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Sixty-Fourth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 1, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

M. S. Nigri, R. F. Williams, Carson F. Adams, J. J. Aitken, R. Curtis Barger, W. R. Beach, G. J. Bertochini, L. L. Bock, W. J. Brown, E. E. Cleveland, C. O. Franz, A. Edwin Gibb, J. H. Hancock, M. Carol Hetzell, C. B. Hirsch, W. A. Howe, E. W. Howse, Gordon M. Hyde, H. D. Johnson, M. E. Kemmerer, J. C. Kozel, W. R. Lesher, N. W. Litchfield, D. A. McAdams, V. M. Montalban, L. M. Nelson, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, R. L. Pelton, W. E. Phillips, R. M. Reinhard, L. B. Reynolds, A. H. Roth, Milo Sawvel, V. W. Schoen, H. D. Singleton, C. D. Watson, F. C. Webster, A. L. White, Herbert White, K. H. Wood, A. G. Zytkoskee

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, Ward Ehrhart, a layman of Azure Hills Church, Colton, California; J. O. Iversen

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

M. S. Nigri, Chairman, said truly our world is rapidly walking toward its destruction. Our human concepts concerning life, morals, religion, and man's relation with the real God are changing so much that the student of these subjects can clearly see which course our society is taking. In the Washington Post that appeared June 29, 1971, an article about Amsterdam, Holland, "the unofficial capital of the European drug scene," says that there are many clubs in that city that cater to young drug users. One of the clubs is called Paradiso, something like Paradise, and is always filled to its capacity of 800, with still more people pushing to get inside as if it were the last subway train home.

The true concepts of religion and relationships with Jesus are changing. There is a book here in the United States by the title of The Second Coming of Satanism. Here in the United States 64 million do not belong to any church, 37 million children have never visited a church, and 90 per cent do not have worship at home. Bread and circus are the main concern of the multitude. "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death" (Prov. 14: 12 RSV). 'Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness ..." (Isa. 5: 20 RSV). Elder Nigri also read a statement in Testimonies to Ministers, page 70, which warns that even Seventh-day Adventists are in danger of closing their eyes to truth as it is in Jesus. He closed with this thought--Let us maintain the concepts of true religion which God gave us.

Information has come that O. A. Botimer, Publishing Sccretary in the Canadian Union Conference, suffered a heart attack and died while driving his car. Mrs. Eva Gibson, nee Johnson, wife of Jon Gibson, Science Teacher at the

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Kamagambo Training School, East African Union, passed away June 28, 1971. These two families are to be remembered in prayer. A short report on the evangelistic campaign in Montreal was given. Seventeen of the young folks from Andrews University are assisting in the effort. It was suggested that the Montreal campaign also be remembered in prayer.

Prayer by R. Curtis Barger.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:

On invitation of the Chairman, E. E. Cleveland introduced Ward Ehrhart, an outstanding lay member. Brother Ehrhart is a close friend of Elder and Mrs. G. E. Vandeman, also of N. C. Wilson. The Chairman welcomed him.

MINUTES of the meeting held June 24, 1971, were approved. One correction was noted.

V. L. BRETSCH--

MEMBER ALLOWANCES AND APPOINTEES COMMITTEES:

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

VOTED, That V. L. Bretsch, who has accepted a call to connect with the General Conference office as Assistant Superintendent of the Transportation Bureau, be named as a member of the Allowances and Appointees Committees, replacing C. L. Christensen.

E. W. HOWSE--EUROPEAN ITINERARY:

The General Conference Officers, acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, have recommended dates for a European itinerary already authorized for E. W. Howse.

VOTED, To authorize the dates for E. W. Howse to visit the European divisions as follows:

> Northern Europe-West Africa Division July 27-August 4, 1971 Central European Division Trans-Mediterranean Division

August 5 and 6, 1971 August 7-14, 1971

LIFE AND HEALTH -- EDITOR:

The Review and Herald Publishing Association has made arrangements with Loma Linda University for M. G. Hardinge, M.D., of the School of Health, to serve as Editor of Life and Health. He has agreed to accept this responsibility. In harmony with a recommendation of the Review and Herald Board, it was--

VOTED, That we approve the appointment of M. G. Hardinge as Editor of Life and Health.

ANTILLIAN UNION SURVEY COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, That the following be appointed members of the Survey Commission to study the readiness of the Antillian Union Mission (Inter-American Division) for Union Conference status: M. S. Nigri, Chairman; A. Aeschlimann, B. L. Archbold, J. H. Figueroa, T. Haylock, A. R. Norcliffe, W. L. Pascoe.

EDNA EDEBURN --

NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, That the name of Miss Edna Edeburn, who has worked for this organization approximately forty-two years, and has made an excellent contribution, be recommended to the Sustentation Committee and that she be granted sustentation benefits beginning September 16, 1971. At the same time we record our appreciation for her service.

HERBERT WHITE --

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Publishing Department has recommended that Herbert White be named to serve on the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Advisory Committee instead of W. A. Higgins. With the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That Herbert White be named to serve as a member of the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Advisory Committee instead of W. A. Higgins.

CHILE ESCUDO--FIXED RATE OF EXCHANGE:

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

VOTED, That the fixed rates of exchange for the Chile Escudo be established at 18.00 to US\$1.00 or .055555; effective January 1, 1971.

ADVENTIST POSITION STATEMENT COMMITTEE:

Consideration has been given to the need for a concise yet inclusive position statement on the subject of the character and nature of SDA educational and medical institutions in the United States. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That the following Committee be appointed to prepare a position statement on the subject of the character and nature of SDA educational and medical institutions in the U.S.A.:

R. H. Pierson, Chairman; B. E. Seton, Secretary; Theodore Carcich, Robert Cleveland, K. H. Emmerson, C. O. Franz, W. J. Hackett, C. B. Hirsch, M. E. Loewen, R. L. Pelton, J. G. Smoot, Neal C. Wilson, K. H. Wood.

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION -- GUATEMALA PROPERTY PURCHASE:

The Inter-American Division has requested approval for the purchase of approximately eleven acres of land in Guatemala City for \$200,000. The proposed

use of the new property includes new headquarters for the mission, an evangelistic center, a primary and secondary school, a clinic, and workers' homes.

On recommendation of the Inter-American Division, and in harmony with a recommendation of the Committee on Borrowing and Distribution of Funds, it was--

VOTED, To authorize the purchase of approximately eleven acres of land in Guatemala City for the purposes outlined above and subject to the conditions on record in the minutes of the Borrowing and Distribution of Funds Committee.

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

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION --

CALL FOR THREE NURSES:

VOTED, To pass on to the South American Division a call from the Trans-Mediterranean Division for three nurses from Brazil to join the staff of the Bongo Mission Hospital in Angola, the nurses named being as follows: Iracy Jose Toledo, Clara Tahatsu, Helen Tahatsu; with the request that the South American Division process the calls.

EARLE A. BREWER--INYAZURA SCHOOL, RHODESIA:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union Conference and Bermuda Mission be requested to release Earle A. Brewer, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division to serve as Teacher of Science in the Inyazura School, Rhodesia.

ROGER W. COON--PHILIPPINE PUBLISHING HOUSE:

VOTED, That the Pacific Union Conference and Pacific Union College be invited to release Roger W. Coon, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Editorial Adviser for the Philippine Publishing House.

KATHRYN SUE SCHNEIDER --

EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, ETHIOPIA:

VOTED, To invite Miss Kathryn Sue Schneider, of Dallas, Texas, to connect with the Afro-Mideast Division for service as Instructor of Nurses for the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, in Ethiopia; to replace Miss Marilyn Pinder who is returning permanently to the United States.

DEO FLAIZ FISHER--AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION:

VOTED, That Deo Flaiz Fisher, sophomore medical student at Loma Linda University, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division.

DOUGLAS RAY SCHNEIDER -- AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION:

VOTED, That Douglas Ray Schneider, sophomore medical student at Loma Linda University, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division.

FELICITO FERNANDO, M.D. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Felicito Fernando, M.D., of the Far Eastern Division, be released from appointment as relief Physician in Guyana, in the Inter-American Division, he having declined the call.

LOREN E. POOLE--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Loren E. Poole be released from appointment to be Principal of the Pakistan Union School, Chuharkana, West Pakistan, he having declined for personal reasons.

GORDON CAMPBELL, M.D. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Gordon Campbell, M.D., of Australia, be released from appointment to the Penang Hospital. Because it will be difficult to replace him he has elected to remain in his present location.

MARION BARLOW -- FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division that Miss Marion Barlow, a worker from the Australasian Division, be authorized a furlough extension of two weeks.

FRANCIS N. CHASE--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

VOTED, To authorize a furlough extension of six weeks for Francis N. Chase, of the Kamagambo Training School, East Africa, because of surgery, on the counsel of his attending physician.

DOUGLAS AYERS - - PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Douglas Ayers, son of Elder and Mrs. Leonard Ayers, of Berne, Switzerland, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Mediterranean Division.

STEPHEN NELSON -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Stephen Nelson, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. E. Nelson, of Malawi, Africa, for educational reasons; in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

J. V. CARTER -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of J. W. Carter from Rusangu, Zambia, on his request, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Trans-Africa Division.

DONALD K. VAN TASSEL -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Donald K. Van Tassel, a Teacher at the Ethiopian Adventist College, at his request, effective July 1, 1971, in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

Adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

M. S. Nigri, Chairman R. F. Williams, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Sixty-Fifth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 8, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

W. J. Hackett, R. F. Williams, J. J. Aitken, R. Curtis Barger, W. R. Beach, G. J. Bertochini, W. J. Blacker, F. L. Bland, L. L. Bock, C. E. Bradford, W. J. Brown, K. H. Emmerson, A. C. Fearing, C. O. Franz, A. Edwin Gibb, J. H. Hancock, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, C. B. Hirsch, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, M. E. Kemmerer, B. J. Kohler, W. R. Lesher, N. W. Litchfield, M. E. Loewen, C. D. Martin, D. A. McAdams, A. C. McKee, V. J. Montalban, C. E. Moseley, Jr., J. W. Peeke, R. L. Pelton, W. E. Phillips, R. M. Reinhard, R. H. Roderick, A. H. Roth, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, I. V. Stonebrook, K. W. Tilghman, C. D. Watson, F. C. Webster, A. L. White, Herbert White, K. H. Wood, A. G. Zytkoskee

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, F. E. J. Harder

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS:

- C. D. Watson introduced Dr. Armando Hernandez, Dr. Lester Blount and his son Gary, from California.
- K. H. Emmerson introduced R. H. Roderick, the new Treasurer of the Trans-Africa Division. He will leave July 12 for Salisbury, Rhodesia, to take up his new duties there. He was recently Treasurer of the Korean Union Mission, and has spent many years in the Far Eastern Division.

The Chairman, W. J. Hackett, inquired if there were special requests to be presented to the Committee. Mention was made that Judge M. C. Taft, in Avon part, Florida, is seriously ill. Judge Taft served as General Conference Lawyer for more than twenty years. He and the family are to be remembered in prayer; also our camp meetings and world work.

Prayers were offered by F. L. Bland and A. L. White.

NEED OF E. G. WHITE BOOKS IN THE PHILIPPINES:

On invitation of W. J. Hackett, Arthur L. White, Secretary of the Ellen G. White Publications, recently returned from the Philippines, told of the very great need among our workers and 130,000 believers in the Philippines for English Spirit of Prophecy books within their financial reach. Referring to the economy of the country, he said the workers greatly desire to purchase the Spirit of Prophecy volumes, but their problem is lack of sufficient funds. He urged that plans already laid to help our workers secure the books be implemented and that new plans be devised to make it possible for believers to

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secure certain of the Spirit of Prophecy books. He reported that our American publishers are most sympathetic and are ready to co-operate. He pointed out that some phases of production and handling of literature may have to be restudied.

MINUTES of the meeting held July 1, 1971, were approved.

LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS -- ADDITIONS TO COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, That the following names be added to the personnel of the Committee on Licenses and Credentials: A. Edwin Gibb, B. E. Seton, and F. C. Webster.

NORTH AMERICAN WORKING POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE-ADDITIONAL MEMBERS:

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

VOTED, That the following names be added to the <u>Church Manual</u> and <u>Working Policy Committee's subcommittee on North American Working Policy: W. J. Brown, D. A. McAdams, and J. R. Spangler.</u>

LETTER OF APPRECIATION:

M. E. Kemmerer read portions of a letter received from R. Unnersten, Treasurer of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division. The letter was dated June 23, 1971, and stated he had just returned from a trip to West Africa when he had the opportunity of studying the rehabilitation work that is carried on in Nigeria. The President of the East Nigerian Mission, Pastor Z. N. Imo, and his associates are grateful for the financial assistance received from the General Conference to rehabilitate the work in their field. While staying in Aba for a few days, where the East Nigerian Mission headquarters is located, he was glad to see the Church is now under reconstruction, a new house for the president is under construction, and several houses have been repaired. As Ahoada Hospital had hundreds of patients every day in great need of medical help, but had no money with which to pay for the doctors' consultation and treatment, a considerable amount of money has been given to the operation of the hospital. The brethren have exercised careful economy in distributing the total funds received. However, as he traveled around the field he found they still need considerable amounts to build up the work. On behalf of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division he thanks the General Conference for the large sum of funds they received to assist the brethren in West Africa to provide for the needs in East Nigeria.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISION --

WEST GERMANY DEUTSCHEMARK EXCHANGE RATE:

On recommendation of the Central European Division, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That effective July 1, 1971, the fixed rate of exchange for the West German Deutschemark be 3.50 to US\$1.00 or .28571.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL:

The General Conference Officers, acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, have considered and recommended visits to foreign fields, and cancelations of visits voted.

VOTED, To authorize overseas travel items as follows:

Authorizations:

Ralph Davidson--Inter-American Division (Miami only), Auditors'
Workshop Nov. 3-5, 1971

R. F. Williams--Inter-American Division year-end meetings, 1971 (Miami only)

Special:

Braulio Perez (Voice of Prophecy)--Inter-American Division (Mexico City), Ministerial Council Dec. 14.18, "

Adjustments:

J. W. McFarland, M.D.--Europe (Trans-Mediterranean Division) Aug. 28-Oct. 4

Far East (from Europe) Oct.6-Dec.5,1971
Louise Meyer--Northern Europe-West Africa Division Sept.22-Nov. "

Cancelations:

- B. J. Kohler--Inter-American Division, year-end meeting, 1971
- R. H. Pierson--Inter-American Division, year-end meeting, 1971
- L. A. Shipowick--Southern Asia Division (postponed to 1972) Sept. to Nov. 1971

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:

Afro-Mideast Division:

Desire of Ages, in Farsi, maximum requested (835 pages at \$2.50 per page) \$2,087.50

Northern Europe-West Africa Division:

Subsidy for Testimony Treasures, Volume 1, in Polish; 605 pages \$1,512.50

LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS:

In harmony with a recommendation from the Committee on Licenses and Credentials, it was--

VOTED, To authorize Licenses and Credentials for the quinquennium ending in July, 1975, as follows:

Ministerial Credentials: V. L. Bretsch Ministerial License: E. E. Zinke; Donald C. Schmidt

LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS (concluded):

Missionary License (for workers' wives): Mrs.Fielicisima M. Montalban, Mrs. Maria B. Nigri, Mrs. Barbara Rampton, Mrs. Lucila Ranzolin

Missionary License (Insurance Service): Victoria Gurubatham, Alan Long, Ila Jo McMillen

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

LOTTI FINSTERWALD -- MUGONERO HOSPITAL, RWANDA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Mediterranean Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for Miss Lotti Finsterwald, to serve as a Nurse in the Mugonero Hospital, Rwanda, Africa, with the request that the Trans-Mediterranean Division process the call.

ROGER COUTY--TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Mediterranean Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for Roger Couty, of Mauritius, to serve as Normal Teacher at Kivoga College, Burundi, with the request that the Trans-Mediterranean Division process the call.

RAYMOND NEUFELD, M.D. --

DAVIS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, GUYANA:

VOTED, That Raymond Neufeld, M.D., of Wildwood, Georgia, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as a Physician for the Davis Memorial Hospital, Guyana.

O. B. EDWARDS -- WEST INDIES COLLEGE, JAMAICA:

VOTED, That O. B. Edwards, retired Professor at Oakwood College, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Professor of History at West Indies College, Jamaica, for two years, on the sustentation overseas service plan.

DANIEL VEGA -- BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL, PUERTO RICO:

VOTED, That Daniel Vega, of Little Ferry, New Jersey, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as a Laboratory Technician at the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico, on the basis of a national returning.

ASHTON E. GIBBONS -- WEST INDIES COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Ashton E. Gibbons, of Worcester, Massachusetts, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Science Teacher in the West Indies College, Jamaica, on the basis of a national returning.

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ROSCOE I. McFADDEN, M.D. --SCHEER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, NEPAL:

VOTED, That Roscoe I. McFadden, of Bloomingdale, Michigan, be invited to serve as a relief Physician for one year at the Scheer Memorial Hospital, Nepal, and possibly in Ceylon, beginning December 31, 1971, he to meet the expense of transportation, the Division to pay the salary.

FRANK BAER -- TRANS - MEDITERRANEAN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the Pacific Press Publishing Association be requested to release Frank Baer to serve for a two-year appointment on a loan basis to the Trans-Mediterranean Division, to study consolidation of publishing houses in the Trans-Mediterranean Division on their request.

HARRY FRANCIS MEYER -- JAPAN PUBLISHING HOUSE:

VOTED, That the Southern Publishing Association be requested to release Harry Francis Meyer, Superintendent, and that he be invited to connect with the Far Eastern Division as Manager of the Japan Publishing House.

EDEN MERLE SMITH, M.D. -- MWAMI HOS PITAL, ZAMBIA:

VOTED, That Eden Merle Smith, M.D., of Banning, California, be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Physician for the Mwami Hospital, in Zambia.

RONALD PARKER -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That the deferred dental appointment of Ronald Parker, who is beginning an Orthodontics residency, be transferred from the Inter-American Division to the Far Eastern Division.

SAMUEL SCHMIDT -- MONTEMORELOS COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the appointment of Samuel Schmidt, presently at Berrien Springs, Michigan, be transferred from Head of the Theological Department, Central American Vocational College, to be Bible Teacher at the Montemorelos College.

IVAN L. REEVE, M.D. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Ivan L. Reeve, M.D., be released from appointment to the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico, because of the educational problems of the children.

DONALD L. CROWDER -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Donald L. Crowder be released from appointment as Evangelist for the West African Union Mission, he having accepted a call to the Presidency of the Central States Conference.

JAMES VAN BLARICUM, M.D. -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of James Van Blaricum, M.D., from Gopalganj, East Pakistan, on his request, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Southern Asia Division.

MRS. LEX JONES -- POTOMAC CONFERENCE:

VOTED, To pass on to Mrs. Lex Jones, a Secretary in the General Conference Insurance Service, a call from the Columbia Union Conference for her to connect with the Potomac Conference as Secretary in the Sligo Church.

ERIE HAWTHORNE --

GENERAL CONFERENCE SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

VOTED, To pass on to the Review and Herald Publishing Association a call for Miss Erie Hawthorne, for editorial work in the General Conference Sabbath School Department.

H. REESE JENKINS-ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union Conference a call for H. Reese Jenkins, Stewardship and Development Secretary, to serve as Trust Officer for Andrews University, with the understanding that Andrews University and the Lake Union have entered into an agreement whereby he will also serve as Director of Trust Services for the Union.

Adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

W. J. Hackett, Chairman R. F. Williams, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary

Sixty-Sixth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 15, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

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PRESENT:

M. S. Nigri, R. F. Williams, Carson F. Adams, W. R. Beach, L. L. Bock, W. J. Brown, Theodore Carcich, E. E. Cleveland, N. R. Dower, W. W. Fordham, A. Edwin Gibb, J. H. Hancock, R. R. Hegstad, Mazie Herin, W. A. Higgins, D. W. Holbrook, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, Gordon M. Hyde, D. S. Johnson, H. D. Johnson, N. W. Litchfield, M. E. Loewen, D. A. McAdams, A. C. McKee, Garland J. Millet, V. M. Montalban, C. E. Moseley, Jr., Lawrence M. Nelson, R. E. Osborn, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, A. H. Roth, V. W. Schoen, W. R. L. Scragg, H. D. Singleton, F. A. Soper, I. V. Stonebrook, K. W. Tilghman, F. C. Webster, Herbert White, R. A. Wilcox, K. H. Wood

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, J. O. Iversen, Wayne Martin, Elmano Nigri, H. L. Reiner DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:

M. S. Nigri, Chairman, spoke of his privilege in attendance at the New Jersey Conference camp meeting, at the Garden State Academy campus. The tents placed in such a nice and almost paradise-like setting with its green and wide plains, hills, beautiful trees and lakes left him with the picture of everyone there enjoying himself. The evangelistic crusade during the meetings which culminated with a mass baptism of 70 people was the highlight of the gathering. It was a camp meeting full of blessings.

When he saw those tents and the hundreds of Adventists there, he felt as a real pilgrim. This is not our resting place. As Abraham we are sojourning in the land of promise. Like him, we are to look forward to the city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God (Hebrews 11: 8-10). He read a quotation from Mrs. E. G. White in Ministry of Healing, pages 478, 479, which speaks of the life of God's children in this world as a pilgrim life. It is not for us to shape our future. We are to let God plan for us. He will not lead us otherwise than we would choose to be led if we could see the end from the beginning and discern the glory of the purpose which we are fulfilling as co-workers with Him. This was the most important lesson, Elder Nigri said, which he could have learned from his first camp-meeting attendance. Let us be sure that throughout all our pilgrimage the cloud of the Lord is over us by day, and His fire is with us by night (Ex. 40: 38).

Opening prayer by W. R. Beach.

REPORT:

W. W. Fordham, North American Regional Department Associate Secretary, reported:

Dr. Roy Wilkins enthusiastically spoke to the General Conference Inner City Director, W. W. Fordham: "As Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, I am delighted that you accepted our invitation. Your exhibits have contributed much to the session and we hope the Seventh-day Adventists will continue to be numbered among our exhibitors in the years to come." The displays referred to were set up at the large Minneapolis municipal auditorium during the annual convention of the NAACP organization, July 4-9, 1971.

In response to an invitation sent to President R. H. Pierson, the General Conference exhibits displayed the Church's diversified humanitarian program including inner city, education, medical, Temperance, and disaster relief. Harry Anderson's striking portrait of Christ with hands outstretched over the city provided an attractive background for one of the booths. Temperance publications, copies of The Message Magazine, Soul Food tracts, and other materials were distributed. The Glendale Minneapolis Church displayed its large welfare van.

In the opinion of A. V. Pinkney and W. W. Fordham, General Conference representatives at the convention, a favorable impression for the Church was made on the hundreds of governmental figures and industrialists present, as these and other thought leaders became better acquainted with the breadth of Seventh-day Adventist work.

VISITORS:

F. C. Webster introduced Elmano Nigri, a business man in Brazil, and son of our Chairman.

Elder Nigri welcomed R. A. Wilcox, who as President of the South American Division is a member of our Committee. He is at present on furlough. Elder Wilcox brought greetings from our South American church members, and appreciation for the help extended to them by the General Conference.

M. EUGENE EVANS --

APPRECIATION FOR HIS SERVICE:

D. W. Holbrook stated that M. Eugene Evans will start his retirement August 1, 1971, after fifty years of service for the Church. Mr. Evans served forty-two years without a break. He has during this time worked very hard.

VOTED, That the General Conference Committee go on record expressing its warm appreciation to M. Eugene Evans for his long years of effective service in the Home Study Institute.

GIFT FOR NEW BUILDING:

J. W. Peeke, Secretary of the General Conference Insurance Service, mentioned the fact that a few weeks ago in an Insurance Board meeting they made a presentation of a check for \$100,000 to M. E. Kemmerer, Undertreasurer, for the new General Conference Maryland Building.

With the approval of the Chairman, Mr. Peeke made a presentation of another check for \$100,000 to H. D. Johnson, Assistant Treasurer, to be used also for the new building.

MINUTES of the meeting held July 8, 1971, were approved.

REVIEW AND HERALD

PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION EDITORS:

In harmony with recommendations from the Review and Herald Publishing Association Board, Editors for Review and Herald periodicals were adopted as follows:

Adventist Layman:

Editor: Lewis A. Shipowick

Associate Editors: M. T. Battle, Carl E. Guenther, C. C. Weis, V. W. Schoen, Maybelle Vandermark

Guide

Editor: Lowell Litten

Associate Editors: R. Curtis Barger, John Hancock, Walter A. Howe

North American Informant:

Editor: H. D. Singleton

Associate Editor: W. W. Fordham

Journal of Adventist Education:

Editor: Garland J. Millet

Associate Editors: W. John Cannon, Walton J. Brown, Charles B. Hirsch, Walter A. Howe, Ethel Young

Life and Health:

Editor: M. G. Hardinge (approved by General Conference Committee July 11, 1971, page 71-538; listed here for record.)

Liberty:

Editor: Roland R. Hegstad

Associate Editors: Marvin E. Loewen, W. Melvin Adams, James V. Scully

Ministry, The:

Editor: J. R. Spangler

Managing Editor: O. M. Berg

Review and Herald:

Editor: Kenneth H. Wood

Associate Editors: Don F. Neufeld, Herbert E. Douglass, Thomas A. Davis,

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Worker Action:

Editor: Fernon Retzer

Managing Editor: Laurell Peterson

Associate Editors: R. Curtis Barger, W. Richard Lesher, Ben J. Liebelt,

Louise Meyer, H. F. Rampton, Louis B. Reynolds

Insight:

Acting Editor: Roland R. Hegstad

Associate Editors: Pat Horning, Chuck Scriven

GENERAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENT FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION -- RULES AND REGULATIONS MODIFICATIONS:

On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was-

VOTED, That the Rules and Regulations of the General Conference Benevolent Fellowship Association be modified as follows:

- 3. The membership of this Association shall consist of regular full-time employees of the General Conference, the General Conference Insurance Service, the Home Study Institute, and employees serving in overseas divisions whose home base is the North American Division. Spouses of members who are considered by the denomination are heads of families are also covered under what is hereinafter referred to as "family basis." When a spouse who is a member dies, the surviving spouse shall not continue to be eligible for membership unless qualifying as an employee. Single workers, and married workers who are not considered by the denomination to be heads of families so choose, are covered under what is hereinafter referred to as "single basis."
- 4. When an employee receives the announcement of this plan and the application form for membership in the Association, he must join within a period of sixty days, or he becomes ineligible for membership except during periods when the Association is again open for memberships by agreement of the General Conference Committee. Officers. New employees, inelading these who transfer, also have the same period of time to become members. For those appointed to overseas service, the sixty days begins as of the date the new missionary arrives in the overseas division territory.

A person eligible and wishing to become a member of the Association shall submit a signed application form including authorization for a charge of \$10.00 on family basis or \$5.00 on single basis covering the membership fee deposit to his personal account. Application forms are submitted to the Treasurer of the General Conference for ratification of membership.

CZECHOSLOVAKIAN PUBLISHING HOUSE:

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

VOTED, That we record the information sent to us by the Trans-Mediterranean Division recognizing the Czechoslovakian Publishing House as a denominational publishing plant.

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

S. I. ONYENZE -- EQUATORIAL AFRICAN UNION MISSION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Northern Europe-West Africa Division a call from the Trans-Mediterranean Division for S. I. Onyenze, of the West African Union Mission, for service as an Evangelistic Worker in the Equatorial African Union Mission; with the request that the Northern Europe-West Africa Division process the call.

FILEMON J. INOCENCIO, M.D.--DEBRE TABOR HOS PITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Africa Division a call from the Trans-Mediterranean Division for Filemon J. Inocencio, M.D., Medical Director of Kanye Hospital, to serve as Physician and Medical Director of Debre Tabor Hospital, in Ethiopia; with the request that the Trans-Africa Division process the call.

RODOLFO. G. HEIN--COSTA RICA:

VOTED, To pass on to the South American Division a call for Rodol fo. G. Hein, now on leave and studying at Andrews University, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Head of the Department of Theology at the Central American Vocational College, Costa Rica.

RICHARD DUANE FISHER --

WEST AFRICAN UNION MISSION:

VOTED, That Richard Duane Fisher, of Milton-Freewater, Oregon, be invited to connect with the Northern Europe-West Africa Division as builder for the West African Union Mission, the first assignment being to build a reservoir for Kwahu Hospital in Ghana.

CORNELL A. SABO, D.D.S. -- ILE-IFE HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Cornell A. Sabo, D.D.S., of Medford, Oregon, be invited to connect with the Northern Europe-West Africa Division as a Dentist for the Ile-Ife Hospital, in Nigeria.

LESLIE WALTER MACKETT -HELDERBERG COLLEGE:

VOTED, That the Canadian Union Conference and Canadian Union College be requested to release Leslie Walter Mackett, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Africa Division as Music Teacher at Helderberg College.

FRANK DIETRICH--ANGOLA:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union Conference and Atlantic Union College be requested to release Frank Dietrich, who formerly served in Angola, and that he be invited to connect with the Trans-Mediterranean Division as Director of the Bongo School, in Angola.

BOBBY ROBERTS -- GUADALAJARA:

VOTED, That the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences be requested to release Bobby Roberts, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Chaplain for the Guadalajara, Mexico, medical students.

T. HENRY SCOGGINS --

EMPRESS ZAUDITU MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Columbia Union Conference and Washington Sanitarium and Hospital be requested to release T. Henry Scoggins, and that he be invited to connect with the Afro-Mideast Division as Business Manager of the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

GORDON EVERETT JOHNS -- AFRO -MIDEAST DIVISION:

VOTED, That Gordon Everett Johns, sophomore student at Loma Linda University School of Medicine, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division.

WILLIAM HOLMES TAYLOR, IV--AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION:

VOTED, That William Holmes Taylor, IV, sophomore student at Loma Linda University School of Dentistry, be placed under deferred dental appointment to the Afro-Mideast Division.

ELVIN T. GIBSON, M.D. -- TAIWAN SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Elvin T. Gibson, M.D., under deferred medical appointment, be assigned to the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital, for service as an Obstetrics-Gynecologist specialist, effective in 1972.

BONNIE SCHWERIN -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Miss Bonnie Schwerin be released from appointment to secretarial work in the Far Eastern Division office in Singapore, her request for a visa having been denied.

DENNIS WOODLAND -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Dennis Woodland be released from appointment as Head of the Biology Department in the Antillian College, in Puerto Rico, he having declined.

JACK T. THOMPSON--FURLOUGH EXTENSION:

The furlough of Jack T. Thompson, returned from Benghazi, Libya, terminated in May, 1971.

VOTED, To grant a furlough extension of three months to Jack T. Thompson, in order that he may complete his studies for a Master's Degree in Public Health.

MARTHA GANTJE AALMOES -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Martha Gantje Aalmoes, Parse at Gimbie Hospital, Ethiopia, to the Northern Europe-West Africa Division, effective January 8, 1971, in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

J. G. NIKKELS -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of J. G. Nikkels from the Colombia-Venezuela Union Mission, effective September 1, 1971, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

F. C. PETTY -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of F. C. Petty, formerly Chaplain for the medical students in Guadalajara, Mexico, effective July 15, 1971, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

HAROLD COWELL -- ANDREWS UNIVERSITY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and Pennsylvania Conferences a call for Harold Cowell, a Literature Evangelist, to connect with Andrews University as a Worker in Plant Service.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISION -- DEVELOPMENT OF MARIENHOEHE SEMINARY:

On recommendation of the Central European Division and in harmony with the recommendation of the Borrowing and Distribution of Funds Committee, it was--

VOTED, That approval be given to the plan of financing the expansion and partial rebuilding of the Marienhoehe Seminary in Darmstadt, Germany, at an estimated total cost of \$600,000, with full details on file in the records of the Borrowing and Distribution of Funds Committee.

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LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS -- REPORT FROM COMMITTEE:

On recommendation of the Committee on Licenses and Credentials, it was-

VOTED, To grant Missionary License to workers connected with the Insurance Service on the West Coast, for the quinquennium ending in July, 1975, as follows: Pam Cornett, Nancy Daily, Gillian Fisher, Geraldine Goddard, Betty Goodman, Betty Minton, Orvadell Wright.

FAR EASTERN DIVISION--EXCHANGE RATE KOREAN WON:

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

VOTED, That the exchange rate for the Korean Won be changed, effective July 1, 1971, as follows: From 315.00 to the US Dollar, or .0031746; to 370.00 to the US Dollar, or .0027027.

Adjourned at 11:05 A.M.

M. S. Nigri, Chairman R. F. Williams, Secretary Katie Farney, Recording Secretary ***

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Sixty-Seventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 22, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

R. H. Pierson, L. L. Bock, W. R. Beach, W. J. Brown, Theodore Carcich, N. R. Dower, W. W. Fordham, C. O. Franz, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Higgins, W. A. Howe, D. W. Hunter, Gordon Hyde, H. D. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, W. R. Lesher, B. J. Liebelt, N. W. Litchfield, J. W. McFarland, M.D., V. M. Montalban, Lawrence M. Nelson, R. E. Osborn, J. W. Peeke, W. E. Phillips, Leo Ranzolin, L. B. Reynolds, Milo Sawvel, V. W. Schoen, R. F. Waddell, M.D., F. C. Webster, A. L. White

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, J. O. Iversen, James Joiner, Gene Marsh, G. Oosterwal, Robert Sheldon

The Chairman, R. H. Pierson, welcomed G. Oosterwal, Chairman of the Department of Missions at Andrews University, who is with us for a couple of days for consultations regarding missions.

Opening prayer by G. Oosterwal.

REPORTS:

Leo Ranzolin, YPMV Department Associate Secretary, reported: If I had one word to describe the youth of Inter-America I would use FIRE! Yes, they are on fire for Christ! We started with Elder George Brown, MV Secretary for the Inter-American Division, in Guatemala for a three-department Advisory Meeting: MV, SS, LA, along with Elders Battle, Rampton, and Dower. All division officers, union presidents, and secretaries participated setting the pace for Mission '72 and the Golden Anniversary of the Division. There were other Advisories in Colombia, Port-of-Spain, Haiti, and Jamaica. In Port-of-Spain they divided MV and Education, -- the first union in the Division to do this. It was a tremendous Advisory.

In Medellin, Colombia, Elder C. V. Henriquez organized an excellent Union-wide Congress--four gold medals were given--the first in the Division. Thirty youth responded for baptism and about 300 took their stand to win souls and went out in the streets to share their faith. This same scene took place in Martinique, Guadeloupe, and Haiti. After Elder Brown gave the instructions for the One-to-One Program (Persona a Persona in Spanish), hundreds of young people went out to give the first spiritual truth in the streets--"God Loves You!" In Port au Prince, in just 30 minutes they brought back 50 non-Adventists, including a troubled lady who came and asked for prayer, along with six others.

In Georgetown we saw a superb display of Pathfinders. Before a crowd of 3,000, including the Minister of Education, local authorities, Scouts and

Salvation Army representatives, national band, etc., 20 clubs put on a performance that electrified the crowd! A small club of Indians from the interior (Peruima) gave a precision drill demonstration that brought applauses from the crowd and walked away with the Cup. The same thing happened in Martinique (with a large investiture of 215), Guadeloupe, Haiti, Jamaica, and Puerto Rico, where they are building a Youth Center. We finished with a Council in Mandeville, Jamaica. Praise the Lord for the great Army of youth in Inter-America!

Theodore Carcich, General Vice-President, read a paragraph from a letter written by Everett E. Cumbo, Secretary of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, as follows:

"You will be pleased to know that here in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference we have 347 baptisms at the end of June which is 103 more than we had last year at this time. As we met with the ministers in our Ministerial Council meetings just this week, the projection for July and August looks really good. We have several evangelistic campaigns going on right now in this field. Our laymen are moving and preparing for Mission '72 and it appears that 1971 is going to be one of our greatest years. With the co-operation of our laymen, we can move forward to even greater achievements for God in 1972."

VISITORS:

The Chairman welcomed Robert Sheldon, Director of Public Relations for the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc.

J. W. Peeke introduced the Assistant Manager of our West Coast Insurance Service office, Gene Marsh.

AUDIO-VISUAL AID EQUIPMENT:

The Chairman gave opportunity to Eric Ristau, of the Southern Union Conference, to demonstrate and describe the new Audio-Visual Aid projector which he is promoting, and which is to be available for sale in March, 1972. The weight is $8\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. It is portable. It contains a new film format with sound. The cost is much less than for equipment now available. It may be used in homes and churches.

MINUTES of the meeting held July 15, 1971, were approved.

BENJAMIN RIFFEL -- LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Benjamin Riffel, of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, is due a leave of absence to South America in April of 1972. He has an itinerary in November, 1971, that will take him to Colombia. Inquiry has come if it would be well for him to continue on to Argentina at that time, taking the months of December, 1971, to February, 1972, for his leave. The expense to Colombia would be borne by the Pacific Press Publishing Association. In harmony with a recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To authorize a leave of absence for Benjamin Riffel and family to Argentina, from December, 1971, to February, 1972. His next term of service will begin on the date he would have returned to his employment if he had taken his leave on the date when due (mid-1972).

W. R. L. SCRAGG--LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

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

VOTED, To authorize a leave of absence for W. R. L. Scragg and family, he being an Associate Secretary in the General Conference Radio-Television Department, to Australia, from January 20 to April 20, 1972.

NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS STANDING COMMITTEE--SECRETARY:

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

VOTED, To appoint C. E. Bradford as a replacement for M. E. Kemmerer to serve as Secretary of the North American Affairs Standing Committee.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL:

The General Conference Officers, acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, presented a number of recommendations as to visits to overseas fields.

VOTED, To authorize visits and adjustments in overseas travel as follows:

Authorizations:

M. M. Carballal--Europe (Madrid, Paris, London, other cities, from Spain), Insurance business August, 1971

R. M. Reinhard--Europe (European Commission business), August 15-September 6

Adjustments:

R. H. Pierson--Trans-Mediterranean Division (Rumania), 1 week extension of authorized European itinerary

August-September

L. H. SEENYEN -- CONGO:

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Mediterranean Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for L. H. Seenyen, of Mauritius, to serve as Principal of the Songa School, in the Congo; with the request that the Trans-Mediterranean Division process the call.

FRANCOISE WINANDY -- KIVOGA:

VOTED, To pass on to the Trans-Mediterranean Division a call from the Trans-Africa Division for Francoise Winandy, to serve as French Language Teacher at the Kivoga College, in Burundi; with the request that the Trans-Mediterranean Division process the call.

JOHN DUGALD S. McKEAN, M.D. --

PORT-OF-SPAIN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Australasian Division a call from the Inter-American Division for John Dugald S. McKean, of New Zealand, to serve as a

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Physician at the Port-of-Spain Community Hospital; with the request that the Australasian Division process the call.

ELIAS MEDINA, M.D. -- GUYANA:

VOTED, That Elias Medina, M.D., a Filipino, and recently of Madison, Tennessee, currently serving as relief Physician at the Davis Memorial Hospital in Guyana, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as a regular Physician for that Hospital; with the understanding that the North American Division will be considered to be his home base.

JESS C. HOLM, M.D.--INDIA:

VOTED, That Jess C. Holm, M.D., of Glendale, California, be invited to connect with the Southern Asia Division as Medical Director for the Surat Hospital, India.

WILLIAM C. HAYTON -- SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION:

VOTED, That William C. Hayton, sophomore student at Loma Linda University School of Medicine, be placed under deferred medical appointment to the Southern Asia Division.

ARTHUR N. NELSON, M.D. -- TAIWAN:

VOTED, That Arthur N. Nelson, M.D., of Los Angeles, California, retiring from practice, be invited to serve as relief Physician for a year or more in the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital.

LEONARD W. RAMEY, M.D. -- FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

VOTED, That Leonard W. Ramey, M.D., of Northridge, California, retiring from practice, be placed under deferred medical appointment for service in the Far Eastern Division.

ARTHUR N. DONALDSON, III, M.D.--RELEASED:

VOTED, That Arthur N. Donaldson, III, M.D., be released from deferred medical appointment to the Northern Europe-West Africa Division, on his request, in view of his plan to specialize in Otolaryngology, a specialty little needed in the mission field.

DAVID UNSELL, M.D. -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That David Unsell, M.D., be released from relief appointment to the Jengre SDA Hospital, Northern Nigeria.

ROGER W. COON -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Roger W. Coon be released from the call as Educational Adviser for the Philippine Publishing House; he having declined for personal and family reasons.

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JEROME W. THAYER -- RELEASED:

VOTED, That Jerome W. Thayer be released from the call to be Professor of Education Psychology at Japan Missionary College, Tokyo; he having declined for personal reasons.

ARTHUR ZAFT -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Arthur Zaft from the South American Division to Canada, effective May 15, 1972, for reasons of his children's education; in harmony with the recommendation of the Division.

MARILYN R. V. PINDER -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Marilyn R. V. Pinder from the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, Ethiopia, at her request for personal reasons, and as recommended by the Afro-Mideast Division.

FELICITO FERNANDO, M.D. --

TERMINAL DATE FOR PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, That at the request of the Inter-American Division the terminal date for the permanent return to the Far Eastern Division for Felicito Fernando, M.D., of Montemorelos, Mexico (voted December 10, 1970), be set as of December 31, 1971.

JAMES DYKES -- OAKWOOD COLLEGE:

VOTED, To pass on to the Columbia Union and Allegheny East Conferences a call for James Dykes, a Teacher at Pine Forge Academy, to connect with Oakwood College as an English Teacher.

THE ADVENTIST LAYMAN -- FIRST ISSUE APPROPRIATION:

The Review and Herald Publishing Association and the Lay Activities Department have proposed a 74,000 overrun of the first issue of The Adventist Layman for promotion purpose use. The Review and Herald will supply 39,000 copies in addition to the 11,000 copies needed for regular subscribers if the General Conference will finance another 35,000 at a cost of \$3,000. The total copies of the first issue will be 85,000. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To authorize an appropriation of \$3,000 from the General Conference Contingency Fund for the purpose of providing 35,000 extra copies of The Adventist Layman to add to the 39,000 extra copies that will be provided by the Review and Herald.

Adjourned at 10:55 A.M.

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

Sixty-Eighth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

July 29, 1971, 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Theodore Carcich, L. L. Bock, Carson F. Adams, W. J. Brown, E. E. Cleveland, R. M. Davidson, K. H. Emmerson, C. O. Franz, M. Carol Hetzell, W. A. Howe, H. D. Johnson, J. C. Kozel, Caris H. Lauda, B. J. Liebelt, M. E. Loewen, V. M. Montalban, Lawrence M. Nelson, R. E. Osborn, W. L. Pascoe, J. W. Peeke, A. V. Pinkney, Leo Ranzolin, Fernon Retzer, A. H. Roth, V. W. Schoen, F. A. Soper, I. V. Stonebrook, F. C. Webster, A. L. White, A. G. Zytkoskee

OTHERS PRESENT:

Karl Bahr, Orley Berg, W. J. Cannon

The opening prayer was offered by A. H. Roth.

MINUTES of the meeting held July 22, 1971, with an amendment to one action, were approved.

WAGE SCALE STUDY COMMITTEE --MEETING CANCELED:

VOTED, That the Wage Scale Study Committee meeting authorized to be held in Dallas, Texas, July 25-30, 1971, be canceled.

DON HAWLEY--

MANAGING EDITOR LIFE AND HEALTH:

On recommendation of the Review and Herald Board, and with the concurrence of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, To approve the appointment of Don Hawley as Managing Editor of Life and Health.

DON HAWLEY --

REVIEW AND HERALD PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to the Atlantic Union and Greater New York Conferences a call for Don Hawley, Public Relations and Radio-Television Secretary, to connect with the Review and Herald Publishing Association as Managing Editor of <u>Life and Health</u>.

CARSON ADAMS --

PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:

VOTED, To pass on to Carson Adams, General Conference Publishing Department Associate Secretary, a call for him to connect with the Pacific Press Publishing Association as Associate Manager of the Book Department.

CARL CLARK--RIVERSIDE HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and Northern California Conferences a call for Carl Clark, Comptroller at the St. Helena Hospital, to connect with the Riverside Hospital as Assistant Administrator.

MRS. HARRIET CHRISTIAN -- RIVERSIDE HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to Oakwood College a call for Mrs. Harriet Christian, Dean of Girls in the Academy at OC, to connect with the Riverside Hospital as Medical Records Secretary.

JOHN RAMSEY -- VOICE OF PROPHECY:

VOTED, To pass on to the Southwestern Union and Texas Conferences a call for John Ramsey, Bible and Music Teacher at Jefferson Academy, to connect with the Voice of Prophecy as First Tenor in the VOP Quartet.

CARSON ADAMS --

CANCELATION TRANS-MEDITERRANEAN DIVISION ITINERARY:

It being understood that Carson Adams desires to accept the call to the Pacific Press Publishing Association, on recommendation of the General Conference Officers acting for the Overseas Travel Committee, it was--

VOTED, To cancel authorization for Carson Adams to visit the Trans-Mediterranean Division, August 25-October 9, 1971.

SOUTH AMERICAN DIVISION -- EXCHANGE RATES:

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

VOTED, That a change in exchange rates for Brazil, Argentina, and Uruguay, be made, effective August 1, 1971, as follows:

Brazil Cruzeiros From 5.00 to the US\$1.00 or .20, to 5.25 to the US\$1.00 or .1904761;

Argentina Pesos From 4.00 to US\$1.00 or .25, to 4.40 to the US\$1.00 or .2272727;

Uruguay Uruguayos From 250.00 to US\$1.00 or .004, to 370.00 to the US\$1.00 or .0027027.

MRS. VIRGINIA L. KOLLMORGAN--

NAME RECOMMENDED TO SUSTEM TATION COMMITTEE:

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

VOTED, To recommend the name of Mrs. Virginia L. Kollmorgan, of the West Coast Insurance office, to the Sustentation Committee for consideration, to be granted the benefits of sustentation beginning September 1, 1971.

RADIO-EUROPA PROGRAM-DAY OF PRAYER:

The Trans-Mediterranean Division has requested that October 2, 1971, be designated as a Day of Prayer in behalf of the denomination's new multi-language radio program, which is soon to be broadcast to many countries in Europe. On recommendation of the General Conference Officers, it was--

VOTED, That Sabbath, October 2, 1971, be designated as a Day of Prayer in behalf of the denomination's new multi-language Radio-Europa broadcast program.

SELIDA FORTEL --

ANDREWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

VOTED, To pass on to the Far Eastern Division a call from the Inter-American Division for Miss Selida Fortel, of the Philippines, to serve as a Nurse in the Andrews Memorial Hospital, Kingston, Jamaica.

DAREL E. COURSER, M.D. -- ILE-IFE HOSPITAL, NIGERIA:

VOTED, That Darel E. Courser, M.D., be reassigned from Guadalajara, Mexico, to the Northern Europe-West Africa Division for service in the Ile-Ife Hospital, Nigeria.

ALLAN R. JURIANSZ, M.B.--HONG KONG ADVENTIST HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Allan R. Juriansz, M.B., of Canada, now under deferred appointment, be assigned to the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, it being understood that the North American Division is regarded as his home division.

DALE WILSON ROWLAND --

DEFERRED MEDICAL APPOINTMENT FAR EASTERN DIVISION:

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

ELDER AND MRS. REINHOLD KLINGBEIL--ANDREWS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That Elder and Mrs. Reinhold Klingbeil, of Loma Linda, California, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division for service in the Andrews Memorial Hospital, Kingston, Jamaica, he to serve as Chaplain and Pastor, assist in fund raising, and teach in the School of Nursing, and she to be Acting Director of the School of Nursing.

GERALD WASMER -- ANTILLIAN COLLEGE:

VOTED, That Gerald Wasmer, of Columbus, Ohio, be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Head of the Biology Department of Antillian College, Puerto Rico.

ROBERT E. MONTGOMERY--FRANCO-HAITIAN SEMINARY:

VOTED, That the Atlantic Union and Southern New England Conferences be requested to release Robert E. Montgomery, an Accountant at South Lancaster Academy, and that he be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Industrial and Maintenance Superintendent for the Franco-Haitian Seminary, Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

MAYBELLE EUNICE BANKS -- BELLA VISTA HOSPITAL:

VOTED, That the Riverside Hospital be requested to release Miss Maybelle Eunice Banks, Dietitian, and that she be invited to connect with the Inter-American Division as Dietitian for the Bella Vista Hospital, Puerto Rico.

DONALD ALBERT SHORT--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Donald Albert Short from the East Africa Publishing House, Kenya, at his request for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Afro-Mideast Division.

BARBARA TWIST -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Barbara Twist from the Antillian College, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, at her request for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

RICHARD HAAS -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Richard Haas from the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, at his request for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

MICHAEL C. KELLEY -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Michael C. Kelley from Linda Vista, Mexico, at his request for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

EDELWEISS ROCCO -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Edelweiss Rocco, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Adelio Rocco, of Montemorelos, Mexico, to Brazil, for educational reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

LUISE RIFFEL -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Miss Luise Riffel from the Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, at her request for personal reasons, she having served there since 1965, and in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

ALBERTO GUZMAN -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Alberto Guzman from Venezuela at his request for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Inter-American Division.

JAMES H. SNELL--PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of James H. Snell from the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital, Thailand, for personal reasons, in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

BETTY SUE EKVALL -- PERMANENT RETURN:

VOTED, To authorize the permanent return of Betty Sue Ekvall, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Ekvall, from Singapore, for educational purposes, in harmony with the recommendation of the Far Eastern Division.

Adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

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