San Antonio, Texas, Southwestern Union Session, March 1, 2; Fresno, California, Pacific Union Session, March 14, 15; Colorado Springs, Central Union Session, April 4-6; Jacksonville, Florida, Southern Union Session, April 12-15;
- Michael Stevenson--Andrews University, National Witnessing Troupe, February 23, 24; Union College, MV Officers' Seminar, April 18-22;

# APPOINTMENTS AND ITINERARIES (concluded):

I. V. Stonebrook--Cleveland, Ohio, Elementary School Principals' Conference, April 16-21; Pacific Union College and Pacific Press, plans for Elementary Bible Textbook Workshop, May 3-5; Denver, Colorado, Sabbath appointment and Committee on Junior Academy Standards, May 8-11;

Ella May Stoneburner--Michigan, visitation of schools in Michigan, April 12-30; Maybelle Vandermark--Texico and Southwest Region, Federation Meetings, May 1-16; Dallas, Texas, National Conference on Social Welfare, May 16-21;

R. F. Williams -- Atlantic Union College, Mission Emphasis program, April 2-6 (change of dates only);

Neal C. Wilson--South Lancaster, Massachusetts, Atlantic Union Committee Meeting, February 24; Decatur, Georgia, dedication of Belvedere Church, April 10;

L. L. Bock--Glendale, California, Voice of Prophecy consolidation-extension, March 11; Walla Walla College, alumni and two speaking appointments, April 2, 3; Colorado Springs, Christian Record Board and Central Union Session, April 4-6.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

R. H. Pierson, Chairman R. F. Williams, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary