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Two Hundred Ninth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 4, 1973, 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Robert H Pierson, L L Bock, Alfredo Aeschlimann, B L Archbold, W R Beach, G J Bertochini, D J Bieber, A P Bokovoy, J W Bothe, C E Bradford, George Brown, Theodore Carcich, Eldon E Carman, C V Christian, E E Cleveland, W O Coe, R M Davidson, J L Dittberner, N R Dower, W Duncan Eva, W W Fordham, R R Frame, C O Franz, A Edwin Gibb, J O Gibson, W J Hackett, J H Hancock, R R Hegstad, Mazie Herin, C B Hirsch, D W Hunter, Gordon Hyde, D S Johnson, H D Johnson, M E Kemmerer, W R Lesher, N W Litchfield, R S Lowry, C D Martin, Milton McCulloch, J W McFarland, M L Mills, Boardman Noland, R E Osborn, Walter Ost, W L Pascoe, R L Pelton, A V Pinkney, C L Powers, Leo Ranzolin, L L Reile, R M Reinhard, R H Roderick, A H Roth, Cree Sandefur, H H Schmidt, B E Seton, H D Singleton, Clark Smith, Dunbar Smith, F A Soper, Michael Stevenson, Ella May Stoneburner, Carl Sundin, E W Tarr, C R Taylor, J M Vianna, R F Waddell, William Wagner, E R Walde, C D Watson, F W Wernick, A L White, Bruce M Wickwire, R A Wilcox, Neal C Wilson, K H Wood, L D Wood.

OTHERS PRESENT

Karl Bahr, D A Delafield, F E J Harder, L R Van Dolson, F Donald Yost.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

The Chairman read from Gems of Thought by E G White:

"Whatever our position, we are dependent upon God, who holds all destinies in His hands. . . . So long as we surrender the will to God, and trust in His strength and wisdom, we shall be guided in safe paths, to fulfill our appointed part in His great plan." (Desire of Ages, page 209).

Prayer was offered by W O Coe, President of the Northern Union Conference and L L Reile, President of the Canadian Union Conference.

INTRODUCTIONS

Robert H Pierson introduced W O Coe, newly-elected president of the Northern Union Conference, L L Reile, newly-elected president of the Canadian Union Conference, and Walter Ost, lay field secretary of the General Conference. He also extended a welcome to the departmental representatives attending the meeting.

H W PETERSON--LETTER OF APPRECIATION

VOTED, To request the Secretary to write a letter of appreciation and brotherly love to H W Peterson, formerly of the Trans-Africa Division, who is ill in a Benton Harbor hospital, Michigan.

MINUTES of the meeting held September 27, 1973, were approved

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(A-252) W J BLACKER--N A SABBATH SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTED, To name W J Blacker to serve on the North American Sabbath School Advisory Committee instead of L F Bohner who has retired.

(A-254) SCHOOL MANUAL REVISION COMMITTEE--ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

VOTED, To request the following to serve as members of the School Manual Revision Committee: Walter Comm, Victor Fullerton, P E Plummer, Wesley Shultz.

(A-260) FRANCO-HAITIAN SEMINARY--UPGRADING

On the request of the Inter-American Division and the recommendation of the Department of Education,

VOTED, To authorize the Franco-Haitian Seminary to offer a license program in theology (equivalent to Bachelor of Theology degree) based on the Philo (Bach II), plus three years, beginning 1974, along the guidelines recommended by the General Conference Department of Education; and that a progress report be prepared for an interim visit by a representative of the department no later than March, 1977.

(A-261) MONTEMORELOS VOCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL COLLEGE--UPGRADING

On the request of the Inter-American Division (IAD 73:5032, June 27, 1973) and the recommendation of the Department of Education,

VOTED, To authorize the upgrading of Montemorelos Vocational and Professional College with the following stipulations:

- 1. That the request of the Inter-American Division, that Montemorelos Vocational and Professional College be authorized to offer baccalaureate degrees in theology (reaffirming GC 68-1058, August 8, 1968), secondary education, and business administration, be approved along the guidelines established by the department; and that a progress report be prepared for an interim visit by a representative of that department no later than March, 1977.
- 2. That the Inter-American Division assume responsibility for the operation of Montemorelos in cooperation with the Mexican Union Mission, if this school is to serve as a university with professional schools.
- 3. That the Inter-American Division and Mexican Union Mission continue implementation of the guidelines for upgrading schools as found in the Report, Board of Regents, 1971, beginning on page 25 and described in the 1973 Survey Committee report, pages 25-51.
- 4. That a special committee be named by the General Conference Department of Education to make an on-site study of the plans for programs in

medicine and nursing, and to provide specific guidelines for the same.

- 5. That on the basis of the 4 preceding points and the receipt of a government charter for developing the present school into the University of Montemorelos, that the Inter-American Division be authorized to move in this direction, with the understanding that such an upgrading will not exceed the conditions stated in the Survey Committee report of June 10-12, page 51, paragraph 8.
- 6. That the plan of finance for 1973-1981 outlined in pages 53-62 of the Survey Committee Report, and approved by the sponsoring organizations, be studied by the General Conference Department of Education and the Treasury for their approval.

EXCHANGE RATE ADJUSTMENTS

VOTED, To approve the following adjustments to the fixed rates of exchange, effective October 1, 1973:

Country		Local Currency	U S Currency
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South American Division Chile	Escudo	850.00	.0011765

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES--REPORT

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

Douglas Richard Anthes (Berrien Springs, Michigan) -- Business teacher, Southeast Asia Union College, Singapore, Far Eastern Division

Arundell Donovan (South Lancaster, Massachusetts) -- Teacher, St Thomas, U S Virgin Islands, East Caribbean Conference, Inter-American Division as national returning

Rafael Eduardo Gomez (Riverside, California) -- Registrar, Colombia-Venezuela Union College, Colombia, Inter-American Division as national returning, effective January 1, 1974

Lionel Rodney Arthur (Brooklyn, New York) -- Head of Business and Secretarial Department, Caribbean Union College, Trinidad, Inter-American Division as national returning, effective September 1, 1974

Calls and Transfers

Martin Waterworth (Australasian Division) -- Call of Far Eastern Division as AVSC teacher, Sarawak Mission

Dietitian (Far Eastern Division) -- Call of Southern Asia Division for Karachi Hospital

Releases

Glenn A Patchen, MD, from deferred appointment to Afro-Mideast Division

(Releases - contd)

Donald Howard Stewart, DDS, from dental appointment to Guam, Far Eastern Division

Fred L Webb from appointment to Sierra Leone as principal of SDA Secondary School, Northern Europe-West Africa Division

M A Depinay (Inter-American Division) from call to serve as Bible teacher, Ivory Coast Secondary School, Bouake, Northern Europe-West Africa Division

John Odiase from call to serve as Bible teacher, Ede Grammar School, Nigeria, Northern Europe-West Africa Division

Permanent Returns

Henry W Peterson, from Trans-Africa Division for health reasons

RICHARD GREEN--PORTLAND ADV HOSPITAL & NW MEDICAL FOUNDATION

VOTED, To pass on to Richard Green, a General Conference associate auditor for the West Coast, the call of the North Pacific Union and Oregon Conferences for him to serve as Vice-president for Finance, Portland Adventist Hospital and Northwest Medical Foundation.

ERNEST OTTO TURK--ST HELENA HOSPITAL & HEALTH CENTER

VOTED, To pass on to Loma Linda University, the call of the Pacific Union and Northern California Conference for Ernest Otto Turk to serve as maintenance worker at the St Helena Hospital and Health Center.

REGIONAL PUBLISHING STUDY COMMITTEE

VOTED, To accept the reconstituted Regional Publishing Study Committee and authorize this committee to meet December 10, 1973, in Washington, D C.

Committee reconstituted: Neal C Wilson, Chairman; D A McAdams, Vice-chairman; Bruce M Wickwire, Secretary; George Anderson, T S Barber, Charles Barnes, M T Battle, C E Bradford, C D Brooks, E E Cleveland, H L Cleveland, C E Dudley, W W Fordham, Hugh Forquer, R L LaGrone, W S Lee, J W Proctor, Silas McClamb, L B Reynolds, Eric Ristau, T R Smith, J R Wagner.

Adjourned

Robert H Pierson, Chairman L L Bock, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

ANNUAL COUNCIL

Takoma Park, D C, October 7-18, 1973

Two Hundred Tenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 7, 1973, 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT

L Marcel Abel, W M Adams, Alfredo Aeschlimann, James J Aitken, F R Aldridge, Erich Amelung, Earl W Amundson, Carl P Anderson, B L Archbold, David H Baasch, Donald E Bain, G N Banks, R Curtis Barger, Maurice T Battle, B B Beach, W R Beach, H W Bedwell, Gilbert J Bertochini, David J Bieber, F W Bieber, R R Bietz, Ole C Bjerkan, W J Blacker, O A Blake, F L Bland, W D Blehm, L L Bock, Leonard F Bohner, Alex P Bokovoy, J W Bothe, C E Bradford, W P Bradley, A H Brandt, Aaron N Brogden, George W Brown, Robert H Brown, Walton J Brown, Nino Bulzis, A B Butler, L L Butler, R B Caldwell, Harold L Calkins, P S Camacho, M V Campbell, W John Cannon, Theodore Carcich, H J Carubba, Gabriel Castro, O E Cesan, James David Chase, James E Chase, Clem V Christian, D R Christman, Pawel Cieslar, William Clements, H L Cleveland, W J Cleveland, Robert L Cone, W O Coe, L Mark Cox, L W Crooker, C G Cross, Don L Crowder, Desmond Cummings, J M Curnow,

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D W Hunter, Gordon M Hyde, B E Jacobs, Sunderaj James, S R Jayne, D S Johnson,
Harry D Johnson, Kimber D Johnson, Frank L Jones, A W Kaytor, M E Kemmerer,
Carl Klam, John F Knipschild, J T Knopper, B J Kohler, John C Kozel,

Caris H Lauda, Clarence M Laue, B E Leach, W S Lee, W Richard Lesher, B J Liebelt, M E Lind, George W Liscombe, Neil W Litchfield, M E Loewen, Roscoe S Lowry, Theodore Lucas, Melvin Lukens, Y Lusingu, Donald MacIvor, Everett L Marley, C D Martin, N O Matthews, Ray A Matthews, R F Mattison, W H Mattison, W R May, George W Maywald, D A McAdams, A C McClure, A V McClure, Milton J McCulloch, E G McDowell, J Wayne McFarland, William J McHenry, A C McKee, T P Miller, Garland J Millet, Merle L Mills, E L Minchin, Kenneth J Mittleider, Sergio Moctezuma, Olof J Moline, V M Montalban, R D Moon, Philip Moores, H E Morenings, G W Morgan, Alvin G Munson, W L Murrill, V P Muthiah,

Charles J Nagele, G R Nash, L M Nelson, William George Nelson, Daniel Nestares, L H Netteburg, R H Nightingale, M S Nigri, John Wilbur Nixon, Robert W Nixon, A Ray Norcliffe, R W Numbers, V Norskov Olsen, Robert E Osborn, Walter Ost, Sherwood P Pangborn, W L Pascoe, A J Patzer, E W Pedersen, Jewell W Peeke, R L Pelton, Hector J Peverini, W E Phillips, Robert H Pierson, A V Pinkney, C L Powers, Frances Pride, W B Quigley, R J Radcliffe, L A Ramirez, H F Rampton, Leo Ranzolin, Earl Reed, Marvin H Reeder, Ellsworth Reile, L L Reile, H L Reiner, Rudolf M Reinhard, R C Remboldt, Fernon Retzer, Helmuth C Retzer, Donald G Reynolds, Louis B Reynolds, A H Riffel, V L Roberts, R H Roderick, H F Roll, Arthur H Roth, D A Roth, Olavi Rouhe, Walter Ruba, Ronald L Sackett, Cree Sandefur, Donald J Sandstrom, Harvey L Sauder, Milo C Sawvel, Marlowe H Schaffner, H H Schmidt, V W Schoen, R C Schwartz, W R L Scragg, James V Scully, B E Seton, Frank Sherrill, Lewis A Shipowick, H D Singleton, C W Skantz, Clark Smith, Dunbar W Smith, Paul G Smith, Francis A Soper, R E Spangle, J R Spangler, Walter M Starks, Ernest H J Steed, John V Stevens, Michael Stevenson, B H Stickle, Ella May Stoneburner, W F Storz, A G Streifling, Carl Sundin, J Paul Sundquist,

Charles R Taylor, G Herfin Taylor, Sr, R W Taylor, G Ralph Thompson, W A Thompson, Charles H Tidwell, K W Tilghman, J O Tompkins, M C Torkelson, M G Townend, Ben Trout, Roland Unnersten, George E Vandeman, Jose Mascarenhas Viana, Conrad Visser, Werner K Vyhmeister, Ralph F Waddell, John H Wade, E R Walde, J O Wagner, William Wagner, W D Walton, W D Wampler, Wilbur E Wasenmiller, C D Watson, Ralph S Watts, F C Webster, C C Weis, F W Wernick, Arthur L White, Edward Eric White, Herbert White, J H Whitehead, Kingdon W Whitney, Bruce M Wickwire, Roger A Wilcox, S S Will, C A Williams, Roy F Williams, Neal C Wilson, J W Wilson, J P Winston, J H Wollan, Kenneth H Wood, L Delmer Wood, R L Woodfork, Ethel Young.

OPENING

John H Hancock, Secretary of the Youth Department, led the song service. Special music was provided by the Brotherhood Quartet from the Washington area.

Theodore Carcich extended a welcome to all who were present for the 1973 Annual Council, and announced the order of the service.

The opening hymn, "In the Glad Time of the Harvest," was announced by Mazie Herin, Associate Secretary of the Department of Health, and W R Beach, Vice-President of the General Conference, offered prayer.

THE CALL

Clyde O Franz, Secretary of the General Conference, read Article X, Section 2 a of the Bylaws governing the holding of Annual Councils and stated that the requirements for the calling of this meeting had been met.

Theodore Carcich declared the 1973 Annual Council in session.

PROGRAMS--DISTRIBUTION

Notebooks containing the program and agenda items for the Annual Council were distributed.

REGISTRATION

Registration cards were distributed to the Committee members and filled out as a record of attendance.

DAILY PROGRAM

VOTED, To adopt the following daily program:

AM	7:30 - 8:15 8:30 - 9:15 9:15 - 10:30 10:30 - 10:45 10:45 - 12:15	Steering Devotional Council or Committees Recess Council or Committees
	Lunch	
PM	2:30 - 3:45 3:45 - 4:00 4:00 - 5:00	Committees Recess Council or Committees
	Supper	
	7:30 - 8:45	Division Reports

STANDING COMMITTEES

VOTED, To approve the following Standing Committees for the 1973 Annual Council:

Additional Personnel to Standing Committees: M S Nigri, Chairman D W Hunter, Secretary C E Bradford

Auditing: R H Pierson, Chairman; H D Johnson, Secretary

E Amelung	R M Davidson	B J Kohler
Earl Amundson	J L Dittberner	J C Kozel
D H Baasch	K H Emmerson	C M Laue
W R Beach	C O Franz	B E Leach
W J Blacker	R R Figuhr	E L Marley
O A Blake	Henry Friesen	R A Matthews
L L Bock	A E Gibb	Milton McCulloch
C E Bradford	Richard Green	T P Miller
G O Bruce	W J Hackett	R D Moon
L L Butler	C D Henri	W L Murrill
R B Caldwell	D W Hunter	L H Netteburg
Theodore Carcich	D S Johnson	M S Nigri
W J Cleveland	M E Kemmerer	R H Nightingale
W O Coe	C Klam	A R Norcliffe
R E Osborn	C E Schmidt	W D Wampler
W L Pascoe	H H Schmidt	W E Wasenmill e r
A J Patzer	B E Seton	R S Watts

(Auditing - contd)

E S Reile	E F Sherrill	F W Wernick
L L Reile	C W Skantz	Paul Wethey
R M Reinhard	R E Spangle	K W Whitney
H C Retzer	B H Stickle	R F Williams
V L Roberts	R Unnersten	N C Wilson
R H Roderick	E R Walde	L D Wood
Cree Sandefur	·	K H Wood

Budget: K H Emmerson, Chairman; M E Kemmerer, Secretary

C P Anderson	C O Franz	R H Pierson
D H Baasch	A E Gibb	W B Quigley
W R Beach	W J Hackett	L L Reile
R R Bietz	J H Hancock	R M Reinhard
W J Blacker	C D Henri	R C Remboldt
O A Blake	D W Hunter	R L Reynolds
L L Bock	D S Johnson	Cree Sandefur
J W Bothe	H D Johnson	H H Schmidt
C E Bradford	B J Kohler	B E Seton
W J Brown	J C Kozel	J V Stevens
A B Butler	B E Leach	Ben Trout
Theodore Carcich	G W Liscombe	E R Walde
J D Chase	G W Morgan	R S Watts
H L Cleveland	M S Nigri	F C Webster
W O Coe	R H Nightingale	C C Weis
R L Cone	R E Osborn	F W Wernick
L W Crooker	Esther Ottley	J H Whitehead
Robert Dale	W L Pascoe	R F Williams
J L Dittberner	R L Pelton	N C Wilson
		K H Wood

Distribution of Materials: W M Adams, Chairman

E W Howse	H F Rampton	Paul Smith
J N Hunt	Leo Ranzolin	Carl Sundin
A C McKee	R M Reinhard	C C Weis
	Milo Sawvel	

Finance: K H Emmerson, Chairman; J C Kozel, Secretary

Carlos Aeschlimann	O Gmehling	W L Pascoe
E Amelung	W H Gosse	J W Peeke
F L Aldridge	Richard Green	R L Pelton
B L Archbold	John Hayward	W E Phillips
D H Baasch	C D Henri	R H Pierson
W R Beach	C B Hirsch	C L Powers
D J Bieber	E W Howse	R J Rad cliffe
F W Bieber	D W Hunter	Earl Reed
w J Blacker	S R Jayne	L L Reile
O A Blake	D S Johnso n	R M Reinhard

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·		Fernon Retzer
W D Blehm	H D Johnson	
L L Bock	K D Johnson	Don Reynolds
L F Bohner	A W Kaytor	V L Roberts
J W Bothe	M E Kemmerer	C B Rock
C E Bradford	C Klam	R H Roderick
G O Bruce	J F Knipschild	R L Sackett
A B Butler	B J Kohler	Cree Sandefur
L L Butler	C M Laue	C E Schmidt
R B Caldwell	B E Leach	H H Schmidt
H L Calkins	M E Lind	R C Schwartz
M V Campbell	N W Litchfield	W R L Scragg
Orlando Cesan	R S Lowry	B E Seton
J E Chase	Melvin Lukens	R E Spangle
W O Coe	N O Matthews	W M Starks
R L Cone	D A McAdams	B H Stickle
Mark Cox	A V McClure	K W Tilghman
L W Crooker	Milton McCulloch	Joel Tompkins
C G Cross	A C McKee	Ben Trout
Desmond Cummings	T P Miller	R Unnersten
M E Dake	M L Mills	E L Villanueva
R C Darnell	K J Mittleider	J R Wagner
R M Davidson	O T Moline	E R Walde
J L Dittberner	V M Montalban	W E Wasenmiller
C E Dudley	H E Morenings	C D Watson
G R Earle	A G Munson	R S Watts
W H Elder	W L Murrill	F C Webster
P H Eldridge	C J Nagele	F W Wernick
W D Eva	W G Nelson	J H Whitehead
R D Fearing	L H Netteburg	K W Whitney
R R Figuhr	M S Nigri	R A Wilcox
R R Frame	R H Nightingale	R L Willett
C O Franz	A R Norcliffe	R F Williams
V E Garber	V N Olsen	N C Wilson
A E Gibb	R E Osborn	J P Winston
J O Gibson	C L Paddock, Jr	L D Wood
J O GLESON	C II LEGGOOR, DI	A G Zytkoskee
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Music: J H Hancock, Chairman

W J Brown	R B Caldwell	w w Fordnam
		B J Liebelt

Nominations: R H Pierson, Chairman; C O Franz, Secretary

B L Archbold	R R Frame	Philip Moores
R C Barger	A E Gibb	M S Nigri
W R Beach	W J Hackett	R H Nightingale
W J Blacker	Richard Hammill	R H Pierson
J W Bothe	W C Hatch	C L Powers
Theodore Carcich	C D Henri	L L Reile
W T Clark	M Carol Hetzell	Cree Sandefur

(Nominations - contd)

A N How H H Schmidt W O Coe Clark Smith G C Dart M E Kemmerer W G Soloniuk B E Leach J L Dittberner M E Lind
M E Loewen
R S Lowry
Mervyn Maxwell R F Waddell F W Wernick A L White R A Wilcox P H Eldridge K H Emmerson W D Eva R R Figuhr N C Wilson Philip Follett M L Mills K H Wood

Plans: W J Hackett, Chairman; R F Williams, Secretary

Frances Pride M Abel J C Hansen W C Hatch L A Ramirez W M Adams H F Rampton Leo Ranzolin M H Reeder E S Reile Tulio Haylock A Aeschlimann R R Hegstad J J Aitken E W Amundson R H Henning R H Henning
C D Henri
Mazie Herin
M Carol Hetzell
Bekele Heye
D B Hills
D W Holbrook
A N How
W A Howe E S Reile
L L Reile
H L Reiner
R C Remboldt
H C Retzer
Fernon Retzer
L B Reynolds
H M S Richards
A H Riffel C P Anderson B L Archbold A W Austin D E Bain G N Banks M T Battle B B Beach W A Howe
E W Howse
J N Hunt
G M Hyde
D E Jacobs
S James
H D Johnson
E Kilian
J T Knopper
P Lanares
C H Lauda
W R Lesher
B J Liebelt
M E Lind
M E Loewen
R S Lowry W A Howe W R Beach H W Bedwell A H Roth Don Roth E O Rouhe G J Bertochini D J Bieber R R Bietz W Ruba O C Bjerkan D J Sandstrom H L Sauder Milo Sawvel F L Bland A P Bokovov C E Bradford V W Schoen
J V Scully
C L Shankel
E F Sherrill
L A Shipowick
H D Singleton
C W Skantz **W** P Bradley A H Brandt C D Brooks George Brown W J Brown N Bulzis P S Camacho R S Lowry D Smith
P G Smith
W G Soloniuk
F A Soper
J R Spangler T E Lucas W J Cannon Y Lusingu D M MacIvor Theodore Carcich Eldon Carman E L Marley H J Carubba C D Martin B G Mary R A Matthews G Castro E H J Steed J D Chase M E Cherian J V Stevens Michael Stevenson R F Mattison C V Christian H Stoeger W H Mattison D R Christman Ella May Stoneburner W R May P Cieslar W F Storz G W Maywald W T Clark

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	Manney Mannett	% C Chroifling
W V Clements	Mervyn Maxwell	A G Streifling Carl Sundin
E E Cleveland	D A McAdams A C McClure	J P Sundquist
W J Cleveland	E G McDowell	E W Tarr
W O Coe	J W McFarland	C R Taylor
Don Crowder	<u> </u>	-
J M Curnow	W J McHenry	G H Taylor
Robert Dale	G J Millet	R W Taylor (AUD)
G C Dart	M L Mills	R W Taylor (AMD)
L M Davidson	E L Minchin	Helvius Thompson
Edward Dorsey	Sergio Moctezuma	C H Tidwell
N R Dower	R D Moon	M G Townend
J E Edwards	Philip Moores	George Vandeman
O Edwards	G W Morgan	J M Viana
G C Ekvall	C E Moseley	Conrad Visser
P H Eldridge	V P Muthiah	H Vogel
W D Eva	E Naenny	Werner Vyhmeister
Robert Everett	G R Nash	J H Wade
W A Fagal	Lawrence Nelson	R F Waddell
A C Fearing	Daniel Nestares	William Wagner
R R Figuhr	M S Nigri	W D Wampler
S L Folkenberg	J W Nixon	Paul Wethey
Philip Follett	R W Nixon	A L White
W W Fordham	Boardman Noland	E E White
J M Fowler	R W Numbers	H e rbert White
R R Frame	W M Ost	Bruce M Wickwire
C O Franz	Esther Ottley	R A Wilcox
Henry Friesen	W B Quigley	s s Will
G E Garne	S D Pangborn	C A Williams
A E Gibb	A J Patzer	Neal C Wilson
T V Gorle	E W Pedersen	J W Wilson
C E Guenther	H W Peterson	R L Woodfork
Hilda Habenicht	H J Peverini	J H Wollan
W J Hackett	R H Pierson	S Woysch
Richard Hammill	A V Pinkney	K A P Yesudian
J H Hancock	C L Powers	Ethel Young
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Platform: C D Brooks, Chairman

Earl Amundson

W R May

Steering: R H Pierson, Chairman; A H Roth, Secretary

D H Baasch	W J Hackett	M S Nigri
W R Beach	C D Henri	R E Osborn
L L Bock	D W Hunter	W L Pascoe
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C O Franz	B J Kohler	R F Williams
A E Gibb	J C Kozel	N C Wilson

GREETINGS

Greetings were read by Clyde O Franz, as follows:

From J M Hammond, President of the North Ghana Mission, assuring the Council of the members' prayers.

From Kyaw Balay, President of the Burma Union, extending greetings and best wishes, and prayer for the success of the Council.

From Glen E Maxson, President of the Chile Union Mission, praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the Council, thanking God for His protection of members and property in Chile.

From A G Munson of the SDA Radio, Television and Film Center, advising that H M S Richards, Jr, is unable to attend because of the evangelistic campaign in Honolulu, Dan Guild to represent him at this meeting.

From the Board of Regents, with representation from the world field, a vote of thanks to the Officers of the General Conference and various divisions.

VOTED, To record these greetings and send greetings from the Annual Council in return.

OPENING ADDRESS

The Brotherhood Quartet sang, "Let Not Your Heart be Troubled."

Robert H Pierson, President of the General Conference, welcomed Church leaders from around the world, and made special mention of those who had attended the World Departmental Advisory Council and were remaining for the Annual Council.

Matthew 6:33 was the text chosen by Elder Pierson for his address entitled, "God's Priorities--A Call to Revival and Reformation."

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

He directed heart-searching questions to the leaders regarding the spiritual quality of their leadership. He stated that while business and policy items are very necessary, God would have us first make ready a people for the coming of the Lord.

The kind of people God wants and to whom He can entrust the Latter Rain are vital, overcoming saints—winsome, loving, self-controlled people. Often when people discover we are Seventh-day Adventists they begin to praise the work of our medical or educational institutions, but would it not be better if they would exclaim, "Oh yes, you are the people who are so much like the Lord!" All the wonderful man-made plans and programs and well-oiled machinery have not brought the Loud Cry. Our great world-wide work has not brought a finished

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task and a returning Lord. Repentance, revival, reconciliation and reformation are needed.

The speaker suggested changes that might lead toward the goal of a more spiritual leadership: presidents of our organizations should be released from details of business, chairmen of institutional Boards should reexamine their objectives and strive to make the work of the institution more spiritual, treasurers should consider the balance between institutionalism and evangelism, and departmental leaders should screen their programs carefully and retain only the essentials which contribute to preparing a people for the coming of the Lord.

"The work of saving souls is the highest and noblest ever entrusted to mortal man; and you should allow nothing to come in between you and this sacred work to absorb your mind and confuse your judgment. One standing in the responsible position that you occupy should make eternal interests first, and temporal matters of secondary importance." --Testimonies, Vol 5, page 371.

The speaker made a new commitment of life and leadership and invited others to join him. A prayer of dedication was offered by W J Hackett, Vice-President of the General Conference.

The closing song was "All to Jesus I Surrender" and C D Henri, Vice-President of the General Conference, pronounced the benediction.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman Clyde O Franz, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

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Two Hundred Eleventh Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 8, 1973, 8:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

W J Brown, Associate Secretary of the Department of Education, led the song service. Special music was provided by Haynes Boatwright, Tad Dresser and Raymond Mulholland who played "He Stayed on the Cross for Me" as a saxophone trio.

The opening song, "We Gather Together" was announced by R L Dale, President of the Indiana Conference, and prayer was offered by M H Schaffner, President of the Kettering Medical Center.

John H Hancock and C D Martin of the Youth Department sang, "O Shepherd Divine."

Ralph S Watts, former Vice-President of the General Conference, gave the devotional message on the topic, "The Place of Repentance in Revival."

The key to a genuine revival of godliness is repentance. In sacred history every recorded revival among God's denominated people was preceded by a call to repentance and a turning to God. Christ began His public ministry by preaching, "Repent." This was the message of John the Baptist, Peter, Paul, and other apostles. Biblical repentance means more than merely feeling sorry for sin. It has to do with a change of mind and purpose in life. It means a total commitment to the Lord. That this is our most urgent need is pointed out by Ellen G White: "A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work." --Selected Messages, Book 1, page 121.

P H Eldridge, President of the Far Eastern Division, offered a prayer of consecration, and "Spirit of the Living God" was sung in closing.

The second business session of the Annual Council was called at 9:30 a.m.

Prayer was offered by R H Pierson.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

In his report, the General Conference Secretary, Clyde O Franz, reminded the members of the Committee that the year 1974 marks the centennial of Seventh-day Adventist mission. He compared the situation of the Church in 1874 with the circumstances surrounding the Church today. The membership, financial position, departmental organization, and scores of other areas of progress during this one hundred year period would have undoubtedly amazed and astounded the pioneers. At the same time they would have been puzzled to know why we are still here on this earth in 1973. "Why," they would probably ask, "hasn't the Lord come yet? What has happened?" In the light of the

unfinished task we shall not <u>celebrate</u> a centennial of mission. We shall take note of it, but with the thought of finishing the work under the blessing and guidance of our Heavenly Father. "We are standing on the threshold, we are in the open door, we are treading on a borderland we have never trod before."

TREASURER'S REPORT

The General Conference Treasurer, Kenneth H Emmerson, reported that since about 1970 the Church has faced financial problems that were unthought of and unrealized before in our modern history. Over the past two years two devaluations of the U S dollar have resulted in losses amounting to the equivalent of \$4,250,000 in disposable income in local currencies for our overseas divisions. Without a doubt there will be further setbacks for the dollar, but the general consensus is that the dollar's value will stabilize or possibly continue to gain in the near future.

He further reported that the outlook for the growth of the United States economy is to slow down during the coming months, with continued inflation at a rather sharp pace. The prediction is for a "growth recession" or a deceleration in the pace of expansion above what is commonly considered a recession.

He ended by giving the good news of the excellent response of the church membership to the dollar crisis. The partial report to date of the Dollar Devaluation Offering shows that the churches in North America responded with \$1,176,904.78 and the very incomplete report from the overseas divisions shows \$354,876.62. These sums, added to the amounts provided by the General Conference and General Conference institutions, amounted to \$2,177,250.57. Furthermore, tithe, as of August 25, 1973, was up 9.9 per cent and the world mission funds have a gain of 7.8 per cent over a similar period in 1972.

Thus, our courage is strong, for God will not forsake His Church.

Financial Statement

M E Kemmerer, Undertreasurer, presented the Balance Sheet as of June 30, 1973, the recapitulation of the Balance Sheet, Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth (and comparisons with the same period last year), Schedule 1 - Bonds and Securities and various comparisons of World Mission Funds.

Sustentation and Retirement Funds

J C Kozel, Assistant Treasurer, reported on the Sustentation and Retirement Funds, including income and expense and the current balances. He reported that the number of sustentation beneficiaries had increased from 4,000 at the beginning of the year, to 4,163 by September 1, 1973. The monthly expenditure for sustentation benefits to retired General Conference workers and others in the North American Division is well over one million dollars.

Unitized Investment Funds

R E Osborn, Assistant Treasurer, reported on denominational unitized investment funds.

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Attention was called to the total assets of the Investment Fund, which stood at \$54,202,393, as of June 30, 1973. This gave a net assets per unit valuation of \$85.6435 and represents a decline from the end of 1972. This downward trend has been experienced in all money markets in 1973; however, since June 30 there has been a dramatic upswing in the markets and the funds have participated in this turn for the better.

The net earned income compares very favorably with figures of past years. Because of market conditions in 1973 we have built up our cash position and have temporarily placed substantial funds in short-term commitments since high interest rates have made such investments very profitable.

Although depreciation in value of the Investment Fund for the first six months of 1973 was substantial, our Fund compared well with other marked indicators and indices. We had a minus performance of 11.5 per cent for the six months while the mutual fund index covering a total of 536 funds was off 21.42 per cent. The Income Fund had a minus 4.97 per cent performance compared to a minus 7.72 per cent in the comparable mutual fund index.

The powerful advance in the equity market and increased valuation of bonds seem to indicate that investment managers feel the worst may be over in the key areas affecting the nation's economic and political future.

VOTED, To receive the Financial Report for June 30, 1973, as presented by the Treasury. (See pages 73-1667 to 73-1688).

STATISTICAL REPORT

Jesse O Gibson, Statistical Secretary, read portions of his report, a short summary of which follows.

During the year ending June 30, 1973, 202,346 people were added to the Church which is an increase of 13,736 or 7.3 per cent over the previous twelvemonth period. Accessions in North America were 28,238 (a decrease of 2,012, or 6.7 per cent) and overseas 174,108 (an increase of 15,757, or 10 per cent). The total membership as of June 30, 1973, stands at 2,307,167--477,790 in North America and 1,829,377 overseas.

The world average number of baptisms and those joining the Church on profession of faith, was 26.2 per cent per active ordained minister in 1972 as compared with 24.4 per cent in 1971.

Per capita tithes and offerings showed a good increase. World tithe which was \$69.54 in 1971 increased to \$76.33 in 1972. World Mission Offerings increased from \$14.68 to \$15.23. Home and Local offerings increased from \$33.51 to \$36.19. Total per capita funds in tithe and offerings in 1972 were \$127.75. During the first six months of 1973 over the first six months of 1972, world tithe increased 22.73 per cent, Sabbath School offerings 12.75 per cent, and world missions 9.04 per cent.

Ingathering has been constantly on the increase, but the per capita for the world field which was \$6.10 in 1960 decreased to \$5.51 in 1972.

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The ratio of Seventh-day Adventist membership to world population in 1971 was 1 to 1,673. In 1972 it improved to 1 to 1,638 of the world population.

A report was given of the departmental program which indicated that every department is working toward the one aim of bearing the good tidings to those in darkness and bringing new souls to the fold and establishing them in the faith.

1974 SPRING MEETING, ANNUAL COUNCIL, 1975 GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION--DATES

VOTED, To record the following dates and locations for Spring Meeting, Annual Council, and the General Conference Session:

1974 Spring Meeting 1974 Annual Council

April 2-4, 1974, Washington, D C October 9-17, 1974, Loma Linda, California 1975 General Conference Session Presession Meetings: July 7-10, 1975

Session:

July 10-19, 1975

Vienna, Austria

EUROPEAN CONSULTATION ON S D A AFFAIRS--MEETING PLACE

VOTED, To schedule a meeting of the European Consultation on Seventh-day Adventist Affairs Committee in Helsinki, Finland, August 12-15, 1974.

SEYCHELLES ISLAND FIELD --TO EURO-AFRICA DIVISION

In harmony with the request of the Euro-Africa Division and with the concurrence of the Afro-Mideast Division, and because of greatly improved transportation facilities,

VOTED, To transfer the Seychelles Island Field of the East African Union, from the Afro-Mideast Division to the Indian Ocean Union Mission of the Euro-Africa Division.

EDITORIAL COUNCIL--1974

The Publishing Department and the North American Publishing Council have recommended that an Editorial Council be held in 1974.

VOTED, To favor the holding of an Editorial Council following the 1974 Pacific Coast Bible Conference (June 17-25, 1974) and express appreciation for the possibility of inviting some editors from major overseas publishing houses to attend the Council and the Bible Conference.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 1973

ANNUAL COUNCIL
October 7-18, 1973
Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

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Exhibit A

Balance Sheet

30 June 1973

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash and Banks 180 500 05

S-1 Bonds and Securities 36 610 374 37

Less: Allow. for Recog. Decline

in Value of Market Sec (3 246 494 90) 33 363 879 47

Total Cash, Banks & Securities 33 544 379 52

 Accounts Receivable
 5
 334
 391
 51

 Notes & Loans Receivable
 881
 543
 18

 Inventories
 124
 447
 25

 Prepaid Expense
 344
 321
 09

 Deposits
 1
 645
 95

Total Other Current Assets 6 686 348 98

Total Current Assets 40 230 728 50

Other Assets

Long Term Receivables 4 450 758 74

TOTAL ASSETS 44 681 487 24

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable 8 288 282 62
Trust Funds 960 061 27
Deferred Income 701 36

TOTAL LIABILITIES 9 249 045 25

NET WORTH

Regular Net Worth:

Balance 1 Jan 73 15 321 133 20 Increase year to date 4 358 656 21

Regular Net Worth 30 June 1973 19 679 789 41

Net Worth Reserves:

Balance 1 Jan 73 24 977 882 06
Decrease year to date 9 225 229 48

Total Net Worth Reserves 30 Jun 73 15 752 652 58

TOTAL NET WORTH 35 432 441 99

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH 44 681 487 24

October 8, 1973

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

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Statement of Financial Position

30 June 1973

Total	Cash,	Banks	and	Investments
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33 544 379 52 per Balance Sheet

Plus: Accrued Accounts Receivable in Transit <u>3 155 892 01</u> 36 700 271 53

Provision for the Following:

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable 8 288 282 62 960 061 27 Trust Funds

701 36 Deferred Income 9 249 045 25

Net Worth Reserves 15 752 652 58

Total Commitments 25 001 697 83

Remaining Balance of Cash, Banks and Investments

11 698 573 70

Other Current Assets:

2 178 499 50 Accounts Receivable 881 543 18 Notes and Loans Receivable 124 447 25 Inventories

344 321 09 Prepaid Expense

Deposits 1 645 95 3 530 456 97

Total Operating Capital 15 229 030 67

ACTUAL AND REQUIRED OPERATING CAPITAL

Actual:

Total Current Assets 40 230 728 50

Less: Total Liabilities 9 249 045 25 30 981 683 25

Less: Net Worth Reserves 15 752 652 58

Actual Operating Capital 15 229 030 67

Required:

20% of 1972 Appropriations and Operating

Expenses \$62,997,622.10

12 599 524 42

Actual Operating Capital Exceeds Required by

Percentage of Requirement

FOR BUDGET PURPOSES

Actual Operating Capital 15 229 030 67

Add by GC Committee Action:

LLU Loan Receivable 4 254 232 84

Add Per Prior Years' Practice:

Other Long Term Notes Receivable 196 525 90

Total Adjustments 4 450 758 74

Adjusted Operating Capital for Budget Purposes Percentage of Requirement on Adjusted Basis

<u>19 679 789 41</u> 156.20% 73-1670 October 8, 1973

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit C

Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth

For Six Months Ending 30 June 1973

OPERATING

INCOME:

Tithe:

21 223 197 88 Tithe

Offerings:

11 282 230 80 Mission Offerings 7 776 346 91 Ingathering

Other Offerings 216 479 37 19 275 057 08

Miscellaneous:

Miscellaneous Income 1 359 740 37

41 857 995 33 TOTAL INCOME

EXPENSE:

Appropriations:

17 157 097 74 Regular 16 596 809 96 Revertible

35 056 867 14 1 302 959 44 Miscellaneous & Fixed

Other:

2 083 842 78 Departmental Operating

475 865 54 2 559 708 32 General and Administrative

TOTAL EXPENSE <u>37 616 575 46</u> 4 241 419 87 OPERATING GAIN

NON-OPERATING

INCOME:

388 791 65 Non-Operating Income

EXPENSE:

3 020 323 41 Non-Operating Expense

2 6**31** 5**31** 76 NET NON-OPERATING EXPENSE 1 609 888 11

GAIN INCLUDING NON-OPERATING ITEMS

TRANSFERS:

3 006 275 31 Transfers In (257 507 21) Transfers Out

4 358 656 21 NET INCREASE TO NET WORTH

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Comparative Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth Exhibit D For Six Months Ending June 30, 1972 & 1973

INCOME	

INCOME				
	1972	1973	Increase	
Tithe:	1972	19/3	(Decrease)	
North America:				
Union 1%	513 816 77	559 123 82	45 307 05	
Local Conference Percentage	10 119 347 74	11 000 294 86	880 947 12	
Special Percent for Exchange	5 942 512 32	9 365 655 14	3 423 142 82	
Miscellaneous	68 909 80	<u>54 637 75</u>	(14 272 05)	
Totals	16 644 586 63	20 979 711 57	4 335 124 94	
Overseas Divisions:				
Regular 1%	208 270 21	243 486 31	3 5 21 6 10	
Total Tithe	16 852 856 84	21 223 197 88	4 370 341 04	
Iotal III	10 032 030 04	21 223 137 00	4 370 341 04	
Mission Offerings:				
North America:				
World Mission Funds & Ingathering	13 072 468 33	13 631 710 21	559 241 88	
Miscellaneous	<u>176 480 72</u>	21 6 479 37	<u>39 998 65</u>	
Total	<u>13 248 949 05</u>	13 848 189 58	599 24 0 53	
Overseas Divisions:				
Revertible Funds	1 505 810 58	1 869 371 48	3 63 560 90	
Non-revertible Funds	<u>3 146 767 43</u>	<u>3 557 496 02</u>	410 728 59	
Total	4 652 578 01	<u>5 426 867 50</u>	774 28 9 49	
Total Mission Offerings	17 901 527 06	19 275 057 08	1 373 530 02	
Miscellaneous Income:				
Commissions	511 84		(511 84)	
Dividends & Interest	761 718 83	96 7 596 8 3	205 878 00	
Miscellaneous Interest	1 475 12	-	(1 475 12)	
Legacies & Matured Annuities	2 5 77 8 28	341 009 26	315 230 9 8	
Royalties	(108 28)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	49 522 3 0	
Miscellaneous	<u>1 310 55</u>	1 720 26	409 71	
Total Miscellaneous Income	790 686 34	<u>1 359 740 37</u>	<u>569 054 03</u>	
Total Operating Income	35 545 070 24	41 857 9 95 33	6 31 2 925 09	
Less: Total Operating Expenses	<u>31 540 376 58</u>	<u>37 616 575 46</u>	<u>6 076 198 88</u>	
Net Operating Gain	4 004 693 66	4 241 419 87	236 726 21	
Net Non-Operating Income (Expense)	1 469 135 46	(2 631 531 76)		
Gain Including Non-Operating Items	5 473 829 12	1 609 888 11	(3 863 941 01)	
Net Transfers In (Out)	<u>(1 195 050 67)</u>	<u>2 748 768 10</u>	3 943 818 77	
Increase to Net Worth	4 278 778 45	4 358 656 21	<u>79 877 76</u>	

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVNETH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Exhibit D (continued)

Comparative Statement of Operations and Retained Net Worth For Six Months Ending June 30, 1972 & 1973

EXPENSES

Administrative:	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	Increase (Decrease)
Department Expenses General Operating Expenses	1 885 725 16 319 802 01	2 083 842 78 475 865 54	198 117 62 156 063 53
Total	2 205 527 17	2 559 708 32	<u>354 181 15</u>
Appropriations:			
North America and General: Regular Ingathering Percentage Comeback No. Am. Missions Reversions	3 844 093 06 4 125 421 60 1 090 371 10 127 51	4 197 438 00 4 217 603 90 1 152 938 29 435 92	353 344 94 92 182 30 62 567 19 308 41
Total	9 060 013 27	9 568 416 11	508 402 84
Overseas Divisions: Regular Revertible Funds Spring in Tithes & Offerings	11 110 197 00 1 507 888 05 574 931 69	11 868 726 00 1 860 176 71 886 073 20	758 529 00 352 288 66 311 141 51
Total	13 193 016 74	14 614 975 91	1 421 959 17
Total Appropriations	22 253 030 01	24 183 392 02	1 930 362 01
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Misc. & Fixed Appropriations Non-Tithe Funds Exchanges Specific Donations Paid	978 164 46 5 942 512 32 161 142 62	1 302 959 44 9 365 655 14 204 860 54	324 794 98 3 423 142 82 43 717 92
Total	7 081 819 40	10 873 475 12	3 791 655 72
Total Operating Expenses	<u>31 540 376 58</u>	<u>37 616 575 46</u>	6 076 198 88

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

30 June 1973

Cabadula 1 - Danda and Consumbelage			Market
Schedule 1 - Bonds and Securities:			Over or (Under)
	Cost	Market	Cost
US Treasury Bills	1 884 814 11	1 884 814 11	
Commercial Paper	3 384 784 1 6	3 384 784 16	i
Government Bonds	1 460 092 10	1 161 306 30	(298 785 80)
Bank Certificates of Deposit	555 000 00	555 000 00	1
Bank Letters of Credit	20 000 00	20 000 00)
Corporate Bonds	80 000 00	80 000 00	
Preferred Stocks	152 515 0 0	152 515 00	
Common Stocks	4 950 00	4 950 00	
GC Investment Fund			
(244,912.55 Units)	23 997 612 84	20 975 167 98	(3 022 444 86)
GC Income Fund			•
(50,882.81 Units)	5 070 606 16	4 446 552 09	<u>(624 054 07</u>)
	36 610 374 37	32 665 089 64	(3 945 284 73)*
Less Allowance for Recognized Decline in Value of Marketable			
Securities	3 246 494 90*	;	
Net Bonds and Securities	33 363 879 47		

^{*}These amounts differ because the actual market values were not yet available when this June 30 statement was prepared.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS Annual Council Forty-, Fifty-, Sixty-, Seventy-, Eighty-cents and Dollar-A-Week Funds Raised from 1934 - 1971, less Reverted Funds North American Division only

	Alaska, etc.		Basis	Per Week	Overflow of
	Reversions	Funds Raised	of Mem-	per Comeback	Ingathering
Year	Memo only	For Missions	bership	Member Funds 18.4%	& Miss. Ext.
1934	13 809 90	1 898 971 67	135 672	.269 302 639 79	-
1935	14 723 54	2 020 227 87	143 777	.270 321 967 33	-
1936	18 252 82	2 195 087 77	151 216	.278 348 293 59	36 251 79
1937	19 504 39	2 366 557 84	155 964	.292 423 498 19	44 627 51
	66 290 65	8 480 845 1 5		1 396 398 90	80 879 30
1938	21 370 07	2 346 628 96	160 810	,281 427 847 63	54 048 15
1939	22 121 94	2 420 026 98	164 310	.283 441 214 52	66 203 92
1940	18 588 46	2 693 203 10	169 815	.3 05 492 129 09	84 557 44
1941	<u>24 056 71</u>	<u>3 108 243 01</u>	17 5 89 4	.3 40 <u>499 030 77</u>	223 237 51
	86 137 18	10 568 102 05		1 860 222 01	428 047 02
1942	42 05 2 88	3 695 547 98	183 033	.388 580 500 17	299 161 72
1 9 43	54 80 7 97	4 81 4 20 5 77	189 566	.488 743 944 16	429 733 81
1944	66 23 0 15	5 622 591 46	198 9 5 5	.570 844 996 3 9	5 78 393 7 7
1945	68 431 64	6 02 2 2 59 88	203 217	.570 <u>877 781 69</u>	<u>709 965 36</u>
	231 522 64	20 154 605 09		3 047 222 41	2 017 2 54 66
1946	54 510 5 7	6 634 309 11	209 193	.610 945 625 23	864 318 59
1947	62 163 10	6 55 0 882 31	21 5 4 51	.585 913 425 95	91 4 66 8 6 4
1948	53 570 73	6 990 903 04	223 062	.603 952 981 24	1 054 8 51 87
1949	47 577 78	7 282 781 14	230 595	.596 <u>966 352 54</u>	1 189 972 44
	21 7 822 18	27 458 87 5 60		3 778 384 96	4 023 811 54
1950	47 379 26	7 534 372 6 4	237 917	.609 986 336 86	1 273 880 19
1951	50 901 25	8 051 853 61	245 334	.631 1 033 818 04	1 429 425 64
1952	52 5 38 5 0	8 577 168 42	253 933	.650 1 096 937 97	1 536 600 27
195 3	58 725 55	9 050 787 46	2 63 1 64	.661 1 110 419 76	1 771 930 89
105/	20 9 544 56	33 214 182 13	070 000	4 227 512 63	6 011 836 99
1954	60 703 23	9 330 969 08	270 808	.663 1 133 289 08	1 865 847 35
.1955	58 770 95	9 897 694 67	279 085	.669 1 192 899 75	2 013 377 21
1956	58 543 88 53 050 61	10 410 233 25 10 806 730 38	288 58 8	.694 1 237 029 27	2 174 396 30
195 7	53 950 61 231 968 67	40 445 627 38	29 5 890	.702 <u>1 264 714 89</u>	2 324 955 74
1 9 5 8	54 136 76	11 009 241 2 4	308 695	4 827 932 99 .686 1 283 289 29	8 378 576 60 2 388 354 48
1959	51 765 4 9	11 721 549 33	318 939	.706 1 283 289 29	2 519 504 36
1960	63 772 51	12 461 889 93	332 364	.721 1 470 759 60	2 631 113 40
1961	70 205 15	12 803 397 71	343 664	.716 1 512 240 85	2 702 563 53
2702	239 879 91	47 996 07 8 21	2-75 00-7	5 636 656 71	10 241 535 77
1962	69 908 6 8	13 103 830 62	351 048	.718 $\frac{3.030.030.71}{1.553.027.92}$	2 75 3 577 74
1963	73 789 23	13 708 502 58	361 878	.728 1 625 570 57	2 875 543 03
1964	73 737 12	14 261 370 05	370 688	.740 1 705 562 47	2 946 030 23
19 65	77 226 14	15 082 115 35	380 855	.761 <u>1</u> 816 351 71	3 075 302 24
	294 661 17	56 155 818 60		6 700 512 67	11 650 453 24
19 66	81 331 78	16 358 103 41	384 891	.817 1 999 560 27	3 242 015 63
1967	86 827 64	16 917 048 45	391 014	.832 2 047 055 22	3 418 013 55
1968	90 142 03	17 587 188 84	394 253	.858 2 158 984 27	3 496 448 66
1969	98 006 22	18 114 385 07	405 558	.866 2 199 136 12	3 617 651 05
-	356 307 67	68 976 725 77		8 404 735 88	13 774 128 89
19 70	104 734 74	18 762 904 83	417 740	.871 2 268 881 24	3 797 011 64
1971	104 481 65	19 651 601 65	430 168	.882 2 400 133 91	3 893 995 22

See next page for comparison of Quadrennial Periods

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS Ingathering Benefit to World Budget

North American Division Only

Union	1933 Net	1970 Net	1971 Net	1972 Net
Atlantic	64 660 40	29 3 153 02	305 239 45	330 618 81
Canadian	28 250 26	140 813 01	140 830 91	140 443 27
Central	41 304 45	216 344 54	223 272 32	23 5 334 57
Columbia	78 379 26	510 677 87	534 612 97	574 502 34
Lake	37 015 22	401 205 20	407 603 34	431 171 91
North Pacific	32 107 02	227 617 50	231 526 2 2	230 645 91
Northern	-	117 106 84	117 698 75	119 454 80
Pacific Pacific	96 991 28	505 186 71	506 584 50	516 087 43
Southern	32 546 61	466 944 72	475 106 54	524 514 3 0
Southwestern	<u>18 089 43</u>	<u>266 977 80</u>	<u>264 364 23</u>	298 062 65
Net Ingathering available to Missions	429 343 93	3 146 027 21	3 206 839 23	3 400 835 99
	427 545 75			
Increase over previous year	-	114 203 30	60 812 02	193 996 76
Total Ingathering raised	511 123 73	7 176 439 18	7 327 977 81	7 525 528 67
Less: Net Ingathering availal	ble			
for World Budget	429 343 93	3 146 027 21	<u>3 206 839 23</u>	3 400 835 99
Reverted to Unions with			(141 150 50	
Comeback included	81 779 80	4 030 411 97	4 121 138 58	4 124 692 68
Percent of Ingathering				
reverted to Unions	16 00	56 16	56 23	54 81
Percent for World Budget	84 0 0	43 84	43 77	45 19

INGATHERING BY DIVISIONS Years 1929, 1932, and 1972

				Total Receipts
Division	<u> 1929</u>	<u>1932</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u> 1908 - 1972</u>
Afro-Mideast	-	-	58 186 20	251 479 58
Austral asia	78 100 15	63 793 55	660 552 86	11 099 854 39
Central Europe (~1971)	87 031 61	85 556 9 5	-	1 84 2 763 56
*China (1931-1954)	•	17 889 4 5	-	1 388 910 43
Euro-Africa (1972-)	-	-	449 371 60	449 371 60
Far Eastern	57 0 24 93	17 154 08	320 144 13	5 830 953 4 0
Inter-America	29 851 69	19 540 39	572 600 15	8 368 569 17
North American	851 416 55	52 8 7 1 0 69	7 5 2 5 52 8 67	154 994 977 23
N. Europe - W. Africa	9 2 489 65	73 164 31	1 197 110 54	16 867 666 79
South American	34 168 7 6	27 7 7 5 7 5	207 197 93	6 227 774 46
Southern Asia	5 246 05	8 825 71	82 272 7 3	2 337 700 73
Trans-Africa	27 186 1 5	24 08 6 5 3	380 1 87 89	8 626 205 50
Trans-Mediterranean (-1971)	42 323 29	46 512 06	-	4 851 971 60
Europe to 1928			-	<u>1 014 473 35</u>
	1 304 838 83	<u>913 009 47</u>	<u>11 453 152 70</u>	<u>224 152 671 79</u>

^{*}South China Island Union receipts 1931-1954 included in China.

Beginning with 1955 they were included in the Far Eastern Division.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

World Mission Funds (North American Division Only)

1966 to 1972 (1966 to 1971 are former Dollar-a-Week Fund figures less Ingathering)

Year	Funds Raised for <u>Missions</u>	Missions Ext. Overflow & Reversion	Comeback Funds 19.6%	Membership Basis	Per Week Per <u>Member</u>
1966	10 129 621 95	20 940 33	1 999 560 27	373 876	.511
1967 19 6 8	10 392 760 85 10 932 274 60	26 505 75 2 257 09	2 047 055 22 2 158 984 27	383 482 394 253	.521 .533
1969	<u>11 253 536 45</u>	66 230 71	2 199 136 12	405 558	.534
	<u>42 708 193 85</u>	<u>115 933 88</u>	8 404 735 88		
1970	11 586 465 65	11 404 41	2 268 881 24	417 740	.533
1971 19 7 2	12 323 623 84 13 430 295 50	40 667 81 25 417 77	2 400 133 91 2 640 760 92	430 168 444 135	.551 .571
19/4	13 430 293 30	23 41/ //	2 040 /00 92	444 133	, 3/I

Comparison of Mission Funds Raised per Quadrennial Period North American Division Only

Quadrennial Period	Total Mission Funds	Less Comeback	Net Available for Mission Fund	% for Mission Fund		
1934 - 1937 1938 - 1941 1941 - 1945 1946 - 1949 1950 - 1953 1954 - 1957 1958 - 1961 1962 - 1965 1966 - 1969	8 480 845 15 10 568 102 05 20 154 605 09 27 458 875 60 33 214 182 13 40 445 627 38 47 996 078 21 56 155 818 60 68 976 725 77	1 477 278 20 2 288 269 03 5 064 477 07 7 802 196 50 10 239 349 62 13 206 509 59 15 878 192 48 18 350 965 91 22 178 864 77	7 003 566 95 8 279 833 02 15 090 128 02 19 656 679 10 22 974 832 51 27 239 117 79 32 117 885 73 37 804 852 69 46 797 861 00	82.58 78.35 74.87 71.59 69.17 67.35 66.92 67.32 67.85		
1970 - 1971 Totals for 38 years	38 414 506 48 351 865 366 46	12 360 022 01	26 054 484 47 243 019 241 28	67.83 69.07		
Average per year Average percent	9 259 614 91 100.00	2 864 371 72	6 395 243 19 69.07%	69.07		
Revised Basis Excluding Ingathering						
1966 - 1969 1970 - 1972	42 708 193 85 37 340 384 99	8 520 669 76 7 387 266 06	34 187 524 09 29 953 118 93	80.05 80.22		

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS Amount of Mission Offerings for \$1 Tithe Years 1899 to 1972

		North	America	0nly		
1899	.154	1924	.625	1949	.369	
1900	.302	1925	.622	19 50	.357	
1901	. 334	1926	. 673	1951	.333	
1902	. 283	1927	.650	1952	.326	
190 3	. 241	1928	.662	1953	.322	
1904	. 245	1929	.646	1954	.325	
1905	.2 25	1930	.676	19 55	.310	
1906	.213	*1931	.679	1956	.311	
1907	. 279	1932	.672	1 9 57	.2975	
1908	.316	1933	.623	1958	. 288	
1909	.358	1934	.588	1959	. 286	
1910	.384	193 5	.561	1960	.277	
1911	.358	1936	.532	1961	.276	
1912	.409	1937	.514	1962	.267	
1913	.416	1938	.502	1963	.264	
1914	.485	1939	.494	1964	.256	
1915	.528	1940	.499	1965	.249	#
1916	.477	1941	.468	1966	. 242	.150
1917	.468	1942	. 412	1967	.233	.143
1918	.620	1943	.405	1968	.222	.139
1919	. 480	1944	.401	1969	. 210	.130
1920	.590	1945	.398	1970	.203	.124
1921	.663	1946	.407	1971	.193	.121
1922	.670	1947	. 381	1972		.118
1923	.635	1948	. 362			

*High Year

[#]Beginning in 1966 Ingathering is excluded in this column

		World Mission	WMF per
<u>Year</u>	<u>Tithe</u>	Fund	\$1.00 Tithe
1970	93 201 151 19	11 586 465 65	.124
1971	101 859 859 2 6	12 323 623 8 4	.121
1972	113 643 398 84	13 430 295 50	.118

Sustentation and Retirement Funds

General Fund

Publishing House Fund

Hospital Fund

Special Fund

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

SUSTENTATION AND RETIREMENT FUNDS

Balance Sheet

30 June 1973

<u>ASSETS</u>	General Fund	Publishing House Fund	Hospital Fund	Special Fund	<u>Total</u>
Current Assets:					
American Security & Trust Compar Royal Bank of Canada Suburban Trust Company S-1 Securities Allow. for Recognized Unrealized Decl. in Value of Marketable	44 030 54 25 000 00 27 783 617 19	190 053 79	5 489 158 36	186 250 13	20 330 43 44 030 54 25 000 00 33 649 079 47
Securities Due from General Conference	(1 697 749 93)	(6 229 21)	(335 331 39)	(15 639 18)	(2 054 949 71)
Accrued & Misc. Accounts Rec.	1 598 497 81	45 750 32	316 402 71		1 960 650 84
Total Assets	27 773 726 04	229 574 90	5 470 229 68	170 610 95	33 644 141 57
LIABILITIES					
Current Liabilities:					
Cash Exchange Due to General Conference Withholding Tax Payable Total Liabilities	865 301 50 31 365 95				865 301 50 31 365 95
- -	<u>896 667 45</u>				<u>896 667 45</u>
FUND BALANCES					
Regular Fund:					
Balance 1 Jan . 73 Increase (decrease) during year	26 537 510 86 339 547 73	215 664 36 13 910 54	5 152 931 08 317 298 60	155 496 19 15 114 76	32 061 602 49 685 871 63
Balance 30 June 73	26 877 058 59	229 574 90	5 470 229 68	170 610 95	32 747 474 12
Total Lis. & Fund Balances 30 June 73	27 773 726 04	229 574 90	5 470 229 68	170 610 95	33 644 141 57

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

SUSTENTATION AND RETIREMENT FUNDS

Statement of Operations and Retained Net Funds Balances For Six Months Ending 30 June 1973

	General Fund	Publishing House Fund	Hospital Fund	Special Fund	<u>Total</u>
<u>OPERATING</u>					
Income:		-			
General Conference Union Conferences Local Conferences Book and Bible Houses Educational Institutions Miscellaneous Organizations Publishing Houses Medical Institutions Special	193 860 00 499 440 00 4 993 620 00 157 920 00 351 180 00 78 540 00	414 120 00	1 601 700 00	<u>23 511 24</u>	193 860 00 499 440 00 4 993 620 00 157 920 00 351 180 00 78 540 00 414 120 00 1 601 700 00 23 511 24
Earned Income from Investments Bank Interest	6 274 560 00 582 269 82 432 61	414 120 00 1 781 25	1 601 700 00 114 448 02	23 511 24 4 784 37	8 313 891 24 703 283 46 432 61
Total Operating Income	6 857 262 43	415 901 25	1 716 148 02	28 295 61	9 017 607 31
Expenses:		•			
Regular Benefit Payments Child Allowance Medical Allowance Medicare Administrative Salary Disability Office and Mailing	4 451 585 60 37 241 60 364 280 88 122 215 75 29 933 97 6 300 00 4 951 72	351 692 40 2 942 51 28 795 91 9 653 59 2 365 24 311 85	986 246 29 8 198 37 80 275 86 26 890 28 6 589 79	-	5 789 524 29 48 382 48 473 352 65 158 759 62 38 889 00 6 300 00 6 115 12
Total Operating Expense	5 016 509 52	395 761 5 0	1 109 052 14		<u>6 521 323 16</u>
Net Operating Gain NOH-OPERATING	<u>1 840 752 91</u>	20 139 75	607 095 88	28 295 61	2 496 284 15
Income:					
Capital Cains on Sale of Securit: Adjustment on Prior Year	Les 206 458 75 86 00		45 534 11	630 87	252 623 73 86 00
Total Non-Operating Income	206 544 75		45 534 11	630 87	252 709 73
Expenses:					
Adjustment on Prior Year Recognized Unrealized Decline in Value of Marketable Securities	10 000 00 1 697 749 93	6 229 21	335 331 39	13 811 72	10 000 00 2 053 122 25
Net Non-Operating Income (Expense)	(1 501 205 18)	(6 229 21)	(289 797 28)	(13 180 85)	(1 810 412 52)
Increase (Decrease) to Fund Bal		13 910 54	317 298 60	15 114 76	685 871 63

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS Sustentation and Retirement Funds June 30, 1973

SCHEDULE 1 - Bonds and Securities: General Funds:	Cost	Market	Market * Over or (Under) Cost
U. S. Treasury Bills Government Bonds GC Income Fund GC Investment Fund McNiel Pacific Investment Fund 1972		1 295 099 82 689 237 50 4 635 021 13 18 118 088 83 700 000 00	(498 469 31)
	<u>27 783 617 19</u>	<u>25 437 447 28</u>	<u>(2 346 169 91</u>)
Publishing House Funds: GC Income Fund GC Investment Fund	12 500 00 177 553 79 190 053 79	12 500 00 165 817 81 178 317 81	(11 735 98) (11 735 98)
Hospital Fund: GC Income Fund GC Investment Fund McNiel Pacific Investment Fund 1972	956 095 92 4 383 062 44 150 000 00 5 489 158 36	873 991 11 3 989 402 70 150 000 00 5 013 393 81	(82 104 81) (393 659 74) - (<u>475 764 55</u>)
Special Fund: GC Income Fund GC Investment Fund	120 968 54 65 281 59 186 250 13	108 493 20 58 968 12 167 461 32	(12 475 34) (6 313 47) (18 788 81)

^{*} These amounts differ from the Allowance for Recognized Unrealized Decline in Value of Marketable Securities because the actual market values were not available when this June 30 statement was prepared.

General Conference Investment Fund

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS INVESTMENT FUND

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
June 30, 1973

Assets

Bank, Che	cking Account	149 288 65
Accounts	Receivable	3 395 64
S-1 Securitie	s at Market (Carried on Books at	
Identi	fied Average Cost of \$61,866,898.02	53 683 960 06
Accrued I	nterest & Dividends	<u>365 749 10</u>

Total Assets 54 202 393 45

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	0
Net Assets	<u>54 202 393 45</u>
Units of Fund Outstanding	632,884.29
Net Assets Per Unit	\$ 85.6435

Statement of Income and Expense For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

Income:

Dividends	632 745 30
Interest	<u>530 523 96</u>

Total Income 1 163 269 26

Expense:

 Counseling Fees, Lionel D. Edie & Co.
 16 326 74

 NET EARNED INCOME FOR PERIOD
 1 146 942 52

Statement of Realized Gain on Investments For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

NET GAIN ON SALE OF SECURITIES

738 827 49

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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS <u>INVESTMENT FUND</u>

Statement of Net Unrealized Depreciation of Investments For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

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

January 1, 1973 Net Unrealized Appreciation		733 441 49
June 30, 1973 Bonds Loss Equities Loss	3 106 010 44 5 076 927 52	<u>8 182 937 96</u>
Unrealized Depreciation for 1973		8 916 379 4 5
Statement of Changes in Net Ass For Six Months Ended June 30, I		
Net Assets, January 1, 1973 (Includes Undistributed Investment Income and		
Capital Appreciation)		60 245 244 03
Amount Received on Sale of Units (Includes Net Distributions) Less Amount Disbursed	4 625 878 29 1 857 843 91	
Net Receipts on Sale of Units	1 037 043 31	2 768 034 38
Net Investment Income for Period Less Distribution	1 146 942 52 1 160 409 30	
Net Investment Income Distributed from Previous Period		(13 466 78)
Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Securities Less Distributions	738 827 49 619 866 22	
Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Securities		118 961 27
Unrealized Depreciation on Securities		(8 916 379 45)
NET ASSETS, June 30, 1973		<u>54 202 393 45</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INVESTMENT FUND

Schedule 1 - Investments:	% of Total Portfolio	<u>Market Value</u>	
Short Term Investments	6.82	3 659 883 06	
Bonds (Not Convertible)	19.31	10 364 934 50	
Convertible Bonds	4.52	2 429 650 00	
Preferred Stocks	.79	424 062 50	
Common Stocks	<u>68.56</u>	36 805 430 00	
	100.00	<u>53 683 960 06</u>	

General Conference Income Fund

187 716 42

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

INCOME FUND

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

June 30, 1973

Assets

Bank, Checking Account	46 410 08
Accounts Receivable	-
S-1 Securities at Market (Carried on Books at	
Identified Average Cost of \$15,455,782.99)	13 656 492 8 5
Accrued Dividends and Interest	<u>151 728 25</u>
Total Assets	

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	•	47 787 18
Net Assets		<u>13 806 844 00</u>
Units of Fund Outstanding		157,994.64
Not Accors Por limit		\$ 87.3881

Statement of Income and Expense For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

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Dividends	187 716 42	
Interest	<u>289 056 34</u>	
Total Income	476 772	76

Expense:

Counseling Fees, Lionel D. Edie	3 935 25	
Bond Premium Expense	<u>539_50</u>	4 474 75
NET EARNED INCOME FOR PERIOD		<u>472 298 01</u>

Statement of Realized Gain on Investments For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

NET GAIN ON SALE OF SECURITIES

22 065 94

13 854 631 18

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS INCOME FUND

Statement of Net Unrealized Depreciation of Investments For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

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

January 1, 1973, Net Unrealized Depreciation		576 757 89
June 30, 1973 Bonds Loss Equities Loss	729 790 00 1 069 500 14	<u>1 799 290 14</u>
Unrealized Depreciation for Six Months		1 222 532 25

Statement of Changes in Net Assets For Six Months Ended June 30, 1973

Net Assets, January 1, 1973 Plus: Prepaid Bond Premium Expense	14 481 105 96 539 50 14 481 645 46
Amount Received on Sale of Units Less: Amount Disbursed	616 122 52 90 457 67 525 664 85
Net Investment Income for Six Months Less: Distributions	472 298 01 472 298 01 0 00
Net Realized Capital Gain on Sale of Securities, Closed into Unit-holders' Equity and reflected	20 005 04
in increased unit value Unrealized Depreciation of Securities	22 065 94 (1 222 532 25)
NET ASSETS, June 30, 1973	<u>13 806 844 00</u>

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS INCOME FUND

Schedule 1 - Securities:	% of Total Portfolio	<u>Market Value</u>
Short-Term Investments	12.89	1 759 910 3 5
Bonds	27.60	3 769 957 50
Convertible Bonds	19.73	2 694 375 00
Preferred Stocks	4.53	618 750 00
Common Stocks	<u>35.25</u>	4 813 500 00
	100.00	<u>13 656 492 85</u>

PROCEDURES FOR FACILITATING BUSINESS ANNUAL COUNCIL

VOTED, To recommend the following procedures for facilitating business at the 1973 Annual Council of the General Conference Committee:

- 1. That those planning the Annual Council and Spring Meeting agendas avoid the listing of items that can be handled or processed by the weekly General Conference Committee meetings, and that the agenda be reviewed by the Administrative Committee to insure this procedure is followed.
- 2. That the President's Executive Advisory give study to the feasibility of dividing some major Annual Council standing committees into smaller segments, assigning to each segments of the agenda which would ordinarily be referred to that committee.
- 3. That any agenda items which have been processed through the usual channels with rather wide consideration and broad input may be declared at the discretion of the chairman not subject to amendment or editing on the floor. If the members indicate a desire to amend the item it may be referred to an appropriate committee for further refinement—time and place of committee consideration to be announced so that any member or delegate desiring to suggest changes may have the opportunity.
- 4. That the chairman may also at his discretion limit debate on any agenda item, a: By limiting the total time allotted to discussion before the vote is taken, b. By limiting the number of speakers and the time allotted to each, or, c. By referring the item to an appropriate committee for further refinement or amendment.
- 5. That when deemed appropriate by the chairman or by vote of the body, the reading of items that have been distributed sufficiently in advance be waived.

DIVIDING OF PLANS COMMITTEE

In harmony with the preceding action regarding procedures for facilitating the business of the 1973 Annual Council,

VOTED, To divide the Plans Committee into two sections, W J Hackett to serve as chairman and D S Johnson as secretary of Group A, and R R Bietz to serve as chairman and Roy F Williams as secretary of Group B, the topics for each group to be assigned.

COMMITTEE ON ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES--REPORT

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

VOTED, To add the following names to the Standing Committees as indicated:

Audit Committee:

G N Banks, W S Lee

Budget Committee:

G N Banks, A N Brogden, F L Jones

Finance Committee:

F L Jones, W S Lee, H F Roll, W A Thompson,

M C Torkelson, W D Walton

Nominations Committee: C E Dudley, George Earle, E R Walde

Plans Committee:

A N Brogden, D R Guild, B E Jacobs, Cyril Miller, Clark Smith, G Ralph Thompson

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION--CONFIRMATION OF NAME

VOTED, To authorize the use of the name, "Department of Communication" and recommend to the 1975 General Conference Session that this be included in the Constitution of the General Conference.

Arthur L White addressed the Council concerning the Seventh-day Adventist Research Center in Europe.

Adjourned until 4:00 p.m.

The dismissal prayer was offered by D W Hunter, Associate Secretary of the General Conference.

> Robert H Pierson, Chairman A E Gibb, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Twelfth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 8, 1973, 4:00 p.m.

The third business session of the Annual Council was called to order by W J Hackett.

"O Zion, Haste" was the opening song, led by B J Liebelt of the Sabbath School Department, and H J Carubba, President of the Florida Conference, offered prayer.

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY BOOKS--ENGLISH-READING OVERSEAS NATIONAL WORKERS

VOTED, To amend the plan to provide Spirit of Prophecy books for English-reading overseas national workers as follows:

- 1. That the publishing houses of the North American Division be asked to supply Spirit of Prophecy volumes in English, in freight shipments, to other divisions at a cost at the port of entry of 50 per cent of the catalog retail prices, it being understood that these books are to be made available to workers at a greatly reduced rate. Under this plan all orders for Spirit of Prophecy volumes should must be placed with the publishing houses not oftener than once each quarter in the months of March and September. If the field is to benefit by prepaid freight the order must also be for a minimum of 1,000 pounds weight.
- 2. That divisions concerned further discount the Spirit of Prophecy volumes in areas designated by the division committee to the level where the worker will pay not more than 25 35 per cent of the original publisher's catalog price for an Ellen G White book.
- 3. That division committees asssign to a specific department the responsibility for promotion and distribution of these volumes.
- 4. That divisions in which workers would benefit by the foreign-language Ellen G White books be encouraged to develop a plan to provide workers such books at a reduced rate.
- 5. That as divisions are able to meet the financial responsibilities involved, study be given to granting similar privileges to ministerial students in their junior and senior years, and to teachers in training, and to local church elders.

EUROPEAN SPIRIT OF PROPHECY WORKSHOP, 1975

VOTED, To approve the proposal that the White Estate, with the Euro-Africa and Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions, plan for a three-week European Spirit of Prophecy Workshop to be held immediately following the General Conference Session, 1975, at a suitable place to be designated. It is understood that some representatives from other divisions may be invited to attend this workshop.

ABBREVIATED TERMS FOR FAMILIES

The Annual Council of 1972 directed that a recommendation be prepared for the 1973 Annual Council regarding areas where the abbreviated term (24-month service/furlough cycle) for families should apply and authorized its application on a provisional basis for the West Africa areas of the Euro-Africa and the Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions.

- VOTED, 1. To designate the West African fields of the Euro-Africa and Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions as areas where the abbreviated term for families applies.
- 2. To designate no additional fields as areas where the abbreviated term for families applies.
- 3. To advise division committees that in areas where extreme contrasts of climate, culture, or isolation exist between the field of labor and the homeland of the missionary, the 36-month cycle be retained as the basic service/furlough cycle for families but that special provisions (vacation allowances, infield vacation arrangements, "hill leave" vacations, etc.) be made to care for the needs of missionary families serving in such areas.
- 4. To suggest that in applying the special provisions referred to in paragraph 3 above, division committees consider the following factors:
 - a. Accessibility to homeland
 - b. Political and social tensions
 - c. Climatic conditions
 - d. Normal vacation possibilities
 - e. Living conditions (including the possibility of upgrading existing living conditions with air-conditioning, improved utilities, better housing, more varied food supplies, etc.)
- 5. To urge the Euro-Africa and the Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions to consider the possibility of resolving the problems of service for their missionary workers in the West African fields on a basis similar to that being recommended to other divisions.

It was further

VOTED, To authorize the Working Policy Committee to insert Sections 1, 3 and 4 above in the appropriate section of the General Conference Working Policy.

DISASTER AND FAMINE RELIEF OFFERING-POLICY ADJUSTMENT

VOTED, To amend the policy governing the Disaster and Famine Relief Offering so that each year the overseas divisions will retain 50 per cent of the offering received and remit 50 per cent to the General Conference.

REVIEW AND HERALD SUBSIDIES

- VOTED, 1. To discontinue the subsidy plan for the regular weekly edition of the Review and Herald subscriptions, as of December 31, 1973.
 - 2. To continue the subsidy for the monthly international edition.

(A-177) SUMMER INSTITUTE OF WORLD MISSION--FURLOUGH EXTENSION FOR ATTENDANCE

VOTED, To grant an automatic three-week extension of furlough time to missionaries on a three-month furlough who are authorized to attend the Summer Institute of World Mission. (Half of the six-weeks' duration of the Summer Institute of World Mission.)

(A-191) FURLOUGH POLICY--AMENDMENT "HOMELAND" PARAGRAPH

VOTED, To amend paragraph 1 of the section of the working policy entitled "Inter-division Worker Status" (GC Working Policy page 81) to read as follows:

"Homeland. The land in which an individual was born and received his early education and to which, for policy purposes, he bears a permanent relationship, which is not changed or modified by subsequent moves, changes in citizenship, residence, employment (denominational or non-denominational), transfer with or without call. It is understood, however, that a child born in a foreign country to parents on denominational, government, or corporate assignment to that country, or living in a country on a temporary basis for education or other similar reason, is considered as having the same homeland as his parents."

"IRREGULAR TRANSFER"--NEW TERMINOLOGY

VOTED, To substitute the term "independent transfer" for "irregular transfer" in the General Conference and North American Division Working Policies.

FURLOUGH POLICY--DESIGNATED AREAS

VOTED, To extend the provisions of the present policy governing terms of service in designated areas (see GC 72-1143, 1144) until 1975 when this policy will be reconsidered.

FURLOUGH POLICY--AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend paragraph 6 of the Furlough Policy (GC Working Policy, page 226, paragraph 6) to read as follows:

"6. When a woman worker entitled to furlough marries a national who is not a denominational worker, her relationship for to the furlough policy is altered and she is therefore not granted regular furloughs. However, as long as if she remains continues in the employ of the denomination overseas,

the first regularly scheduled furlough subsequent to her marriage shall be granted on schedule for her alone. Thereafter, a leave of absence of three months, including travel time, may be granted for her alone after five years of service as may be arranged by the division committee. Actual round-trip travel expense from her place of employment to her base division shall be reportable. The first leave shall be ealculated from the time she went to the field for service or from the last furlough. Salary during the leave of absence shall be paid by her employing organization.

"If she discontinues denominational employment overseas she immediately becomes eligible for a permanent return to her base division. If she does not return to her base division immediately, the division, in harmony with policy, shall set a terminal date for denominational responsibility for her permanent return. Any subsequent denominational employment shall be on a local basis with no leave-of-absence privileges."

(A-233) NONSUBSCRIPTION PUBLICATIONS AND BULLETINS

- VOTED, 1. To request division committees to make provision for a periodic review of all nonsubscription periodicals, journals and bulletins issued by the offices and institutions in their respective territories to
 - a. Determine the effectiveness of those being circulated
 - b. Ensure economy in their publication
 - c. Avoid unnecessary proliferation
- 2. To request the administration of the General Conference headquarters office to
- a. Review the procedure for mailing bulletins and other publications to overseas fields to ensure maximum economy
- b. Consider the possibility of combining mailings to overseas headquarters offices from the various General Conference offices and departments.

MEDICAL MISSIONS

- VOTED, 1. To request the President's Administrative Council to appoint a representative committee to study in depth the philosophy and trends in Seventh-day Adventist medicine, particularly as they relate to overseas medical missionary work. This study is to include the education of medical workers, their service to the church and the means of enlarging the outreach of mission hospitals through health evangelism and health education and such other items as may be referred to it for consideration. This committee is requested to report to the 1974 Annual Council.
- 2. To request division committees to make provision for in-field orientation of medical and paramedical personnel on an individual or group basis; giving particular attention to inter-division workers serving their initial term.
- 3. To urge overseas divisions to make continuing efforts within their own territory to promote health careers for Adventist youth, to prepare and recruit physicians, dentists, nurses, and other health-care workers.

1975 SPRING MEETING--DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING

VOTED, To hold the 1975 Spring Meeting in Washington, D C, April 1-3, 1975.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON INDEBTEDNESS-POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, 1. To amend Section 1-d, except for the last paragraph, of the policy entitled "Financial Assistance on Indebtedness" (GC Working Policy, pages 201-202) by substituting new wording in place of the present wording, as follows:

"d. Medical and Dental Appointee Indebtedness

In cases where a physician/dentist missionary appointee has educational indebtedness not exceeding \$15,000, the appointee may be permitted to proceed to the mission field with the understanding that the General Conference and the calling division shall share equally in granting indebtedness liquidation assistance at the rate of \$3,000, plus the current year's interest, for each year of mission service until the indebtedness, plus interest thereon from the date of proceeding to the mission field, has been liquidated."

- 2. To designate the last paragraph of Section 1-d as a new section to be numbered "2" and entitled "Divisions Other than North America."
 - 3. To renumber Section 2 as 3.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEDICAL AND DENTAL APPOINTEES--POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, 1. To amend the first section entitled "North America," except for the last paragraph, of the policy on "Financial Assistance to Medical and Dental Appointees" (GC Working Policy, page 203) by substituting new wording in place of the present wording, as follows:

"Financial Assistance to Medical-Dental Appointees

"North America - Prospective medical and dental missionary appointees, who either at the time of their entry into Loma Linda University or prior to the end of their senior academic year, indicate their desire to devote their lives to mission service, may be placed under deferred appointment and, if eligible, may receive financial assistance based on anticipated mission service. This assistance may be given by underwriting bank loans for the students and by providing indebtedness liquidation grants on the basis of mission service, under the following conditions:

"a. The General Conference shall underwrite bank loans to approved students under the following plan:

Sophomore academic year - up to \$4,000

Junior academic year - up to \$5,000

Senior academic year - up to \$6,000

Total \$15,000

The above amounts include assistance for the payment of interest.

- "b. The student shall be responsible for the payment of interest on the loan.
- "c. Assistance shall be made available only in cases of need as determined by the General Conference.
- "d. Assistance is intended to enable the student to complete his medical or dental course and internship without incurring indebtedness beyond the \$15,000 provided by this policy.
- "e. Arrangements with each student shall be the subject of a contract between the individual and the General Conference.
- "f. Term insurance on the bank loans shall be arranged by the General Conference at its expense.
- "g. The General Conference and the division to which the individual is assigned shall share equally in amortizing the loan at the rate of \$3,000, plus the current year's interest, for each year of mission service."
- 2. To designate the last paragraph of the first section as a new section to be entitled "Divisions Other than North America."

MEDICAL APPOINTEE APPROVED RESIDENCY TRAINING-POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the first section entitled "North America" of the policy on "Medical Appointee Approved Residency Training" (GC Working Policy, page 205) by substituting new wording in place of the present wording, as follows:

"North America - In order to meet the dearth of adequately trained medical workers for overseas assignment, particularly of physicians holding board membership in specialty fields, and physicians with British qualifications, the General Conference has undertaken an Approved Residency Training Program for North American Division based physicians as follows:

- "a. Deferred medical appointees selected by and under the direction of the General Conference who are not called for immediate service Overseas and who shall be considered eligible may be approved for entry into this program upon the completion of their internship.
- "b. Assistance may be approved for a period not to exceed five years.
- "c. Assistance shall be approved only in cases of need as may be determined by the General Conference.
- "d. Assistance shall be given by underwriting bank loans for the approved resident, the amount to be as follows:

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"(1) Moving expenses to the place where the residency is taken, this to include travel and the moving expense of household goods up to 4,000 pounds.

- "(2) The difference between the residency stipend and the applicable General Conference wage scale level plus rent subsidy, auto depreciation and auto insurance, in cases where the latter exceeds the residency stipend and value of housing if provided.
- "(3) Current interest on any unamortized medical/dental student loan to the physician/dentist concerned.
- "(4) Interest on the loan until the appointee takes up mission appointment.
- "e. A contract shall be entered into between the resident and the General Conference covering the terms and conditions of the assistance for the residency and the resident's agreement to enter mission service at the termination of the residency.
- "f. The name of each deferred medical missionary appointee in an approved residency training program shall be reviewed annually by the General Conference before continued financial assistance is granted.
- "g. The resident, where requested by the General Conference, shall avail himself, during the first year of residency in an institution in the North American Division, of the opportunity to take the Canadian Medical Board examinations to enable him to be eligible for British registration by reciprocity. The expense involved will be the responsibility of the calling division.
- "h. Term insurance on the loans made shall be arranged by the General Conference at its expense.
- "i. Indebtedness liquidation grants shall be made on the basis of mission service. The General Conference and the calling division shall share equally in amortizing individual loans at the rate of \$3,000, plus the current year's interest for each year of mission service.
- "j. Amortization of assistance under this program shall follow the fulfillment of any service obligation for a medical/dental student loan or financial assistance under the Medical and Dental Appointee Indebtedness policy."

ADVANCED TRAINING FOR NURSES-POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the existing policy entitled "Advanced Training for Nurses" (GC Working Policy, page 208) by

1. Inserting a new title "Financial Assistance to Nurses with Advanced Degrees."

- 2. Inserting a new section to be number 1 to read as follows:
 - "1. North America Nurse (Advanced Degree) Appointee Indebtedness

In cases where a missionary appointee with a Master of Science degree in nursing has educational indebtedness not exceeding \$7,500, the appointee may be permitted to proceed to the mission field with the understanding that the General Conference and the calling division shall share equally in granting indebtedness liquidation assistance at the rate of \$1,500, plus the current year's interest, for each year of mission service until the indebtedness, plus interest thereon from date of proceeding to the mission field, has been liquidated."

- 3. Substituting the following new wording instead of the present wording in a section to be number 2 to read as follows:
 - "2. North America Financial Assistance to Nurse Appointees for Advanced Degree
- "a. This policy shall be applicable to nurses whose base division is the North American Division, who are under deferred appointment, who hold the degree of Bachelor of Science and who are obtaining the Master of Science degree in Nursing.
- "b. The study program shall be undertaken at Loma Linda University, except where authorization is given to take special courses or training not provided by our own institutions.
- "c. Assistance shall be given by underwriting bank loans on behalf of approved students under the following conditions:

First	academic	quarter	- up	to	\$1,500
Second	, er	**	11	**	1,500
Third	89	***	11	Tr	1,500
Fourth	. "	**	**	lı .	1,500
Fifth	Ħ	H	11	r#	1,500
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The above amounts include assistance for the payment of interest.

- "d. Students shall be responsible for the payment of interest on the loan.
- "e. Assistance shall be available only in cases of need as determined by the General Conference.
- "f. Assistance is intended to enable the student to secure the Master's degree without incurring indebtedness beyond the \$7,500 provided by this policy.
- "g. Arrangements with each student shall be the subject of a contract between the student and the General Conference.

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- "h. Term insurance on the bank loans shall be arranged by the General Conference at its expense.
- "i. The General Conference and the calling division shall share equally in amortizing the loan at the rate of \$1,500, plus the current year's interest, for each year of mission service."

FURLOUGH POLICY--AMENDMENT

- VOTED, To amend paragraphs 56 to 64 of the Furlough Policy (GC Working Policy, page 240) by substituting the following new wording in place of the present wording:
- "56. When an overseas division selects a furloughing physician or dentist to enter a residency program or graduate study, a contract shall be made between the division and the physician/dentist on condition that the physician/dentist agrees to return to the mission field for further service.
- "57. If the residency or graduate study extends beyond the regular furlough period, the physician/dentist shall be placed on a leave-of-absence basis.
- "58. Financial assistance shall be given by underwriting bank loans for the approved resident, the amount to be as follows:
- "a. The difference between the residency stipend and the applicable General Conference wage scale level plus rent subsidy, auto depreciation and auto insurance, in cases where the latter exceeds the residency stipend and value of housing if provided.
- "b. Fifty per cent of the cost of tuition, laboratory fees, cost of textbooks, and local transportation between his place of residence and the institution.
- "c. Interest on the loan until the completion of the residency or graduate study program.
- "d. Current interest on any unamortized medical/dental student loan to the physician/dentist concerned.
- "59. Where a physician or dentist has accumulated credit under the postgraduate policy, this credit shall be applied on the physician's/dentist's portion of this expense.
- "60. The calling division shall amortize the loan at the rate of \$3,000, plus the current year's interest, for each year of mission service.
- "61. The amortization of this assistance shall follow the fulfillment of any service obligation for a medical/dental student loan or financial assistance under the Medical and Dental Appointees Indebtedness Policy."

EFFECTIVE DATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE-medical/DENTAL/NURSE APPOINTEES

VOTED. To authorize the application of the new financial provisions, "Financing Assistance on Indebtedness" (GC Working Policy, pages 199-209) effective January 1, 1974.

INGATHERING COMEBACK--USE IN BASE BUDGETS

VOTED, To authorize those divisions which include both base areas and overseas mission areas (Australasia, Euro-Africa, Northern Europe-West Africa Divisions) to use up to 25 per cent of their annual Ingathering comeback in their base budget for Class I appropriations to their overseas mission organizations.

SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS--POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the policy on "Scholarship Grants" (See GC Working Policy, page 336; and NAD Working Policy, page 288) as follows:

"Scholarship Grants to Bependents Children of Workers.--Each division may develop a policy providing scholarship grants to assist children of permanent full-time denominationally employed heads of families with children who are enrolled in Seventh-day Adventist schools on the elementary, secondary, or liberal arts college levels, or technical or professional schools on the undergraduate level.

"This policy is intended to apply only to those who attend Seventh-day Adventist schools. Exceptions may be made and assistance granted only by action of controlling committees in cases where an undergraduate level program of study is not offered in a denominational school within the division. In such cases the total grant should not exceed the amount which normally would be granted for attendance at a denominational school.

- "1. The organization employing the parent of the student may make a grant of up to 60 per cent of the tuition and all required fees for dormitory students, and up to 30 per cent for those not in the dormitory. This shall not include charges for private music lessons except where such lessons are required for credit toward music majors or minors, in which case the above percentages may be applied on the basis of the tuition ordinarily charged for an equivalent number of credit hours. Grants provided for professional programs in medicine or dentistry for students who have not completed their undergraduate studies shall be based on and shall not exceed the normal tuition costs of the four-year baccalaureate program in the university, limiting the total grant to four years beyond the secondary level.
- "2. The student in whose behalf to whom the scholarship is granted must be an unmarried dependent of the worker and must be in attendance at a denominational school serving his territory. Exceptions to the this provision of this paragraph shall be made only by action of the contributing organization. The student must be an unmarried dependent of the worker. Attendance in a summer session is included in the provisions of this policy."

Paragraphs 3 and 4 remain unchanged.

EXTENSION SCHOOLS

VOTED, To adopt a policy governing overseas Extension Schools as follows:

- 1. The schedule of overseas Extension Schools will be developed by the General Conference standing Education Committee in consultation with the divisions and Andrews and Loma Linda Universities. Approval for overseas Extension Schools is voted by the Annual Council. Seminary Extension Schools are to be conducted in the overseas divisions on a rotating basis as approved.
- 2. Financial arrangements for overseas Extension Schools are as follows:
 - a. The university will bear the travel expense for its representative.
- b. When a teacher is assigned from the General Conference staff, the General Conference will bear the travel expense for its representative.
- c. When a second teacher from the university is needed, and/or a teacher from within the division, the division will bear the travel expense.
- d. The division where the Extension School is held will care for the entertainment of the teachers while they are in the field.
 - 3. Overseas Extension Schools are planned and organized as follows:
- a. The university granting scholastic credit will appoint the academic director.
- b. Two years in advance of the scheduled Extension School the division should, in consultation with the university, appoint a local director for the Extension School. The local director will care for items such as housing, transportation, correspondence with students who are approved to attend, etc.
 - c. At least 18 months before the beginning of the Extension School
 - (1) The division shall decide the place where the Extension School will be held, and
 - (2) The university, in consultation with the division, shall fix the exact dates and appoint teachers for courses the Extension School will offer.
- d. At least one year before the beginning of the Extension School the division shall make a policy decision as to
 - (1) Attendance
 - (2) Allowances and perquisites that those attending will receive, and the policy for amortization, if any

- e. At least six months before the beginning of the Extension School the division shall select the individual who will attend.
 - (1) As far as possible those chosen to attend should have proper educational qualifications.
 - (2) An adequate number of younger workers should be chosen as they will have a longer period of time to benefit from the instruction received.
 - (3) If undergraduates are among the workers authorized to attend the Extension School arrangements will be made by the local director with the division college for the granting of scholastic credit.
- f. The academic director and the local director of the Extension School will provide the copy for a brochure giving details as to time, place, transportation, perquisites, credits, etc. This brochure will be printed by the division and circulated to the prospective students of the school in advance of the holding of the school.
- g. The syllabi for the courses are to be provided by the teachers to the local director of the Extension School at least three months before the beginning of the school. These should be duplicated and ready at least three weeks before the beginning of the Extension School.
 - 4. In the case of Seminary Extension Schools
- a. The length of the Extension Schools normally will be 8 weeks, but under special conditions they may be reduced to 5 or 6 weeks. In the latter case, two teachers would be adequate for the school, inasmuch as in that period of time fewer courses could be taught than in the eight-week schools.
- b. When the short term of 5 or 6 weeks is used, the schools in the divisions will be arranged in tandem, so that one teacher can conduct a 5 or 6-week Extension School, followed immediately by a 5 or 6-week Extension School in the same or another division, thus enabling the university teacher to cover two schools in one three-month period.

N A D COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION -- ATTENDANCE

VOTED, To approve the attendance list (approximately 650) for the North American Division Council of Higher Education meeting to be held at Andrews University, August 14-21, 1974, as follows:

General Conference:

Department of Education Staff (includes 2 office secretaries)
Vice-President for North American Division
Vice-President (Advisor for Education)
Secretary
Treasurer
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- 1 from Health Department (nursing)
- 1 from Ellen G White Estate
- 4 others, as available for speaking appointments
- 4 from Home Study Institute

Union Conference Presidents and Chairmen of Boards of Trustees

Union Conference Secretaries of Education

- 1 Local Conference President from each Union Conference, chosen by Union Committee
- 1 Lay member from each Board

Colleges and Universities:

Presidents

Academic Deans and/or Vice-Presidents Student Affairs Deans and/or Vice-Presidents Campus Pastors

Financial Affairs Managers and/or Vice-Presidents
Public Relations and Development Directors and/or Vice-Presidents
Librarians

Registrars or Directors of Records and Admissions Residence Hall Deans

Instructional Departments (full-time personnel): One, plus one for each additional three in the department or major fraction thereof. (Example: a department of four would send two).

TOURS ABROAD, 1974

VOTED, To approve Tours Abroad for 1974 as follows:

1. Andrews University

Southern Europe Geography Field Tour
Date: April 8-May 24, 1974
Academic Credit: 4, 6, and 4 in three courses
Director: R G Pierson

East African Biology Expedition
Date: June 10-August 9, 1974
Academic Credit: 1-5 credits in five courses
Director: R M Ritland

English - Western Europe Study Tour Date: June 9-August 17, 1974 Academic Credit: 3-9 credits in two courses Director: Merlene Ogden

2. Andrews University & the Academy of Adventist Ministers
Bible Lands Study Tour

Date: May 27-June 26, 1974 Academic Credit: 4-6 credits

Directors: J J C Cox and Orley M Berg

3. Columbia Union College

Prophetic Bible Lands

Date: August 10-September 1, 1974

Academic Credit: 2 credits
Director: G Arthur Keough

4. Loma Linda University

French Tour

Date: July 1-August 15, 1974

Academic Credit: To be determined

Director: Margarete Hilts

5. Pacific Union College

European Watercolor Painting

Date: Three weeks in June, 1974

Academic Credit: 4 hours in Watercolor I or II

Director: Vernon Nye

Southern Europe & Middle East (History, Georgraph & Literature)

Date: June 18-August 6, 1974 Academic Credit: 6-8 hours

Directors: Elmer Herr and Verne Wehtje

6. Southern Missionary College

Southern Europe

Date: June 3-June 17, 1974 Academic Credit: 2 hours Director: Don Aalborg

German Tour

Date: May 15-June 6, 1974

Academic Credit: 3 semester hours

Director: Robert R Morrison

7. Union College

Israel and Middle East

Date: March 4-14, 1974

Academic Credit: One hour to qualified applicants

Directors: George Thomson and Cedric Ward

Far East

Date: June 17-July 29, 1974

Academic Credit: 3 semester hours

Director: George Thomson

8. Walla Walla College

English History

Date: June 14-August 7, 1974

Academic Credit: 12 quarter hours

Director: Helen Evans

Assignments of agenda items were given to Group A and Group B of the Plans Committee.

W R Beach introduced J P Winston, Administrator of Riverside Hospital, who offered the closing prayer.

Adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

W J Hackett, Chairman D W Hunter, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Thirteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 10, 1973, 8:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

W M Starks, Secretary of the Stewardship and Development Department, led the song service.

A J Patzer, President of the New York Conference, announced the opening song, "Break Thou the Bread of Life" and Mrs W W Fordham of the General Conference staff, offered prayer. Ray S evens of the General Conference Printing Department, sang, "Sheltered in the Arms of God."

R H Nightingale, President of the Central Union, spoke on the subject, "The Place of the Word in Revival."

The Bible has a very important part in genuine revival. The Holy Spirit uses the Bible for "holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." (2 Peter 1:21).

The Bible has convicting, transforming power and reveals truth. We need to urge the study of the Bible by teachers, preachers, and church members. The whole Bible is a manifestation of Christ, therefore it is the answer to Laodicea. Bible preaching, teaching, and witnessing will result in a great harvest under the Latter Rain.

". . . my word . . . shall not return unto me void." (Isaiah 55:11).

"Give Me the Bible" was the closing song announced by E S Reile, President of the Carolina Conference. Bekele Heye, Sabbath School Department secretary of the Afro-Mideast Division, offered the closing prayer in Amharic.

The sixth business session of the 1973 Annual Council was called to order by Theodore Carcich.

After the singing of "Watch Ye Saints," prayer was offered by G R Thompson, President of the Caribbean Union.

COMMITTEE ON ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO STANDING COMMITTEES--REPORT

The Committee on Additional Personnel to Standing Committees presented a report during the meeting of the North American Division Committee on Administration (fourth business session of the Annual Council) October 9. It was

VOTED, To add the name of M H Schaffner to the Standing Finance Committee.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS--PARTIAL REPORT

VOTED, To adopt the partial report of the Committee on Nominations which was presented during the meeting of the North American Division Committee on Administration (fifth business session of the Annual Council) October 9, as follows:

General Vice-President of the General Conference: W Duncan Eva General Conference Undersecretary: Edwin Gibb

EXCHANGE POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To add a new paragraph, numbered 17, to the Exchange Policy (GC Working Policy, pages 302-306) as follows:

- "17. The provisions of this policy apply to transactions in division books pertaining to investments made by various divisions in denominational unitized funds.
- "a. Assets are held on the division books in US dollars and converted into local currency at the fixed rate of exchange. Investment income and realized capital gain distributions are handled as current rate transactions. The allowance for securities fluctuation account also is considered to be a local currency account with no exchange involved.
- "b. For money invested in unitized funds based in the United States, the regular Exchange Policy provisions shall apply, the General Conference taking its share of the gain or loss as exchange adjustments are incurred.
- "c. For the International Fund, which is composed of investments made in various currencies but which for convenience is valued in US dollars, the accounting procedures would be handled in a manner similar to the other unitized funds; however, when the value of the US dollar is changed with respect to the division currency, the unrealized gain or loss would be handled in a division deferred income or expense account (current asset or liability) entitled 'International Fund Deferred Income (Expense) Account.'

"Since these fluctuations are not true exchange gains or losses, they will not be passed on to the General Conference. Whenever units of the International Fund are sold, these deferred items should be closed out on a pro rata basis, based on the number of units sold to the total units held."

SUSTENTATION OVERSEAS SERVICE -- POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend paragraphs 3 and 7 of the "Sustentation Overseas Service" policy (GC Working Policy, pages 259-262, NAD Working Policy, page 224) as follows:

"3. The calling division is to place its request for a special appointment of the sustentation beneficiary with the Secretariat of the General Conference, and the appointment will be subject to approval by the General Conference Committee.

"7. The term of the special appointment of the sustentation beneficiary may be up to two years and, further, this appointment may be renewed subject to medical clearance for additional terms of up to two years each upon recommendation of the division where he is serving and approval of the General Conference. Committee.

CALLING AND TRANSFERRING OF WORKERS-POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To authorize the General Conference Standing Working Policy Committee to amend the General Conference and North American Division Working Policies which deal with the calling and transferring of workers in order that those sections where the president of a union or conference is now designated to receive and process calls for workers, be made to read "president or designated officer."

OPERATION OF AIRCRAFT--POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the policy entitled "Operating of Aircraft in Denominational Service" (GC Working Policy, pages 47 and 48), as follows:

1. In the section entitled, "Pilot Requirements" an asterisk (*) shall be placed after the words "An A & P certificate or equivalent" which will refer to a note to be inserted in the policy to read as follows:

*This requirement may be waived by the authorizing organization for pilots operating aircraft in areas where high quality government-approved aircraft servicing is available and easily accessible.

2. In the section entitled, "Pilot Requirements" double asterisks (**) shall be placed after the words "Denominational Professional Checkout" wherever they appear which will refer to a note to be inserted in the policy to read as follows:

**This checkout is to include all qualifications listed on the individual's pilot license.

3. The paragraph entitled, "Pilot In-Service Training" shall be retitled and reworded to read as follows:

"Periodic Pilot Checkout and In-service Training. Pilots flying in denominational service shall be required to have approved denominational professional checkout** at least once every two years, and shall be authorized to take referesher courses as may be indicated by the checkout. If satisfactory checkout facilities are not available in the area of a pilot's overseas service, this may be postponed if necessary to coincide with his regular furlough or, upon discretion of the authorizing division, it may be taken in other locations provided the checkout agency is approved by the Aviation Consultant Committee."

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DIRECT CONTACTS--PROSPECTIVE WORKERS

VOTED. To request all divisions to instruct their subsidiary organizations and institutions not to offer employment to any person in, or employed by, another division unless a call is first processed through the regular channels (i.e., the division and the General Conference). This procedure is to apply to all prospective regular appointees, and to prospective Sustentation Overseas Service, Adventist Volunteer Service Corps, and Student Missionary assignees.

UNION BOARD OF EDUCATION -- POLICY AMENDMENT REFERRED

VOTED, To refer back to the General Conference Department of Education, the recommendation concerning the policy amendment regarding Union Boards of Education. (GC Working Policy, pages 100, 101).

TUITION DISCOUNTS TO OVERSEAS STUDENTS-POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend paragraph 1 of the policy "Tuition Discounts to Overseas Students" (GC Working Policy, page 218, NAD Working Policy, pages 219, 220) to read as follows:

"Our universities (undergraduate colleges) colleges, and academies in North America allow a 50 per cent discount on undergraduate tuition only to dependent children of North American Division missionaries while their parents are in mission service or on furlough. The missionary and/or his wife may also receive this discount while on furlough. From the date that a missionary is voted a permanent return he and his family are eligible to receive these discounts until the end of the current school year only. These discounts are allowed for a twelve-month period after the departure of the missionary from the mission field on permanent return.

COMMUNICATION SECRETARY--LOCAL CHURCH

- VOTED, 1. To identify the secretary of the Department of Communication on the local church level as the "Communication Secretary," with the understanding that this individual will fill the roles formerly occupied by the Public Relations and Radio-TV secretaries.
- 2. To refer this item to the Church Manual Committee and to the 52nd General Conference Session (1975) for insertion into the Church Manual.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION--MEDIA CONTACT PROCEDURES

VOTED, To follow these procedures for contacts with the media:

- 1. Contacts with the media for the local church and conference will be supervised and coordinated by the local conference Communication secretary.
- 2. In conferences where the department is not yet merged, contacts will be coordinated jointly by the Public Relations and Radio-Television secretaries.

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3. Other departments should work through or in cooperation with the Department of Communication at all levels so as to avoid confusing multiple contacts with the media.

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL INTERESTS-FOLLOW-UP

VOTED, To endeavor to meet the challenge of following up Bible correspondence school interests which are an effective source of baptisms by:

- 1. Requesting conference administrators and department secretaries to encourage pastors to select laymen to assist in the follow-up of Bible correspondence school interests which the pastors are not able to follow up personally.
- 2. Considering the names of Bible correspondence school interests as prime contacts for development through witnessing and lay Bible evangelism.
- 3. Ensuring that these interests are visited within two weeks after reception of the names and having the first visit report returned immediately to the conference office.
 - 4. Including the names in the church-interest file.

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LIFE AND HEALTH PROMOTION--REFERRED

VOTED, To refer back to the North American Division Publishing House Committee, the recommendation concerning the promotion of $\underline{\text{Life}}$ and $\underline{\text{Health}}$, with the understanding there will be a representative from the Department of Health present when this item is discussed.

HEALTH EDUCATION FOR ADVENTISTS

VOTED, To encourage conference administrations to arrange, in cooperation with the Department of Health, for the following programs:

- 1. Regular classes in healthful living at camp meetings. These should be promoted and advertised as a means of bringing our church membership to higher planes of Christian living.
- 2. Regular classes for health workers and interested laymen to enable them to share their faith by conducting Better Living Programs in their communities.

EVANGELISTIC UTILIZATION OF PAID-OUT CUSTOMER NAMES--HHES

- VOTED, 1. To request that each HHES office store for use all HHES paidout customer information, as follows:
 - a. Name, address, zip code of customer

- b. Name and telephone number of Literature Evangelist
- c. Title of literature purchased
- 2. To make this information available, upon request, to conference administration for evangelistic follow-up by:
 - a. Pastors
 - b. Evangelists
 - c. Bible Workers

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION POLICIES -- AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the GC Working Policy, pages 125-top 130, and the NAD Working Policy, pages 133-137, 173, 174, by substituting the following "Department of Communication" section for the GC Working Policy.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

The Department of Communication was established at the 1972 Annual Council of the General Conference through the merging of the Bureau of Public Relations and the Department of Radio and Television. Consequently, its scope ranges from the broad use of communicative skills and technologies in reaching the public with God's message to the often finely focused aspects of two-way communication identified as public relations.

Statement of Philosophy. -- 1. God has given the communicative media to aid in reaching the world with the last-day message.

- 2. Especially effective in doing the work of God are broadcast organizations, Bible correspondence schools, and interest service centers which, together with pastors and laymen, represent an evangelistic communications system of proven worth in soul-winning.
- 3. Because communication is the total church at work in witnessing, the department is part and parcel of all programs, serving all departments and administrations with the communicative skills it possesses to further these programs.
- 4. Department personnel aid administrators and other church leaders in communicating organizational policies to both internal and external publics, and, conversely, interpret to administration the attitudes of these publics toward the church.
- 5. In this work of communicating church policies and plans, personnel are enabled to perform a more effective work when they have the opportunity to advise regarding the possible effects of plans and policies before such are finalized.
- 6. Close liaison between a communication director and administration may be accomplished in one of the following ways:
 - a. Membership on administrative councils
 - b. Meeting by invitation with the executive committee or board
 - c. Frequent consultation with and briefing by the executive officer.

Objectives .-- Briefly stated, the objectives of the Department of Communication are to use, and promote the use of all modern communication techniques and media in the most effective manner for the swiftest promulgation of the everlasting gospel, and through a sound program of public relations to create a favorable climate for acceptance of the message of salvation through Christ as taught by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Responsibilities in Achieving Objectives. -- Believing that with or without a knowledge of an organization, people tend to form opinions on the basis of what they may see or hear, the department has committed itself to a program of positive, accurate presentation to establish in the public mind these characteristics of the church and its message:

> A Christian church An active church A prophetic church A progressive church

A humanitarian church

A responsible church

A respectable church

A friendly church

A personally helpful church
A growing church

A global church

Internal Services. -- The program involves the following specifics which apply equally to conferences and institutions:

- 1. Help in achieving an awareness and sensitivity to the currents and undercurrents of the times and events, both internally and externally, as they relate to the organization, and in choosing a wise course of action based on this awareness. A part of this responsibility will be pulse-taking and interpretation via research and opinion-poll techniques.
- 2. Assist and join with administrators, departmental personnel, and pastors in making the church and its message relevant and keenly attuned to these times.
- 3. Help in evaluating programs of the organization from a public opinion standpoint.
- 4. Help in evaluating the potential of the broadcase and audio-visual media in achieving the goals of the church.
- 5. Assist administration and departments in the development of plans, policies, and materials.
- 6. Aid in shaping a program that emphasizes a close relationship to Christ and concern for the constituency and for the community of which the church or institution is a part.
- 7. Encourage in members a practical Christianity that is relevant to the community in which they live and serve.
 - 8. Aid directly in the accomplishment of community-related activities.

Media Services .--

- 1. <u>Information Services.--a.</u> Engage in and promote the gathering and dissemination of news via all media, thereby fulfilling an obligation to give adequate information about the organization.
 - b. Develop and promote special community service programs, such as:
- (1) Public Service spots and programs on radio and television designed to keep the name of the church before the public in a low-key educative manner.
- (2) Community-oriented columns in newspapers, thereby tending to establish the church as a body of helpful, Christian, clean-living people.
- c. Participate in the preparation and/or effective use of brochures, exhibits, films, audio-visuals, and other publicly oriented materials of an informational nature.
- d. Serve as a source of information about the church or its institutions to which the public, including media representatives, can turn for answers to their questions.
- 2. Evangelistic Services. -- a. Plan and promote radio and television programming of a spiritual nature.
- b. Promote greater and more efficient use of all media for disemination of the gospel by:
- (1) Giving guidance to local pastors and laymen involved in broadcasting and in production of broadcast materials.
- (2) Providing suggestions for use of the print media in the giving of the gospel.
- (3) Assisting in the preparation of films of an evangelistic nature.
- c. Promote major denominationally sponsored broadcasts and other media programming.
- d. Encourage layman cooperation in follow-up of interests stirred by media programming, advertising and releases.
- 3. Adventist Broadcast Services.—The General Conference Department of Communication shall give guidance in the setting up and operation of denominationally owned and affiliated broadcast stations and shall give assistance as follows:
- a. Guide in achieving the objectives of denominationally owned and affiliated stations as set forth on page 173 of the NAD Working Policy.
- b. Assist through the preparation of special programming for denominationally owned and affiliated stations.

Interest Services. -- l. Guide in establishing and maintaining strategically located Bible correspondence schools and interest service centers to serve in the development and follow-up interests.

- 2. Cordinate interest service materials and outreach.
- 3. Help in devising programs of effective follow-up of interests created through use of the media.

Training Services.—1. Develop within the church an awareness of the value of good public relations in attaining the divine objectives of the church and to inspire among members a sense of individual participation in the denomination's total public relations and evangelistic effort.

- 2. Develop and operate a training program to maintain the various aspects of communications evangelism.
- 3. Sponsor, through the General Conference Department of Communication, the provision of instructional materials, participation in workshops and seminars, and an annual course in communications at Andrews University.
- 4. Engage in promotion and operation of an on-the-job training program for young people majoring in the communicative arts in college.

Guidelines in the Selection of Communication Personnel.--In the selection of a communication director or departmental leader, it is of paramount importance that he be a loyal, confident Christian. Among other characteristics and skills that should be considered are the following:

- 1. A sound judgment, that he might know what should or should not be released to the world of news, and that he might tackle problem situations wisely and guide church and/or institutional activities in the best channels.
- 2. An understanding of denominational programming and follow-up in communication evangelism.
- 3. An ability to counsel with and assist ministers and laymen in meeting the objectives of the church in communication evangelism.
- 4. An understanding of the principles of broadcasting and an ability to assess successful approaches through broadcasting, film and other audiovisual techniques.
- 5. An ability to write well, having a solid foundation for writing and for dealing with communications media.
 - 6. An ability to express himself well in public.
- 7. An understanding of denominational procedures and a thorough knowledge of its organizations.
- 8. A working knowledge of the procedures of printing and preparation of printed materials, that he might assist in the planning of brochures and leaflets in the most economical and most effective way.

- 9. A working knowledge of photography and the principles of enlarging, cropping, and printing pictures with an understanding of what makes good news pictures.
 - 10. An understanding of the elements of an effective exhibit.
 - 11. A sensitivity to public problems and ability to interpret public opinion.
- 12. An understanding of and an appreciation for people, enabling him to work well with people on all levels.
 - 13. An ability to empathize and yet be objective.
- 14. A willingness to work at any task day or night that will advance the cause of God, and to work when necessary without public recognition.

On-The-Job Training. -- In order to provide practical training in the areas of writing, editorial work, public relations, and the broadcast media, a program of on-the-job training has been established. This plan involves participating publishing houses, participating health-care institutions, unions where sound communications programs have been established, participating broadcast production centers, and the General Conference Department of Communication, with participating colleges. This program operates as follows:

- 1. <u>Dates of On-The-Job Training.--</u>The program involves a 10-week period, usually beginning in early summer each year and including a full regular work week schedule.
- 2. Contents. -- a. Publishing houses involve the trainee in the entire schedule of editorial production, including writing, and giving opportunity to gain firsthand knowledge of publishing and printing procedures.
- b. Health-care institutions involve the trainee in all routine procedures, including preparation of hospital publications, use of closed circuit TV, news coverage, exhibits, and planning for social events including community relations and activities.
- c. Unions, divisions, and the General Conference Department of Communication provide practical experience in publications production, church press relations in a local church environment, contacts with radio and television stations, broadcast programming, photo assignments, camp meeting coverage, and exhibit planning.
- d. Broadcast production centers not only involve the trainee in the techniques of production, but also in the procedures of promotion, station contacts, interest follow-up, and activities of the institution's public relations office.
- 3. Remuneration. -- For the period of 10 weeks the trainee receives from the employing organization a stipend as set by the North American Division Committee on Administration and outlined in the NADCA Wage Scale Booklet. This is not considered as a part of his denominational employment, nor does he receive the special allowances granted regularly employed workers. The budget for the program includes any travel expenses involved in on-the-job assignments.

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- 4. Evaluation of Trainee's Work.—The organization with whom the trainee is working sends an evaluation of the trainee's work to the college where he is enrolled, to the General Conference Department of Communication, and/or to the division Department of Communication.
- 5. College Credit.—When the trainee successfully completes a 10-week program offered within the curricular structure of a college or university, qualified students may receive appropriate academic credits.
- 6. Selection of Trainee. -- Trainees may be recommended by Adventist colleges to organizations listing on-the-job training programs. Students must be in their junior or senior year of college and must have the following qualifications:
 - a. Membership in the Seventh-day Adventist Church
 - b. Sound character references
 - c. Acceptable, balanced personality
- d. Good academic standing in English, journalism, and/or other communication subjects
 - e. Good health
 - f. Sense of responsibility
 - g. Desire to enter denominational service

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL DAYS AND OFFERINGS, 1975--REFERRED

VOTED, To refer back to the Plans Committee, the Calendar of Special Days and Offerings for 1975.

BLENDED MINISTRY TEAMS

The Spirit of Prophecy calls for the uniting of ministers and doctors, and other qualified health workers in evangelism, particularly in large cities. Material has been prepared for and successfully used for evangelistic series carried on by such teams, therefore,

VOTED. To encourage conferences and unions to give serious study to the organizing of medical/ministerial teams.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION YEAR--1978

VOTED, To designate 1978 as an "Adventist Education Year" in order to give special promotion to Christian education throughout the world field and secure greater support for such education by Seventh-day Adventist parents.

EDUCATIONAL LIAISON WITH GOVERNMENTS

Seventh-day Adventist education is often influenced and affected by local and national government laws, decrees and regulations. Therefore,

VOTED. To designate in each division individuals at the division and/or union and/or local field levels who will accept responsibility for keeping abreast of current and proposed legislative actions and official governmental

proclamations as these affect Seventh-day Adventist schools, with the object of presenting Seventh-day Adventist views of education to public officials.

(A-200) S D A PHILOSOPHY & CENTRAL PURPOSE OF SAFETY EDUCATION, K-12

VOTED, To adopt the following Philosophy and Central Purpose of Safety Education statement for Seventh-day Adventist schools, K-12.

I. Philosophy: Safety education is the process of coordinating administrative procedures, protection measures, and planned instruction in a comprehensive school program designed to conserve human and material resources. In an environment which confronts every individual with daily hazards, the Seventh-day Adventist school will endeavor to meet its responsibility to its community by training its students to live safely and efficiently in a technological world. This will be done by helping students to put their trust in God and to reject all approaches to presumption. But a church-operated program cannot devote all its time to developing moralistic traits in young people's minds: it will also instill knowledge that will enable them to protect themselves and others from injury or even death.

The goal of safety education is to conserve life, limb, and property through the reduction of both the frequency and the severity of accidents. It is essential, therefore, to understand the true nature of accidents. A popular notion is that an accident is an unexpected incident that unavoidably results in property damage, bodily injury, or death. The implication is that such chance occurrences cannot be predicted and, therefore, the accident-producing circumstances cannot be controlled. Carried to the extreme, this attitude would make meaningless those engineering endeavors designed to shape environments as free as possible from hazards, application of common-sense rules for human behavior within faulty environments, and efforts to educate people for safe living.

Accumulated research contradicts the above point of view. Indeed, it indicates that the word "accident" itself may be a misnomer. Careful analysis demonstrates that an accident consists of a complex series of events rather than a singular incident. Moreover, factors may be found in events removed in time from events which immediately precede the injury-producing incident. Any accident, then, can be described in terms of a series of identifiable events moving toward predictable consequences. An alteration in the series may change the direction so that the series does not lead to a point of no escape.

Seventh-day Adventist children and youth should learn to recognize contributing factors to safe and happy living. Pure air, sunlight, abstemiousness, rest, exercise, proper diet, the use of water, and trust in divine power are natural remedies which preserve alert minds, strong and healthy bodies. These, in turn, foster desirable character traits such as courage, vigilance, self-reliance, and self-control,—all prerequisites for safety. Students with healthy minds and bodies can better assess risks, maintain positive attitudes, make decisions, choose appropriate behavior, establish a priority of values, and thereby enjoy greater freedom in everyday living.

While research in safety is by no means definitive, authorities are in general agreement that established approaches through engineering, law enforcement, and education can be effective in (1) altering human behavior in a manner that will lower the likelihood of injury-producing acts or conditions and (2) reducing the severity of damage when such events take place or such conditions exist. In addition to the exercise of Christian principles, education is challenged to utilize the social, psychological, and physical sciences in making safety education an integral part of the total offering of school systems. Safety education provides experiences designed to enhance knowledge, develop skills, and improve behavioral traits which are essential for modern living and which must be considered an integral part of the general objectives of education.

Each Department of Education should implement a policy to initiate, improve, coordinate, and activate in each of its schools a continuous school safety education program. This program will be based on the premise that safety is an integral part of the overall educational experience provided for students and staff members. Safety education will consist of protective as well as instructional components coordinated through an administrative and organizational structure at every grade level. The program will be designed to contribute to immediate and long-range needs of citizens by imparting knowledge applicable to preservation of life, limb, and property and developing those behavioral traits that are associated with a more safe and satisfying life in this present world.

II. Statement of Central Purpose: The central purpose of safety programs in Seventh-day Adventist schools is to provide children, youth, and staff with a protective environment and instructional experience which will enable them to perform normal and desirable activities in an efficient manner with a genuine concern for the safety of themselves and others. Teachers will help students to trust in God as they willfully avoid danger, to know that one of youth's greatest dangers is the lack of self-control, and to remember that obedience to God's will promotes safety.

Adjourned.

The Committee on Nominations and the Plans Committee (Group A and Group B) met for the remainder of the morning.

Theodore Carcich, Chairman B E Seton, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary 1.1

Two Hundred Fourteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 10, 1973, 4:00 p.m.

"Stand Up! Stand Up for Jesus!" was the opening song led by J V Scully of the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department, and prayer was offered by A N Brogden, Secretary of the Atlantic Union.

The seventh business session of the Annual Council was called to order by M S Nigri.

STUDENT GROUPS--APPRECIATION TO

VOTED, To express our appreciation to the Seventh-day Adventist Student Association of East Tennessee State University and wish them well in the program they are carrying forward; and further

VOTED, To extend this appreciation to other student groups who are engaged in similar Christian endeavor.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS--PARTIAL REPORT

VOTED, To adopt the partial report of the Committee On Nominations, as follows:

Acting President, Northern Europe-West Africa Division: Alf Lohne Acting Secretary, Northern Europe-West Africa Division: B B Beach

Insurance Service--Board of Directors

A B Butler	Re-election	3-year term
M M Carballal	n	n
C O Frederick	Ħ	n
A G Zytkoskee	**	11

General Hospital Council

Hospital Board Chairmen:

Don	Welch	Southern Union	2-year term
ВЕ	Leach	Southwestern Union	**
ЕJ	Remboldt	Pacific Union	н
H V	Reed	Central Union	10

Hospital Administrators:

O T Moline	285-bed Hospital	3-year term
J D Ruffcorn	302-bed Hospital	"
W Gosse	149-bed Hospital	2-year term
J P Winston	50-bed Hospital	1-year term
M M Rabuka	37-bed Hospital	2-year term

Associate Secretary, General Conference Department of Communication: Victor Cooper of the Irish Mission, Northern Europe-West Africa Division

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FIXED RATES OF EXCHANGE--1974

VOTED, To approve fixed rates of exchange for 1974 effective January 1, 1974, as follows:

Division	Monetary Unit	Symbol	Local Currency Units Per US \$	US \$ Per Local Currency Units
Afro-Mideast				
Bahrain	Bahrain Dinar	BD	.40	2.50
Cyprus	Cyprus b	CY b	.3921569	2.55
Egypt	Egyptian b	Eg b	.40	2.50
Ethiopian &	Ethiopian \$	Eth \$	2.05	.4878049
Eritrea	,			
Tran	Rial	Rls	68.00	.0147059
Iraq	Iraqi Dinar	ID	.3030303	3.30
Jordan	Jordanian Dinar	JD	.3333333	3.00
Kenya	Kenya Shilling	Shs	7.00	.1428571
Lebanon	Lebanese Lira	LL	2.65	.3773585
Libya	Libyan b	Li L	.3076923	3.25
Seychelles	Seychelles Rupee	Rs	4.80	.2083333
Sudan	Sudanese b	SЪ	.3389831	2.95
Syria	Syrian Lira	Li	4.00	.25
Tanzania	Tanzania Shilling	S hs	7.00	.1428571
Turkey	Turkish Lira	Li	14.00	.0714286
Uganda	Uganda Shilling	Shs	7.00	.1428571
Australasia				
Aus tralia	Australian \$	\$A	.6896552	1.45
Fíji	Fijian \$	\$ F	.80	1.25
New Caledonia &	Pacific Franc	Pfr	85.00	.0117647
French Polynesia	7 F1 1 A	ėu <i>n</i>	6002007	1 62
New Zealand	New Zealand \$	\$NZ	.6993007	1.43 1.60
Samoa	Samoan \$	\$S	.6250	
Tonga	Tonga \$	\$T	.6896552	1.45
Euro-Africa				
Angola	Escudo	Esc	23.50	.0425532
Austri a	Schilling .	Sch	18.00	.0 555555
Belgium	Belgian Franc	Bfr	37.50	.0266666
Bulgaria	Leva	Lv	170.00	. 58 8 23
Czech oslovakia	Koruna	Kr	12.50	.080
Equatorial Africa	CFA*	CFA	225.00	.0044444
France	French Franc	Ffr	4.50	.222222
Germa n y	Deutschemark W	DM	2.50	.40
Germany	Deutschmark E	DM	2.22222	. 45
Greece	D ta chma	Dr	30.00	.0333333
Hunga ry	Forint	F	23.00	.043478
Israel	Israeli b	Isr b	4.20	.2380952
Italy	Lira	Li	600.00	.0016667
Madaga s car	Malagasy Franc	PMG	225.00	.0044444

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Euro-Africa (Conclude	<u>d)</u>			
Mauritius	Rupee	Rs	4.80	.2083333
Mozambique	Escudo	Esc	23.50	.0425532
North Africa	Dinar	DA.	3.80	.2631579
Portug a 1	Escudo	Esc	23.50	.0425532
Reunion	CFA*	CFA	225.00	. 00 44444
Rumani a	Lei	L	14.00	.0714285
Senega1	CFA*	CFA	225.00	.00 444 44
Sp ai n	Peseta	Pes	58.00	.0172414
Switzerland	Swiss Franc	Sfr	3.15	.3174603
Yugoslavia	Dinar	Din	16.00	.0625
*Com	munaute Financier Afr	icaine (CFA)		
Far East				
Brunei	Brunei \$	\$В	2.40	.4166666
Cambodia	Riel	Riel	260.00	.0038461
Guam & Trust Territories	Dollar	\$US	1.00	1.00
Hong Kong	Hong Kong \$	\$HK	5.15	.1941748
Indonesia	Rupiah	Rps	410.00	.0024390
Japan	Yen	¥.	264.00	.0037879
Korea (South)	Won	Ŵ	400.00	.0025
Laos	Kip	Kip	600.00	.0016667
Macao	Pataca		5.15	.19 41748
Malaysia	Malayan \$	\$M	2.40	.4166666
Philippine	Peso	ř	6.70	.1492537
Islands		•		V-47-33.
Singapore	Singapore \$	\$ S	2,40	.4166666
Taiwan	Taiwan \$	\$NT	38.00	.0263158
Thailand	Baht	Baht	20.00	.050
Vietnam	Piaster	\$VN	500.00	.002
Inter-Amorica		•		
Inter-America				
Bahamas	Bahama \$	\$B	1.00	1.00
Barbados	Dollar	\$WI	2.00	•50
British Honduras	Dollar	\$BH	1.60	-625
Cayman Islan ds	Cayman \$	\$CI	.80	1.25
Colombia	Peso	Ps	23.00	.0434782
Costa Rica	Colon	Ć	8.40	.1190476
Cuba	Peso			
Netherlands Antilles	Guilder	Fls	1.75	. 5 714286
Dominican Republic	Peso	\$RD `	1.10	.9090909
El Salvador	Colon	S 🕏	2.50	.40
French Guiana	Metropolitan Franc	Fr	4.50	.222222
Guadeloupe	Metropolitan Franc	Fr	4.50	.2222222
Guatemala	Quetzel	Q	1.00	1.00
Guyana	Dollar	\$G	2.00	.50
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Division	Monetary Unit	Symbol	Local Currency Units Per US \$	US \$ Per Local Currency Units
Inter-America (Conc	luded)			
Haiti Honduras Jamaica Martinique Mexico Nicaragua Panama Puerto Rico Surinam Trinidad Venezuela	Gourde Lempira Jamaican \$ Metropolitan Franc Peso Cordoba Balboa Dollar Guilder Dollar Bolivar	Gds Lps \$J Fr Ps \$C B \$US F1s \$TT Bs	5.00 2.00 .9090909 4.50 12.50 7.00 1.00 1.75 2.00 4.25	.20 .50 1.10 .2222222 .08 .1428571 1.00 1.00 .5714286 .50 .2352941
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North America Bermuda Canadian Union Northern Europe -	Bermuda \$ Canadian \$	\$B \$C	1.00	1.00 1.00
West Africa				
	CFA* Krone Markka Cedi English b Krona CFA* Dollar Guilder Naira Krone Zloty Leone Krona CFA* CFA* CFA*	Fr Dkr Fmk N¢ L Ikr CFA \$US F1 N Nkr Z1 Le Skr CFA CFA	225.00 5.85 3.65 1.15 .4166666 87.00 225.00 1.00 2.55 .6578947 5.65 40.00 .8333333 4.20 225.00 225.00	.0044444 .1709402 .2739726 .8695652 2.40 .0114943 .0044444 1.00 .3921569 1.52 .1769912 .025 1.20 .2380952 .0044444 .0044444
Argentina Bolivia Brazil Chile Ecuador Paraguay Peru Uruguay	Peso Boliviana Cruzeiro Escudo Sucre Guarani Sol Peso	m/a \$b \$Cr E ^O Su \$ \$/ o/u	9.90 20.00 6.20 850.00 24.00 125.00 43.00 900.00	.1010101 .050 .1612903 .0011765 .0416667 .008 .0232558

Division	Monetary Unit	Symbol	Local Currency Units Per US \$	US \$ Per Local Currency Units
Southern Asia				
Afghanistan	Afghani		75.00	.0133333
Bangladesh	Taka	Tk	8.3333333	.1200
Bu rma	Kyat	Ks	4.878048	.2050
Shri Lanka	Rupee	SL Re	6.666667	.1500
India	Rupee	R s	7.50	.1333333
Nepal	Rupee	n Rs	10.00	.10
Pakistan	Rupee	P R.s	10.00	.10
Trans-Africa				
Bu rundi	Franc	Fr	80.00	.01 250
Ma lawi	Malawi Kwacha	K	.80	1.25
Rhodesia	Rhodesian \$	\$R	.5714286	1.75
Rwanda	Franc	Fr	80.00	.01250
South Africa	Rand	R	.666666	1.50
Zaire	Zaire Francs	Z	.4878049	2.05
Zambia	Kwacha	K	.6410256	1.56

LONG-TERM BORROWING BETWEEN FUNDS

VOTED, To advise organizations that in fund accounting only current receivables and payables between funds shall be listed in the accounting records and on the financial statement as "due to" and "due from", and that long-term receivables and payables between funds shall be carried as notes receivable and notes payable.

INTEREST RATES FOR BORROWING BETWEEN FUNDS

VOTED, To advise organizations that when money is borrowed between association funds, the interest rate charged shall be the maximum rate set by the General Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists for revocable trusts in effect at the time of the transaction except in the case of mortgages in which case the prevailing mortgage interest rate shall be used.

INTEREST CHARGES ON DOUBTFUL NOTES RECEIVABLE

VOTED, To advise organizations that accrued interest on doubtful notes receivable shall not be included in income and that if it is desired that the asset reflect the full amount owed, the asset account shall be charged for the accrued interest with an equal amount set up as a provision for uncollectible accounts.

AUDITED STATEMENTS AND AUDITORS' CERTIFICATES PRESENTATION AT CONFERENCE SESSIONS

VOTED, To advise conference organizations that audited statements and auditors' certificates are to be presented to conference sessions as a regular procedure when financial statements are read; and that whenever possible they are to be presented by the auditor himself.

FINANCIAL ITEMS--WORKING POLICY

VOTED, To include the following financial items voted above, in the General Conference Working Policy and the North American Division Working Policy: "Long Term Borrowing between Funds," "Interest Rates for Borrowing between Funds," "Interest Charges on Doubtful Notes Receivable," "Audited Statements and Auditors' Opinions—Presentation at Conference Sessions."

GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION 1975--REDUCTION OF DELEGATION SIZE AND TRAVEL EXPENSE--REFERRED

VOTED, To refer the recommendation concerning the reduction of the size of the delegation to the 1975 General Conference Session to the Home and Overseas Officers and Union Presidents.

ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES -- PUBLISHING HOUSES

VOTED, To request the three publishing houses located in the North American Division to use a uniform accounting system incorporating the following recommendations of the Publishing House Accounting Procedures Committee:

- 1. That the direct labor dollar be used as the basis for overhead distribution.
- 2. That the burden center method be used for the accounting and distribution of factory overhead for job costing.
- 3. That general editorial expense be included in the cost of goods sold, shown as a separate figure, and that copy editing labor and art department labor continue to be included in the job ticket as prime cost.
- 4. That paid articles be inventoried and charged to the job ticket when used.
 - 5. That the administration expense be allocated in total as follows:
 - a. 40 per cent to factory costs
- b. 60 per cent to the major sales departments, based on the sales dollar ratio, excluding the miscellaneous printing service.
- 6. That the factory overhead variance be distributed to the cost of goods sold of the various sales categories, on the basis of the direct labor dollar that was charged to work in process during the fiscal year.

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- 7. That the cost of advertising material be accounted for as an expense, and the recovery of any such cost be treated as a reduction of expense.
 - 8. That the following formula be used for equipment capitalization:
 - a. Individual items: Not less than \$75 cost and a minimum of three years life.
 - b. Group items: Total cost of the group per department to be \$200 or more and a minimum of three years life.
- 9. That the generally accepted accounting principles in the setting up of Net Worth Reserves be followed. This requires that any Net Worth Reserves be set up as a transfer out of Regular Net Worth and, when their purpose has been served, the balance be transferred back to Regular Net Worth.
- 10. That the weighted average method be used for the valuation of the finished goods inventory.
- 11. That the publishing houses set up a job printing service to provide for the printing of items for denominational organizations on a basis competitive with other job printing establishments. Following this formula is not to affect the distribution of work responsibility.
- 12. That the following formula be used for costing, pricing, and accounting for the job printing service:
 - a. Costs are to be figured the same as any other job printed
- b. Gross profit is to be figured on not more than 10 per cent markup of job ticket costs.
- c. The 10 per cent markup is to be added to each item invoiced and not shown as a total (see recommended invoice attached).
- d. If any work is invoiced at a price lower than cost, the difference between cost and the invoice price is to be shown as a contribution; shown in the financial statement as a reduction of sales.
- 13. That the following account number system be used by the publishing houses. It is understood that no publishing house will be required to spend large sums to immediately change its existing systems to conform to this number, but when changes are made, the new plan is to work toward this account number system.

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- 14. That in the operating statements for the book department, sales, cost of goods sold, and gross margin be accounted for and shown separately for
 - a. Items purchased from other publishers for resale

- b. Items manufactures by the publishing house itself for sale.
- 15. That the following be designated as book department categories for financial statement purposes: Subscription, Trade, Texts, Tracts, Bibles, Miscellaneous and Supplies (including special Bibles), Song Books; and Foreign Language (other than subscription). All items in the catalog are to be accounted for and reported in the same category by all the publishing houses.
- 16. That all data processing costs be accounted for at a service center in order that they may be allocated properly to the departments served.
- 17. That the publishing house committees give study to assigning a person of the treasury staff to serve on the system design team in order to give guidance and counsel concerning financial matters in the systems being designed.
- 18. That financial statements include percentage comparisons and that the General Conference Auditors, in cooperation with representatives from the publishing houses located in the North American Division, develop the percentages that would be applicable to the publishing houses and include them in the standardized financial statement.
- 19. That the sample uniform financial statement be presented for consideration upon its completion. (See sample below)

INVOICE NO.

Miscellaneous Printing

YOUR P.O. NO.

X Y Z PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION 2350 North Polo Avenue Anystate 87890

PHONE	567-09	09
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DATE ____

TO:

QUANTITY

DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT

PRINTING (Includes typesetting, plate-making, folding, binding, etc.)

Additional Items:

Editorial Art work Storage Shipping

Customer Changes

TOTAL \$	_
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ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES GUIDELINE FOR PUBLISHING HOUSES

VOTED, To request the General Conference Auditing Department in cooperation with the General Conference Publishing Department to summarize the work of the various committees into an Accounting Procedures Guideline for the publishing houses.

FIDUCIARY RETURNS--RESPONSIBILITY

VOTED, To request the General Conference and union conference auditors to be jointly responsible for making a careful audit of all organizations writing revocable Trusts, Unitrusts and Annuity Trusts and to determine that accurate fiduciary returns are filed for all trust instruments, both revocable and irrevocable, as required by the government.

Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Prayer was offered by F W Wernick, President of the Lake Union.

M S Nigri, Chairman
D H Baasch, Secretary
Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Fifteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 11, 1973, 8:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

A J Patzer, President of the New York Conference, led the song service.

"Sweet Hour of Prayer" was the opening song announced by Cyril Miller, Secretary of the Southwestern Union, and prayer was offered by Sergio Moctezuma, Lay Activities and Sabbath School Department secretary of the South American Division. Special music was provided by C E Dudley, President of the South Central Conference, who sang "Just to Behold His Face."

Adlai A Esteb, former Lay Activities Department secretary of the General Conference, spoke on "The Place of Prayer in Revival and Reformation."

"The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer." (1 Peter 4:7).

Is it not strikingly significant that Peter used some of the very same words in warning us of the impending crisis, that Jesus used in warning Peter as he faced the greatest crisis of his life? "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation."

We, too, have been warned: "Neglect the exercise of prayer, or engage in prayer spasmodically, now and then, as seems convenient, and you lose your hold on God. The spiritual faculties lose their vitality, the religious experience lacks health and vigor." --Gospel Workers, page 255.

In closing, R E Adams, pastor of the Pennsylvania Avenue Church, sang "Are You Ready?" one of A A Esteb's poems, music by Mrs Juanita McElwain, and Mrs Del Farley of the General Conference staff offered prayer.

C D Brooks, General Field Secretary of the General Conference, offered prayer.

The customary Thursday morning meeting of the General Conference Committee convened at 9:30 a.m., and the following actions were taken.

MINUTES of the meeting held October 4, 1973, were approved.

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTEES--REPORT

VOTED, To accept the following report from the Committee on Appointees:

Appointments

William Vargas (Cleveland, Tennessee) -- Printer, Antillian College Press, Puerto Rico, Inter-American Division.

Calls and Transfers

Owen Twist (Perth, Australasian Division) -- Call of South American Division as secretary-treasurer, South Peru Mission, Inca Union.

Releases

Lydia Agustoni of Euro-Africa Division, from appointment to be office secretary, Afro-Mideast Division. Declined.

Lillian Ramsey, from call to serve as accountant, Trans-Africa Division office. Health.

Starr Elaine Bidwell, from call to serve as accountant, Trans-Africa Division office. Release from present employment not possible.

Permanent Returns

Donald G Cootz, from Trans-Africa Division, rescinded Returning as maintenance supervisor, Mugonero Hospital, Rwanda.

John W Kizziar, DDS, from Adventist Medical Center, Okinawa, Far Eastern Division, personal, effective June 1, 1974.

William L Bradshaw, from Pakistan, Southern Asia Division, personal, effective August 27, 1973.

BRUCE DAME--LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY

VOTED, To pass on to the Pacific Union and the Southeastern California Conferences, the call for Bruce Dame to serve as chaplain at the Loma Linda University Medical Center.

Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

The Finance and Plans Committees of the Annual Council met for the remainder of the morning.

Robert H Pierson, Chairman D S Johnson, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Sixteenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 11, 1973, 4:00 p.m.

"O Jesus, My Redeemer" was the opening song led by C D Martin of the Youth Department. N O Matthews, President of Canadian Union College, offered prayer.

The eighth business session of the Council was called to order by C Dunbar Henri.

MINUTES of the first three sessions of the 1973 Annual Council were approved.

OVERSEAS DENTAL UNITS

The following recommendations are designed to assist the church and its medical missionary institutions to derive maximum satisfaction from the professional efforts of the dentists in denominational mission service, and to facilitate the recruitment of qualified and dedicated dentists from the ranks of students now in training and from dentists already in practice. These recommendations purpose to define the role of the dentist as a member of the professional health-care team, and to establish the identity of the dental clinic or department as a responsible professional unit in the overseas hospital or medical-dental office, having obligations, rights and privileges.

VOTED, To recommend that:

- 1. The clinical dental practice unit in an overseas hospital use the term Dental Clinic or the Department of Dentistry.
- 2. The staff dentists in overseas hospitals be listed under the heading of "Staff Dentists" in the institutional directory and in copy submitted for the <u>S D A Yearbook</u>.
- 3. A staff dentist in an overseas hospital or in a medical-dental clinic be appointed as head of the dental clinic or the department of dentistry.
- 4. The head of the dental clinic or department of dentistry, or his designate represent the staff of dentists at union, conference, mission or division-wide medical conventions/councils, and as a consultant or resource person who should be invited to institutional board meetings when matters pertaining to the department are to be discussed.
- 5. Identifiable sections for dentistry be included in institutional budgets and operating statements for overseas hospitals having departments of dentistry or dental clinics, and to distribute income and expense reports to heads of dental clinics or departments.
- 6. Dental clinics or departments of dentistry in overseas hospitals be considered as "self-supporting" when they carry:

- a. The salaries and expenses of the professional staff and the wages of supporting staff.
- b. A proportionate share of the costs of general services, space, facilities, equipment and overhead, as are customarily charged against other professional entities in a hospital or clinic.
 - c. Their share of any institutional donation.
- 7. The head of the clinic or of the department of dentistry be given a voice in the planning of the capital and operating budgets of the institution in order to include in the budget the cost of special equipment, the further training of assisting personnel, and other expenses relating to the maintenance and improvement of dental services in the hospital and the field.
- 8. A division-wide revolving fund be set up to assist with the cost of establishing new dental clinics within the territories of the division, the fund to be financed in part from the earnings of existing and solvent dental units in the division having one or more dentistry units, whether separate from or part of a hospital operation.
- 9. A dental equipment reserve be funded by the setting aside of depreciation funds as operating expenses in accord with General Conference policy.
- 10. The Board of the overseas hospital or dental clinic be requested to recognize the need of the staff dentist(s) to a reasonable segment of working time for organized charitable dental services, either in the dental clinic or in the field, as approved by the administration, but with the understanding that the practice of good dentistry in the hospital or clinic is in itself a missionary service.

CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES--POLICY AMENDMENT

VOTED, To amend the policy "Credentials and Licenses" (NAD Working Policy, page 64) by rewording paragraph 1 c to read as follows: and further, to include this paragraph in the General Conference Working Policy:

"1 c. Workers who have been ordained and carry ministerial credentials but who have of their own choice discontinued ministerial work, or who in the judgment of their employing organizations are unable to perform satisfactorily in a successful ministerial leadership role, but continue in denominational employment, are not eligible for renewal of their ministerial credentials. Any exceptions shall be only with the approval of the union committee."

JOURNAL OF ADVENTIST EDUCATION FOR EDUCATION MAJORS

VOTED, To request union conferences/missions to make available to junior and senior education majors in our colleges and universities The Journal of Adventist Education at the reduced rate of \$2.00 for each subscription. Orders are to be initiated by the college/university departments of education and channeled through the union education secretary. This plan is to be reviewed after one year.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION OF HEALTH-CARE INSTITUTIONS

VOTED. To recommend that the following procedures be pursued in the operation of our health-care facilities:

1. The Board of Trustees should

- a. Define clearly lines of authority and responsibility, particularly in those institutions which have administrative leadership divided between a medical director and a business manager.
- b. Make provision through continual internal auditing for maintaining efficient operation with minimal loss.
 - c. Structure budgets in a realistic manner.

2. The Administration should

- a. Provide well-defined job descriptions with a mechanism for periodic evaluation of performance.
- b. Develop an up-to-date employee's manual with well-defined personnel policies.
- c. Hold daily institutional worship periods, either with the entire staff or by departments. If by departments, administrators should visit or attend all on a rotating basis, and one general worship period should be held weekly with all available employees in attendance.
- d. Consider and agree on the listing of all agenda items that are to be presented in the local board meeting or in meetings of the Board of Trustees.
- e. Arrange for regular meetings of the local board of management and/or the house committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE WORKSHOPS--HEALTH-CARE INSTITUTIONS

- VOTED, 1. To encourage overseas divisions to hold administrative workshops for health-care institutions on a division-wide basis at least once between General Conference Sessions.
- 2. To encourage divisions outside of North America to invite at least one qualified administrator from outside the division.

INTER-INSTITUTION ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

As a means of providing our health-care facilities with maximal administrative cooperation, of giving optimal assistance in the recruitment of staffs, of facilitating the pooled purchasing of supplies and equipment, of establishing standardized procedures, or promoting meaningful in-service education programs, of sponsoring up-grading advantages, and of providing relief personnel for emergencies, vacations and furloughs,

VOTED, To recommend that, where possible and desirable, an administrative organization be established in overseas divisions and/or unions to collectively supervise health-care institutions where there is a sufficient number to warrant such an arrangement.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE MINISTRY FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

VOTED, To request overseas divisions to make provision, in cooperation with controlling organizations, for subscriptions to The Ministry magazine for Seventh-day Adventist physicians and dentists.

FINANCING HEALTH EDUCATION AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE PROGRAMS

VOTED, To request the divisions to give study to:

- 1. Sending carefully-chosen individuals to Loma Linda University School of Health for such health education training, and to financial planning for such training.
- 2. Giving financial support for current health education and preventive medicine programs for the expansion of our health education activities and the more effective use of "the entering wedge."
- 3. Requesting the General Conference and Loma Linda University School of Health to study the practicability of having overseas extension schools offer courses in health education.

PURPOSES AND GOALS OF HEALTH-CARE INSTITUTIONS

VOTED, To request division health secretaries to assist the ranking health-care institutional officers in their divisions by:

- 1. Developing specific goals and purposes for their facilities in harmony with the basic health objectives of the church.
- 2. Working out a mechanism by which the goals and purposes may be evaluated biennially and by which their implementation may be assessed.
 - 3. Setting forth new emphases for future development of each facility.

S D A STUDENTS IN MISSION SCHOOLS

In areas where the Seventh-day Adventist membership is small, yet the opportunity to operate a mission school is open,

VOTED, To recommend that in addition to the regular Bible instruction required by the mission school program of studies, the local organization study the possibility of meeting more fully, the educational needs of Seventh-day Adventist children attending such schools by providing for them a special curriculum in Seventh-day Adventist instruction.

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DEPARTMENTAL CREATIVE AIDS, AVAILABILITY

- VOTED, 1. To request the General Conference departments to provide lists of specific departmental materials which could be made available to world divisions with reproduction and translation privileges without additional permission.
- 2. To request all sections of our worldwide organization to respect copyrights and to ensure that prior written approval is obtained before reproduction or translation of copyrighted material.
- 3. To request all sections to obtain specific approval from the department involved where uncopyrighted materials not included on the list mentioned in paragraph one are desired.

MAKING AN INSTITUTION EVANGELISTIC

In order to assist our institutions in determining and developing the role they play in the evangelistic mission of the Church,

VOTED, To encourage our institutions to 1. Restudy their goals and objectives periodically to make sure that evangelism is given priority.

- 2. Include within job descriptions and in-service training suitable information for both Adventists and non-Adventists on the role individuals play in the mission of the institution.
 - 3. Assign the coordination of evangelism to one specific person.
- 4. Make evangelism a major item of business during at least one board meeting each year.
- 5. Mesh the institutional program and its personnel into the overall evangelistic outreach of the Church.

CREATING A POSITIVE IMAGE FOR THE CHURCH'S INSTITUTIONS

VOTED, To initiate a more vigorous program to improve the public image of the church and its institutions by:

- 1. Encouraging, our members and institutions, wherever doctrine or principle is not threatened, to identify with the legitimate hopes, plans and ambitions of their nation, city and community.
- 2. Contributing church experience and expertise in health planning, temperance leadership, and disaster aid to community and national programs.
- 3. Developing and maintaining contact with government and business officials and with mass media personnel, educators and other thought leaders.

- 4. Providing sufficient staff so that Department of Communication secretaries and public relations directors of institutions may, in counsel with the administration, develop plans to enhance the image of the church and its institutions, and may structure and implement an adequate news and information program.
- 5. Indentifying clearly all institutions and churches with the denomination, including on their signs the full name of the Church.
- 6. Working within our educational and health-care institutions in the following ways:
- a. Making literature on our beliefs and standards readily available for non-Adventist staff, students and visitors.
- b. Training Seventh-day Adventist staff in principles of Christian communication.
- c. Communicating clearly to Adventist and non-Adventist staff and students what the church believes and upholds and the Biblical reason for these standards.

S D A TEACHERS IN S D A SCHOOLS

VOTED, To reaffirm the denominational position that Seventh-day Adventist schools, both church and mission, operate with Seventh-day Adventist teachers, and that where the employment of a non-Seventh-day Adventist teacher is unavoidable, the approval of the responsible conference/mission executive committee, in consultation with the union Education Department secretary be first obtained, and such appointments be only on a temporary basis. Where a school is directly under union supervision, this principle shall also apply.

Adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Prayer was offered by Roy F Williams, Associate Secretary of the General Conference.

C Dunbar Henri, Chairman Roy F Williams, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary

Two Hundred Seventeenth Meeting

GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

October 15, 1973, 8:30 a.m.

DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

Michael Stevenson of the Youth Department led the song service.

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" was the opening hymn announced by Robert Everett, pastor of the Des Moines, Iowa, church. Prayer was offered by C W Skantz, President of the Oklahoma Conference. Special music was a violin solo by Karl Bahr of the General Conference staff, "Adagio" from Sonata III by Handel, accompanied on the piano by Mrs Karl Bahr.

N R Dower, Secretary of the Ministerial Association, spoke on the subject, "What is True Reformation?"

What is true reformation? "It signifies reorganization, a change in ideas and theories, habits and practices."

Is true reformation necessary? "A revival and reformation must take place, under the ministration of the Holy Spirit. . . . Unless this takes place, those who are lukewarm will continue to grow more abhorrent to the Lord, until He will refuse to acknowledge them as His children."

How does true reformation come about? "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith." This means a daily practice of the presence of God.

What will be the results of true reformation? "Then, a multitude not of their faith, seeing that God is with His people, will unite with them in serving the Redeemer."

Robert H Pierson requested a response to the appeal of the speaker for reformatory action, addressing first the General Conference family, then North American and world leaders. It seemed that the entire congregation, individually, thoughtfully, moved forward to signify personal repentance, reformation, and dedication.

Prayer was offered by C H Lauda and Neal C Wilson.

As the Council reconvened, R H Pierson continued addressing the leaders of the world Church, introducing his remarks with the following quotation from <u>Selected Messages</u>, Book 2, page 391: "Fearful perils are before those who bear responsibilities in the Lord's work--perils the thought of which makes me tremble." He enumerated some of the perils and needs which face God's leaders:

1. An unprepared Church

- 2. The Message being subtly attacked through questioning of the inspiration of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy
 - 3. Institutions that need redirection by Board chairmen and administrators
 - 4. A Church leadership in need of revival and recommitment
- 5. A Church drifting away from the study of God's Word--a need for revival in Bible study
- 6. Homes that need help to cope with modern pressures—a need to reestablish the family altar
 - 7. Need for first-love witnessing
 - 8. Need for first-love giving
- 9. Need for a revival of Bible-based preaching that stresses Christ our Righteousness.

Elder Pierson continued by reading statements from the Spirit of Prophecy concerning areas in which the Church has drifted from the true course. Attention was drawn to the undesirability of building large institutions instead of small ones, to the practice of drug medication and other aspects of health reform which have been neglected, to the use of music that is not acceptable to God, to unnecessary obedience to fashion, and to the reading of cheap works of fiction.

World conditions demand the coming of the Lord. Suggestions on how to bring this about included study by all committees and boards placing new emphasis on Bible study and prayer, holding spiritual retreats, and restudying the objectives of the departmental work. All were urged to give spiritual needs first place on their committee agendas.

Satan is not pleased with the call to revival and will strive insidiously to hinder the work of reform. Some fellow workers may accuse leaders in the Church of being fanatical, obstructionist, of attempting the impossible, of alienating the youth, of being anti-intellectualists. The speaker called for those who were willing to move forward in the work of revival and reform to speak of their determination.

General Conference officers, heads of departments, associate secretaries, leaders in publishing, health-care, and educational institutions, as well as division and field leaders and other workers, expressed deep appreciation of the unusual spiritual emphasis permeating the Council, and gratitude for personal inspiration received, while pledging their whole-hearted support of the program outlined by the General Conference President. In spite of the several hours devoted to this entire spiritual exercise, many who wished were unable to testify.

Herbert E Douglass, one of the associate editors of the Review and Herald offered prayer.

Robert H Pierson, Chairman B E Seton, Secretary Martha Horn, Recording Secretary