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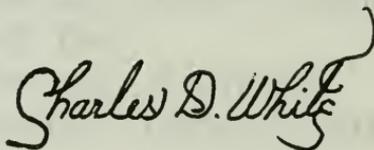
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Sutton, William A.	North Georgia
Williams, George R.	North Mississippi
Wilson, T. R.	Georgia—C
Winchester, Clarence M.	North Carolina-Virginia
Wood, George S.	Louisville
Woodard, F. O.	Mississippi—C
Wright, George A.	South Georgia
Yancey, Charles L.	Memphis

SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION

Adrian, Paul B.	Kansas—EUB
Allman, S. H.	Little Rock
<i>Bayliss, John A.</i>	North Arkansas
Bennett, Gordon R.	Northwest Texas
<i>Borger, Clarence J.</i>	Central Kansas
<i>Bott, LeRoy A.</i>	Kansas—EUB
<i>Boyd, Marvin L.</i>	Northwest Texas
<i>Bramble, Albert F.</i>	Kansas
Brown, Mrs. Norton	Missouri West
Bumpers, E. Clay	North Arkansas
<i>Clark, Alva H.</i>	Nebraska
Cotton, W. D.	Louisiana
<i>Crandall, C. H.</i>	Missouri—EUB
<i>Crutchfield, Finis A.</i>	Oklahoma
<i>Dixon, Ernest T., Jr.</i>	West Texas
Egan, James A.	Oklahoma
<i>Felder, Luther B.</i>	Texas—C
<i>Firestone, Lymon</i>	Missouri West
Frey, John H.	Nebraska
Goens, Ray W.	Texas
<i>Gonzalez, Josue</i>	Rio Grande
<i>Gray, Roderick E.</i>	Oklahoma-Texas—EUB
<i>Hager, Wesley H.</i>	Missouri East
Hamburger, Irvin	Oklahoma-Texas—EUB
<i>Handy, W. T., Jr.</i>	Louisiana—C
Hawkins, J. Clinton	Missouri East
<i>Heim, Richard A.</i>	Nebraska—EUB
Hoyt, James	Nebraska—EUB
Humphrey, L. A., Jr.	Texas—C
Johnson, Henry	Southwest—C
King, John T.	West Texas
<i>McCleskey, Wayne</i>	Texas
McMillan, Orval	Missouri—EUB
<i>Middlebrooks, Bob W.</i>	North Texas
Moyer, C. I.	Kansas
Netterville, G. Leon, Jr.	Louisiana—C
<i>Oliphint, Ben R.</i>	Louisiana
<i>Phillips, Joe R., Jr.</i>	Little Rock
<i>Riley, Negail R.</i>	Southwest—C
<i>Rohlf's, Claus H.</i>	Southwest Texas
Rupert, Thomas W.	Central Kansas
<i>Seiler, Ralph H.</i>	New Mexico
Steele, Sam	New Mexico

Tate, Willis M.	North Texas
Walker, James M.	Southwest Texas
Walker, Morris D.	Central Texas
Weaver, Bruce	Central Texas
Zepeda, Pete	Rio Grande

WESTERN JURISDICTION

Albertson, C. Gene	Oregon
Ballantyne, V. A.	Pacific Northwest—EUB
Cain, Richard W.	Southern California-Arizona
Doenges, R. S.	Rocky Mountain
Donahue, L. A.	Montana—EUB
Eby, Mrs. John	Pacific Northwest
Harper, George	Montana
Hehr, Roy	Northwest Canada—EUB
Hole, J. Wesley	Southern California-Arizona
Jesse, T. E.	Northwest Canada—EUB
Moeller, Romane	Rocky Mountain—EUB
Nichols, L. C.	Rocky Mountain—EUB
Potthoff, Harvey H.	Rocky Mountain
Riddle, Earl W.	Idaho
Schafer, O. E.	California—EUB
Schmidt, Chris W.	California—EUB
Schwiebert, Erwin H.	Idaho
Strutz, Reuben R.	Montana—EUB
Thurman, Arthur V.	California-Nevada
Tuell, Jack	Pacific Northwest
Watson, Mrs. Russell O.	Oregon
Webber, Frank	California-Nevada
Wix, Robert O.	Montana
Wright, Alton	Pacific Northwest—EUB

PERSONNEL OF THE UNITING CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Annual Conference delegations are here listed alphabetically by conferences. The name of delegates, ministerial (in *italics*) and lay, appear in order of their election, with appointments or occupations and addresses. The names of the reserve delegates of each Annual Conference follow in similar fashion.

The figure after the Annual Conference name in each heading is the total number of delegates to which it is entitled (see *Discipline*, Pars. 5, 7, 23, 501), and is followed by the abbreviation for its Jurisdiction or for "overseas." Underneath the heading is shown the seating location in the conference hall assigned to that Annual Conference. The chairman of the delegation is indicated by an asterisk (*).

Appointments of ministerial delegates are indicated by such designations as district superintendent or by pastor. Note that the appointments shown here are as of the time of election. Occupations of lay delegates are shown by common abbreviations, and in addition their Conference offices (such as lay leader, etc.) are given so far as reported.

Note: *Italics* denote ministerial delegates. Asterisk (*) denotes chairman of delegation.

In the cases of Methodist Annual Conferences, delegates listed will serve for The Methodist General Conference, The Uniting Conference and The General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

In the cases of Evangelical United Brethren Conferences, delegates listed will serve for the adjourned session of the Evangelical United Brethren General Conference and The Uniting Conference only. Those whose names are shown with an (✓) will serve as delegates to The General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

DELEGATES ELECTED BY CONFERENCES OF THE EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH CALIFORNIA—EUB (8) W

Sec. D, Rows 19-20, Seats 9-12

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Reserves

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Henricks, Q. E.; Pastor and Conf. Treas.; 4112 West Slauson Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90043.

Cosby, J. W.; Businessman; 3212 Tobari Court, Sacramento, Calif. 95821.

Igo, Dale; Mgr. Ozarka Water Co.; 5516 Ridgetown Cir., Dallas, Tex. 75230.

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CANADA—EUB (6) NE

Sec. A, Row 9, Seats 1-6

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Faist, F. H.; Pastor; 51 Roy St., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

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Bauman, L. G.; Retired banker; 37 Gatewood Rd., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

Bruegeman, Harry; Insurance salesman; Hanover, Ontario, Canada.

Draker, Norman; Foreman steelplant; 118 Duncombe Rd., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

Reserves

Dahms, J. V.; 340 Park St., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

Getz, J. H.; Pastor and Editor "The Canadian Evangel"; 378 Murray St., Pembroke, Ontario, Canada.

Strome, G. R.; Conf. Sec.; Box 445, Hanover, Ontario, Canada.

Fishbein, Harry; Automotive business; 12 Englewood Pl., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

Gerster, H. C.; Lumber sales and contracting; 298 Algonquin Dr., Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

Pletsch, Walter; Farmer; Rt. 3, Clifford, Ontario, Canada.

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Sec. B, Rows 3-4, Seats 1-4

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(✓) *Haugen, Cliff*; Postal clerk; 317 21st Ave., N., Fargo, N. D. 58102.

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Johnson, Robert; North Optical Company; 2304 Seventh Ave., Minot, N. D. 58701.

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Erdmann, E. W.; Pastor; 2012 Hannaford, Bismarck, N. D. 58501.

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Sec. E, Row 1, Seats 5-6

(✓) **Eckstein, D. H.*; Superintendent; Berlin 41, Handjerystr. 52/53, DDR.

(✓) *Falk, T.*; Superintendent; 13 Eberswalde, Str. der Fimgen, Pioniere, Ta DDR.

Reserves

Meinhardt, W.; Pastor; 1 Berlin 61, Dieffenbachstr. 39, DDR.

Seifert, H.; Pastor; 608 Schmalkaden, Geachw-Schollstr. 24, DDR.

EASTERN—EUB (32) NE

Sec. D, Rows 5-6, 7-8, Seats 8-12, 1-12

- (✓) *Mentzer, Warren F.; Dist. Supt.; 3920 Woodvale Rd., Harrisburg, Pa. 17109.
- (✓) Zehner, Henry W.; Dist. Supt.; 1117 Allengrove St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19124.
- (✓) Kachel, Charles E.; Dist. Supt.; 1608 North 15th St., Reading, Pa. 19604.
- (✓) Ranck, Ezra H.; Conf. Dir. of Christian Education and Program; 900 South Arlington Ave., Harrisburg, Pa. 17109.
- (✓) Schneider, Carl M.; Pastor; P. O. Box 6146, Linglestown, Pa. 17112.
- Guinivan, Thomas W.; Pastor; 64 West Chocolate Ave., Hershey, Pa. 17033.
- Loesch, Warren A.; Ex. Sec. Conf. Bd. of Miss.; 900 South Arlington Ave., Harrisburg, Pa. 17109.
- Shearer, Daniel L.; Pastor; 210 West Main St., Hummelstown, Pa. 17036.
- Deibler, Walter E.; Pastor and Conf. Sec.; 510 Walnut St., Columbia, Pa. 17512.
- Zechman, Harry W.; Pastor; 651 South Green St., Palmyra, Pa. 17078.
- Hostetter, Mark J.; Pastor; 400 North Spruce St., Elizabethtown, Pa. 17022.
- Peiffer, H. S.; Pastor; 35 Wilson Dr., Lancaster, Pa. 17603.
- May, Thomas; Pastor; 2403 Bellevue Rd., Harrisburg, Pa. 17104.
- Bashore, George W.; Pastor; 138 South Sixth St., Reading, Pa. 19602.
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- Fegley, D. L.; Pastor; 286 West High St., Hummelstown, Pa. 17036.
- (✓) Estilow, U. S.; Professor; Lincoln Mill Rd., Mullica Hill, N. J. 08062.
- (✓) Whitcraft, James H.; Accountant; 900 South Arlington Ave., Harrisburg, Pa. 17109.
- (✓) Shroyer, Lawton W.; Manufacturer; 515 East Dewart St., Shamokin, Pa. 17872.
- (✓) Hoffer, Paul F.; Merchant; 138 West Frederick St., Millersville, Pa. 17551.
- (✓) Quickel, Harold W.; Purchasing Agent; 128 Atkins Ave., Lancaster, Pa. 17603.
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- Spangler, A. C.; Tax collector; Campbelltown, Pa. 17010.
- Bryson, William D.; Textile Mfgr.; 40 West Sunset Ave., Ephrata, Pa. 17522.
- Barth, Frederick H.; College President; 5016 Grant Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. 19114.
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- Ranck, J. Allan*; 97 Montclair Ave., Montclair, N. J. 07042.
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ERIE—EUB (8) NE

Sec. B, Rows 17-18, Seats 1-4

- (✓) **Donelson, Glenn E.*; Dist. Supt.; 222 Park St., Jamestown, N. Y. 14701.
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(✓) *Johnson, Andrew*; Dentist; 25 Looker Mountain Trail, Bradford, Pa. 16701.
Ledebur, Gilbert; Foreman Cil Co.; Derrick City, Pa. 16727.
McGill, Mrs. Ruth; Housewife; 18 Guyton St., Jamestown, N. Y. 14701.
Rote, S. Eugene; United National Gas; Duke Center, Pa. 16729.

Reserves

- Burdick, Harold A.*; Pastor; 688 South Kendall Ave., Bradford, Pa. 16701.
Andevine, Jerry F.; Pastor; 151 Laurel St., Buffalo, N. Y. 14208.
Donelson, F. Eugene; Pastor; 26 Second St., Youngsville, Pa. 16371.
Hansen, Leo R.; Pastor; 42 Kennedy St., Bradford, Pa. 16701.
Houser, Lloyd O.; (Transferred).
Ostrander, David L.; Pastor; 281 North Main St., Pleasantville, Pa. 16341.
Childs, Carl; Drilling Contractor; Little Genesee, N. Y. 14754.
Erickson, William; 21 Berva Dr., Bradford, Pa. 16701.
Mallery, John; County Supt. of Schools; 229 Carver St., Warren, Pa. 16365.
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Thompson, Roy; Horticulture; Clarence Center, N. Y. 14032.

FLORIDA-EUB (4) SE

Sec. D, Rows 9-10, Seats 11-12

- (✓) **Hawk, William G.*; Dist. Supt.; 810 Demington St., Lakeland, Fla. 33803.
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Reserves

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ILLINOIS-EUB (22) NC

Sec. D, Rows 11-12, Seats 1-11

- Batt, Samuel*; Pastor; 121 West Lincoln Ave., Barrington, Illinois 60010.

- (✓) *Bouldin, John R.*; Pastor; 808 Warrington Rd., Deerfield, Illinois 60015.
- (✓) **Cravens, Sherman A.*; Asst. to Ex. Sec. Bd. of Pensions; 3571 Otterbein Ave., Dayton, O. 45406.
- Ebinger, Warren R.*; Pastor; 20 North Center St., Naperville, Ill. 60540.
- Eller, Paul H.*; Prof. Evangelical Theological Seminary; 308 East Chicago Ave., Naperville, Ill. 60540.
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- (✓) *Hess, Wayne C.*; Conf. Dir. of Program; 1211 North Park, Bloomington, Ill. 61701.
- (✓) *Landis, O. F.*; Dist. Supt.; 14 Delwood Dr., Decatur, Ill. 62521.
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- Simpson, Keith B.*; Pastor; Rt. 1, Box 94A, Naperville, Ill. 60540.
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- (✓) *Durbin, Fred C.*; C.P.A.; 1325 North Monroe St., Decatur, Ill. 62521.
- Fager, Floyd*; Retired; 1908 Pierce Ave., Rockford, Ill. 61103.
- (✓) *Getz, Walter P.*; Finance Dept. C.N.W.; 3043 North Kenneth Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60641.
- (✓) *Heiple, Frank*; Farmer-Bank Dir.; Rt. 2, Washington, Ill. 61571.
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Reserves

- Tholin, Richard*; Professor; 15 North Columbia Ave., Naperville, Ill. 60540.
- Will, James E.*; 49 Golden Larch Dr., Naperville, Ill. 60540.
- Catlin, Dale*; Pastor; 555 South Day St., Galesburg, Ill. 61401.
- Jacobs, George E.*; Pastor; 802 Hinman St., Aurora, Ill. 60505.
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INDIANA NORTH-EUB (18) NC

Sec. E, Rows 14-15, Seats 1-9

- (✓) **Carlson, V. A.*; Dist. Supt.; 629 Marleton Rd., Logansport, Ind. 46947.
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Reserves

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INDIANA SOUTH-EUB (20) NC

Sec. E, Rows 20-21, Seats 1-10

- Achor, Homer W.*; Pastor; 1910 Mock Ave., Muncie, Ind. 47302.
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 (✓) *Merryman, K. K.*; Dist. Supt.; 4250 Otterbein Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. 46227.
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IOWA-EUB (14) NC

Sec. E, Rows 4-5, Seats 3-9

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(✓) *Faust, Carl*; Farmer; Hubbard, Iowa 50122.

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(✓) *Marty, Wayne*; College Professor; Rt. 2, LeMars, Ia. 51031.

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Reserves

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KANSAS-EUB (16) SC

Sec. C, Rows 5-6, Seats 5-12

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(✓) *Dreier, Walter*; Realtor; 2921 Lincoln, Topeka, Kas. 66611.

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Schlender, Melvin C.; Dentist; 904 Stratford Rd., Wichita, Kas. 67207.

Stiller, Homer; Rural mail carrier; 710 Sherman, Marion, Kansas 67861.

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Reserves

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KENTUCKY-EUB (2) SE

Sec. C, Row 4, Seats 5-6

(✓) **Bischoff, John W.*; Dist. Supt.; Red Bird Mission, Beverly, Ky. 40913.

(✓) Slothour, Edward; Medical Doctor; Red Bird Mission, Beverly, Ky. 40913.

Reserves

Airhart, Robert E.; (Transferred).
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MICHIGAN-EUB (16) NC

Sec. B, Rows 19-20, Seats 5-12

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Kellerman, Garfield, Jr.; Dist. Supt.; 17200 Plainview Rd., Detroit, Mich. 48219.
(✓) *Liesemer, Newell*; Asst. Administ.; Haven Hubbard Home, New Carlisle, Ind. 46552.
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SIERRA LEONE (WEST AFRICA)—EUB (2) OS

Sec. D, Rows 15-16, Seats 12

- (✓) **Carew, B. A.*; Superintendent; Taiama, via Mano, W. Africa.
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SOUTH GERMANY—EUB (2) OS

Sec. E, Row 1, Seats 7-8

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WEST GERMANY—EUB (2) OS

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DELHI (2) OS

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INDUS RIVER (2) OS

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LITTLE ROCK (6) SC

Sec. D, Rows 1-2, Seats 10-12

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LOUISIANA (10) SC

Sec. E, Rows 10-11, Seats 6-10

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LOUISVILLE (8) SE

Sec. B, Rows 19-20, Seats 1-4

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LUCKNOW (2) OS

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MID CHINA (2) OS

No delegates elected.

MIDDLE PHILIPPINES (2) OS

Sec. F, Row 5, Seats 5-6

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MINDANAO (2) OS

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Sec. E, Rows 6-7, Seats 1-5

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Sec. B, Rows 1-2, Seats 9-12

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Sec. E, Rows 12-13, Seats 8-12

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MISSOURI WEST (10) SC

Sec. E, Rows 10-11, Seats 1-5

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MORADABAD (2) OS

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WEST CHINA (2) OS

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Sec. E, Rows 18-19, Seats 1-3

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WYOMING (6) NE

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- Newing, Ralph L.*; Retired; 21 Hedge Pl., Kingston, Pa. 18704.
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YENPING (2) OS

No delegates elected.

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- 1 *Grover C. Bagby*, Division of Human Relations and Economic Affairs, Board of Christian Social Concerns.
- 2 *Richard H. Bauer*, Interboard Committee on Christian Vocations.
- 3 *Henry M. Bullock*, Editorial Division, Board of Education.
- 4 *J. Edward Carothers*, Division of National Missions, Board of Missions.

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- 10 *Don A. Cooke*, Council on World Service and Finance.
- 11 *Albea Godbold*, Association of Methodist Historical Societies.
- 12 *Howard Greenwalt*, Commission on Promotion and Cultivation.

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- 1 *J. Harry Haines*, Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief.
- 2 *Howard Ham*, Division of the Local Church, Board of Education.
- 3 *Laton E. Holmgren*, American Bible Society.
- 4 *Claire C. Hoyt*, Board of Pensions.
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- 6 *Robert W. Huston*, Commission on Ecumenical Affairs.
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- 10 *John R. McLaughlin*, Commission on Chaplains.
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- 9 *Lovick Pierce*, Methodist Publishing House.
- 10 *Herman Will, Jr.*, Division of Peace and World Order, Board of Christian Social Concerns.

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Sec. A, Row 14

Seat

- 1 *Ake, Dr. Frank W.*, Sec., Northeastern Jurisdiction.
- 2 *Jorns, Dr. E. L.*, Sec., South Central Jurisdiction.
- 3 *Powers, Dr. Merrill*, Sec., North Central Jurisdiction.

Sec. F, Row 14, Seats 1-6

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BULGARIA PROVISIONAL (1) OS

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FINLAND-FINNISH PROVISIONAL (1) OS

Sec. A, Row 12, Seat 1

No delegates elected.

FINLAND-SWEDISH PROVISIONAL (1) OS

Sec. A, Row 12, Seat 2

No delegates elected.

HONG KONG PROVISIONAL (1) OS

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METHODIST CHURCH OF BRAZIL (2) OS

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METHODIST CHURCH OF INDONESIA (2) OS

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST OF OKINAWA (2) OS

Sec. F, Row 12, Seats 1-2

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<i>Acheson, Robert E.</i> (11)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Achor Homer W.</i> (5)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Acher, T. E.</i> (3)	Texas (SC)
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<i>Adams, Kenneth W.</i> (5)	California-Nevada (W)
Adams Lloyd S. (9)	Memphis (SE)
Adams, Quinton D. (4)	Central Alabama (C)
<i>Adams, Robert H., Jr.</i> (11)	West Wisconsin (NC)
Ade, C. H. (10)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Adrian, Paul B. (10)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Ahlbeck, Suyurd A.</i>	Sweden (OS)
Akamine, Ernest K. (5)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Albertson, Gene</i> (6)	Oregon (W)
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<i>Aldrich, Charles S.</i> (3)	Western New York (NE)
Alford, J. W.	Mississippi (SE)
Allen, Mrs A. N. (11)	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Allen, E. Leo</i> (5)	Texas (SC)
Allen, Jack C. (2)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Allen, L. Scott</i> (Episcopacy)	Georgia (C)
Allen, Ray (9)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Allman, S. H. (4)	Little Rock (SC)
Alt, Clayton (4)	New York-EUB (NE)
Alter, Chester M. (11)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Amark, Curt (1)	Sweden (OS)
Ammerman, Carl (4)	Detroit (NC)
<i>Ammons, Edsel D.</i> (2)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Amoss, Howard M.</i> (5)	Peninsula (NE)
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Anderson, Walter F. (5)	North Carolina (SE)
Anderson, Mrs. Winthrop (11)	New England (NE)
<i>Andrews David H.</i> (7)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Angel, Bill</i> (5)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Angeles, Pedro S. (7)	Philippines (OS)
Anthony, Miss Lois (14)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Appel, R. E.</i> (6)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Appelgate, William P. (4)	North Iowa (NC)
Arant, Mrs. F. S. (2)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Armentrout, Olin (10)	Holston (SE)
<i>Armstrong, A. James</i> (11)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Asis, Benjamin</i> (7)	Northern Philippines (OS)
Atkinson, George H. (2)	California-Nevada (W)
Austin, Jeff (13)	Texas (SC)
<i>Averitt, James W.</i> (6)	Louisville (SE)
Babcock, Charles I., Jr. (9)	Florida (SE)
Brackenson, Henry L. (7)	Southern New Jersey (NE)

<i>Bailen, Gregorio R.</i> (12)	Northwest Philippines (OS)
<i>Bailey, A. Purnell</i> (3)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Bailey, Joe N., Jr.</i> (2)	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Baker, Frank E.</i> (10)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Baker, Henry H.</i> (13)	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>Baker, Leo L.</i> (4)	North Texas (SC)
<i>Ballantyne, V. A.</i> (6)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Barclift, Chancie D.</i> (2)	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Barnes, Bryce</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Barnes, Donald</i> (5)	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Barnes, H. Keener</i> (14)	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Barnett, I. Nels</i> (7)	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Barnhardt, Mrs. Leslie E.</i> (11)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Barr, Mrs. C. A.</i> (5)	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Bartges, Woodrow A.</i> (7)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Barth, Frederick H.</i> (3)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Barto, Mrs. Kenneth S.</i> (7)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Bartram, Harvey E.</i> (5)	Montana-EUB (W)
<i>Bascom, Lester R.</i> (4)	Central New York (NE)
<i>Bashore, George W.</i> (1)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Baskerville, M. Trevor</i> (6)	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Batt, Samuel</i> (1)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Bauman, L. G.</i> (7)	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Bayliss, John A.</i> (2)	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Beams, Glen</i> (12)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Beard, Mrs. John L.</i> (7)	North Texas (SC)
<i>Bearden, Robert E. L.</i> (11)	Little Rock (SC)
<i>Beatty, W. C.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Beatty, William M.</i> (4)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Bell, Harry (deceased)</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Bell, Thomas</i> (4)	New England Southern (NE)
<i>Belt, Mrs. Abram D.</i> (13)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Beltrami, José R.</i> (1)	Uruguay (OS)
<i>Beltran, Rodolfo C.</i> (12)	Middle Philippines (OS)
<i>Bender, Gordon R.</i> (14)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Benfer, Mrs. Kenneth L.</i> (10)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Bennett, Alfred E.</i> (9)	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Bennett, Gordon</i> (3)	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Bergeman, Harold L.</i> (10)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Bergland, John</i> (13)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Bergwall, Evan H.</i> (13)	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Bertholf, Lloyd M.</i> (4)	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Bethea, Joseph B.</i> (2)	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
<i>Bickel, Hans</i> (6)	Switzerland (OS)
<i>Bickham, Mrs. R. W.</i> (11)	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Biddle, Roger E.</i>	Kansas (SC)
<i>Biggs, Doit</i> (6)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Biggs, George</i> (8)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bingham, Clifford</i> (13)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Bischoff, John W.</i> (7)	Kentucky-EUB (SE)
<i>Bishop, Mrs. G. O.</i> (7)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bishop, William E.</i> (5)	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Bittner, Dwight M.</i> (4)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bjerno, Henning</i> (9)	Denmark (OS)
<i>Bjork, Virgil V.</i> (6)	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Black, Leslie</i> (6)	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Black, Roy</i> (4)	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Blackburn, Robert M.</i> (4)	Florida (SE)
<i>Blackstone, Franklin, Jr.</i> (12)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Blanset, Harry R.</i> (12)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)

Blessing, Roy (7)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Blethen, Harry S. (10)	West Virginia (NE)
Bletscher, Robert D.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Blickenstaff, T. C. (4)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Bly, Ned S. (7)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Boda, Harold (3)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Boettcher, Roy (2)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Bohn, D. B.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Bollman, Fred G. (7)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Bond, R. H.	Memphis (SE)
Bonds, Alfred B. (2)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Boobar, Lester L. (6)	Maine (NE)
Booth, Dale (3)	Little Rock (SC)
Borger, Clarence J. (6)	Central Kansas (SC)
Bosley, Harold A. (1)	New York (NE)
Bosserman, Roy E. (12)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Bosshardt, Floyd E. (3)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Bosshardt, O. A. (3)	California-EUB (W)
Bott, Leroy A. (13)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Bouldin, John R. (2)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Bowen, John (8)	Ohio (NC)
Boyd, Marvin L. (6)	Northwest Texas (SC)
Boyer, Gene (9)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Bozeman, W. Scott (3)	Florida (SE)
Bracy, Carl C. (Resigned)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Brady, Bland (2)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Bragg, Emerson D. (6)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Bramble, Albert F. (13)	Kansas (SC)
Bramlett, Sam (4)	Texas (SC)
Brandhorst, Mrs. Edward (11)	Missouri East (SC)
Brandyberry, A. L. (10)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Brannon, W. L. (12)	South Carolina (SE)
Brannon, William C. (8)	North Alabama (SE)
Brant, Walter R. (3)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Brawn, J. Melvin (5)	California-EUB (W)
Bray, Jerry G. (2)	Virginia (SE)
Bridges, Ramsey (6)	West Virginia (NE)
Bristow, Carroll D. (13)	Baltimore (NE)
Brooks, David W. (6)	North Georgia (SE)
Brower, Floyd V. (5)	Missouri East (SC)
Brown, Mrs Byrle (14)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Brown, Claude W. (8)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Brown, Miss Marion (3)	Ohio (NC)
Brown, Mrs. Norton (7)	Missouri West (SC)
Brown, Prentiss M., Jr. (12)	Detroit (NC)
Brown, Rainsford A., Sr. (10)	North Iowa (NC)
Brown, Mrs. Russell (7)	Nebraska (SC)
Brown, W.	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Brox, H. L. (5)	Canada-EUB (NE)
Bruce, S. Duane (7)	Northwest Texas (SC)
Bruegeman, Harry (8)	Canada-EUB (NE)
Bruns, Johann M. (6)	Northwest Germany (OS)
Bryan, Monk (14)	Missouri East (SC)
Bryson, William D. (9)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Buckley, Howard (14)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Bumpers, E. Clay (4)	North Arkansas (SC)
Burgess, Harold R. (10)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Burns, Lacy H. (Deceased)	West Virginia (NE)
Burns, Robert E.	California-Nevada (W)
Burton, William N. (7)	Indiana (NC)

Bush, Wilkie (1)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Butterbaugh, Carl (9)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Buzzard, T. R. (2)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Byus, William A., Jr. (4)	West Virginia (NE)
Cabrera, Ishmael	Puerto Rico Provisional (NE)
Cain, Mrs. James S. (7)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Cain, Richard W. (6)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Caines, Mrs. A. N. (7)	North Iowa (NC)
Calata, Froilan B. (4)	Northern Philippines (OS)
Calkins, Raoul C. (1)	Ohio (NC)
Calvo, Samuel	Costa Rica (OS)
Campbell, Raymond C. (12)	Holston (SE)
Cannon, William R. (6)	North Georgia (SE)
Cansfield, Mrs. William H. (11)	Detroit (NC)
Capps, Mrs. S. V., Jr (7)	North Alabama (SE)
Carew, B. A. (14)	Sierra Leone-EUB (OS)
Carleton, Alsie H. (5)	North Texas (SC)
Carlson, V. A. (8)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Carrasco, Carlos (3)	Peru (OS)
Carrayway, James L. (8)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Carrell, Mrs. John W. (11)	California-Nevada (W)
Carroll, Edward G. (2)	Baltimore (NE)
Carson, Robert W. (4)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Cate, George C., Jr. (11)	Tennessee (SE)
Chacon, Arturo (1)	Chile (OS)
Chaffee, Paul V. (3)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Chamberlain, P. Edison (5)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Chambers, John (6)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Chambers, M. W. (13)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Chandler, George P. (8)	Peninsula (NE)
Chilcote, Thomas F. (13)	Holston (SE)
Chinn, Harvey N. (8)	California-EUB (W)
Chittum, John W. (9)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Ciampa, Donald N. (11)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Clardy, Mrs. Sara (1)	Missouri East (SC)
Clark, Alva H. (6)	Nebraska (SC)
Clark, Loren (4)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Clay, Thomas B. (4)	Western New York (NE)
Clem, Paul L. (3)	North Alabama (SE)
Cleveland, Millard C. (8)	Florida (SE)
Clinton, Gordon (Resigned)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Clive, Elliot D. (6)	Delhi (OS)
Close, Robert L. (13)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Clymer, Merritt (8)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Cobb, Mrs. Ed (11)	Nebraska (SC)
Cobb, Heedlie M. (3)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Cochran, Mrs. F. Morris (7)	New England Southern (NE)
Cochran, Robert E. (11)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Coffin Wayne W. (9)	Oklahoma (SC)
Coffman, Floyd H. (2)	Kansas (SC)
Colaw, Emerson S. (6)	Ohio (NC)
Cole, Thomas W. (3)	Texas (C)
Colpitts, A. Hunter (2)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Colwell, Ernest C. (3)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Cooke, George W. (1)	Western New York (NE)
Cooke, Mrs. Monroe (1)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Cooke, R. Jervis (7)	Peninsula (NE)
Coons, Mrs. Lester V. (13)	South Iowa (NC)
Cooper, Joel A. (6)	North Arkansas (SC)

<i>Corl, Daniel D.</i> (7)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NC)
<i>Cotton, W. Davis</i> (2)	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>Courtney, Robert H.</i> (2)	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Crabtree, Mrs. E. L.</i> (7)	Louisville	(SE)
<i>Cramer, Solomon G.</i> (1)	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Crandall, C. H.</i> (2)	Missouri-EUB	(SC)
<i>Cravens, Sherman A.</i> (8)	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Crawford, Arthur M.</i> (2)	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Crawford, Gene P.</i> (13)	Indiana South-EUB	(NC)
<i>Crawford, J. Howard</i> (8)	Northwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Crawford, Nace</i> (14)	Texas	(SC)
<i>Crawford, R. M.</i> (4)	Indian South-EUB	(NC)
<i>Crede, Harry S.</i> (2)	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Creech, Harlan L., Jr.</i> (13)	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Creighton, Russell</i> (10)	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Cressman, Paul, Sr.</i> (4)	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Crippen, James</i> (8)	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Crompton, J. Rolland</i> (3)	Wyoming	(NE)
<i>Cromwell, Thomas L.</i> (13)	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Crummey, D. Clifford</i> (10)	California-Nevada	(W)
<i>Crump, Alphonso W.</i> (1)	Mississippi	(C)
<i>Crutchfield, Finis A.</i> (6)	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Cryer, Donald W.</i> (7)	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Cubbage, Mrs. Mary</i> (2)	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Culp, Jesse A.</i> (4)	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Culver, Paul</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
<i>Cunningham, Francis T.</i> (2)	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Currie, Margaret</i>	Maine	(NE)
<i>Curtis, Charles M.</i> (3)	Central Kansas	(SC)
<i>Curry, Mrs. Earl T.</i> (11)	Kentucky	(SE)
<i>Cushman, Robert E.</i> (6)	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>d'Almeida, Gaspar</i>	Angola	(OS)
<i>Darling, Howard H.</i> (8)	New York	(NE)
<i>Daugherty, Robert M.</i> (7)	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Davis, George</i> (4)	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Davis, Jack, Jr.</i> (10)	Ohio Miami-EUB	(NC)
<i>Davis, Joseph M.</i> (5)	Central Congo	(OS)
<i>Davis, Laurence R.</i> (13)	Nebraska	(SC)
<i>Dean, Mrs. Barton</i> (7)	Kansas	(SC)
<i>Deaver, L. E.</i> (9)	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Decker, Mrs. E. Moore</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>Decker, Kermit</i> (13)	Minnesota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Deever, Paul S.</i> (14)	Kansas-EUB	(SC)
<i>Deibler, Walter E.</i> (8)	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Deimert, E. E.</i> (12)	Northwest Canada-EUB	(W)
<i>DeLong, Dale</i> (8)	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Delp, Owen</i> (14)	Ohio Miami-EUB	(NC)
<i>Deschner, John W., Jr.</i> (6)	Southwest Texas	(SC)
<i>DeWeese, Owen</i> (2)	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>DeWitt, Jesse R.</i> (2)	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Dickey, Edwin H.</i> (6)	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Dietrich, Clyde W.</i> (7)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>Dill, R. Laurence, Jr.</i> (2)	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Dillard, R. L., Jr.</i> (1)	North Texas	(SC)
<i>Dixon, Mrs. Edgar F.</i> (7)	Little Rock	(SC)
<i>Dixon, Ernest T., Jr.</i> (3)	West Texas	(C)
<i>Dixon, Vernon H.</i> (4)	Tennessee-Kentucky	(C)
<i>Dodgen, Ethan W.</i> (1)	North Arkansas	(SC)
<i>Dodson, Thurman L.</i> (8)	Baltimore	(NE)

Doenges, R. S. (4)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Doenges, William C. (10)	Oklahoma (SC)
Dominick, Frank (1)	North Alabama (SE)
Donahue, L. A.	Montana-EUB (W)
Don Carlos, Waldo E. (4)	South Iowa (NC)
Donelson, Glenn E. (2)	Erie-EUB (NE)
Douglas, Carl H., Jr. (6)	Virginia (SE)
Dowd, J. A. (2)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Drake, Edward C. (7)	New England (NE)
Draker, Norman (4)	Canada-EUB (NE)
Dreier, Walter (11)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Drennan, Merrill W. (6)	Baltimore (NE)
Drinkard, Eugene T. (14)	North Georgia (SE)
Duck, David A. (5)	South Georgia (SE)
Duffey, Paul A. (13)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Dunbar, Mrs. Moody (9)	Holston (SE)
Dunlap, G. Alan (4)	Nebraska (SC)
Dunn, Merle A. (1)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Dunn, Mrs. Sam A. (7)	North Carolina (SE)
Durbin, Fred C. (4)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Dutt, Fred	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Dutt, Harold (1)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
DuVall, Ross	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Dykes, David L., Jr. (1)	Louisiana (SC)
Eady, Virgil Y. C. (8)	North Georgia (SE)
Earley, Charles M. (9)	Virginia (SE)
Easley, John (4)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Eberly, E. P. (11)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Ebinger, Warren R. (1)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Eby, Mrs. John (7)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Eckel, Sherman B. (14)	New York-EUB (NE)
Eckels, Harry (6)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Eckstein, D. H. (2)	East Germany-EUB (OS)
Ednan, Clarence (8)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Edwards, K. Morgan (6)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Egan, James A. (11)	Oklahoma (SC)
Egan, William F. (2)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Eldridge, Edgar A. (3)	Holston (SE)
Eller, Paul H. (3)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Ellis, Charles (5)	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
Elms, Mrs. J. P. (13)	Northwest Texas (SC)
England, James L. (8)	Memphis (SE)
Engle, Damon (1)	West Virginia (NE)
Enright, Kenneth D. (7)	Southern Congo (OS)
Epley, Lloyd (4)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Eschbach, Carl B. (7)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Eschbach, George A. (11)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Estilow, U. S. (3)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Eutsler, R. Kern (6)	Virginia (SE)
Evans, Evan C. (4)	Louisville (SE)
Evans, Garrett H. (3)	West Virginia (NE)
Evers, Joseph C. (5)	Southern Illinois (NC)
Everson, Sydney C. G. (14)	Ohio (NC)
Faber, Fran H. (2)	Minnesota (NC)
Fagan, Harold (7)	Texas (SC)
Fager, Floyd (12)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Faist, F. H. (3)	Canada-EUB (NE)
Fajardo, Carlos	Costa Rica (OS)

<i>Falk, T.</i> (4)	East Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Fang, Chung-Nan</i> (11)	Malaysia Chinese (OS)
<i>Farley, Thomas K.</i> (1)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
<i>Faulkner, R. W.</i> (14)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Faust, Carl</i> (13)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Feaver, Laurence E.</i> (3)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Fegley, D. L.</i> (5)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Felder, Luther B.</i> (5)	Texas (C)
<i>Fellers, Hubert</i> (11)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Ferguson, William</i> (6)	Florida (C)
<i>Fernandez, Ismael</i> (11)	Peru (OS)
<i>Fields, R. E.</i> (12)	South Carolina (C)
<i>Finch, Mrs. Russell</i> (5)	Michigan (NC)
<i>Findley, C. R.</i> (1)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Fink, Harold H.</i> (5)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Finkbeiner, Melvin M.</i> (11)	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Firestone, Lyman</i> (13)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Firth, William E.</i> (9)	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Fischer, Heinz P.</i> (12)	South Germany (OS)
<i>Fisher, Gerald</i> (5)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Fisher, Harry J.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Fisher, James A.</i> (13)	Memphis (SE)
<i>Fisher, Roy</i> (10)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Flaming, Wilbert K.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Flatt, F. Alton</i> (1)	Memphis (SE)
<i>Fletcher, Fremont C.</i> (12)	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Fletcher, Robert L.</i> (7)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
<i>Flood, Harold D.</i> (2)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Folsom, Jack V.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Foot, Gaston</i> (1)	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Forbes, James K.</i> (6)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Ford, E. R.</i> (8)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Forkner, Stanley</i> (3)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Forsberg, Clarence J.</i> (2)	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Foster, George A.</i> (14)	Florida (SE)
<i>Fowler, H. Thornton</i> (9)	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Fox, Clenzo B.</i> (4)	Ohio (NC)
<i>Fox, William M.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>France, Gordon</i> (14)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Franklin, Denson N.</i> (9)	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Freeman, G. Ross</i> (13)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Frees, Paul W.</i> (7)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>French, Mrs. Jane</i> (3)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Frey, John H.</i> (8)	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Fribley, Robert W.</i> (1)	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Fridy, William W.</i> (6)	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Friesen, Ernest</i> (Deceased)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Fritz, Walter</i> (5)	South Germany (OS)
<i>Frye, Elwood</i> (1)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Fuess, Forest M.</i> (8)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Fuhrman, Eugene A.</i> (4)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Fulk, Floyd L.</i> (7)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Fulk, Howard L.</i> (5)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Funkhouser, E. N.</i> (11)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Gahr, J.</i> (13)	South Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Galang, Fidel P.</i> (3)	Middle Philippines (OS)
<i>Galbreath, Mrs. Charles</i> (13)	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Gantz, Richard H.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Garber, Roy K.</i> (10)	Eastern-EUB (NE)

Garrett, C. Dendy (3)	South Iowa (NC)
Garrett, Mrs. William J. (3)	Peninsula (NE)
Garrison, Claude (9)	Ohio (NC)
Garrison, R. Benjamin	Central Illinois (NC)
Gasper, Francisco S. (4)	Northwest Philippines (OS)
Gautschi, E. (9)	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
Gehring, O. A. (13)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Geible, Merrell (3)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Geiman, Melvin, Jr. (5)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Genins, Robert (4)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Gentry, Edd W. (2)	Florida (SE)
Getz, Walter P. (10)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Gibson, Harry B., Jr. (6)	Rock River (NC)
Gibson, J. Nelson (2)	North Carolina (SE)
Giese, Milton W. (3)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Gile, Ray (4)	East Wisconsin (NC)
Gilmore, Paul G. (9)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Gilts, George (13)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Glasgow, Francis M. (4)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Glenn, Samuel R. (10)	South Carolina (SE)
Gnadt, Helmut (7)	Chile (OS)
Goens, Ray W. (2)	Texas (SC)
Gold, Glenn (10)	Florida (SE)
Gonzales, Josue (2)	Rio Grande (SC)
Gooch, Mrs. John (3)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Goodrich, Robert E. (9)	North Texas (SC)
Goodson, Gordon L. (5)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Goodwin, B. C., Jr. (2)	New Mexico (SC)
Goodwin, Mrs. Everett (7)	Ohio (NC)
Goodwin, Robert B. (6)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Gordon, Harry M. (4)	Wyoming (NE)
Gordy, Delmont K. (2)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Goto, Nathan F. (3)	Rhodesia (OS)
Graham, John H. (6)	Upper Mississippi (C)
Graham, Joseph E. (10)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Granberry, Seth W. (9)	Mississippi (SE)
Grant, Nicholas W. (7)	North Carolina (SE)
Gray, Mrs. Bruce (7)	Florida (SE)
Gray, C. Jarrett (5)	Missouri West (SC)
Gray, Mrs. Carroll (1)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Gray, Roderick E.	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Greenwaldt, William M. (3)	Central Texas (SC)
Gridley, Mrs. John W. (13)	Minnesota (NC)
Griffin, Frederick G. (4)	Belgium (OS)
Grigsby, Harrison	Liberia (OS)
Grogan, Roy J. (4)	Central Texas (SC)
Grooters, Donald J. (5)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Grove, Mrs. D. Dwight (7)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Grove, William B. (11)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Grumbein, Percy, Jr. (10)	California-EUB (W)
Guffick, William R. (6)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Guinivan, Thomas W. (6)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Gurtner, Miss Charlotte (9)	Central Illinois (NC)
Gustafson, L. H. (7)	California-EUB (W)
Guthrie, Timothy W. (5)	Northwest Texas (SC)
Guzman, Josue R. (6)	Mindanao (OS)
Hager, Wesley H. (7)	Missouri East (SC)
Hagler, Albert D. (6)	Florida (SE)
Hague, Virgil J. (10)	Illinois-EUB (NC)

<i>Hahn, Harvey C.</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Haist, Willard</i> (10)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Haldeman, Charles</i> (1)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Hall, N. Guy</i> (4)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Hallman, E. E.</i> (6)	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Halstead, Paul J.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Hamburger, Irvin</i> (5)	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
<i>Hamilton, Richard E.</i> (3)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Hammink, Harvey</i> (12)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Hancock, C. David</i> (2)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Hancock, C. Wilbourne</i> (6)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Handy, William T., Jr.</i> (6)	Louisiana (C)
<i>Hann, Paul M.</i> (6)	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Hardcastle, James C.</i> (10)	Peninsula (NE)
<i>Hardin, Paul III</i> (12)	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Harding, Joe A.</i> (13)	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Hardt, John W.</i> (1)	Texas (SC)
<i>Hardy, Frank</i> (5)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Harkness, Georgia</i> (6)	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Harper, George A.</i> (11)	Montana (W)
<i>Harper, John R.</i> (4)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Harper, Roy</i> (4)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Harrell, Mrs. Leighton E.</i> (7)	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Harriefeld, F.</i> (3)	West Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Harriger, Harold O.</i> (1)	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Harrington, Mrs. Preston</i> (13)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Harrington, Richard W.</i> (7)	Western New York (NE)
<i>Harris, Mrs. C. O.</i> (13)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Harris, H. Ray</i> (6)	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Harris, William M., Jr.</i> (10)	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Harrold, Mrs. Pauline</i> (5)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Hart, Kenneth</i> (11)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Hartl, Mrs. Emil M.</i> (4)	New England (NE)
<i>Hartman, Mason N.</i> (3)	New England (NE)
<i>Harvey, Mrs. James T.</i> (7)	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Haugen, Cliff</i> (8)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Hauptman, Leo M.</i> (11)	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Hauser, Louis C.</i> (4)	New York (NE)
<i>Haverstock, Calvin B., Jr.</i> (1)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Havighurst, Lawrence D.</i> (5)	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Hawk, William G.</i> (10)	Florida-EUB (SE)
<i>Hawkins, J. Clinton</i> (4)	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Hawkins, R. P.</i> (8)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Hayes, Clare J.</i> (3)	Kansas (SC)
<i>Hayes, Melvin</i> (4)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Hayward, Mrs. Hollis</i> (11)	Central New York (NE)
<i>Hazzard, Walter R.</i> (1)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Heck, J. Holland</i> (3)	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Heckard, Cecil L.</i> (2)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Hedberg, A. A.</i> (5)	Florida (SE)
<i>Hehr, Roy</i> (4)	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
<i>Heidlebaugh, Chester R.</i> (2)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Heim, R. Kenneth</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Heim, Richard A.</i> (7)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Heiple, Frank</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Heiser, Ben F.</i> (3)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Henderson, Zach S.</i> (11)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Henry, Edgar A.</i>	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Herbert, David</i> (13)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Herr, John D.</i> (8)	Philadelphia (NE)

Hershberger, George (13)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Hess, Wayne C. (3)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Hetherlin, Mrs. Ralph (11)	Rock River (NC)
Heyde, Forest R. (13)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Hickerson, Walter J. (8)	Central Kansas (SC)
Hickman, Victor R. (14)	South Carolina (SE)
Hicks, L. T.	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Hiebsch, Kenneth H.	Central Kansas (SC)
Hierholzer, Elmer J. (9)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Higgins, Jack (11)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
High, Henry R. (8)	West Virginia (NE)
Hightower, Ted (1)	Louisville (SE)
Hildebrand, Will M. (7)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Hildreth, Charles H. (5)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Hill, Arthur E. (4)	Minnesota (NC)
Hines, Ralph C. (10)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
Hinz, Lawrence (7)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Hippel, George N. (5)	Philadelphia (NE)
Hodapp, Leroy C. (1)	Indiana (NC)
Hoffer, Paul F. (4)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Hoffman, Edward L. (7)	Southern Illinois (NC)
Holbrook, Donald E. (2)	Michigan (NC)
Hole, J. Wesley	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Holler, Adlai C. (8)	South Carolina (SE)
Holler, J. C. (2)	South Carolina (SE)
Holm, Carl-Axel (2)	Sweden (OS)
Holter, Don W. (6)	Kansas (SC)
Horn, Paul E. (6)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Horton, Robert (6)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Hostetter, Mark J. (13)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Hottle, Darrell (13)	Ohio (NC)
Houseal, Harry A. (Resigned)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Houston, Jamie G. (6)	North Mississippi (SE)
Howard, William M., Jr. (14)	North Carolina (SE)
Howe, Robert C. (10)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Howell, Maggart B. (7)	Central Texas (SC)
Hoyt, James (11)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Hozendorf, Connie Ray (9)	Little Rock (SC)
Hubbard, Albert T. (3)	Louisville (SE)
Hubin, Garland (9)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Hughes, Harold H., Sr. (7)	Virginia (SE)
Hulit, Kenneth W. (2)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Hummel, D. W. (5)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Hummel, Russel P. (8)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Humphrey, John D. (3)	North Mississippi (SE)
Humphrey, Lucious A. (4)	Texas (C)
Hundley, Mrs. R. Lee (2)	East Wisconsin (NC)
Hunsberger, Ivan G. (5)	Erie-EUB (NE)
Hunt, Walter L. (9)	Wyoming (NE)
Hunter, Duncan (13)	North Alabama (SE)
Huston, Ralph B. (11)	Florida (SE)
Hutchins, Charles A. (4)	Holston (SE)
Hutchinson, Mrs. John B. (11)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Hydor, Paul V. (7)	Troy (NE)
Inis, Henry B. (13)	Mindanao (OS)
Irish, Mrs. Deane (1)	West Wisconsin (NC)
Iwaniuk, John (12)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Jacoby, J. (9)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Jamella, Gideon (7)	Southeast Africa (OS)

James, Stanton (7)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
James, William M. (2)	New York (NE)
Jarvis, Charles S. (14)	Rock River (NC)
Jarvis, James C. (14)	West Virginia (NE)
Jason, William C., Jr. (9)	Philadelphia (NE)
Jeffers, E. B. (2)	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
Jefferson, A. G. (4)	Virginia (SE)
Jenkins, James (2)	Oregon (W)
Jenkins, Leo W. (11)	North Carolina (SE)
Jenkins, Warren M. (3)	South Carolina (C)
Jerome, J. E. (1)	South Carolina (SE)
Jesske, T. E. (3)	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
John, Narsappa (3)	Hyderabad (OS)
Johnson, Andrew	Erie-EUB (NE)
Johnson, Ethel R. (3)	New York (NE)
Johnson, Henry W. (1)	Southwest (C)
Johnson, J. J., Jr. (8)	Missouri East (SC)
Johnson, Lyman S. (7)	Central Kansas (SC)
Johnson, Robert	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Johnson, Mrs. Wesley (7)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Jones, Edwin L., Sr. (2)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Jones, Ernest, Sr. (8)	Indiana (NC)
Jones, Everett R. (1)	Baltimore (NE)
Jones, G. Eliot (1)	Mississippi (SE)
Jones, Gerald H. (7)	North Indiana (NC)
Jones, Howard (5)	Kentucky (SE)
Jones, J. Paul, Jr. (14)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Jones, John B. (1)	Baltimore (NE)
Jones, L. Bevel (9)	North Georgia (SE)
Jones, Major J. (2)	Tennessee-Kentucky (C)
Jones, S. Jameson (6)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Jongeward, Robert H. (6)	Michigan (NC)
Jordan, Bert (5)	Mississippi (SE)
Joshi, R. D. (7)	North India (OS)
Jud, Eugene F. (5)	Central Texas (SC)
Juedes, El'Nathan	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Kaatz, Torrey A. (9)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Kachel, Charles E. (12)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Kalbe, Alfred (4)	South Germany (OS)
Kallstad, Thorvald E. (11)	Sweden (OS)
Karls, Harold (1)	Detroit (NC)
Kauffman, Gerald D. (7)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Kavadz, Jonah B. (2)	Rhodesia (OS)
Keller, A. L. (7)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Kellermann, Garfield, Jr. (13)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Kelly, Dorsey J. (8)	Oklahoma (SC)
Kelly, Owen T. (13)	Virginia (SE)
Kelso, John F. (11)	Peninsula (NE)
Kennaugh, John (7)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Kennedy, Mrs. Everett B. (10)	New York (NE)
Kent, Harry R. (8)	South Carolina (SE)
Kessler, C. Walter (6)	Troy (NE)
Kibler, Russell (5)	Indiana (NC)
Kimbrough, R. Edwin (11)	North Alabama (SE)
Kimbulu, Paul (4)	Central Congo (OS)
King, Arnold K. (10)	North Carolina (SE)
King, John T. (2)	West Texas (C)
Kirchner, Frederick K. (1)	Troy (NE)
Kirkland, H. Burnham (9)	New York (NE)

<i>Kirkpatrick, Dow</i> (1)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Kissinger, Harry P.</i> (8)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Klump, Ralph</i> (4)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Knupp, Robert E.</i> (4)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Koenig, Robert W.</i> (11)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Kreager, Max W.</i>	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Kruckenberg, L. A.</i> (7)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Kreidler, Clair C.</i> (11)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Krueger, Delton H.</i> (7)	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Kunkel, Gordon S.</i> (13)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Kurth, Lawrence</i> (14)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Kyle, George A.</i>	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Lambeth, M. Thomas</i> (1)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Lance, Bert</i> (10)	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Landis, O. F.</i> (11)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Landis, Theodore E.</i> (12)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Landrum, D. L.</i> (10)	Texas (SC)
<i>Lane, Irvin H.</i> (11)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Lang, Francis</i> (12)	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Lank, Richard A.</i> (10)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>LaPlante, Walter</i> (7)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Laraba, Forest W.</i> (4)	New Hampshire (NE)
<i>Large, Dwight S.</i> (9)	Detroit (NC)
<i>Larmonth, W. Glenn</i> (4)	Northern New York (NE)
<i>Larson, E. J.</i> (7)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Larson, Roy W.</i> (8)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Laskey, William J.</i> (4)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Lau, Clifford</i> (4)	West Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Lay, Robert P.</i> (9)	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Laylin, Edward H.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Layton, Charles R.</i> (14)	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Lease, Milo</i> (8)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Leatherman, Wayne</i> (12)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Ledebur, Gilbert</i> (4)	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>LeFevre, DeWitt C.</i> (8)	Northern New York (NE)
<i>Leggett, J. Willard, Jr.</i> (6)	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Leininger, Paul M.</i> (3)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Lembke, Glenn L.</i> (4)	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Leonard, Mrs. James M.</i> (11)	Ohio (NC)
<i>Letts, J. Meade</i> (10)	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Lewis, G. W.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Lewis, William B.</i> (6)	Southern Illinois (NC)
<i>Liechty, Clarence</i> (9)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Liesemer, Newell</i> (11)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Lightner, George S.</i> (7)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Lim, Peter S. T.</i> (12)	Malaysia Chinese (OS)
<i>Limbaugh, Luther</i> (10)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Lindgren, Alvin J.</i> (13)	East Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Lindsey, Julian A.</i> (8)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Lippert, William J.</i> (10)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Little, Thomas M.</i> (10)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Livengood, Marion</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Locher, Donald R.</i> (13)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
<i>Loesch, Warren A.</i> (7)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Long, Nat G.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Lorch, Basil H., Jr.</i> (12)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Lord, Lemuel K.</i> (1)	New England (NE)
<i>Lovern, J. Chess</i> (5)	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Lowater, Donald</i> (8)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)

<i>Lowery, Joseph E.</i> (2)	Central Alabama (C)
<i>Loyd, W. Harold</i> (6)	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Lueg, Carl F., Sr.</i> (6)	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Lueptow, Ora</i> (4)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Lukens, Robert J.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Lundy, Mrs. Kenneth</i>	Central New York (NE)
<i>Lusby, L. D.</i> (9)	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Lutrick, Charles E.</i> (2)	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Lutz, Clayton F.</i> (5)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>MacCanon, R. R.</i> (12)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Madison, J. Clay</i> (1)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Maibach, Paul</i> (12)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Mann, Charles L.</i>	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Mann, Robert T.</i> (1)	Florida (SE)
<i>Manning, Charles C.</i> (10)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Marks, Oscar</i> (7)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Marlow, H. LeRoy</i> (3)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Marsh, Charles F.</i> (13)	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Marshall, Justin E.</i> (12)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Martin, James I.</i> (5)	East Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Marty, Wayne</i> (3)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Marvin, John E.</i> (3)	Detroit (NC)
<i>Massie, Hugh</i> (9)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Masters, Harry V.</i> (3)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Matheny, Thomas H.</i> (11)	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Mathison, H. Paul</i> (9)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Matthew, Glenn E.</i> (13)	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>May, Thomas</i> (10)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Mayer, Paul O.</i> (7)	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Mayes, Allen M.</i> (8)	Texas (C)
<i>McAninch, Donald H.</i> (13)	New Hampshire (NE)
<i>McCallum, Mrs. William H.</i> (12)	Rock River (NC)
<i>McCartt, Spurgeon</i> (5)	Holston (SE)
<i>McCleskey, Wayne H.</i> (6)	Texas (SC)
<i>McClure, Oren F.</i> (9)	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>McCormick, Paul R.</i> (3)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>McCoy, Paul E.</i> (6)	Peninsula (NE)
<i>McCracken, Edgar W.</i> (8)	North Iowa (NC)
<i>McCracken, Howard</i> (5)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>McCune, Robert J.</i> (6)	Central New York (NE)
<i>McDavid, Harry E.</i> (7)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>McDavid, Joel D.</i> (3)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>McDonell, C. Durward</i> (7)	Florida (SE)
<i>McEowen, Charles A.</i> (2)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>McGill, Mrs. Ruth</i> (7)	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>McGough, Kent</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>McIntyre, John</i> (1)	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>McKay, Orville H.</i> (6)	Detroit (NC)
<i>McLarty, Emmett K., Jr.</i> (14)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>McMahan, Donald F.</i> (3)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>McMillan, Mrs. Norris</i> (13)	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>McMillan, Orval</i> (4)	Missouri-EUB (SC)
<i>McQuary, Thomas</i> (10)	Louisville (SE)
<i>Meadows, William A.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Mehl, Ernest</i> (1)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Mehl, Mrs. Ernest</i> (3)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Meier, LeRoy</i> (4)	North Dakota (NC)
<i>Mellgren, Wesley</i> (10)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
<i>Mendoza, Jaime</i>	Bolivia (OS)

Mentzer, Warren F. (11)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Merrow, Arthur S. (11)	Western New York (NE)
Merryman, K. K. (9)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Messmer, William K. (1)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Metcalf, Kenneth E. (1)	North Iowa (NC)
Metzel, Mrs. George (1)	Oklahoma (SC)
Metzger, Merritt (4)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Meyer, Samuel L. (3)	Ohio (NC)
Michael, Lyle J. (3)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Michael, Marion S. (3)	Baltimore (NE)
Michels, Charles (1)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Middlebrooks, Bob W. (2)	North Texas (SC)
Millen, George K.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Miller, Richard W. (7)	East Wisconsin (NC)
Milne, W. Arthur (10)	Ohio (NC)
Misajon, James J. M. (2)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Mitchell, Eric A. (1)	Bombay (OS)
Mitchell, Roland (9)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Modisher, Donald E. (6)	Western New York (NE)
Moeller, Romane G. (4)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
Moffat, Arthur T. (5)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Mohr, I. (7)	West Germany-EUB (OS)
Momberg, Paul B. (10)	Ohio (NC)
Montgomery, Edward (9)	North Alabama (SE)
Moody, C. LeGrande, Jr. (7)	South Carolina (SE)
Moody, Melvin A. (3)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Moon, Robert W. (1)	California-Nevada (W)
Moore, A. D. (12)	Texas (SC)
Moore, A. Raymond (Resigned)	North Georgia (SE)
Moore, Eugene J. (14)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Moore, Farris F. (2)	Tennessee (SE)
Moore, John V. (13)	California-Nevada (W)
Moore, L. R. (8)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Moore, Lester L. (7)	South Iowa (NC)
Moore, R. Inman, Sr. (8)	Mississippi (SE)
Moore, Richard V. (3)	Florida (C)
Moore, Roy C. (9)	South Carolina (SE)
Moorehead, Lee C. (1)	Ohio (NC)
Moorhead, Edwin E. (4)	Mississippi (SE)
Morgan, Max M.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Morgan, R. Kenneth (Deceased)	Tennessee (SE)
Morris, Clarence P. (8)	North Carolina (SE)
Morrison, William W. (5)	North Dakota (NC)
Morse, Melverne C.	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Moster, Rolf (6)	Norway (OS)
Mount, Mrs. J. H. (13)	Southern Illinois (NC)
Mouser, Vinson M. (8)	Louisiana (SC)
Mowery, R. G. (4)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Moyer, C. I. (4)	Kansas (SC)
Mozumdar, Miss Kumudini (3)	Bengal (OS)
Muelder, Walter G. (6)	New England (NE)
Mull, Wallace L. (10)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Muller, Walter (9)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Mumford, Robert J. (4)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Mund, A. W. (3)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Mund, Fred W. (13)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Mundhenke, Mrs. Milton (3)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Murbach, John (2)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Murphy, C. Edwin (3)	Nebraska (SC)
Murray, Chester	South Georgia (SE)

<i>Myers, Paul E.</i> (5)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Myers, T. Cecil</i> (5)	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Mylin, Maynard W.</i> (10)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Nance, Charles O.</i>	Liberia (OS)
<i>Ndala, Gedeon</i>	Southern Congo (OS)
<i>Nelson, Mrs. Dorothy</i> (3)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Nelson, J. Robert</i> (11)	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Nestler, Frank H.</i> (8)	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Netterville, George L.</i> (2)	Louisiana (C)
<i>Neumann, N. C.</i> (6)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Nicely, George W.</i> (9)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Nichols, Frank A.</i> (11)	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Nichols, John B.</i> (6)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Nichols, Lloyd C.</i> (2)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Nichols, Ray H.</i> (9)	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Nichols, Roy</i> (7)	New York (NE)
<i>Nicholson, R. Herman</i> (6)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Nielsen, Robert H.</i> (5)	Denmark (OS)
<i>Nietz, Ed</i> (1)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>North, Jack B.</i> (3)	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Northfelt, Merlyn W.</i> (13)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Nunnally, Donald J.</i> (2)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Nutter, P. H.</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Nyberg, Dennis F.</i> (1)	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Obaugh, William R.</i> (2)	Florida-EUB (SE)
<i>Obinger, E. M.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>O'Dell, A. Glen</i> (6)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Oden, Tal</i> (4)	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Odom, Warren G.</i> (2)	Central New York (NE)
<i>Odon, Louis O.</i> (8)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Olexa, John F.</i> (1)	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Oliphint, Benjamin R.</i> (3)	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Olson, Lawrence</i> (4)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Oot, Arthur B., Jr.</i> (6)	Northern New York (NE)
<i>Orr, J. Herbert</i> (4)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Orr, Verne, Sr.</i> (9)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Ortman, Ervin</i> (7)	South Dakota (NC)
<i>Orton, Hubert E.</i> (4)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Osborn, John F.</i> (8)	Ohio-Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Osborne, Rolland</i> (11)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Outler, Albert</i> (6)	North Texas (SC)
<i>Owen, Mrs. Richard H., III</i> (14)	Virginia (SE)
<i>Packer, Bruce</i> (13)	Montana-EUB (W)
<i>Page, Carlos C.</i> (13)	Michigan (NC)
<i>Palmer, J. Richard</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Palmer, Robert J.</i> (7)	South Carolina (C)
<i>Pantelis, Jorge</i>	Bolivia (OS)
<i>Parker, Clarence E.</i> (9)	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Parks, W. S.</i> (5)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Parks, W. S.</i> (4)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Parlin, Charles C.</i> (2)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Parrott, Glenn R.</i> (5)	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Parmar, Rameshchandra E.</i> (4)	Gujarat (OS)
<i>Patial, Mrs. M. D.</i> (10)	North India (OS)
<i>Patterson, D. S.</i> (2)	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Patton, Russell R.</i> (2)	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Pearce, George F., Jr.</i> (13)	Louisiana (SC)

Peck, David (2)	West Virginia (NE)
Peck, W. Prentice (8)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Peiffer, H. S. (1)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Pennington, Chester A. (3)	Minnesota (NC)
Penrod, J. O. (1)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Perkins, Rual T. (11)	Louisville (SE)
Persons, William R. (6)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Peters, Lloyd A. (13)	Oklahoma (SC)
Peterson, Arden (1)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Petticord, Paul P. (3)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Pfaltzgraff, P. O. (11)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Pfeiffer, Mrs. Alvin B. (7)	Rock River (NC)
Pfeiffer, Walter (7)	Central Germany (OS)
Phillips, Charles W. (8)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Phillips, Randall C. (10)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Pieters, Andre J. (2)	Belgium (OS)
Pinkard, Calvin M. (1)	North Alabama (SE)
Pitcher, Dale E. (12)	Central Illinois (NC)
Pohly, Kenneth H. (14)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Poole, Gregory K. (2)	Missouri East (SC)
Pope, Joseph W., Jr. (1)	Virginia (SE)
Pope, Mrs. Rex	North Indiana (NC)
Porter, Edward H. (14)	Baltimore (NE)
Poppe, Odin (4)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Porter, Harold T. (6)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Post, John E. (6)	New England Southern (NE)
Potter, Truman W. (5)	West Virginia (NE)
Potthoff, Harvey H. (3)	Rocky Mountain (W)
Potts, Edgar A. (11)	Virginia (SE)
Pounds, R. L. (2)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Pounds, W. A.	Texas (SC)
Praetorius, E. Russell (6)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Presley, Isaac P. (4)	Upper Mississippi (C)
Preusch, Robert W. (2)	New York (NE)
Price, Mrs. Earl W. (7)	Detroit (NC)
Price, Robert R. (14)	Oklahoma (SC)
Prigmore, L. T. (1)	Holston (SE)
Proctor, George H.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Propert, George R. (13)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Prosch, Marion (4)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Purdham, Charles B. (11)	Minnesota (NC)
Purdy, Burt (5)	North Alabama (SE)
Quickel, Harold W. (8)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Rae, John V. Hulasi (7)	Madhya Pradesh (OS)
Ragsdale, Ray W. (5)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Rainwater, Henry M. (10)	North Arkansas (SC)
Raju, D. Sundara (10)	South India (OS)
Ramer, Lloyd W. (6)	Memphis (SE)
Ranck, Ezra H. (3)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Rankin, Harry V. (8)	Texas (SC)
Rasmussen, Karl (8)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Rathod, Raijibhai M. (6)	Gujarat (OS)
Rau, Mrs. Alvin	South Dakota (NC)
Rayburn, Russell (11)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Ready, W. J. (4)	South Carolina (SE)
Reavley, Tom (1)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Redmond, Donald E. (7)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Reeves, Edwin E. (2)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)

Reeves, Richard E. (14)	Central Illinois (NC)
Rein, John D. (2)	New York-EUB (NE)
Rein, W. J. R. (10)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Reuben, GuntuPalli (7)	Hyderabad (OS)
Reynolds, Paul C. (9)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Rice, Spencer M. (11)	South Carolina (SE)
Richardson, Mrs. Clarence W. (5)	Minnesota (NC)
Richardson, Ted I. (3)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Ricker, George M. (14)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Rickey, Henry A. (5)	Louisiana (SC)
Rico, Tomas S.	Puerto Rico Provisional (NE)
Riddick, Roland P. (8)	Virginia (SE)
Riddle, Earl W. (3)	Idaho (W)
Riedinger, Johannes (6)	South Germany (OS)
Riggs, Donald A.	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Riley, Negail R. (2)	Southwest (C)
Riley, Sumpter M., Jr. (5)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Rilling, Mrs. Walter (10)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Rios, Roberto E. (2)	Argentina (OS)
Ritchey, William H. (2)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Ritchie, Carl G. (4)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Ritter, Ralph (8)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Rixse, John H., Jr. (4)	Virginia (SE)
Robb, Don S. (8)	Troy (NE)
Robbins, Carl M. (3)	Memphis (SE)
Robbins, Cecil W. (1)	North Carolina (SE)
Roberts, I. Joseph	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Roberts, Sherwood S. (4)	Delhi (OS)
Robertson, Frank L. (3)	South Georgia (SE)
Robey, William T., Jr. (3)	Virginia (SE)
Rode, Ryszard (4)	Poland (OS)
Roderick, Raymond L. (12)	Baltimore (NE)
Rogers, Mrs. Floyd (10)	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Rohlf, Claus H. (11)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Roker, D. R. (5)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Rooks, John J. (9)	Florida (SE)
Rose, Harold E. (4)	Oregon (W)
Roser, D. (5)	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
Ross, Mrs. Edwin A. (10)	Baltimore (NE)
Rote, S. Eugene (13)	Erie-EUB (NE)
Roudebush, Roy R. (3)	North Indiana (NC)
Roulhac, Joseph D. (8)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Rowe, Earl N. (6)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Ruark, Henry G. (13)	North Carolina (SE)
Rufer, Gerald (8)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Ruff, William H. (7)	North Georgia (SE)
Rupert, Hoover (5)	Detroit (NC)
Rupert, Thomas W. (4)	Central Kansas (SC)
Russell, John W. (2)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Russell, Leon (9)	North Carolina (SE)
Russell, R. L. (14)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Rutland, John E. (7)	North Alabama (SE)
Rutter, Kenneth P. (13)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Ryser, Ernst (9)	Switzerland (OS)
Sagar, Sisa M. (Resigned)	Agra (OS)
Samuel, John V. (6)	Indus River (OS)
Samuel, Kariappa (6)	South India (OS)
Sander, Harvey H. (6)	South Dakota (NC)
Sanders, Carl J. (9)	Virginia (SE)

Sargeant, John (5)	Florida (SE)
Satterfield, John C. (2)	Mississippi (SE)
Savage, William E. (4)	Kentucky (SE)
Sawyer, John R. (13)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Sayre, Charles A. (9)	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Schaad, Loyd	Angola (OS)
Schafer, O. E. (2)	California-EUB (W)
Schaff, Lester (3)	Central New York (NE)
Schauble, Johannes (5)	Central Germany (OS)
Schiele, Rudolf (4)	Southwest Germany (OS)
Schilling, Marvin A. (6)	East Wisconsin (NC)
Schlender, Melvin C. (7)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Schmidt, Chris W. (4)	California-EUB (W)
Schneider, Carl M. (5)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Schneider, E. C. (6)	California-EUB (W)
Schneidereit, Harry (4)	Northeast Germany (OS)
Scholer, Vern (4)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Scholz, Ernst (5)	Northeast Germany (OS)
Schreckengost, George E. (13)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Schroeder, Clarence (13)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Schroeder, Harvey J. (1)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Schubert, Milton V., Jr. (4)	North Indiana (NC)
Schultz, Elmer A. R. (13)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Schulz, Willard W. (6)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Schupp, Oscar G. (13)	Missouri East (SC)
Schuster, Albert F. (4)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Schwartz, Charles D. (13)	Troy (NE)
Schweppe, Harvey (13)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Schwiebert, Erwin H. (1)	Idaho (W)
Scott, Charles S. (1)	Kansas (SC)
Scott, J. Frank (3)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Scott, Mrs. Wayne C. (7)	Oklahoma (SC)
Scranton, Walter L. (11)	New York (NE)
Searle, John C., Sr. (2)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Sears, Mrs. Edward E. (13)	North Iowa (NC)
Sease, Gene E. (6)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Seiler, Ralph H. (6)	New Mexico (SC)
Sengo, Samuel S.	Southeast Africa (OS)
Shaffer, H. P. (13)	West Virginia (NE)
Shaffer, Ray N.	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Shamblin, J. Kenneth (2)	Texas (SC)
Shannon, Charles E. (10)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Shashaguay, Bernard (4)	Michigan (NC)
Shearer, Daniel L. (2)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Shearer, Paul V. (2)	South Iowa (NC)
Shearer, Wilson A. (3)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Shepherd, Garth (14)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Sherring, Samuel B. (5)	Moradabad (OS)
Shockley, John R. (2)	Peninsula (NE)
Shoemaker, Wayne E. (2)	North Iowa (NC)
Shore, Philip L., Jr. (3)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Shroyer, Lawton W. (4)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Simpson, Keith B.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Singer, Edgar F. (11)	Wyoming (NE)
Singh, Martin H. (12)	Lucknow (OS)
Singh, Prem P. (3)	Madhya Pradesh (OS)
Singh, Ratbhan (3)	Lucknow (OS)
Singh, Robert C. (4)	Moradabad (OS)
Slothour, Edward (11)	Kentucky-EUB (SE)
Slutz, Leonard D. (2)	Ohio (NC)

<i>Smith, C. J.</i> (6)	South Carolina (C)
<i>Smith, Eugene L.</i> (1)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Smith, H. Travers</i> (11)	Maine (NE)
<i>Smith, Holiday H.</i> (2)	Holston (SE)
<i>Smith, Irving L.</i> (3)	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Smith, J. Castro</i> (11)	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Smith, Noel</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Smith, Rex C.</i> (6)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Smith, Robert M.</i> (4)	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Smith, Robert W.</i> (2)	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Snow, Dudley V.</i> (4)	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Snyder, F. W.</i> (2)	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
<i>Soltman, John C.</i> (14)	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Somers, George E.</i> (7)	Bengal (OS)
<i>Sommer, Carl E.</i> (2)	Southwest Germany (OS)
<i>Sone, Law</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Spafford, Mrs. Frieda</i> (7)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Spahr, David R.</i> (5)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Spangler, A. C.</i> (7)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Spears, R. Wright</i> (3)	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Stambach, Arthur W.</i> (5)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Standard, Forrest L.</i> (6)	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Stamm, Charles</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Stark, Jay, Jr.</i> (4)	Florida-EUB (SE)
<i>Staubach, William T., Jr.</i> (5)	New York (NE)
<i>Steele, Ralph S.</i> (5)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Steele, Sam</i> (4)	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Steele, William S.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Steffner, John E.</i> (8)	Holston (SE)
<i>Stein, Clarence</i> (9)	Florida-EUB (SE)
<i>Stengel, Leonard</i> (9)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Stetler, Roy H., Jr.</i> (6)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Sticher, H.</i> (6)	South Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Stiller, Homer</i> (5)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Stockton, Ralph M.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Stokes, Mack B.</i> (6)	Holston (SE)
<i>Stolte, Robert H.</i> (14)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Stone, Lloyd</i> (4)	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Stone, Philip</i> (14)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Stovall, Travis</i>	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Stover, Kenneth</i> (6)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Straight, Leslie</i> (11)	New York-EUB (NE)
<i>Streeter, Emmett T.</i> (1)	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Strickland, Arvarh</i> (3)	Rock River (NC)
<i>Strickland, Don</i> (9)	Texas (SC)
<i>Strickland, W. Earl</i> (12)	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Strother, W. Bruce</i> (13)	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Strutz, Reuben R.</i>	Montana-EUB (W)
<i>Strutz, Robert H.</i> (2)	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Susat, Edward</i> (4)	Indiana (NC)
<i>Sutton, William A.</i> (4)	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Sweazy, Albert W.</i> (6)	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Sweet, Charles R.</i> (6)	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Szczepkowski, Joseph</i> (11)	Poland (OS)
<i>Taetz, S. B.</i> (5)	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
<i>Taj, Mangal D.</i> (4)	Indus River (OS)
<i>Talbert, Melvin G.</i> (4)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
<i>Tan, Chee-Khoon</i> (1)	Malaya (OS)
<i>Tarr, Burton F.</i> (3)	New York (NE)

Tate, Willis M. (3)	North Texas (SC)
Taylor, Blaine E. (9)	New England (NE)
Taylor, Mrs. Charles (7)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Taylor, Eben (5)	South Carolina (SE)
Taylor, Mrs. Ethan L. (13)	North Georgia (SE)
Taylor, Lawrence (14)	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Taylor, Mrs. Robert M. (7)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Teagle, Ernest H. (1)	Southern Illinois (NC)
Teague, Otto W. (5)	Little Rock (SC)
Teigland, Einar (3)	Norway (OS)
Tennant, John W. (7)	Michigan (NC)
Thomas, Clement W. (4)	Bombay (OS)
Thomas, John (7)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Thomas, S. H.	Sierra Leone-EUB (OS)
Thompson, Everett K. (4)	Southern Illinois (NC)
Thompson, Gordon G. (3)	North Georgia (SE)
Thompson, Lionel (10)	Detroit (NC)
Thornal, Campbell (12)	Florida (SE)
Thornburg, Richard A. (6)	New York (NE)
Thornton, B. I. (8)	South Georgia (SE)
Thorpe, Robert M. (5)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Thurman, Arthur V. (3)	California-Nevada (W)
Tombaugh, Reid (10)	Central Illinois (NC)
Toombs, Lawrence (Resigned)	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Torres, Ovidio R. (4)	Argentina (OS)
Tousant, Mrs. Emma S. (8)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Transom, Mrs. G. E. (13)	New York (NE)
Trotter, F. Thomas (11)	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Trout, Clair (2)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Troutman, William C. (4)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Truax, Lyle (1)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Tuell, Jack M. (6)	Pacific Northwest (W)
Tullis, Edward L. (7)	Kentucky (SE)
Turnage, Roy L. (4)	North Carolina (SE)
Turner, Burty A. (4)	Agra (OS)
Tuttle, Robert G. (5)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Tutwiler, E. C., Jr. (3)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Tyson, Lorenzo D. (6)	North Alabama (SE)
Underwood, Walter L. (13)	North Texas (SC)
Unger, Allen L. (13)	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
Upham, Walter E. (2)	Maine (NE)
Upton, Sam (4)	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Utzman, A. B. (5)	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Vandegriff, Paul M. (11)	Ohio (NC)
VanDyke, Orville (11)	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Van Ornum, Carlton G. (3)	Northern New York (NE)
Van Sickle, John R. (9)	Rock River (NC)
Vance, H. A. (6)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Varnell, Sam N. (14)	Holston (SE)
Vaughan, William C. (13)	Virginia (SE)
Veale, William H. (12)	New York (NE)
Verdin, Douglas F. (14)	New York (NE)
Vessey, Robert G. (1)	South Dakota (NC)
Vogel, Henry W. (6)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Vosburg, Frederick C. (14)	Detroit (NC)
Wagner, William S. (1)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Wahrenbrock, Lester G. (13)	Southern California-Arizona (W)

Wake, Lloyd K. (14)	California-Nevada (W)
Walker, Clyde	Oregon (W)
Walker, J. Everett (8)	California-Nevada (W)
Walker, James M. (2)	Southwest Texas (SC)
Walker, Marion R. (12)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Walker, Morris D. (9)	Central Texas (SC)
Walker, W. Roland (10)	Virginia (SE)
Walker, William (3)	Oregon (W)
Walkup, Elbert E. (6)	Tennessee (SE)
Wallace, George C. (12)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Waller, Mrs. Raymond W. (7)	Tennessee (SE)
Walley, F. Lewis (6)	Philadelphia (NE)
Walter, Paul D. (3)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Waltman, Al N. (5)	North Mississippi (SE)
Ware, Mrs. Carl E. (2)	Ohio (NC)
Warman, John B. (1)	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Warner, E. D. (13)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Waterfield, Donald A. (4)	Troy (NE)
Watson, Mrs. D. E. (5)	Central Kansas (SC)
Watson, Mrs. Russell O. (7)	Oregon (W)
Weaver, L. Stacy (3)	North Carolina (SE)
Weaver, R. Bruce (6)	Central Texas (SC)
Webb, L. Paul, Jr. (1)	North Georgia (SE)
Webber, Frank (4)	California-Nevada (W)
Weber, Charles B. (6)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Webster, O. K. (9)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Weems, Mrs. H. V. (13)	Florida (SE)
Weldon, Wilson O. (11)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Wertz, D. Frederick (3)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Wheatley, Melvin E., Jr. (3)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Whitcraft, James H. (4)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
White, Albert L., Jr. (5)	Virginia (SE)
White, Charles D.	Western North Carolina (SE)
White, E. McKinnon (1)	New England Southern (NE)
White, L. L. (1)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
White, William D. (5)	Rock River (NC)
White, Woodie W. (13)	Detroit (NC)
Whitten, Dolphus, Jr. (12)	Oklahoma (SC)
Wiant, Howard J. (6)	North-East Ohio (NC)
Wichelt, John F. (6)	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Widmyer, George S. (8)	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Wilcox, Katherine (1)	Michigan (NC)
Wilcox, Robert L. (11)	Holston (SE)
Wilcoxon, Francis M. (2)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Wilken, A. E. (5)	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Williams, A. Cecil (9)	California-Nevada (W)
Williams, George R. (7)	North Mississippi (SE)
Williams, Mrs. J. E. (7)	South Georgia (SE)
Williams, L. Stanley (2)	Central Texas (SC)
Williamson, James F. (13)	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Willson, James M., Jr. (4)	Northwest Texas (SC)
Wilson, J. Frederick (9)	South Georgia (SE)
Wilson, T. R. (4)	Georgia (C)
Wilson, Winslow M. (6)	West Wisconsin (NC)
Winchester, Clarence M. (9)	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
Winne, Donald (7)	California-Nevada (W)
Winter, F. Hauser (14)	Missouri West (SC)
Winter, J. Britain (14)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Wintle, Mrs. Fred (9)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Wix, Robert (4)	Montana (W)

<i>Wolf, John D.</i> (1)	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Wolfensberger, Homer</i> (13)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Wood, George S.</i> (2)	Louisville (SE)
<i>Woodard, Fred O.</i> (4)	Mississippi (C)
<i>Woods, William F.</i> (2)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Woolworth, Mrs. Ernest</i> (3)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Woomer, James A.</i> (1)	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Wright, A. A.</i> (8)	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Wright, Alton R.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Wright, George A.</i> (2)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Wright, James W.</i> (3)	Michigan (NC)
<i>Wright, M. M.</i> (2)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Wright, Samuel R.</i> (5)	Ohio (NC)
<i>Wrightsel, Kenneth E.</i> (12)	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Yancey, Charles L.</i> (2)	Memphis (SE)
<i>Yap, Kim-Hao</i> (7)	Malaya (OS)
<i>Yeagan, Mrs. Victor B.</i> (7)	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Yenerich, Wallace</i> (9)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Yoak, Harold</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Young, J. Otis</i> (9)	Ohio (NC)
<i>Youngblood, Russell</i> (1)	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Yu, Teck Soi</i> (13)	Sarawak (OS)
<i>Zagray, Allan H.</i> (6)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Zebarth, Herbert E.</i> (11)	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Zechman, Harry W.</i> (5)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Zehner, Henry W.</i> (2)	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Zepeda, J. P.</i> (7)	Rio Grande (SC)
<i>Zeuner, Walther</i> (2)	Northwest Germany (OS)
<i>Ziegler, Wilbur C.</i> (2)	New England (NE)
<i>Zimmerman, Paul</i> (7)	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Zimmerman, Virgil</i> (4)	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Zoppolo, César</i> (2)	Uruguay (OS)
<i>Zorn, George L.</i> (1)	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Zuniga, Clemente M.</i> (5)	Philippines (OS)

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF RESERVE DELEGATES

Italics denote Ministerial Delegates. Number indicates the Standing Legislative Committee on which a reserve delegate served in place of a regular delegate.

Abben, Ben	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Abel, Paul F.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Ader, Joe K.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
Advincula, Marcelino C.	Mindanao (OS)
<i>Airhart, Robert E.</i> (Transferred)	Kentucky-EUB (SE)
Ake, Mrs. Frank W.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Albritton, Walter M.</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Aldred, Torrence W.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Alexander, Charles K.	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Allen, Charles L.</i>	Texas (SC)
Allen, Mrs. J. T. (1)	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Allen, Mrs. V. B.	North Indiana (NC)
Allen, W. Fred	Michigan (NC)
<i>Alley, Raymond A.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Allin, Willard S.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Almond, Lawrence F.</i>	New England Southern (NE)
<i>Alsobrook, W. Aubrey</i>	South Georgia (SE)
Amtower, Norman E.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Anderson, Harvey E. (12)	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Anderson, Robert L.</i>	Kentucky (SE)
Anderson, Roy L.	Montana (W)
<i>Anderson, Thoburn W.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Angevine, Jerry F.</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Angles, Adolfo</i>	Bolivia (OS)
<i>Appleby, William F.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Appling, W. A.</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Arbaugh, Robert N.</i>	Missouri West (SC)
Archer, John	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Archer, Leslie C.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Armitstead, Austin H.</i>	New York (NE)
Armstrong, Robert D.	Central Illinois (NC)
Arterburn, Mrs. Haskel E.	Louisville (SE)
Artsberger, A. T.	West Virginia (NE)
Ash, Otis	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Atkinson, Lawrence G.</i>	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Atkinson, Sidney H.	New York (NE)
<i>Ault, James M.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Avery, Keith T.</i>	Michigan (NC)
Avina, Miguel F.	Rio Grande (SC)
<i>Backhus, Harry W., III</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Bailey, Orin</i>	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Baker, Don M.</i>	Michigan (NC)
<i>Bakhsh, Safdar Q.</i>	Indus River (OS)
<i>Baldwin, Clarence W.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Ballard, Charles W.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Bane, Wilford V.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
Bannez, Ruben C.	Northern Philippines (OS)
Bar, Johannes	Central Germany (OS)
Barnhouse, Mrs. Bolon	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Barth, George R.</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)

<i>Barton, Charles A.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Barton, Roy D.</i>	Rio Grande (SC)
<i>Basta, Mrs. James</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Baun, Mrs. Ted</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Beaman, Charles G., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Bean, Frank</i>	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Bear, Orval L.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Beasley, Charles A.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Beck, Kenneth O.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Becker, Richard L.</i>	Kansas (SC)
<i>Beckford, Lewis H.</i>	Maine (NE)
<i>Beeman, Paul J.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Beisiegel, Karl</i>	Southwest Germany (OS)
<i>Benedyktowicz, Witold</i>	Poland (OS)
<i>Bennet, Benjamin</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Bennet, Herbert R.</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Bennett, T. N.</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Bennet, William W.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Berg, Darrel E.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Berg, David</i>	Sweden (OS)
<i>Beverly, F. J., Jr.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Bhatty, A. Q.</i>	Indus River (OS)
<i>Bickell, Charles A. L.</i>	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Biesiada, Halina</i>	Poland (OS)
<i>Bishop, Bruce H. (12)</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bishop, Julius F.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Black, William B. (4)</i>	Memphis (SE)
<i>Blackhall, James A.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Blackwell, Derwood L.</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Blaising, Melville O.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Blankenbaker, Wilmer A.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Boettcher, Mrs. E. H.</i>	East Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Bogenrief, James (1)</i>	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Boggs, Robert C.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Boissen, Rafael B.</i>	Puerto Rico Provisional (NE)
<i>Boleyn, Charles</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Bond, Nye O.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Booker, Charles J.</i>	Central Alabama (C)
<i>Boone, Walter W.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Booth, Glenn C.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Bostwick, W. E.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Boswell, Hamilton T.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Boswell, Robert N.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Boucher, A. Ford (4)</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bourland, Roger</i>	East Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Bowen, Theodore R.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Boyer, Gerald S.</i>	New York-EUB (NE)
<i>Boynton, Miss Mary Jane (5)</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Brabham, Angus M., Jr.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Branscomb, Louise</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Brashares, Wesley E.</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Brasher, Julius L.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Breland, A. Dan</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Bremer, Jack W. (11)</i>	Kansas (SC)
<i>Bridgers, Robert E.</i>	Virginia-EUB (SE)
<i>Bridwell, Marshall A.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Bristah, James W.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Britt, Charles R.</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Bright, J. Russell</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Broome, Allan R.</i>	South Carolina (SE)

<i>Brown, Bernard L.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Brown, Frank E.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Brown, Joseph</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Brown, Merle O.</i>	Northern New York (NE)
<i>Brown, Paul E.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Brown, Paul L.</i>	Montana (W)
<i>Brown, Robert D.</i>	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Brown, William E., Sr.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Brown, William T.</i>	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
<i>Broyles, Merle D.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Bryant, R. Orman</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Bryant, Thomas</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Budd, Henry G.</i>	Central New York (NE)
<i>Budd, W. Candler</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Bugg, Robert W.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Buhler, Donald F.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Burdick, Harold A.</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Burgess, J. Rowland, Jr.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Burkhart, George C.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Burnette, Voris H.</i>	Memphis (SE)
<i>Burney, Harry L.</i>	Florida (C)
<i>Burr, R. Hudson</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Burres, Mrs. Paul W.</i>	Kansas (SC)
<i>Burrous, Kermit O.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Burtner, Robert W.</i>	Oregon (W)
<i>Butler, Fred G.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Butler, J. Weldon</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Butler, Randle R.</i>	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Butterworth, Frank E.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Buttiner, Thomas A.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Butts, Thomas L., Jr.</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Byler, Robert A.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Byrd, William O.</i>	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>Caine, Donald</i>	North Dakota (NC)
<i>Caldwell, Robert P.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Caldwell, Mrs. Thomas A.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Calhoun, Frank A.</i>	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Cannon, H. Leroy</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Cardose, Zacarias</i>	Angola (OS)
<i>Carlsen, Eigil M.</i>	Denmark (OS)
<i>Carlton, Arthur M.</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Carlyon, D. J.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Carper, John H.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Carruth, Paul</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Carter, Clifford</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Carver, Donald L.</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Cate, Lee A.</i>	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Catlin, Dale</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Catterall, Mrs. James</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Chadwick, Mrs. James</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Chadwick, W. C.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Chandler, Hartwell F.</i>	Peninsula (NE)
<i>Chandler, William H.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Chase, Irving F.</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Cheng, Yang-Kao</i>	Sarawak (OS)
<i>Cherry, Clinton M.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Chew, Peter G. P.</i>	Sarawak (OS)
<i>Childs, Carl (8)</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Chiles, Paul D.</i>	Ohio (NC)

<i>Christianson, Lyle T.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Christy, John H., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Churchill, Kelly</i>	East Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Clark, Duncan A.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Clark, Mrs. E. J.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Clark, Mrs. Lamar S.</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Clark, W. Russell</i>	Northern New York (NE)
<i>Clay, Russell E.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Clegg, Mrs. Charles R.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Cleveland, Weyman R.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Clifford, Gordon K.</i>	Maine (NE)
<i>Coad, Richard P.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Coats, Orville A.</i>	Idaho (W)
<i>Cobb, Ross A.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Coe, Mrs. Elizabeth</i>	West Texas (C)
<i>Coffman, John A.</i>	Troy (NE)
<i>Cogar, Mrs. Jeanette</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Collier, Otis L.</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Collins, Christopher</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Collins, Claude R.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Collins, Thomas A.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Coltrane, David S.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Contee, Earl N.</i>	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
<i>Cook, Mrs. Raymond</i>	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Cooke, Jack</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Cooke, Richard L.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Cooper, Earle N.</i>	Troy (NE)
<i>Cooper, Kenneth</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Cooper, Lawrence (8)</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Cooper, Lawrence D.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Copeland, Kennard B.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Copper, Arthur</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Coronado, Hector</i>	Methodist Church of Mexico (OS)
<i>Cosby, J. W.</i>	California-EUB (W)
<i>Cottingham, Mrs. T. J.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Cotton, Clare M.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Coulter, H. Russell</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Cowan, J. C., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Cox, J. Henry</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Cox, Navarro</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Crawford, Mrs. Mary G.</i>	Texas (C)
<i>Crayton, Alfred L. (6)</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Criswell, Harold W.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Crocker, Robert B.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Crumbley, Thorton A.</i>	Oregon (W)
<i>Cuaresma, Mrs. Consuelo</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Culp, D. P.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Culp, James (4)</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Culpepper, Mrs. Olive</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Cummings, Mrs. C. Clifford</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Cunningham, S. Willard</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Curl, R. F.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Curl, William E.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Curry, John W., Sr.</i>	South Carolina (C)
<i>Curtis, Myers B.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Cutshall, Robert</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Dahlquist, Mrs. G. Albin</i>	New England Southern (NE)
<i>Dahms, J. V.</i>	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Dale, Francis L.</i>	Ohio (NC)

Damon, H. Walter	North-East Ohio	(NC)
Daniel, Diamond R.	Malaya	(OS)
Daniel, Harold T.	North Georgia	(SE)
Darrow, Frederick M.	Central New York	(NE)
Daval, Christo D.	Moradabad	(OS)
Davenport, Geneva	Southern Illinois	(NC)
Davidson, Barney L.	North Carolina	(SE)
Davidson, John H.	Virginia	(SE)
Davis, Alan J.	North-East Ohio	(NC)
Davis, Carlos W.	Texas	(SC)
Davis, Dean F. (10)	Central Texas	(SC)
Davis, Doris	Southern Illinois	(NC)
Davis, Elwood	Southern New Jersey	(NE)
Davis, Harold M.	Peninsula	(NE)
Davis, Hooker D.	Southern New Jersey	(NE)
Davis, Mrs. Leland G.	Western New York	(NE)
Day, George H.	Ohio	(NC)
Day, Robert F.	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
Deal, Homer S.	Idaho	(W)
Deal, Marcus J. C.	Western North Carolina	(SE)
Dealing, Howard	Northern New York	(NE)
deAlvarez, Ruth Fetis	Chile	(OS)
Decker, Clyde A., Jr.	Virginia	(SE)
Deffebach, Lyle	Northwest Texas	(SC)
DeForest, Mrs. Elbert (11)	Central Kansas	(SC)
Delahooke, James K.	North Iowa	(NC)
Dellit, Harold W.	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
Dement, Frank E., Jr.	Mississippi	(SE)
DesAutels, William W.	Michigan	(NC)
Descamps, Maurice E.	Belgium	(OS)
Desper, Cecil	Missouri-EUB	(SC)
DeWire, Harry D.	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
DeWire, Norman	Detroit	(NC)
Diaz, Mrs. Carmela de	Peru	(OS)
Diaz, Roberto	Costa Rica	(OS)
Dicken, John R.	North Indiana	(NC)
Dickhaut, John W.	Ohio	(NC)
Dickhaut, Walter R., Sr.	Ohio	(NC)
Dickinson, William H.	North Texas	(SC)
Dille, Robert	West Virginia-EUB	(NE)
Dirks, Warren	Rocky Mountain	(W)
Dixon, John A.	Louisiana	(SC)
Dixon, W. Edge	Ohio	(NC)
Doak, D. Wesley	Oklahoma	(SC)
Dodder, Robert T. (1)	South Iowa	(NC)
Doering, Martin	Northeast Germany	(OS)
Doggett, Carroll A., Jr.	Baltimore	(NE)
Donaho, John	Southwest Texas	(SC)
Donelson, F. Eugene	Erie-EUB	(NE)
Donnenwirth, O. A. (12)	Ohio	(NC)
Dorsey, Harold W.	Kentucky	(SE)
Dougherty, Glenn	Indiana	(NC)
Dougherty, Paul B.	North Indiana	(NC)
Dover, Mrs. Hazel (10)	Ohio Miami-EUB	(NC)
Drake, Mrs. M. M.	Tennessee-Kentucky	(C)
Drake, M. Richard	North-East Ohio	(NC)
Drake, Orris L.	South Iowa	(NC)
Dryden, Kenneth H.	Nebraska	(SC)
Dubois, Hugh	Missouri West	(SC)
Dudley, E. M. (6)	Western North Carolina	(SE)

<i>Duecker, Sheldon</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Duffie, George S., Sr.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Duke, Charles D.</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Dunham, Mrs. Melerson G.</i>	Mississippi (C)
<i>Dunkle, Stanley</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Dunlap, James Edward</i>	Little Rock (SC)
<i>Dunn, Roy S.</i>	California-EUB (W)
<i>Dunn, William L.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Durham, Donald W.</i>	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Eardley, James G.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Early, Joyce V.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Easter, Paul M.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Eastridge, Miss Nancy</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Eaton, Harry B.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Ebers, Albert</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Edge, Claude</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Edwards, Alonzo C.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Edwards, Herman</i>	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Edwards, Joseph T.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Eggensperger, Harold O.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Egli, Stanley</i>	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Eich, Foster</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>Elling, C. D.</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Ellington, William D.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Ellis, S. Blake</i>	Maine (NE)
<i>Ellis, Matt L.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Engleman, Mrs. Keith</i>	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>English, Mrs. Charles</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Eppley, Paul</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Epps, Anderson C. (1)</i>	Georgia (C)
<i>Erdmann, E. W.</i>	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Erick, Frederick</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Erickson, William</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Ernst, J. Henry</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Erwin, Richard C.</i>	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
<i>Espie, John C.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Ether, Horace F.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Eubank, Graham S.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Evans, Daniel F.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Evans, Paul F., Sr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Evans, Rexford</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Evans, Ross M.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Ewald, Edward L.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Ewing, Harold W.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Fado, Donald H.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Farr, Joyce W.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Farris, Buford</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Fast, Jennings H.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Faubion, Mrs. E. Maurice (11)</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Featherson, R. Jack</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Felts, Clay</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Fenn, G. Lemuel</i>	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Fenner, Donald D.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Fenstermacher, George</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Fergus, Eldridge</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Ferree, James W.</i>	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
<i>Ferrer, Cornelio M.</i>	Northwest Philippines (OS)
<i>Fichter, Joseph W.</i>	Ohio (NC)

Fields, Mrs. Anita L.	Tennessee-Kentucky (C)
Figgs, Clyde P.	Virginia (SE)
Finch, George D.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Fischer, Fritz	South Germany (OS)
Fishbein, Harry	Canada-EUB (NE)
Fisher, John	New England (NE)
Fitzgerald, Ernest A.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Fleming, Durwood	Texas (SC)
Fletcher, Dennis R.	Philadelphia (NE)
Flores, Manuel V.	Methodist Church of Mexico (OS)
Fogelman, C. M., Jr.	Central Kansas (SC)
Foote, Edward W.	Minnesota (NC)
Ford, Floyd M.	Tennessee (SE)
Fore, Sam L.	Southwest Texas (SC)
Foster, Donald A.	South Carolina (SE)
Fox, Donald T.	Rocky Mountain (W)
Fowler, Conrad	North Alabama (SE)
Fowler, Leroy	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Fox, Miss Anna L.	Central Illinois (NC)
Francis, John R.	Detroit (NC)
Freeman, W. C.	Virginia (SE)
Friedrich, Paul A.	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Frost, Charles E.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Frost, Wilfred T.	Oregon (W)
Fulbright, Homer H.	North Arkansas (SC)
Funkhouser, Clyde	Southern Illinois (NC)
Gacutan, Ezekias G.	Northwest Philippines (OS)
Gailey, Mrs. Joe	Missouri West (SC)
Games, William	Ohio (NC)
Gard, Orin P.	Ohio (NC)
Garrett, T. Morgan	Central Texas (SC)
Gattinoni, Carlos T.	Argentina (OS)
Gattinoni, Eduardo J.	Argentina (OS)
Gausdal, Hans	Norway (OS)
Gehring, Oscar	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Geissbuhler, Th.	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
Gentry, Willard	Detroit (NC)
Georg, Mrs. H. L. (2)	Central Kansas (SC)
George, Anchula T.	Hyderabad (OS)
Gerster, H. C.	Canada-EUB (NE)
Gessner, Mrs. Benjamin A.	Kansas (SC)
Getchell, Stanley A. (1)	Maine (NE)
Getz, J. H.	Canada-EUB (NE)
Ghitalia, Jack P.	Central Illinois (NC)
Gibbs, Rollin P.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Gibson, Worth W.	North Arkansas (SC)
Gilbert, Ron	Oklahoma (SC)
Gilchrist, Frank	Florida-EUB (SE)
Gill, Khuda Dad	Indus River (OS)
Gilmore, Bryan C.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Ginns, C. Homer	New England Southern (NE)
Gleitsman, Joseph W.	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Glenn, Mrs. George W.	Central Kansas (SC)
Gloor, F.	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
Godwin, Charles	West Virginia (NE)
Goldman, Leon (Resigned)	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Goldston, C. Wade	North Carolina (SE)
Gonzalez, Fernando L.	Puerto Rico Provisional (NE)
Gordon, Robert M.	Central Kansas (SC)

Gourley, W. J. Godfrey	New England Southern (NE)
Gray, Frank M.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Gray, Ralph M.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Graybeal, H. C.	Holston (SE)
Graybill, Lewis	Virginia (SE)
Green, Lester E.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Greene, Jesse S.	New England (NE)
Greenlee, Mrs. B. M.	Florida-EUB (SE)
Greer, W. E.	Texas (SC)
Gregory, Kermit C.	Central Illinois (NC)
Grier, Joe D.	Georgia (C)
Griffin, Ben H.	South Georgia (SE)
Griffin, Carlean T.	Upper Mississippi (C)
Griffin, Jacques	Belgium (OS)
Griffith, Mrs. John	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Griggs, Ulysses S., Sr.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Grimes, Lawrence	Pacific Northwest (W)
Grinager, Lloyd K.	South Dakota (NC)
Gronlund, Hal (7)	Central Illinois (NC)
Gsell, Theo	Switzerland (OS)
Guiang, Conrado	Mindanao (OS)
Gums, Mrs. Reuben	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Guthrie, W. Nelson, Sr.	North Alabama (SE)
Gwyer, Herbert L.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Hager, Alfred D.	Kansas (SC)
Hager, Cornelius R.	Kentucky (SE)
Hagiya, Paul	Rocky Mountain (W)
Hagood, Delma L.	North Georgia (SE)
Haley, Elmer N.	Troy (NE)
Hall, Aaron D.	Florida (C)
Hall, Carl	Little Rock (SC)
Hall, Miles A., Jr.	Oklahoma (SC)
Hall, Myron	Oregon (W)
Hamilton, J. Wallace	Florida (SE)
Hammond, Clayton E.	Peninsula (NE)
Hancock, Eugene H.	North Iowa (NC)
Handcock, Maurice M.	Peninsula (NE)
Hankins, James E.	Holston (SE)
Hanks, Stanley G.	Minnesota (NC)
Hanna, Mrs. Lloyd (5)	Central Illinois (NC)
Hansen, John T.	Central Illinois (NC)
Hansen, Leo R.	Erie-EUB (NE)
Hansen, Wilfred	New York (NE)
Hanson, Mrs. Harold B.	New York (NE)
Hardin, Edward L.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Hardin, H. Grady	Texas (SC)
Harding, Richard E.	New England (NE)
Harkness, Leonard L.	Minnesota (NC)
Harrell, Lyman C.	Virginia (SE)
Harris, Therman	Oklahoma (SC)
Harris, Walter P., Sr.	Louisiana (SC)
Hart, J. Richard	California-Nevada (W)
Hartsell, Woodrow W.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Harvey, Earl E.	North Texas (SC)
Hathaway, Offie L.	North Carolina (SE)
Hattaway, William L.	Texas (SC)
Haug, Edward R.	Louisiana (SC)
Hauk, Horace B., Sr.	Holston (SE)
Hawkins, James W.	Tennessee (SE)

Hayes, Ralph (3)	Mississippi (SE)
Hayes, Robert E.	Texas (C)
Hays, Doyle	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Hayward, C. Douglas	California-Nevada (W)
Head, Lewis N.	Florida (SE)
Hearn, Charles L.	Central Texas (SC)
Hefner, Cecil G.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Helgesson, Alf	Southeast Africa (OS)
Hemphill, William, Jr.	Peninsula (NE)
Henninger, F. LaMont	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Henricks, Q. E.	California-EUB (W)
Henry, William R.	Oklahoma (SC)
Henton, Jack H.	Memphis (SE)
Herbert, Chesley C., Jr. (12)	Western North Carolina (SE)
Herbert, Hugh S.	Montana (W)
Herbert, Rembert B.	South Carolina (SE)
Hermann, E.	South Germany-EUB (OS)
Herr, Mrs. Philip C.	Philadelphia (NE)
Heyward, John W.	South Carolina (C)
Hickman, Hoyt L.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Higgins, D. Rayborn	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Higgins, Walter M.	Oregon (W)
Hildyard, Hobart R.	Kansas (SC)
Hill, Robert D.	California-Nevada (W)
Hillme, Herbert W.	Missouri West (SC)
Hileman, Ralph	Detroit (NC)
Hillis, Raymond	Little Rock (SC)
Hinely, E. A.	South Georgia (SE)
Hirabhai, Mithalal	Gujarat (OS)
Hirschman, Russell	Indiana (NC)
Hiser, Carl W.	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Hoch, Clarence L.	Troy (NE)
Hogeboom, Floyd E.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Holbrook, John W.	Kentucky (SE)
Holt, D. W.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Holte, Alfred O.	Pacific Northwest (W)
Homer, Robert L.	Central New York (NE)
Hood, Dixon	Memphis (SE)
Hooper, Mrs. Joel W.	Central Texas (SC)
Hopkins, Martin W.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Hopkins, Mrs. Thomas J.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Horner, William H.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Hostetter, Russell R.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Houston, Mrs. Colin	Detroit (NC)
Howe, Robert B.	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Howell, Forest W.	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Howell, Mrs. James P.	California-Nevada (W)
Howes, John B. (2)	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Howsare, Mrs. Leora	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Hoy, Russell	North-East Ohio (NC)
Hubbard, George W.	Missouri East (SC)
Huffman, E. C.	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Huggin, James G., Jr.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Hull, Mrs. Olyn F.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Hulse, Minard E.	Rock River (NC)
Hundley, George R.	North Alabama (SE)
Hundley, Joe A. (1)	Tennessee (SE)
Hunt, C. H.	Tennessee (SE)
Hunt, Clark	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Hunt, Frederick W.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)

Hunt, Kenneth W.	Ohio (NC)
Hunter, C. Pershing	New York (NE)
Hurd, E. Don	South Carolina (SE)
Hutcherson, Guy K.	South Georgia (SE)
Hutcherson, Lyon B., Sr.	Louisville (SE)
Hyde, Mrs. Jean	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Igo, Dale	California-EUB (W)
Imle, Mrs. E. F.	New Mexico (SC)
Ingling, George	Ohio (NC)
Ingram, Osmond K.	North Carolina (SE)
Innis, Frank	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Ireland, Melvon L.	Nebraska (SC)
Iverson, Mrs. A.	Detroit (NC)
Jack, Collins L.	Southern Illinois (NC)
Jackson, James R.	Georgia (C)
Jackson, John H.	Rocky Mountain (W)
Jackson, Rhett	South Carolina (SE)
Jackson, Mrs. T. A.	Virginia (SE)
Jackson, Warren	Angola (OS)
Jackson, Willis O.	North Georgia (SE)
Jacobs, George E.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Jacobs, Harry, Jr.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Jacoby, Wilbur A. (12)	California-Nevada (W)
James, Feltham S.	South Carolina (SE)
James, Harry	Indus River (OS)
James, Trigg, Sr.	Holston (SE)
James, William E.	Louisville (SE)
Jeffers, Willard	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
Johnson, Basil L.	Central Kansas (SC)
Johnson, Carroll	Mississippi (SE)
Johnson, Elmer C.	North Alabama (SE)
Johnson, Evan R.	New England Southern (NE)
Johnson, John G.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Johnson, Joseph T.	Rock River (NC)
Johnson, Leslie H.	New England (NE)
Johnson, Norman R.	Georgia (C)
Johnson, O. E.	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Johnson, Mrs. Ruleph A.	Philadelphia (NE)
Johnston, Joseph S.	Virginia (SE)
Johnston, Kenneth C.	Missouri West (SC)
Jolley, Delbert E.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Jones, William M.	North Mississippi (SE)
Jones, Worrell M.	Philadelphia (NE)
Jones, Z. Glen	Missouri West (SC)
Jones, Robert G.	Ohio (NC)
Jordan, David L.	Bengal (OS)
Joshi, Purrusnotam R.	Bombay (OS)
Juane, Lingkod A.	Philippines (OS)
Jury, John S.	Detroit (NC)
Justice, Milton C.	North Texas (SC)
Kahl, Norman F.	West Wisconsin (NC)
Kalaf, Walter N.	Florida (SE)
Kalas, Ellsworth J.	West Wisconsin (NC)
Kale, W. Arthur	Western North Carolina (SE)
Kane, Mrs. C. G.	Missouri East (SC)
Kanjundu, Frederic	Southern Congo (OS)
Kao, Jih-Eng	Malaysia Chinese (OS)

<i>Karsten, Clare W.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Katayama, Roy</i>	Northwest Indiana	(NC)
<i>Kay, W. Eugene (11)</i>	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB	(SC)
<i>Kear, Donald</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Keeffe, William R.</i>	New Hampshire	(NE)
<i>Keese, William A.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Kellam, Harold B.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Keller, Edward M.</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Kelley, Mrs. John E.</i>	Western New York	(NE)
<i>Kelley, L. Clarence</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Kelly, Warren G.</i>	West Virginia	(NE)
<i>Kelso, Earl F.</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>Kemper, John Q.</i>	Kentucky	(SE)
<i>Kerns, Willis A.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Kesler, N. Robert</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Kess, Theodore W.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Key, W. R.</i>	South Georgia	(SE)
<i>Kidd, Charles O.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Kirk, R. Luther</i>	Northwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Knecht, David F.</i>	North Dakota	(NC)
<i>Knight, Mildred A.</i>	New Hampshire	(NE)
<i>Kooker, Franklin E.</i>	Wyoming	(NE)
<i>Koons, Earl W.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Kraatz, Alvin L., Sr.</i>	New York-EUB	(NE)
<i>Krause, Guenter</i>	Northeast Germany	(OS)
<i>Krueger, Arthur</i>	South Dakota	(NC)
<i>Krupe, Carroll</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
<i>Kuhl, Werner</i>	Northwest Germany	(OS)
<i>Kuhler, Warren G. (11)</i>	South Dakota	(NC)
<i>Lacaria, John S.</i>	West Virginia	(NE)
<i>Lackey, A. Glenn</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Lain, T. LeRoy</i>	Southwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Lambert, Ralph G.</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Lambertson, J. Paul</i>	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Lance, Joseph R.</i>	Delhi	(OS)
<i>Lander, Richard N.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Lane, Ival</i>	Indiana South-EUB	(NC)
<i>Lang, Gilbert C.</i>	Rocky Mountain	(W)
<i>Lanning, Dean (3)</i>	Northern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>Lantrip, James W.</i>	Louisville	(SE)
<i>LaPoint, Francis R.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Larrowe, Lawrence</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Laskey, Mrs. Glenn E.</i>	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>LaSuer, Donald F.</i>	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>Lau, Kuok-Ding</i>	Sarawak	(OS)
<i>Lavery, Milton M.</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Law, James G.</i>	Central Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Lawrence, Marquis W.</i>	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Lawrence, Mrs. Melvin E.</i>	New England	(NE)
<i>Lee, Alfred K.</i>	Sarawak	(OS)
<i>Lee, Maurice E., Jr.</i>	North Texas	(SC)
<i>Lee, Vernon</i>	Northern New York	(NE)
<i>Lehwald, Herman A.</i>	Missouri East	(SC)
<i>Lein, Woldemar</i>	Northwest Germany	(OS)
<i>Lennartson, Walter S.</i>	Rock River	(NC)
<i>Leslie, Dana</i>	California-Nevada	(W)
<i>Lewis, Edward B.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Lightner, A. LeRoy</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Lindell, Sixten E. (8)</i>	Sweden	(OS)

Lindstrom, David E.	Central Illinois (NC)
Ling, Tung Chang	Sarawak (OS)
Lippman, Roland A.	Southern Illinois (NC)
Little, Mrs. Frank	Pacific Northwest (W)
Litton, Ray	Kentucky (SE)
Litwiller, William	Rock River (NC)
Llenado, Abigail	Middle Philippines (OS)
Loepfert, Henry V.	Rock River (NC)
Long, Maurice K.	South Iowa (NC)
Lord, Charles E.	California-Nevada (W)
Lord, Kenneth	Virginia (SE)
Love, Elza L.	Texas (SC)
Love, J. C.	Louisiana (SC)
Lovett, Wallace W.	North Alabama (SE)
Lowe, Donald L.	Southern Illinois (NC)
Lowe, Jonathan	West Virginia (NE)
Loyd, H. Brown	Central Texas (SC)
Luke, Wayne (8)	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Luman, Fred	Missouri East (SC)
Lundy, John T.	Holston (SE)
Lurwick, George C.	Philadelphia (NE)
Lushbough, Bruce C.	South Dakota (NC)
Lyle, G. L.	Florida (SE)
Lyles, Paul T.	Memphis (SE)
Lyman, Howard A.	Michigan (NC)
Lynn, Hawley B.	South Carolina (SE)
Lytle, D. Russell	Missouri East (SC)
McAnally, Tom	Nebraska (SC)
McBee, Melvin	Virginia-EUB (SE)
McCall, Kenneth	Missouri West (SC)
McClinton, Clark C.	North Arkansas (SC)
McClung, Mrs. Sam	Nebraska (SC)
McConnell, Sam P.	Holston (SE)
McConnell, Taylor	Rocky Mountain (W)
McCreless, Sollie E.	Southwest Texas (SC)
McDaniel, Preston W.	Memphis (SE)
McFall, Carl	Oklahoma (SC)
McGowan, Mrs. C. B.	Louisiana (SC)
McGrath, Kenneth	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
McIntosh, Kenneth B.	Hong Kong Provisional (OS)
McKay, Samuel, Jr.	Peninsula (NE)
McKelvey, Leon	Southern New Jersey (NE)
McKelvey, Paul	Detroit (NC)
McKim, Rollen E.	South Georgia (SE)
McLelland, William C.	Mississippi (SE)
McLeod, David	South Carolina (SE)
McMillan, L. Roger	Mississippi (C)
McNier, Mrs. George	Central Illinois (NC)
McPheeters, Chilton C.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
McWhirter, Edgar P.	South Carolina (SE)
Maberry, Alvin T.	South Iowa (NC)
Mabuce, Mrs. John O.	Western New York (NE)
Machado, Abel P.	California-Nevada (W)
Mack, James	South Carolina (C)
Mackay, James A.	North Georgia (SE)
Macwan, Daniel D.	Gujarat (OS)
Maetche, A. W.	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Magnum, Mrs. Orin	Peninsula (NE)
Magsig, Lewis E. (7)	Montana-EUB (W)

Mahon, Eldon	Northwest Texas (SC)
Main, Art	Missouri West (SC)
Mall, Samuel D.	Indus River (OS)
Mallery, John	Erie-EUB (NE)
Malone, Frank D.	North Alabama (SE)
Mann, George M.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Mann, Robert	Central New York (NE)
Mannasmith, C. H.	South Iowa (NC)
Mariano, Roberto	Uruguay (OS)
Marble, Robert V.	Madhya Pradesh (OS)
Marima, William F.	Rhodesia (OS)
Marks, Charles H.	Northern New York (NE)
Marquardt, Mrs. A. R.	Nebraska (SC)
Marsh, Jeff	Missouri West (SC)
Marsland, Irving A., Jr.	New York (NE)
Martin, Harold C.	North Alabama (SE)
Martin, Stanley H.	West Virginia (NE)
Mason, L. Keith	Louisiana (SC)
Massey, Daniel B.	Moradabad (OS)
Mathes, W. C.	Oklahoma (SC)
Mathews, Elmer	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Matthaei, Paul	Central Kansas (SC)
Matthaei, Mrs. Paul	Central Kansas (SC)
Matthews, C. Kenneth	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Matthews, Ray H., Jr.	South Carolina (SE)
Matthews, William H.	South Iowa (NC)
Mauck, Donald M.	Ohio (NC)
Mayer, Theodore C.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Mayo, George W. (10)	South Georgia (SE)
Mead, Mrs. Charles (5)	Nebraska (SC)
Mealiff, Lester C.	North Iowa (NC)
Mears, John M.	North Carolina (SE)
Medlock, Melvin K.	South Carolina (SE)
Meier, Walter	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Meinhardt, W.	East Germany-EUB (OS)
Mejias, Cosme	Costa Rica (OS)
Melrose, Lester (12)	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Mercer, Charles H.	North Carolina (SE)
Merritt, Paul	Northern New York (NE)
Mettling, Carl G.	Rock River (NC)
Metzger, Paul O.	Minnesota (NC)
Mevis, Reid	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Michalson, Gordon E.	Central Illinois (NC)
Mick, Billee S.	West Virginia (NE)
Middaugh, Bruce L.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Mikkelsen, John H.	Nebraska (SC)
Miles, E. Loyal	Central Kansas (SC)
Miller, Alton S.	Peninsula (NE)
Miller, C. Glenn	Central Illinois (NC)
Miller, Fred E.	North Iowa (NC)
Miller, Mrs. Ivan	Erie-EUB (NE)
Miller, J. Carlisle	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Miller, Kenneth P.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Miller, Millard J.	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Miller, Rush G.	North Mississippi (SE)
Miller, W. Jene	Oklahoma (SC)
Millett, William F.	New York (NE)
Milligan, Thomas	Central New York (NE)
Mills, Henry	Southwest Texas (SC)
Mims, Elton T.	Southwest Texas (SC)

<i>Minga, T. Herbert</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Mingledorff, C. Glenn</i>	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Minnick, Carlton P.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Minnigh, Wendell E., Sr.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Minsker, John</i>	Western New York (NE)
<i>Miranda, Walter N. (5)</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Mitchell, Mrs. B. V.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Mitra, G. S.</i>	South India (OS)
<i>Mobley, Max B.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Mohney, Ralph W.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Montgomery, Allen D.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Montgomery, J. C.</i>	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Montoya, Mrs. D. D.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Mood, George H.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Moore, Don</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Moore, Homer L.</i>	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Moore, J. Barcus</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Moore, Leroy W.</i>	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Moore, Manley</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Moore, W. Bryan</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Moorhead, Frank E.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Morgan, James W.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Morgan, John B.</i>	Missouri-EUB (SC)
<i>Morris, Mrs. Arthur D.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Morris, John E.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Morris, Robert L.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Morris, Thurman B.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Mosby, Robert S.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Moses, Kollur V.</i>	Hyderabad (OS)
<i>Moss, Melvin C.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Moulton, Lewis H.</i>	New Hampshire (NE)
<i>Mouser, Roy E.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Mudzengerere, David L.</i>	Rhodesia (OS)
<i>Mulango, Sébastien</i>	Southern Congo (OS)
<i>Mulder, John W.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Mullick, P. K.</i>	Bengal (OS)
<i>Mundy, Alfred F.</i>	New Hampshire (NE)
<i>Munyon, Glenn</i>	California-EUB (W)
<i>Murray, Melvin</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Murray, Richard T.</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Murry, Charles M.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Myers, Arthur L.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Myers, Calvin R.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Naepil, Emerito P.</i>	Middle Philippines (OS)
<i>Navess, Bento T.</i>	Southeast Africa (OS)
<i>Naylor, Robert F.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Nease, Edgar H., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Needham, Gerald B.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Neely, Sam H., Jr.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Nees, Forrest G.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Neller, Alvin A.</i>	Michigan (NC)
<i>Nelson, W. L. J.</i>	South Carolina (C)
<i>Nesbitt, M. Wilson, Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Neth, G. Hubert</i>	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Newburn, Robert L.</i>	Oregon (W)
<i>Newing, Ralph L. (2)</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Newman, M. D.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Nichols, Henry H.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Nickerson, Donald</i>	Missouri East (SC)

<i>Nielson, Robert P.</i>	South Dakota (NC)
<i>Noble, Fred B.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Nolen, Thirwell C.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Nollenberger, Paul</i>	South Germany (OS)
<i>Nordstrom, Clyde V.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Norris, William S. P.</i>	Louisiana (C)
<i>Northrop, George M.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Norwood, June W.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Nowlin, Earl M.</i>	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Nowlin, Lee</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Nylundh, Arnold</i>	Sweden (OS)
<i>Ochoa, Marco A.</i>	Peru (OS)
<i>Ogden, Mrs. Tarrance</i>	Troy (NE)
<i>Ogle, William J.</i>	New England (NE)
<i>O'Hara, Delmar</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Oliphant, George W.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Oliver, Y. A.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Ollerman, Lester (4)</i>	Montana-EUB (W)
<i>Ollman, Don (5)</i>	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>O'Mara, G. J.</i>	Michigan (NC)
<i>O'Neal, Robert J.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Onema, Joseph</i>	Central Congo (OS)
<i>Ong, Chai-Ghee</i>	Malaya (OS)
<i>Osamba, Albert</i>	Central Congo (OS)
<i>Osborne, Wesley D.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Osoario, Juan</i>	Chile (OS)
<i>Ostertag, Frank, Sr.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Ostrander, David L.</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Overhulser, William F.</i>	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Owens, J. Garfield</i>	West Texas (C)
<i>Owens, Sam</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Pacetti, Madison F.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Padale, P. D.</i>	Bombay (OS)
<i>Panzer, Robert A.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Parham, Harry C.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Parker, Marshall J.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Parker, Robert P.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Parks, Chester</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Parrish, John W.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Patial, Mani Datt</i>	North India (OS)
<i>Patras, Earnest</i>	Madhya Pradesh (OS)
<i>Patrick, James T.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Patten, William C. (3)</i>	New Mexico (SC)
<i>Patterson, Joyce R.</i>	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Paulen, Wayne</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Peden, Homer C.</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Pembroke, Maceo D.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Peña, Juan N.</i>	Uruguay (OS)
<i>Perkins, John D.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Peters, Kenneth C.</i>	Louisville (SE)
<i>Perryman, Mrs. Lena</i>	Texas (C)
<i>Petersen, John K.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Peterson, Charles C.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Peterson, Lawrence S.</i>	New England (NE)
<i>Peterson, Will</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Pettit, Clare</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Pevahouse, Joe</i>	Memphis (SE)
<i>Phelps, William R.</i>	Virginia (SE)

<i>Phillips, Joe R.</i>	Little Rock (SC)
<i>Philpot, Ford</i>	Kentucky (SE)
<i>Phipps, James E.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Picketts, William S.</i>	Louisville (SE)
<i>Pierce, Wade H.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Piercy, Mrs. Harvey J.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Pitcher, Philip N.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Pittard, Joe H.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Pittenger, Richard D.</i>	South Dakota (NC)
<i>Pittman, Warren E.</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Pletsch, Walter</i>	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Ploch, Clarence</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Plummer, Ray B.</i>	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
<i>Poole, Daniel W.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Poor, George L.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Porter, Frank</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Post, Charles, Sr.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Poynter, Robert B.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Pratt, Mrs. F. W.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Price, Orville B.</i>	Western New York (NE)
<i>Prince, Frank H.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Quillian, Joe D.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Rae, Mrs. Kirk C.</i>	Detroit (NC)
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<i>Ragle, H. Doyle</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Ranck, J. Allan</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Randle, R. E. (8)</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Randolph, Allen H.</i>	Tennessee-Kentucky (C)
<i>Randolph, Willie B.</i>	Texas (C)
<i>Ransom, E. C.</i>	West Texas (C)
<i>Ransom, Lewis F.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
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<i>Reed, Jack R.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
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<i>Reed, James M.</i>	Rock River (NC)
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<i>Reinhardt, Helmut</i>	South Germany (OS)
<i>Renick, Mrs. Bruce</i>	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>Rhone, Raymond</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Rice, Dan</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Rice, George E.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Rice, Paul E.</i>	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Richards, George W.</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Rigg, Maynard</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Riggin, Edwin C.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Riley, Hugh E.</i>	Rocky Mountain (W)
<i>Risinger, Melvin S.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Robbins, Francis L.</i>	West Wisconsin (NC)
<i>Roberts, Samuel T.</i>	Liberia (OS)
<i>Roberts, W. Sidney</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Robinson, Forrest J.</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Robinson, Frank J. (8)</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Robinson, Russell R.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Robison, Harold L.</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Robison, Roger D.</i>	Montana (W)
<i>Robuck, Wilbur</i>	Montana-EUB (W)

<i>Rodda, William F. B.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Rodcheffer, Calvin</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Rodriguez, Moises M.</i>	Philippines (OS)
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<i>Rogers, Carleton C.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Rogers, Cornish R.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Rogers, James F.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Rogers, Joe O., Jr.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Rohr, Lawrence E.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
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<i>Russell, Mrs. Harrell M.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Russell, Jack B.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Russell, Paul R.</i>	New York (NE)
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<i>Sackmann, Dieter A.</i>	South Germany (OS)
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<i>Sageser, David B.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Saito, Kazuo</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Salazar, Noel</i>	Bolivia (OS)
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<i>Sales, Phillip N. (7)</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Samuel, Dathu</i>	South India (OS)
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<i>Sanders, Felix J., Jr.</i>	Louisville (SE)
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<i>Sapp, Lloyd G.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Sasaki, James K.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
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<i>Seay, John W.</i>	Ohio (NC)
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<i>Seifert, H.</i>	East Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Sessions, Cleo C.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Settle, Frank A. (7)</i>	Holston (SE)
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<i>Shaner, Harry E.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
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<i>Shelnett, Dumas B. (2)</i>	North Georgia (SE)
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<i>Shipp, Thomas J.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Shives, Jack</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Shivley, Charles S.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Shook, Wallace T.</i>	Texas (SC)
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<i>Smith, Mrs. Edna A.</i>	Indus River (OS)
<i>Smith, F. Rossing</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Smith, Hampden H., Jr.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Smith, J. Roy</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Smith, R. E.</i>	Texas (SC)
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<i>Smith, W. Jasper</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Smith, William E.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Smoot, Jewell M.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Snead, James G.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Snyder, Eldon D.</i>	New York-EUB (NE)
<i>Sonnenday, Mrs. J. W.</i>	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Sorensen, Earl R.</i>	Michigan (NC)
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<i>Spear, Mrs. Charles W.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Spencer, Mrs. Paul</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Sprinkle, Julian W.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Sprouls, J. Clifton</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Squyres, Rex</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Stanger, Frank B.</i>	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Stansbury, William B., Jr.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
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<i>Stauffer, Glenn</i>	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Stauffer, Milton</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Steckel, K.</i>	West Germany-EUB (OS)
<i>Steele, Clay E.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Stephenson, Sheldon B.</i>	Central New York (NE)
<i>Stetler, Edwin</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Stettler, Wallace F.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)

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<i>Stith, Forrest C.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Stokes, James C.</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Stokes, C. Ray</i>	Central Texas	(SC)
<i>Stone, Mrs. J. P.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Stone, John</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Storey, Robert R.</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>Stratton, Leslie M., III</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Stringer, Monroe T.</i>	Louisiana	(C)
<i>Stroh, Byron F.</i>	Indiana	(NC)
<i>Strome, G. R.</i>	Canada-EUB	(NE)
<i>Strong, Donald T.</i>	Michigan	(NC)
<i>Strong, Louis</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Styron, Mrs. Arthur H. (11)</i>	North Georgia	(SE)
<i>Sullins, W. D., Sr.</i>	Holston	(SE)
<i>Surfus, Leland C.</i>	North Iowa	(NC)
<i>Sutton, William</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Sykes, Livingstone B., Jr.</i>	Central Alabama	(C)
<i>Swadley, Raymond (9)</i>	Virginia-EUB	(SE)
<i>Swift, Kent T.</i>	Montana-EUB	(W)
<i>Synwolt, Royal J.</i>	Michigan	(NC)
<i>Talbott, Norbert, Jr.</i>	Indiana	(NC)
<i>Tamkin, Raymon</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Tardy, Wilbur (13)</i>	West Virginia-EUB	(NE)
<i>Taylor, Arthur M.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Taylor, Daniel E.</i>	Oregon	(W)
<i>Taylor, James C.</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Taylor, Robert L.</i>	North Georgia	(SE)
<i>Tedcastle, Arthur T.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Tefft, Charles G.</i>	South Iowa	(NC)
<i>Templeton, Alan H.</i>	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Teng, Tung Hsin</i>	Sarawak	(OS)
<i>Terry, Arthur</i>	Little Rock	(SC)
<i>Thigpen, Richard E., Sr.</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Thistle, Richard C.</i>	Northwest Indiana	(NC)
<i>Tholin, Richard (13)</i>	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Thomas, C. Y.</i>	Kansas	(SC)
<i>Thomas, Francis C.</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Thomas, Robert B.</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Thomas, Virginia</i>	North Mississippi	(SE)
<i>Thompson, Roy</i>	Erie-EUB	(NE)
<i>Thompson, Pat</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>Thorn, Ralph J.</i>	Central Kansas	(SC)
<i>Thornburg, Robert W. (11)</i>	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Thorp, Ed</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>Thurman, Mrs. David R.</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>Thurston, Elwyn O.</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Tillmon, C. G.</i>	Southwest	(C)
<i>Timberlake, Richard H.</i>	Holston	(SE)
<i>Tisdale, James B.</i>	Alabama-West Florida	(SE)
<i>Titus, John E.</i>	Lucknow	(OS)
<i>Tobey, Arthur W. (Deceased)</i>	Michigan	(NC)
<i>Togba, Joseph N.</i>	Liberia	(OS)
<i>Tom, Asa</i>	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Torrance, Philip C.</i>	Western New York	(NE)
<i>Townsend, Harrell A.</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Townsend, Robert L.</i>	Nebraska	(SC)
<i>Traylor, Henderson</i>	North Georgia	(SE)
<i>Trieschmann, Theodore</i>	North Iowa	(NC)

<i>Troger, Berthold</i>	Central Germany (OS)
<i>Trotter, J. Irwin</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Trueblood, Roy W.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Truitt, Richard O.</i>	West Wisconsin (NC)
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<i>Walker, Harvey A. (3)</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Walker, J. Allen</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Walker, Joe W.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
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<i>Wallmeroth, Erich</i>	Southwest Germany (OS)
<i>Walton, Carl W.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
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<i>Allen, Mrs. J. T.</i>	Alabama-West Florida	(SE)
<i>Amark, Curt</i>	Sweden	(OS)
<i>Bashore, George W.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Batt, Samuel</i>	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Beltrami, José R.</i>	Uruguay	(OS)
<i>Bogenrief, James</i>	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Bosley, Harold A.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Bush, Wilkie</i>	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Calkins, Raoul C.</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Chacon, Arturo</i>	Chile	(OS)
<i>Clardy, Mrs. Sara</i>	Missouri East	(SC)
<i>Cooke, George W.</i>	Western New York	(NE)
<i>Cooke, Mrs. Monroe</i>	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Cramer, Solomon G.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Crump, Alphonso W.</i>	Mississippi	(C)
<i>Dillard, R. L., Jr.</i>	North Texas	(SC)
<i>Dodder, Robert T.</i>	South Iowa	(NC)
<i>Dodgen, Ethan W.</i>	North Arkansas	(SC)
<i>Dominick, Frank</i>	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Dunn, Merle A.</i>	Minnesota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Dutt, Harold</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Dykes, David L., Jr.</i>	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>Ebinger, Warren R.</i>	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Engle, Damon</i>	West Virginia	(NE)
<i>Epps, Anderson C.</i>	Georgia	(C)
<i>Farley, Thomas K.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Findley, C. R.</i>	Kansas-EUB	(SC)
<i>Flatt, F. Alton</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Footc, Gaston</i>	Central Texas	(SC)

<i>Fribley, Robert W.</i>	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>Frye, Elwood</i>	Virginia-EUB	(SE)
<i>Getchell, A. Stanley</i>	Maine	(NE)
<i>Gray, Mrs. Carroll</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>Haldeman, Charles</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hardt, John W.</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>Harriger, Harold O.</i>	Northwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Haverstock, Calvin B., Jr.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Hazzard, Walter R.</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Hightower, Ted</i>	Louisville	(SE)
<i>Hodapp, Leroy C.</i>	Indiana	(NC)
<i>Hundley, Joe A.</i>	Tennessee	(SE)
<i>Irish, Mrs. Deane</i>	West Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Jerome, J. E.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Johnson, Henry W.</i>	Southwest	(SE)
<i>Jones, Everett R.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Jones, G. Eliot</i>	Mississippi	(SE)
<i>Jones, John B.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Karls, Harold</i>	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Keller, Delbert M.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
<i>Kirchner, Frederick K.</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Kirkpatrick, Dow</i>	Rock River	(NC)
<i>Lambeth, M. Thomas</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Lord, Lemuel K.</i>	New England	(NE)
<i>Madison, J. Clay</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Mann, Robert T.</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>McIntyre, John</i>	Rocky Mountain	(W)
<i>Mehl, Ernest</i>	Missouri West	(SC)
<i>Messmer, William K.</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB	(NC)
<i>Metcalf, Kenneth E.</i>	North Iowa	(NC)
<i>Metzel, Mrs. George</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Michels, Charles</i>	West Virginia-EUB	(NE)
<i>Mitchell, Eric A.</i>	Bombay	(OS)
<i>Moon, Robert W.</i>	California-Nevada	(W)
<i>Moorehead, Lee C.</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Nietz, Ed.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NC)
<i>Nyberg, Dennis F.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Olexa, John F.</i>	Erie-EUB	(NE)
<i>Peiffer, H. S.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Penrod, J. O.</i>	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Peterson, Arden</i>	Michigan-EUB	(NC)
<i>Pinkard, Calvin M.</i>	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Pope, Joseph W., Jr.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Prigmore, L. T.</i>	Holston	(SE)
<i>Reavley, Tom</i>	Southwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Robbins, Cecil W.</i>	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Schroeder, Harvey J.</i>	Nebraska-EUB	(SC)
<i>Schulz, Willard W.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Schwiebert, Erwin H.</i>	Idaho	(W)

Scott, Charles S.	Kansas (SC)
Smith, Eugene L.	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Streeter, Emmett T.	Nebraska (SC)
Tan, Chee-Khoon	Malaya (OS)
Teagle, Ernest H.	Southern Illinois (NC)
Truax, Lyle	Pacific Northwest (W)
Vessey, Robert G.	South Dakota (NC)
Wagner, William S.	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Warman, John B.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Webb, L. Paul, Jr.	North Georgia (SE)
White, E. McKinnon	New England Southern (NE)
White, L. L.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Wilcox, Katherine	Michigan (NC)
Wolf, John D.	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Woomer, James A.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Youngblood, Russell	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Zorn, George L.	South Georgia (SE)

No. 2

CONFERENCES

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the General, Jurisdictional, Annual, Provisional, Annual, and District Conferences, and to Missions. All memorials, petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to Central Conferences shall be referred to the Commission on the structure of Methodism Overseas.

(See *Discipline* Para. 2012.1)

Chairman—Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East-EUB—NC)

Vice-Chairman—John T. King (West Texas—C)

Secretary—Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC)

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Allen, Jack C.	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Ammons, Edsel A.	Rock River (NC)
Arant, Mrs. F. S.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Atkinson, George H.	California-Nevada (W)
Bailey, Joe N., Jr.	North Mississippi (SE)
Barclift, Chancie D.	North Carolina (SE)
Bayliss, John A.	North Arkansas (SC)
Bethea, Joseph B.	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
Boettcher, Roy	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Bonds, Alfred B.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Bouldin, John R.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Brady, Bland	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Bray, Jerry G.	Virginia (SE)
Buzzard, T. R.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Carroll, Edward G.	Baltimore (NE)
Coffman, Floyd H.	Kansas (SC)

<i>Colpitts, A. Hunter</i>	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Cotton, W. Davis</i>	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>Courtney, Robert H.</i>	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Crandall, C. H.</i>	Missouri-EUB	(SC)
<i>Crawford, Arthur M.</i>	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Crede, Harry S.</i>	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Cabbage, Mrs. Mary</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Cunningham, Francis T.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>DeWeese, Owen</i>	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>DeWitt, Jesse R.</i>	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Dill, R. Laurence, Jr.</i>	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Donelson, Glenn E.</i>	Erie-EUB	(NE)
<i>Dowd, J. A.</i>	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Eckstein, D. H.</i>	East Germany-EUB	(OS)
<i>Egan, William F.</i>	Southern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>Faber, Fran H.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Flood, Harold D.</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Forsberg, Clarence J.</i>	Nebraska	(SC)
<i>Gentry, Edd W.</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>Georg, Mrs. H. L.</i>	Central Kansas	(SC)
<i>Gibson, J. Nelson</i>	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Goens, Ray W.</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>Gonzalez, Josue</i>	Rio Grande	(SC)
<i>Goodwin, B. C., Jr.</i>	New Mexico	(SC)
<i>Gordy, Delmont K.</i>	Minnesota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hancock, C. David</i>	Indiana South-EUB	(NC)
<i>Heckard, Cecil L.</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Heidlebaugh, Chester R.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Holbrook, Donald E.</i>	Michigan	(NC)
<i>Holler, J. C.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Holm, Carl-Axel</i>	Sweden	(OS)
<i>Howes, John B.</i>	Central Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Hulit, Kenneth W.</i>	Ohio East-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hundley, Mrs. R. Lee</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>James, William M.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Jeffers, E. B.</i>	Tennessee-EUB	(SE)
<i>Jenkins, James</i>	Oregon	(W)
<i>Jones, Edwin L., Sr.</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Jones, Major J.</i>	Tennessee-Kentucky	(C)
<i>Kawadza, Jonah B.</i>	Rhodesia	(OS)
<i>King, John T.</i>	West Texas	(C)
<i>Lowery, Joseph E.</i>	Central Alabama	(C)
<i>Lutrick, Charles E.</i>	Northwest Texas	(SC)
<i>McEowen, Charles A.</i>	Missouri West	(SC)
<i>Middlebrooks, Bob W.</i>	North Texas	(SC)
<i>Misajon, James J. M.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Moore, Farris F.</i>	Tennessee	(SE)
<i>Murbach, John</i>	Michigan-EUB	(NC)

- Netterville, George L. Louisiana (C)
 Newing, Ralph L. Wyoming (NE)
 Nichols, Lloyd C. Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
 Nunnally, Donald J. Nebraska-EUB (SC)
- Obaugh, William R. Florida-EUB (SE)
 Odom, Warren G. Central New York (NE)
- Parlin, Charles C. Northern New Jersey (NE)
 Patterson, D. S. Baltimore (NE)
 Patton, Russell R. Kentucky (SE)
 Peck, David West Virginia (NE)
 Pieters, Andre J. Belgium (OS)
 Poole, Gregory K. Missouri East (SC)
 Pounds, R. L. Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
 Preusch, Robert W. New York (NE)
- Reeves, Edwin E. Southern California-Arizona (W)
 Rein, John D. New York-EUB (NE)
 Riley, Negail R. Southwest (C)
 Rios, Roberto E. (2) Argentina (OS)
 Ritchey, William H. Pacific Northwest (W)
 Russell, John W. Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
- Satterfield, John C. Mississippi (SE)
 Schafer, O. E. California-EUB (W)
 Searle, John C., Sr. Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
 Shamblin, J. Kenneth Texas (SC)
 Shearer, Daniel L. Eastern-EUB (NE)
 Shearer, Paul V. South Iowa (NC)
 Shelnut, Dumas B. North Georgia (SE)
 Shockley, John R. Peninsula (NE)
 Shoemaker, Wayne E. North Iowa (NC)
 Slutz, Leonard D. Ohio (NC)
 Smith, Holiday H. Holston (SE)
 Smith, Robert W. Oklahoma (SC)
 Snyder, F. W. Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
 Sommer, Carl E. Southwest Germany (OS)
 Strutz, Robert H. Dakota-EUB (NC)
- Trout, Clair Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
- Upham, Walter E. Maine (NE)
- Walker, James M. Southwest Texas (SC)
 Ware, Mrs. Carl E. Ohio (NC)
 Wilcoxon, Francis M. Indiana South-EUB (NC)
 Williams, L. Stanley Central Texas (SC)
 Wood, George S. Louisville (SE)
 Woods, William F. Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
 Wright, George A. South Georgia (SE)
 Wright, M. M. Kansas-EUB (SC)
- Yancey, Charles L. Memphis (SE)
- Zehner, Henry W. Eastern-EUB (NE)
 Zeuner, Walther Northwest Germany (OS)
 Ziegler, Wilbur C. New England (NE)
 Zoppolo, César Uruguay (OS)

No. 3

EDUCATION

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Education and to the interests and activities which by the law of the Church are made the concern of this Board.

Chairman—D. Frederick Wertz (Central Pa.—NE)
 Vice-Chairman—Wayne C. Hess (Illinois-EUB—NC)
 Secretary—Harvey H. Potthoff (Rocky Mountain—W)

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Acker, T. E.	Texas (SC)
Aldrich, Charles S.	Western New York (NE)
Bailey, A. Purnell	Virginia (SE)
Barth, Frederick H.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Bennett, Gordon	Northwest Texas (SC)
Boda, Harold	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Booth, Dale	Little Rock (SC)
Bosshardt, Floyd E.	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Bosshardt, O. A.	California-EUB (W)
Bozeman, W. Scott	Florida (SE)
Brant, Walter R.	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Brown, Miss Marion	Ohio (NC)
Carrasco, Carlos	Peru (OS)
Chaffee, Paul V.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Clem, Paul L.	North Alabama (SE)
Cobb, Heedlie M.	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Cole, Thomas W.	Texas (C)
Cowell, Ernest C.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Crompton, J. Rolland	Wyoming (NE)
Curtis, Charles M.	Central Kansas (SC)
Dixon, Ernest T., Jr.	West Texas (C)
Eldridge, Edgar A.	Holston (SE)
Eller, Paul H.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Estilow, U. S.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Evans, Garrett H.	West Virginia (NE)
Faist, F. H.	Canada-EUB (NE)
Fajardo, Carlos	Costa Rica (OS)
Feaver, Laurence E.	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Forkner, Stanley	Michigan-EUB (NC)
French, Mrs. Jane	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Galang, Fidel P.	Middle Philippines (OS)
Garrett, C. Dendy	South Iowa (NC)
Garrett, Mrs. William J.	Peninsula (NE)
Geible, Merrell	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Giese, Milton W.	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Gooch, Mrs. John	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Goto, Nathan F.	Rhodesia (OS)
Greenwaldt, William M.	Central Texas (SC)
Hamilton, Richard E.	Indiana (NC)
Hartman, Mason N.	New England (NE)

<i>Harriefeld, F.</i>	West Germany-EUB	(OS)
<i>Hayes, Clare J.</i>	Kansas	(SC)
<i>Hayes, Ralph</i>	Mississippi	(SE)
<i>Heck, J. Holland</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Heiser, Ben F.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Hess, Wayne C.</i>	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hubbard, Albert T.</i>	Louisville	(SE)
<i>Humphrey, John D.</i>	North Mississippi	(SE)
<i>Jenkins, Warren M.</i>	South Carolina	(C)
<i>Jesske, T. E.</i>	Northwest Canada-EUB	(W)
<i>John, Narsappa</i>	Hyderabad	(OS)
<i>Johnson, Ethel R.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Lanning, Dean</i>	Northern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>Leininger, Paul M.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Marlow, H. LeRoy</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Marty, Wayne</i>	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Marvin, John E.</i>	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Master, Harry V.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>McCormick, Paul R.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>McDavid, Joel D.</i>	Alabama-West Florida	(SE)
<i>McMahan, Donald F.</i>	Northwest Indiana	(NC)
<i>Mehl, Mrs. Ernest</i>	Missouri West	(SC)
<i>Mendoza, Jaime</i>	Bolivia	(OS)
<i>Meyer, Samuel L.</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Michael, Lyle J.</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Michael, Marion S.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Moody, Melvin A.</i>	Ohio East-EUB	(NC)
<i>Moore, Richard V.</i>	Florida	(C)
<i>Mozumdar, Miss Kumudini</i>	Bengal	(OS)
<i>Mund, A. W.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Mundhenke, Mrs. Milton</i>	Nebraska-EUB	(SC)
<i>Murphy, C. Edwin</i>	Nebraska	(SC)
<i>Nelson, Mrs. Dorothy</i>	Southern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>North, Jack B.</i>	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Oliphint, Benjamin R.</i>	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>Patten, William C.</i>	New Mexico	(SC)
<i>Pennington, Chester A.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Petticord, Paul P.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
<i>Potthoff, Harvey H.</i>	Rocky Mountain	(W)
<i>Ranck, Ezra H.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Richardson, Ted I.</i>	Southwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Riddle, Earl W.</i>	Idaho	(W)
<i>Robbins, Carl M.</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Robertson, Frank L.</i>	South Georgia	(SE)
<i>Robey, William T., Jr.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Roudebush, Roy R.</i>	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>Schaff, Lester</i>	Central New York	(NE)
<i>Scott, J. Frank</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Shearer, Wilson A.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Shore, Philip L., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Singh, Prem P.</i>	Madhya Pradesh	(OS)
<i>Singh, Ratbhan</i>	Lucknow	(OS)

Smith, Irving L.	Oklahoma (SC)
Spears, R. Wright	South Carolina (SE)
Strickland, Arvarh	Rock River (NC)
Tate, Willis M.	North Texas (SC)
Teigland, Einar	Norway (OS)
Thompson, Gordon G.	North Georgia (SE)
Thurman, Arthur V.	California-Nevada (W)
Tutwiler, E. C., Jr.	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Van Ornum, Carlton G.	Northern New York (NE)
Walker, Harvey A.	North Iowa (NC)
Walker, William	Oregon (W)
Ward, Paul M.	Northeast Ohio (NC)
Walter, Paul D.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Weaver, L. Stacy	North Carolina (SE)
Wertz, D. Frederick	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Wheatley, Melvin E., Jr.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Woolworth, Mrs. Ernest	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Wright, James W.	Michigan (NC)

No. 4

LAY ACTIVITIES AND
TEMPORAL ECONOMY

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating distinctly to lay activities and the Board of Lay Activities; and relating to trustees, properties, church finance (general and local), and such activities of the Church at large in and through its institutions and boards as are not made the specific responsibility of any other committee.

- Chairman—Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern-EUB—NE)
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Ammerman, Carl	Detroit (NC)
Appelgate, William P.	North Iowa (NC)
Baker, Leo L.	North Texas (SC)
Bascom, Lester R.	Central New York (NE)
Beatty, William M.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Bell, Thomas	New England Southern (NE)
Bertholf, Lloyd M.	Central Illinois (NC)
Bittner, Dwight M.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Black, Roy	North Mississippi (SE)
Black, William B.	Memphis (SE)
Blackburn, Robert M.	Florida (SE)
Blickenstaff, T. C.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Boucher, A. Ford	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Bramlett, Sam	Texas (SC)

Bumpers, E. Clay	North Arkansas (SC)
Byus, William A., Jr.	West Virginia (NE)
Calata, Froilan B.	Northern Philippines (OS)
Carson, Robert W.	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Clark, Loren	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Clay, Thomas B.	Western New York (NE)
Crawford, R. M.	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Cressman, Paul, Sr.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Culp, James	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Culp, Jesse A.	North Alabama (SE)
Davis, George	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Dixon, Vernon H.	Tennessee-Kentucky (C)
Doenges, R. S.	Rocky Mountain (W)
Don Carlos, Waldo E.	South Iowa (NC)
Draker, Norman	Canada-EUB (NE)
Dunlap, G. Alan	Nebraska (SC)
Durbin, Fred C.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Easley, John	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Epley, Lloyd	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Evans, Evan C.	Louisville (SE)
Fox, Clenzo B.	Ohio (NC)
Fuhrman, Eugene A.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Gaspar, Francisco S.	Northwest Philippines (OS)
Genins, Robert J.	Pacific Northwest (W)
Gile, Ray	East Wisconsin (NC)
Glasgow, Francis M.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Gordon, Harry M.	Wyoming (NE)
Griffin, Frederick G.	Belgium (OS)
Grogan, Roy J.	Central Texas (SC)
Hall, N. Guy	Missouri West (SC)
Harper, John R.	Philadelphia (NE)
Harper, Roy	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Hartl, Mrs. Emil M.	New England (NE)
Hauser, Louis C.	New York (NE)
Hawkins, J. Clinton	Missouri East (SC)
Hayes, Melvin	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Hehr, Roy	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Hill, Arthur E.	Minnesota (NC)
Hoffer, Paul F.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Humphrey, Lucious A.	Texas (C)
Hutchins, Charles A.	Holston (SE)
Jefferson, A. G.	Virginia (SE)
Kalble, Alfred	South Germany (OS)
Kimbulu, Paul	Central Congo (OS)
Clump, Ralph	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Knupp, Robert E.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Laraba, Forest W.	New Hampshire (NE)
Larmonth, W. Glenn	Northern New York (NE)
Laskey, William J.	Rock River (NC)
Lau, Clifford	West Wisconsin (NC)
Ledebur, Gilbert	Erie-EUB (NE)

Lembke, Glenn L.	Southwest Texas (SC)
Lueptow, Ora	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
McMillan, Orval	Missouri-EUB (SC)
Meier, LeRoy	North Dakota (NC)
Metzger, Merritt	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Meinhardt, W.	East Germany-EUB (OS)
Michel, Miss Mabel	Southeast Africa (OS)
Moeller, Romane G.	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
Moorhead, Edwin E.	Mississippi (SE)
Mowery, R. G.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Moyer, C. I.	Kansas (SC)
Mugler, Walter	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Mumford, Robert J.	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Oden, Tal	Oklahoma (SC)
Ollerman, Lester	Montana-EUB (W)
Olson, Lawrence	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Orr, J. Herbert	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Orton, Hubert E.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Parks, W. S.	South Georgia (SE)
Parmar, Rameshchandra E.	Gujarat (OS)
Poppe, Odin	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Praetorius, Herman	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Presley, Isaac P.	Upper Mississippi (C)
Prosch, Marion	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Ready, W. J.	South Carolina (SE)
Ritchie, Carl G.	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Rixse, John H., Jr.	Virginia (SE)
Roberts, Sherwood S.	Delhi (OS)
Rode, Ryszard	Poland (OS)
Rose, Harold E.	Oregon (W)
Rupert, Thomas W.	Central Kansas (SC)
Savage, William E.	Kentucky (SE)
Schiele, Rudolf	Southwest Germany (OS)
Schmidt, Chris W.	California-EUB (W)
Schneidereit, Harry	North East Germany (OS)
Scholer, Vern	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Schubert, Milton V., Jr.	North Indiana (NC)
Schuster, Albert F.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Shashaguay, Bernard	Michigan (NC)
Shroyer, Lawton W.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Singh, Robert C.	Moradabad (OS)
Smedley, Joe M.	Florida (SE)
Smith, Robert M.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Snow, Dudley V.	Louisiana (SC)
Stark, Jay, Jr.	Florida-EUB (SE)
Steele, Sam	New Mexico (SC)
Stone, Lloyd	Tennessee (SE)
Susat, Edward	Indiana (NC)
Sutton, William A.	North Georgia (SE)
Taj, Mangal D.	Indus River (OS)
Talbert, Melvin G.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Thomas, Clement W.	Bombay (OS)
Thompson, Everett K.	Southern Illinois (NC)
Torres, Ovidio R.	Argentina (OS)
Troutman, William C.	Eastern-EUB (NE)

Turnage, Roy L.	North Carolina (SE)
Turner, Burty A.	Agra (OS)
Underwood, Harry K.	Baltimore (NE)
Upton, Sam	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Waterfield, Donald A.	Troy (NE)
Webber, Frank	California-Nevada (W)
Whitcraft, James H.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Willson, James M., Jr.	Northwest Texas (SC)
Wilson, T. R.	Georgia (C)
Wix, Robert	Montana (W)
Woodard, Fred O.	Mississippi (C)
Zimmerman, Virgil	Ohio East-EUB (NC)

No. 5

MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to church membership, including conditions, duties, and transfer thereof; and all matters pertaining to evangelism and to the devotional life and literature of the Church, made by the law of the Church the concern of the Board of Evangelism.

Chairman—Sumpter M. Riley, Jr. (North-East Ohio—NC)
Vice-Chairman—Walter F. Anderson (North Carolina—SE)
Secretary—Truman W. Potter (West Virginia—NE)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

<i>Achor, Homer W.</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Adams, Kenneth W.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Akamine, Ernest K.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Allen, E. Leo</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Amass, Howard M.</i>	Peninsula (NE)
<i>Anderson, Walter F.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Angel, Bill</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Barnes, Donald</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Barr, Mrs. C. A.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Bartram, Harvey E.</i>	Montana-EUB (W)
<i>Bishop, William E.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Boynton, Miss Mary Jane</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Brawn, J. Melvin</i>	California-EUB (W)
<i>Brower, Floyd V.</i>	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Brox, H. L.</i>	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Carleton, Alsie H.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Chamberlain, P. Edison</i>	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Davis, Joseph M.</i>	Central Congo (OS)
<i>Duck, David A.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Ellis, Charles</i>	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Evers, Joseph C.</i>	Southern Illinois (NC)

Finch, Mrs. Russell	Michigan (NC)
Fegley, D. L.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Felder, Luther B.	Texas (C)
Fink, Harold H.	Virginia (SE)
Fisher, Gerald	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Fritz, Walter	South Germany (OS)
Fulk, Howard L.	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Geiman, Melvin, Jr.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Goodson, Gordon L.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Gray, C. Jarrett	Missouri West (SC)
Grooters, Donald J.	Rocky Mountain (W)
Guthrie, Timothy W.	Northwest Texas (SC)
Hamburger, Irvin	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Hanna, Mrs. Lloyd	Central Illinois (NC)
Hardy, Frank	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Harrold, Mrs. Pauline	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Havighurst, Lawrence D.	North Iowa (NC)
Hedberg, A. A.	Florida (SE)
Heim, Richard A.	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Hildreth, Charles H.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Hippel, George N.	Philadelphia (NE)
Hummel, D. W.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Hunsberger, Ivan G.	Erie-EUB (NE)
Jones, Howard	Kentucky (SE)
Jordan, Bert	Mississippi (SE)
Jud, Eugene F.	Central Texas (SC)
Kibler, Russell	Indiana (NC)
Lovern, J. Chess	Oklahoma (SC)
Lutz, Clayton F.	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Martin, James I.	East Wisconsin (NC)
McCartt, Spurgeon	Holston (SE)
McCracken, Howard	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Mead, Mrs. Charles	Nebraska (SC)
Miranda, Walter N.	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Moffat, Arthur T.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Morrison, William W.	North Dakota (NC)
Myers, Paul E.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Myers, T. Cecil	North Georgia (SE)
Nielsen, Robert H.	Denmark (OS)
Ollman, Don	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Parks, W. S.	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Parrott, Glenn R.	South Iowa (NC)
Potter, Truman W.	West Virginia (NE)
Purdy, Burt	North Alabama (SE)
Ragsdale, Ray W.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Richardson, Mrs. Clarence W.	Minnesota (NC)
Rickey, Henry A.	Louisiana (SC)
Riley, Sumpter M., Jr.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Roker, D. R.	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
Roser, D.	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
Rupert, Hoover	Detroit (NC)

Sargeant, John	Florida	(SE)
Schauble, Johannes	Central Germany	(OS)
Schneider, Carl M.	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
Scholz, Ernst	Northeast Germany	(OS)
Sears, Frederick R.	Central New York	(NE)
Sherring, Samuel B.	Moradabad	(OS)
Spahr, David R.	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
Spreiker, Mrs. Melvin	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
Stambach, Arthur W.	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
Staubach, William T., Jr.	New York	(NE)
Stelle, Ralph S.	Northwest Indiana	(NC)
Stiller, Homer	Kansas-EUB	(SC)
Taetz, S. B.	Northwest Canada-EUB	(W)
Taylor, Eben	South Carolina	(SE)
Teague, Otto W.	Little Rock	(SC)
Thorpe, Robert M.	Pacific Northwest	(W)
Tuttle, Robert G.	Western North Carolina	(SE)
Uppinghouse, Mrs. L. S.	Oregon	(W)
Utzman, A. B.	Minnesota-EUB	(NC)
Vermillion, D. L.	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
Waltman, Al N.	North Mississippi	(SE)
Watson, Mrs. D. E.	Central Kansas	(SC)
White, Albert L., Jr.	Virginia	(SE)
White, William D.	Rock River	(NC)
Wilken, A. E.	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
Wright, Samuel R.	Ohio	(NC)
Zechman, Harry W.	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
Zuniga, Clemente M.	Philippines	(OS)

No. 6 MINISTRY

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the ministry of the Church in all its forms, grades, and orders.

Chairman—Don W. Holter (Kansas—SC)
 Vice-Chairman—Gene E. Sease (W. Pa.-EUB—NE)
 Secretary—John H. Graham (Upper Mississippi—C)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Albertson, Gene	Oregon	(W)
Appel, R. E.	Ohio East-EUB	(NC)
Averitt, James W.	Louisville	(SE)
Ballantyne, V. A.	Pacific Northwest-EUB	(W)
Baskerville, M. Trevor	North Iowa	(NC)
Bickel, Hans	Switzerland	(OS)
Biggs, Doit	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
Bjork, Virgil V.	North Indiana	(NC)
Black, Leslie	Missouri East	(SC)
Boobar, Lester L.	Maine	(NE)

<i>Borger, Clarence J.</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Boyd, Marvin L.</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Bragg, Emerson D.</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Bridges, Ramsey</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Brooks, David W.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Bruns, Johann M.</i>	Northwest Germany (OS)
<i>Cain, Richard W.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Calvo, Samuel</i>	Costa Rica (OS)
<i>Cannon, William R.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Chambers, John</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Clark, Alva H.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Clive, Elliot D.</i>	Delhi (OS)
<i>Colaw, Emerson S.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Cooper, Joel A.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Crayton, Alfred L.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Crutchfield, Finis A.</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Cushman, Robert E.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Deschner, John W., Jr.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Dickey, Edwin H.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Douglass, Carl H., Jr.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Drennan, Merrill W.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Dudley, E. M.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Eckels, Harry</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Edwards, K. Morgan</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Eutsler, R. Kern</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Ferguson, William</i>	Florida (C)
<i>Forbes, James K.</i>	Indiana (NC)
<i>Fridy, William W.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Gibson, Harry B., Jr.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Goodwin, Robert B.</i>	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Graham, John H.</i>	Upper Mississippi (C)
<i>Guffick, William R.</i>	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Guinivan, Thomas W.</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Guzman, Josue R.</i>	Mindanao (OS)
<i>Hagler, Albert D.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Hallman, E. E.</i>	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Hancock, C. Wilbourne</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>Handy, William T., Jr.</i>	Louisiana (C)
<i>Hann, Paul M.</i>	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Harkness, Georgia</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Harris, H. Ray</i>	Erie-EUB (NE)
<i>Holter, Don W.</i>	Kansas (SC)
<i>Horn, Paul E.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Horton, Robert</i>	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Houston, Jamie G.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
<i>Jones, S. Jameson</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Jongeward, Robert H.</i>	Michigan (NC)
<i>Kessler, C. Walter</i>	Troy (NE)
<i>Leggett, J. Willard, Jr.</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Lewis, William B.</i>	Southern Illinois (NC)
<i>Loyd, W. Harold</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Lueg, Carl F., Sr.</i>	Louisiana (SC)

<i>McCleskey, Wayne H.</i>	Texas	(SC)
<i>McCoy, Paul E.</i>	Peninsula	(NE)
<i>McCune, Robert J.</i>	Central New York	(NE)
<i>McKay, Orville H.</i>	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Modisner, Donald E.</i>	Western New York	(NE)
<i>Moster, Rolf</i>	Norway	(OS)
<i>Muclder, Walter G.</i>	New England	(NE)
<i>Neumann, N. C.</i>	Dakota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Nichols, John B.</i>	Alabama-West Florida	(SE)
<i>Nicholson, R. Herman</i>	Western North Carolina	(SE)
<i>O'Dell, A. Glen</i>	Indiana South-EUB	(NC)
<i>Oot, Arthur B., Jr.</i>	Northern New York	(NE)
<i>Outler, Albert</i>	North Texas	(SC)
<i>Persons, William R.</i>	Rocky Mountain	(W)
<i>Porter, Harold T.</i>	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Post, John E.</i>	New England Southern	(NE)
<i>Praetorius, E. Russell</i>	Minnesota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Ramer, Lloyd W.</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Rathod, Rajibhai M.</i>	Gujarat	(OS)
<i>Riedinger, Johannes</i>	South Germany	(OS)
<i>Rowe, Earl N.</i>	Central Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Samuel, John V.</i>	Indus River	(OS)
<i>Samuel, Kariappa</i>	South India	(OS)
<i>Sander, Harvey H.</i>	South Dakota	(NC)
<i>Schilling, Marvin A.</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Schneider, E. C.</i>	California-EUB	(W)
<i>Schulz, Willard W.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Sease, Gene E.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>Seiler, Ralph H.</i>	New Mexico	(SC)
<i>Smith, C. J.</i>	South Carolina	(C)
<i>Smith, Rex C.</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Standard, Forrest L.</i>	Missouri West	(SC)
<i>Stetler, Roy H., Jr.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Sticher, H.</i>	South Germany-EUB	(OS)
<i>Stokes, Mack B.</i>	Holston	(SE)
<i>Stover, Kenneth</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NC)
<i>Sweazy, Albert W.</i>	Kentucky	(SE)
<i>Sweet, Charles R.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Thornburg, Richard A.</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Tuell, Jack M.</i>	Pacific Northwest	(W)
<i>Tyson, Lorenzo D.</i>	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Utarid, Munshi R.</i>	Agra	(OS)
<i>Varce, H. A.</i>	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Vogel, Henry W.</i>	Kansas-EUB	(SC)
<i>Walkup, Elbert E.</i>	Tennessee	(SE)
<i>Walley, F. Lewis</i>	Philadelphia	(NE)
<i>Weaver, R. Bruce</i>	Central Texas	(SC)
<i>Weber, Charles B.</i>	Virginia-EUB	(SE)
<i>Wiant, Howard J.</i>	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>Wichelt, John F.</i>	Nebraska-EUB	(SC)
<i>Wilson, Winslow M.</i>	West Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Zagray, Allan H.</i>	Ohio East-EUB	(NC)

No. 7

MISSIONS

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Missions and to the interests and activities made by the law of the Church the concern of this board.

Chairman—Edward L. Tullis (Kentucky—SE)
Vice-Chairman—Roy Nichols (New York—NE)
Secretary—Harold H. Hughes, Sr. (Virginia—SE)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Achberger, Mrs. Clarence E.	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Andrews, David H.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Angeles, Pedro S.	Philippines (OS)
<i>Asis, Benjamin</i>	Northern Philippines (OS)
Backenson, Henry L.	Southern New Jersey (NE)
Barnett, I. Nels	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Bartges, Woodrow A.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Barto, Mrs. Kenneth S.	Philadelphia-EUB (NE)
Bauman, L. G.	Canada-EUB (NE)
Beard, Mrs. John L.	North Texas (SC)
<i>Bischoff, John W.</i>	Kentucky-EUB (SE)
Bishop, Mrs. G. O.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Blessing, Roy	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Bly, Ned S.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
Bollman, Fred G.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Brown, Mrs. Norton	Missouri West (SC)
Brown, Mrs. Russell	Nebraska (SC)
<i>Bruce, S. Duane</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Burton, William N.</i>	Indiana (NC)
Cain, Mrs. James S.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Caines, Mrs. A. N.	North Iowa (NC)
Capps, Mrs. S. V., Jr.	North Alabama (SE)
Cochran, Mrs. F. Morris	New England Southern (NE)
<i>Cooke, R. Jervis</i>	Peninsula (NE)
<i>Corl, Daniel D.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Crabtree, Mrs. E. L.	Louisville (SE)
<i>Cryer, Donald W.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Daugherty, Robert M.</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Dean, Mrs. Barton	Kansas (SC)
<i>Dietrich, Clyde W.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Dixon, Mrs. Edgar F.	Little Rock (SC)
Dooley, Kenneth D.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Drake, Edward C.	New England (NE)
Dunn, Mrs. Sam A.	North Carolina (SE)
Eby, Mrs. John	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Enright, Kenneth D.</i>	Southern Congo (OS)
<i>Eschbach, Carl B.</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Fagan, Harold</i>	Texas (SC)
Fletcher, Robert L.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Frees, Paul W.</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Fulk, Floyd L.</i>	Virginia-EUB (SE)

<i>Gnadt, Helmut</i>	Chile	(OS)
<i>Goodwin, Mrs. Everett</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Grant, Nicholas W.</i>	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Gray, Mrs. Bruce</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>Gronlund, Hal E.</i>	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Grove, Mrs. D. Dwight</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Gustafson, L. H.</i>	California-EUB	(W)
<i>Hager, Wesley H.</i>	Missouri East	(SC)
<i>Harrell, Mrs. Leighton E.</i>	Baltimore	(NE)
<i>Harrington, Richard W.</i>	Western New York	(NE)
<i>Harvey, Mrs. James T.</i>	West Virginia	(NE)
<i>Heim, Richard A.</i>	Nebraska-EUB	(SC)
<i>Hildebrand, Will M.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Hinz, Lawrence</i>	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hoffman, Edward L.</i>	Southern Illinois	(NC)
<i>Howell, Maggart B.</i>	Central Texas	(SC)
<i>Hughes, Harold H., Sr.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Hydon, Paul V.</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Jamella, Gideon</i>	Southeast Africa	(OS)
<i>James, Stanton</i>	Iowa-EUB	(NC)
<i>Johnson, Lyman S.</i>	Central Kansas	(SC)
<i>Johnson, Mrs. Wesley</i>	Rocky Mountain	(W)
<i>Jones, Gerald H.</i>	North Indiana	(NC)
<i>Joshi, R. D.</i>	North India	(OS)
<i>Kauffman, Gerald D.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Keller, A. L.</i>	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Kennaugh, John</i>	Michigan-EUB	(NC)
<i>Kruckenber, L. A.</i>	Dakota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Krueger, Delton H.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>LaPlante, Walter</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Larson, E. J.</i>	Illinois-EUB	(NC)
<i>Lightner, George S.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Loesch, Warren A.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Magsig, Lewis E.</i>	Montana-EUB	(W)
<i>Marks, Oscar</i>	Rocky Mountain-EUB	(W)
<i>Mayer, Paul O.</i>	North-East Ohio	(NC)
<i>McDavid, Harry E.</i>	Alabama-West Florida	(SE)
<i>McDonnell, C. Durward</i>	Florida	(SE)
<i>McGill, Mrs. Ruth</i>	Erie-EUB	(NE)
<i>Miller, Richard W.</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Mohr, I.</i>	West Germany-EUB	(OS)
<i>Moody, C. LeGrande, Jr.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Moore, Lester L.</i>	South Iowa	(NC)
<i>Nichols, Roy</i>	New York	(NE)
<i>Ortman, Ervin</i>	South Dakota	(NC)
<i>Palmer, Robert J.</i>	South Carolina	(C)
<i>Pantelis, Jorge</i>	Bolivia	(OS)
<i>Pfeiffer, Mrs. Alvin B.</i>	Rock River	(NC)
<i>Pfeiffer, Walter</i>	Central Germany	(OS)
<i>Price, Mrs. Earl W.</i>	Detroit	(NC)
<i>Rac, John V. Hulasi</i>	Madhya Pradesh	(OS)
<i>Redmond, Donald E.</i>	Southwest Texas	(SC)

<i>Reuben, GuntuPalli</i>	Hyderabad (OS)
Rico, Tomas S.	Puerto Rico Provisional (NC)
<i>Ruff, William H.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Rutland, John E.</i>	North Alabama (SE)
Sales, Phillip N.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Schlender, Melvin C.	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Schindell, Wally	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Scott, Mrs. Wayne C.	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Settle, Frank A.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Somers, George E.</i>	Bengal (OS)
Spafford, Mrs. A. L.	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Spangler, A. C.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Taylor, Mrs. Charles	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Taylor, Mrs. Robert M.	Northern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Tennant, John W.</i>	Michigan (NC)
Thomas, John	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Tullis, Edward L.</i>	Kentucky (SE)
Waller, Mrs. Raymond W.	Tennessee (SE)
Watson, Mrs. Russell O.	Oregon (W)
<i>Williams, George R.</i>	North Mississippi (SE)
Williams, Mrs. J. E.	South Georgia (SE)
Winne, Donald	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Yap, Kim-Hao</i>	Malaya (OS)
Yeargan, Mrs. Victor B.	North Georgia (SE)
Zepeda, J. P.	Rio Grande (SC)
Zimmerman, Paul	Illinois-EUB (NC)

No. 8 PENSIONS

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the support of retired and supernumerary ministers, and of widows and dependent children of deceased ministers, not including bishops, and all matters relating to pensions of lay employees of Church organizations, boards, agencies, or institutions.

Chairman—Roland P. Riddick (Virginia—SE)
Vice-Chairman—Sherman Cravens (Illinois—EUB—NC)
Secretary—Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Anderson, Jay	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
<i>Biggs, George</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Bowen, John	Ohio (NC)
Brannon, William C.	North Alabama (SE)
Brown, Claude W.	Southwest Texas (SC)
Bruegeman, Harry	Canada-EUB (NE)
<i>Carlson, V. A.</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Carraway, James L.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Chandler, George P.	Peninsula (NE)

Childs, Carl	Erie-EUB (NE)
Chinn, Harvey N.	California-EUB (W)
Cleveland, Millard C.	Florida (SE)
Clymer, Merritt	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Cooper, Lawrence	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Cravens, Sherman A.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Crawford, J. Howard	Northwest Texas (SC)
Crippen, James	Detroit (NC)
Darling, Howard H.	New York (NE)
Deibler, Walter E.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
DeLong, Dale	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Dodson, Thurman L.	Baltimore (NE)
Eady, Virgil Y. C.	North Georgia (SE)
Edman, Clarence	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
England, James L.	Memphis (SE)
Ford, E. R.	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Frey, John H.	Nebraska (SC)
Fuess, Forest M.	Northern New Jersey (NE)
Haugen, Cliff	Dakota-EUB (NC)
Hawkins, R. P.	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
Herr, John D.	Philadelphia (NE)
Hickerson, Walter J.	Central Kansas (SC)
High, Henry R.	West Virginia (NE)
Holler, Adlai C.	South Carolina (SE)
Hummel, Russel P.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Johnson, J. J., Jr.	Missouri East (SC)
Jones, Ernest, Sr.	Indiana (NC)
Kelly, Dorsey J.	Oklahoma (SC)
Kent, Harry R.	South Carolina (SE)
Kissinger, Harry P.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Larson, Roy W.	Rock River (NC)
Lease, Milo	Iowa-EUB (NC)
LeFevre, DeWitt C.	Northern New York (NE)
Lindell, Sixten E.	Sweden (OS)
Lindsey, Julian A.	Western North Carolina (SE)
Lowater, Donald	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Luke, Wayne	Ohio-Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Mayes, Allen M.	Texas (C)
McCracken, Edgar W.	North Iowa (NC)
Moore, L. R.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Moore, R. Inman, Sr.	Mississippi (SE)
Morris, Clarence P.	North Carolina (SE)
Mouser, Vinson M.	Louisiana (SC)
Nestler, Frank H.	Central Illinois (NC)
Odon, Louis O.	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Osborn, John F.	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Peck, W. Prentice	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Phillips, Charles W.	Western North Carolina (SE)

Quickel, Harold W.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Randle, R. E.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Rankin, Harry V.</i>	Texas (SC)
Rasmussen, Karl	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Riddick, Roland P.</i>	Virginia (SE)
Ritter, Ralph	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Robb, Don S.	Troy (NE)
Robinson, Frank J.	Texas (SC)
Roulhac, Joseph D.	North-East Ohio (NC)
Rufer, Gerald	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
Steffner, John E.	Holston (SE)
Thornton, B. I.	South Georgia (SE)
Tousant, Mrs. Emma S.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Walker, J. Everett	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Widmyer, George S.</i>	Virginia-EUB (SE)
Wright, A. A.	Southern California-Arizona (W)

No. 9

PUBLISHING INTERESTS

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Publication and to the interests and activities made by the law of the Church the concern of this board.

Chairman—Carl J. Sanders (Virginia—SE)
Vice-Chairman—Torrey A. Kaatz (Ohio Sandusky-EUB—NC)
Secretary—Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey—NE)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Adams, Lloyd S.	Memphis (SE)
Allen, Ray	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Anderson, Harvey E.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
Babcock, Charles I., Jr.	Florida (SE)
Barnhardt, Donald E.	Indiana-North-EUB (NC)
<i>Bennett, Alfred E.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
Bjerno, Henning	Denmark (OS)
Boyer, Gene	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Bryson, William D.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Butterbaugh, Carl</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Chittum, John W.	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Coffin, Wayne W.</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Deaver, L. E.</i>	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Dunbar, Mrs. Moody	Holston (SE)
Earley, Charles M.	Virginia (SE)
<i>Firth, William E.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Fowler, H. Thornton</i>	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Franklin, Denson N.</i>	North Alabama (SE)

<i>Garrison, Claude</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Gautschi, E.</i>	Switzerland-EUB (OS)
<i>Gilmore, Paul G.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Goodrich, Robert E.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Granberry, Seth W.</i>	Mississippi (SE)
<i>Gurtner, Miss Charlotte</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Hierholzer, Elmer J.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Hozendorf, Connie Ray</i>	Little Rock (SC)
<i>Hubin, Garland</i>	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
<i>Hunt, Walter L.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Jacoby, J.</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Jason, William C., Jr.</i>	Philadelphia (NE)
<i>Jones, L. Bevel</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Kaatz, Torrey A.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Kirkland, H. Burnham</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Large, Dwight S.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Lay, Robert P.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Liechty, Clarence</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Lusby, L. D.</i>	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Massie, Hugh</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Mathison, H. Paul</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
<i>McClure, Oren F.</i>	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Merryman, K. K.</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Mitchell, Roland</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Montgomery, Edward</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Moore, Roy C.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Muller, Walter</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Nicely, George W.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Nichols, Ray H.</i>	Northwest Texas (SC)
<i>Orr, Verne, Sr.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Parker, Clarence E.</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Reynolds, Paul C.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Rooks, John J.</i>	Florida (SE)
<i>Russell, Leon</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Ryser, Ernst</i>	Switzerland (OS)
<i>Sanders, Carl J.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Sayre, Charles A.</i>	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Shown, Mrs. Wilbur D.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
<i>Stein, Clarence</i>	Florida-EUB (SE)
<i>Stengel, Leonard</i>	Dakota-EUB (NC)
<i>Strickland, Don</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Swadley, Raymond</i>	Virginia-EUB (SC)
<i>Taylor, Blaine E.</i>	New England (NE)
<i>Van Sickle, John R.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Walker, Morris D.</i>	Central Texas (SC)
<i>Webster, O. K.</i>	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Williams, A. Cecil</i>	California-Nevada (W)

<i>Wilson, J. Frederick</i>	South Georgia (SE)
Winchester, Clarence M.	North Carolina-Virginia (C)
Wintle, Mrs. Fred	Northwest Indiana (NC)
Yenerich, Wallace	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Young, J. Otis</i>	Ohio (NC)

No. 10

HOSPITALS AND HOMES

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Hospitals and Homes, to the interests and activities which by the law of the Church are made the concern of this board, and to all the eleemosynary work and responsibility of any other legislative committee.

Chairman—Joseph R. Graham (Ohio Sandusky-EUB—NC)
Vice-Chairman—Glenn Gold (Florida—SE)
Secretary—D. Clifford Crummey (California-Nevada—W)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

<i>Adams, Harry L.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Ade, C. H.	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Adrian, Paul B.	Kansas-EUB (SC)
Armentrout, Olin	Holston (SE)
Baker, Frank E.	Philadelphia (NE)
Beardmore, Lawrence	Ohio-Southeast-EUB (NC)
Benfer, Mrs. Kenneth L.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Bergeman, Harold L.	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Blethen, Harry S.	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Brandyberry, A. L.</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Brown, Rainsford A., Sr.	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Burgess, Harold R.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Creighton, Russell	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Crummey, D. Clifford</i>	California-Nevada (W)
Davis, Dean F.	Central Texas (SC)
Doenges, William C.	Oklahoma (SC)
Dover, Mrs. Hazel	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Fisher, Roy	Rock River (NC)
Garber, Roy K.	Eastern-EUB (NE)
Getz, Walter P.	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Glenn, Samuel R.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
Gold, Glenn	Florida (SE)
<i>Graham, Joseph R.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Grumbein, Percy, Jr.	California-EUB (W)
<i>Hague, Virgil J.</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Haist, Willard	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Hardcastle, James C.	Peninsula (NE)
Harris, William M., Jr.	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Hawk, William G.</i>	Florida-EUB (SE)

<i>Hines, Ralph C.</i>	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Howe, Robert C.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Kennedy, Mrs. Everett B.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>King, Arnold K.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Lance, Bert</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Landrum, D. L.</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Lank, Richard A.</i>	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Letts, J. Meade</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Limbaugh, Luther</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Lippert, William J.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Little, Thomas M.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Manning, Charles C.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>May, Thomas</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Mayo, George W.</i>	South Georgia (SE)
<i>McQuary, Thomas</i>	Louisville (SE)
<i>Mellgren, Wesley</i>	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
<i>Milne, W. Arthur</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Momberg, Paul B.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Mull, Wallace L.</i>	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Mylin, Maynard W.</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Patial, Mrs. M. D.</i>	North India (OS)
<i>Phillips, Randall C.</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Rainwater, Henry M.</i>	North Arkansas (SC)
<i>Raju, D. Sunadra</i>	South India (OS)
<i>Rein, W. J. R.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Rilling, Mrs. Walter</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
<i>Rogers, Mrs. Floyd</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
<i>Ross, Mrs. Edwin A.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Shannon, Charles E.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Smith, C. Truett</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Thompson, Lionel</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Tombaugh, Reid</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Walker, W. Roland</i>	Virginia (SE)

No. 11

INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to interdenominational activities, relations, interests, and responsibilities of The Methodist Church, including the American Bible Society, the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America, and the World Council of Churches.

Chairman—J. Robert Nelson (North-East Ohio—NC)

Vice-Chairman—Wilson O. Weldon (Western North Carolina—SE)

Secretary—Rolland Osborne (Rocky Mountain-EUB—W)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

<i>Acheson, Robert E.</i>	Southern New Jersey (NE)
<i>Adams, Robert H., Jr.</i>	West Wisconsin (NC)
Allen, Mrs. A. N.	West Virginia (NE)
Alter, Chester M.	Rocky Mountain (W)
Anderson, Hurst	Baltimore (NE)
Anderson, Mrs. Winthrop	New England (NE)
<i>Armstrong, A. James</i>	Indiana (NC)
Barnhardt, Mrs. Leslie E.	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Bearden, Robert E. L.</i>	Little Rock (SC)
Bickham, Mrs. R. W.	Central Texas (SC)
Brandhorst, Mrs. Edward	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Bremer, Jack W.</i>	Kansas (SC)
Cansfield, Mrs. William H.	Detroit (NC)
Carrell, Mrs. John W.	California-Nevada (W)
Cate, George C., Jr.	Tennessee (SE)
<i>Ciampa, Donald N.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Cobb, Mrs. Ed	Nebraska (SC)
Cochran, Robert E.	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Curry, Mrs. Earl T.	Kentucky (SE)
DeForest, Mrs. Elbert	Central Kansas (SC)
Dreier, Walter	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Eberly, E. P.</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Egan, James A.	Oklahoma (SC)
Eschbach, George A.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Fang, Chung-Nan</i>	Malaysia Chinese (OS)
Faubion, Mrs. E. Maurice	Texas (SC)
Fellers, Hubert	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Fernandez, Ismael</i>	Peru (OS)
<i>Finkbeiner, Melvin M.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
Funkhouser, E. N.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Grove, William B.</i>	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Harper, George A.</i>	Montana (W)
Hart, Kenneth	Missouri West (SC)
Hauptman, Leo M.	North Indiana (NC)
Hayward, Mrs. Hollis	Central New York (NE)
Henderson, Zach S.	South Georgia (SE)
Hetherlin, Mrs. Ralph	Rock River (NC)
Hiebsch, Kenneth H.	Central Kansas (SC)
<i>Higgins, Jack</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Hoyt, James	Nebraska-EUB (SC)
<i>Huston, Ralph B.</i>	Florida (SE)
Hutchinson, Mrs. John B.	Southern Calif.-Arizona (W)
Jenkins, Leo W.	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Kallstad, Thorvald E.</i>	Sweden (OS)
<i>Kay, W. Eugene</i>	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Kelso, John F.	Peninsula (NE)
<i>Kimbrough, R. Edwin</i>	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Koenig, Robert W.</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Kreidler, Clair C.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Kuhler, Warren G.	South Dakota (NC)

<i>Landis, O. F.</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Lane, Irvin H.</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
<i>Leonard, Mrs. James M.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Lieseemer, Newell</i>	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Matheny, Thomas H.</i>	Louisiana (SC)
<i>Mentzer, Warren F.</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Merrow, Arthur S.</i>	Western New York (NE)
<i>Nelson, J. Robert</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>Niehols, Frank A.</i>	North Iowa (NC)
<i>Osborne, Rolland</i>	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
<i>Perkins, Raul T.</i>	Louisville (SE)
<i>Pfaltzgraff, P. O.</i>	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Potts, Edgar A.</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Purdham, Charles B.</i>	Minnesota (NC)
<i>Rayburn, Russell</i>	Northwest Indiana (NC)
<i>Rice, Spencer M.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Rohlf, Claus H.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Seranton, Walter L.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Singer, Edgar F.</i>	Wyoming (NE)
<i>Slothour, Edward</i>	Kentucky-EUB (SE)
<i>Smith, H. Travers</i>	Maine (NE)
<i>Smith, J. Castro</i>	Tennessee-EUB (SE)
<i>Straight, Leslie</i>	New York-EUB (NE)
<i>Styron, Mrs. Arthur H.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Szczepkowski, Joseph</i>	Poland (OS)
<i>Thornburg, Robert W.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Trotter, F. Thomas</i>	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Vandegriff, Paul M.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>VanDyke, Orville</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Weldon, Wilson O.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Wilcox, Robert L.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Zebarth, Herbert E.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)

No. 12

JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION, ENABLING ACTS AND LEGAL FORMS

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the formal disciplining, trial, and appeal of members and ministers of The Methodist Church, and relating to the Judicial Council and the Judicial procedure within the Church. This committee shall also be charged with the responsibility of preparing and presenting, for adoption by the Conference, such enabling acts and legal forms as may be needed in the continuing process of unifying the interests and agencies of the Church.

Chairman—Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina—SE)
Vice-Chairman—Gregorio R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines—OS)
Secretary—R. R. MacCanon (Iowa-EUB—NC)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Anderson, Harvey E.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Bailen, Gregorio R.</i>	Northwest Philippines (OS)
Beams, Glen	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
Beltran, Rodolfo C.	Middle Philippines (OS)
<i>Bishop, Bruce H.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
Blackstone, Franklin, Jr.	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Blanset, Harry R.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Bosserman, Roy E.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Brannon, W. L.	South Carolina (SE)
Brown, Prentiss M., Jr.	Detroit (NC)
Burns, Robert E.	California-Nevada (W)
Campbell, Raymond C.	Holston (SE)
Deimert, E. E.	Northwest Canada-EUB (W)
Donnenwirth, O. A.	Ohio (NC)
Fager, Floyd	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Fields, R. E.	South Carolina (C)
Fischer, Heinz P.	South Germany (OS)
Fletcher, Fremont C.	Minnesota (NC)
Hammink, Harvey	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
Hardin, Paul, III	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Herbert, Chesley C., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
Iwaniuk, John	Michigan-EUB (NC)
Jacoby, Wilbur A.	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Kachel, Charles E.</i>	Eastern-EUB (NE)
<i>Landis, Theodore E.</i>	Virginia (SE)
Lang, Francis	North-East Ohio (NC)
Leatherman, Wayne	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Lim, Peter S. T.	Malaysia Chinese (OS)
Lorch, Basil H., Jr.	Indiana (NC)
<i>MacCanon, R. R.</i>	Iowa-EUB (NC)
Maibach, Paul	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
Marshall, Justin E.	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
McCallum, Mrs. William H.	Rock River (NC)
Melrose, Lester	Kansas EUB (SC)
Moore, A. D.	Texas (SC)
<i>Pitcher, Dale E.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Reed, James H.</i>	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Roberts, Oliver	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Roderick, Raymond L.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
Singh, Martin H.	Lucknow (OS)
<i>Strickland, Earl W.</i>	North Georgia (SE)

Thornal, Campbell	Florida (SE)
Veale, William H.	New York (NE)
Walker, Marion R.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Wallace, Aldred P.	West Virginia (NE)
Wallace, George C.	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Whitten, Dolphus, Jr.	Oklahoma (SC)
Wrightsel, Kenneth E.	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Zellmer, Willard	Pacific Northwest (W)

No. 13

LOCAL CHURCH

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the organization and duties of the various bodies within the local church, including the Quarterly Conference, Official Board, commissions, and committees. Proposed legislation emanating from other General Conference Committees concerning local church organization shall be referred to this committee on local church organization for consideration, action, and reporting to General Conference.

Chairman—*Merlyn W. Northfelt* (Rock River—NC)
 Vice-Chairman—*G. Ross Freeman* (S. Georgia—SE)
 Secretary—*John Bergland* (Ohio Miami-EUB—NC)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Austin, Jeff	Texas (SC)
<i>Baker, Henry H.</i>	Rocky Mountain (W)
Belt, Mrs. Abram D.	Central Pennsylvania (NE)
<i>Bergland, John</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Bergwall, Evan H.</i>	North Indiana (NC)
Bingham, Clifford	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Bott, LeRoy A.</i>	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Bramble, Albert F.</i>	Kansas (SC)
Bristow, Carroll D.	Baltimore (NE)
Cabrera, Ishmael	Puerto Rico Provisional (NE)
<i>Chambers, M. W.</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Chilcote, Thomas F.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Close, Robert L.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Cromwell, Thomas L.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
Coons, Mrs. Lester V.	South Iowa (NC)
<i>Crawford, Gene P.</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Creech, Harlan L., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Davis, Laurence R.</i>	Nebraska (SC)
Decker, Kermit	Minnesota-EUB (NC)
<i>Deever, Paul S.</i>	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Duffey, Paul A.</i>	Alabama-West Florida (SE)
Elms, Mrs. J. P.	Northwest Texas (SC)
Faust, Carl	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Firestone, Lyman</i>	Missouri West (SC)

<i>Fisher, James A.</i>	Memphis	(SE)
<i>Freeman, G. Ross</i>	South Georgia	(SE)
<i>Gaehr, J.</i>	South Germany-EUB	(OS)
<i>Galbreath, Mrs. Charles</i>	Central Illinois	(NC)
<i>Gehring, O. A.</i>	Dakota-EUB	(NC)
<i>Gilts, George</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NC)
<i>Gridley, Mrs. John W.</i>	Minnesota	(NC)
<i>Harding, Joe A.</i>	Pacific Northwest	(W)
<i>Harrington, Mrs. Preston</i>	Northern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>Harris, Mrs. C. O.</i>	Indiana	(NC)
<i>Herbert, David</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hershberger, George</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>Heyde, Forest R.</i>	Indiana North-EUB	(NC)
<i>Hostetter, Mark J.</i>	Eastern-EUB	(NE)
<i>Hottle, Darrell</i>	Ohio	(NC)
<i>Hunter, Duncan</i>	North Alabama	(SE)
<i>Inis, Henry B.</i>	Mindanao	(OS)
<i>Kellerman, Garfield, Jr.</i>	Michigan-EUB	(NC)
<i>Kelly, Owen T.</i>	Virginia	(SE)
<i>Kunkel, Gordon S.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Lindgren, Alvin J.</i>	East Wisconsin	(NC)
<i>Locher, Donald R.</i>	Southern California-Arizona	(W)
<i>Marsh, Charles F.</i>	South Carolina	(SE)
<i>Matthew, Glenn E.</i>	Central Kansas	(SC)
<i>McAninch, Donald H.</i>	New Hampshire	(NE)
<i>McMillan, Mrs. Norris</i>	Southwest Texas	(SC)
<i>Moore, John V.</i>	California-Nevada	(W)
<i>Mount, Mrs. J. H.</i>	Southern Illinois	(NC)
<i>Mund, Fred W.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB	(NE)
<i>Northfelt, Merlyn W.</i>	Rock River	(NC)
<i>Packer, Bruce</i>	Montana-EUB	(W)
<i>Page, Carlos C.</i>	Michigan	(NC)
<i>Pearce, George F., Jr.</i>	Louisiana	(SC)
<i>Peters, Lloyd A.</i>	Oklahoma	(SC)
<i>Price, Sanford</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB	(NE)
<i>Propert, George R.</i>	Southern New Jersey	(NE)
<i>Rote, Gene</i>	Erie-EUB	(NE)
<i>Ruark, Henry G.</i>	North Carolina	(SE)
<i>Rutter, Kenneth P.</i>	Western Pennsylvania	(NE)
<i>Sawyer, John R.</i>	Virginia-EUB	(SE)
<i>Schreckengost, George E.</i>	Ohio East-EUB	(NC)
<i>Schroeder, Clarence</i>	Nebraska-EUB	(SC)
<i>Schultz, Elmer A. R.</i>	Western Pennsylvania-EUB	(NE)
<i>Schupp, Oscar G.</i>	Missouri East	(SC)
<i>Schwartz, Charles D.</i>	Troy	(NE)
<i>Schweppe, Harvey</i>	Wisconsin-EUB	(NC)
<i>Sears, Mrs. Edward E.</i>	North Iowa	(NC)
<i>Shaffer, H. P.</i>	West Virginia	(NE)
<i>Strother, W. Bruce</i>	Tennessee	(SE)

Tardy, Wilbur	West Virginia-EUB (NE)
Taylor, Mrs. Ethan L.	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Taylor, Lawrence</i>	Michigan-EUB (NC)
<i>Tholin, Richard</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
Transom, Mrs. G. E.	New York (NE)
Uecker, Lloyd G.	Pacific Northwest-EUB (W)
<i>Underwood, Walter L.</i>	North Texas (SC)
<i>Unger, Allen L.</i>	Rocky Mountain-EUB (W)
Vaughan, William C.	Virginia (SE)
<i>Verden, Douglas F.</i>	New York (NE)
Wahrenbrock, Lester G.	Southern California-Arizona (W)
Warner, E. D.	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
Weems, Mrs. H. V.	Florida (SE)
<i>White, Woodie W.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Williamson, James F.</i>	Oklahoma-Texas-EUB (SC)
Wolfensberger, Homer	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Yu, Teck Soi</i>	Sarawak (OS)

No. 14

RITUAL AND ORDERS OF WORSHIP

To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to ritual and orders of worship.

Chairman—John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest—W)
Vice-Chairman—Emmett K. McLarty, Jr. (Western N. C.—SE)
Secretary—Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC)

(Italics denote ministerial delegates)

Anthony, Miss Lois	Western Pennsylvania (NE)
Barnes, H. Keener	North Alabama (SE)
<i>Bender, Gordon R.</i>	Wisconsin-EUB (NC)
Brown, Mrs. Byrle	Southern California-Arizona (W)
<i>Bryan, Monk</i>	Missouri East (SC)
<i>Buckley, Howard</i>	Ohio Southeast-EUB (NC)
Burkel, Oscar A.	Western Pennsylvania-EUB (NE)
<i>Carew, B. A.</i>	Sierra Leone-EUB (OS)
<i>Crawford, Nace</i>	Texas (SC)
<i>Delp, Owen</i>	Ohio Miami-EUB (NC)
<i>Drinkard, Eugene T.</i>	North Georgia (SE)
<i>Eckel, Sherman B.</i>	New York-EUB (NE)
<i>Everson, Sydney C. G.</i>	Ohio (NC)
<i>Faulkner, R. W.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
Foster, George A.	Florida (SE)
France, Gordon	Indiana South-EUB (NC)

<i>Hickman, Victor R.</i>	South Carolina (SE)
<i>Higgins, D. Rayborn</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Howard, William M., Jr.</i>	North Carolina (SE)
<i>Jarvis, Charles S.</i>	Rock River (NC)
<i>Jarvis, James C.</i>	West Virginia (NE)
<i>Jones, J. Paul, Jr.</i>	Ohio Sandusky-EUB (NC)
<i>Kurth, Lawrence R.</i>	Kansas-EUB (SC)
<i>Layton, Charles R.</i>	North-East Ohio (NC)
<i>McLarty, Emmett K., Jr.</i>	Western North Carolina (SE)
<i>Moore, Eugene J.</i>	Illinois-EUB (NC)
<i>Owen, Mrs. Richard H., III</i>	Virginia (SE)
<i>Pohly, Kenneth H.</i>	Ohio East-EUB (NC)
<i>Porter, Edward H.</i>	Baltimore (NE)
<i>Price, Robert R.</i>	Oklahoma (SC)
<i>Reeves, Richard E.</i>	Central Illinois (NC)
<i>Ricker, George M.</i>	Southwest Texas (SC)
<i>Russell, R. L.</i>	Iowa-EUB (NC)
<i>Shepherd, Garth</i>	Indiana North-EUB (NC)
<i>Soltman, John C.</i>	Pacific Northwest (W)
<i>Stolte, Robert H.</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)
<i>Stone, Philip</i>	Indiana South-EUB (NC)
<i>Tarr, Burton F.</i>	New York (NE)
<i>Varnell, Sam N.</i>	Holston (SE)
<i>Vosburg, Frederick C.</i>	Detroit (NC)
<i>Wake, Lloyd K.</i>	California-Nevada (W)
<i>Winter, F. Hauser</i>	Missouri West (SC)
<i>Winter, J. Britain</i>	Susquehanna-EUB (NE)

“The plan of organization and rules of order of the General Conference shall be the plan of organization and rules of order as published in the journal of the preceding General Conference until they have been altered or modified by the action of the General Conference.” (Discipline, ¶ 508.)

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION

I. OPENING SESSION AND ORGANIZATION

The General Conference shall assemble on the day fixed and at the place designated in accordance with the action taken by the preceding General Conference or the **Commission on Entertainment and Program**. The Holy Communion shall be celebrated by the Conference the Council of Bishops being in charge. The opening business session of the Conference shall be on the day and at the hour fixed by the Commission on Entertainment and Program and shall be called to order by the bishop designated as provided in ¶ 8 § 11 of the *Discipline*.

The following order of business shall be observed:

A. Roll Call. The roll shall be called by the Secretary of the preceding General Conference in the following manner:

(1) There shall be called the names of the bishops who have died since the adjournment of the preceding General Conference and likewise the names of delegates-elect who have died.

(2) The record of attendance shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the General Conference by

(a) The Secretary of the Council of Bishops for the bishops,

(b) The Secretary of the Judicial Council for that body, and

(c) The chairman of each delegation for its membership. The chairman* shall be provided with a blank form on which to report in writing the attendance of its members, noting absentees and substitutions, which reports shall be tabulated by the Secretary and published in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Any reserve seated in the place of a regular delegate shall have been duly elected as a reserve delegate by his

* The following action was taken by the 1964 General Conference (DCA page 432 Calendar 198.)

“It is recommended that the chairman of the Annual Conference delegation be elected from the lay members of the delegation and from the ministerial members of the delegation for alternating General Conferences.”

Annual Conference, and shall meet the requirements set forth in the *Discipline*, ¶¶ 23-25. Delegates, including reserves, when the latter are substituted for a delegate or delegates, shall be seated in the order of their election, except when a reserve is seated temporarily, in which case he shall occupy the seat of the delegate for whom he is substituted. All delegates arriving after the opening roll call shall be reported by the chairman of the delegation to the Committee on Credentials, in order to be properly enrolled.

(3) A majority of the whole number of delegates to the General Conference shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. (*Discipline*, ¶ 506.)

B. Election of Secretary. **The Council of Bishops shall present a nomination from the ministry or lay membership of The United Methodist Church for Secretary. Other nominations shall be permitted from the floor. The election, if there be two or more nominees, shall be by ballot.** (See div. IV below.) Should the Secretary not be a delegate, he shall have the privilege of the floor, but without vote.

C. Committee Nominations and Elections. The Council of Bishops shall present nominations or **appoint members** for the standing administrative committees, and such other nominations as are hereinafter committed to it, for election by the General Conference.

D. Miscellaneous Business.

E. Adjournment.

II. EPISCOPAL ADDRESS

The Quadrennial Address of the Council of Bishops shall be delivered early in the Conference, at such hour as determined by the Commission on Entertainment and Program in consultation with the Council of Bishops.

III. PRESIDING OFFICERS

The presiding officers for the several sessions of the Conference, the opening session excepted (see div. I above), shall be chosen from among the effective bishops in the following manner: The Council of Bishops shall at the opening session nominate for election by the Conference a Committee on Presiding Officers composed of one minister and one layman from each Jurisdiction, and one minister and one layman from among the delegates representing the Annual Conferences outside the United States and **four members at large**. The Committee on Presiding Officers shall establish a continuing pool of five names of bishops from which group the presiding officer shall be selected by the committee. Each bishop shall be given reasonable notice of

his selection for this pool, but subsequently he shall be available for assignment as presiding officer at any session. The committee shall be free to continue a bishop for more than one session, if in its judgment the parliamentary situation requires this continuity of chairmanship.

IV. SECRETARIAL STAFF

(1) The Secretary of the General Conference elected as hereinbefore provided shall serve until the next General Conference is organized and a successor elected. He shall keep the record of proceedings of all sessions of the General Conference. He shall compile and edit a Handbook for The General Conference and edit the official Journal of the General Conference. The Book Editor, the Secretary of the General Conference and the Publisher of The United Methodist Church shall be charged with editing the Discipline. The Editors in the exercise of their judgment shall have the authority to make such changes in phraseology as may be necessary to harmonize legislation without changing its substance.

(2) The Conference shall elect, upon the nomination of the Secretary, such assistant secretaries from the ministry or lay membership of The United Methodist Church as it may deem wise.

(3) The work of the Secretary shall be supervised by the Commission on Entertainment and Program of the General Conference. A budget for the work of the Secretary shall be presented by the Commission on Entertainment and Program to the Council on World Service and Finance. Such budget shall be paid out of the General Administration Fund.

(4) If in the interim of the quadrennial sessions of the General Conference the office of Secretary shall for any reason be vacated, the Council of Bishops shall elect a successor to serve until the next session.

V. ENTERTAINMENT AND PROGRAM

There shall be a Commission on Entertainment and Program of the General Conference composed of one minister and one layman from each Jurisdiction and four members at large who shall be nominated by the Council of Bishops and elected by the General Conference for a term of eight years; provided that at the 1968 General Conference one-half of the members shall be elected for a term of four years so that thereafter the General Conference shall elect one-half of the members each quadrennium for a term of eight years. The Secretary of the General Conference, the Treasurer of the Council on World Service and Finance and the

Director of the Convention Bureau shall also be members ex-officio but without vote. If vacancies occur, for any reason, the **Council of Bishops** shall elect successors to serve for the unexpired term until the next session of the General Conference. The Commission shall elect two additional members at large for each quadrennium.

The Council of Bishops shall designate one of its members to convene and organize the Commission before the adjournment of the General Conference.

This Commission shall determine the place and time (within such limits as may be set up by the General Conference) of the next General Conference and shall make all necessary arrangements in connection therewith, including arrangements for the publication of a book of quadrennial reports of the general boards and other general agencies of the Church, the same to be published by the **United Methodist Publishing House**.

The Commission shall plan the schedule for the opening day of the Conference.

The Commission shall recommend to the General Conference the per diem allowance to be paid to the elected delegates.

The Commission shall issue invitations to fraternal delegates after consultation with the Council of Bishops, and shall arrange for their local entertainment for the specific period of time required for their presentation to the General Conference.

The Commission is authorized, if it deems it advisable, to select the site of the General Conference two quadrennia in advance.

VI. COMMITTEES

The General Conference shall have the standing committees hereinafter indicated, with such functions, responsibilities, and limitations respectively as are hereinafter prescribed, and such special committees as it may order.

A. Standing Administrative Committees

(1) **Committee on Agenda.** There shall be a Committee on Agenda.

(a) It shall be composed of eleven members, at least four of whom shall be laymen, to be constituted as follows: One from each Jurisdiction, one from overseas, **three members at large**, the chairman of the Committee of Chairmen when elected, and the chairman or substitute for the Program Chairman of the Program Committee of the Commission on Entertainment and Program. It shall be appointed by the Council of Bishops at its winter meeting next pre-

ceding the meeting of the General Conference from the elected delegates to the General Conference.

(b) The Committee shall be convened by the Secretary of the General Conference at least the day before the opening of the General Conference and shall consult with the Council of Bishops, the Commission on Entertainment and Program and the Secretary of the General Conference concerning pending business.

(c) Following the presentation and adoption of the report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program at the opening session of the General Conference, the Committee on Agenda shall immediately become responsible for helping guide the order of business of the Conference.

(d) To this committee shall be referred all requests for special orders of the day, except those requested in the report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program on the first day of the Conference.

(e) Proposals, questions, communications, resolutions, and other matters not included in the regular business of the General Conference shall be referred to the Committee on Agenda without motion or debate. This committee shall determine whether or not the matter presented shall be considered by the General Conference. Appeal from the decision of this committee may be presented to the Conference upon the written signature of twenty members of the Conference, and the item shall be presented to the Conference if the appeal is supported by a one-third vote.

(f) The Committee on Agenda shall report to each session of the General Conference its recommendations concerning business agenda and time allocations for the various reports and business items, except that at all times the Committee of Chairmen shall determine the order in which legislative committee reports shall be presented.

(2) Committee of Chairmen. The chairmen of the several standing legislative committees, the chairman of the Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order, the chairman of the Commission on Entertainment and Program and the Chairman of the Committee on Agenda shall be constituted a Committee of Chairmen, whose function it shall be to arrange for the presentation of committee reports to the Conference in such order as to expedite the business.

(3) Correlation and Editorial Revision. There shall be a committee of **four** known as the Committee on Correlation and Editorial Revision. This committee shall be composed of three persons not members of the General Conference, appointed by the Council of Bishops. They shall be entitled to travel expense and per diem allowance, the same

as the delegates. Two alternates shall be appointed by the Council of Bishops. The function of this committee shall be:

(a) To review all proposed legislation reported in the *Daily Christian Advocate* and that presented in special reports to the General Conference and all legislation enacted by the General Conference. The Committee shall report promptly to the standing committees concerned, or to the General Conference as the situation may warrant, any and all contradictions, duplications, and inconsistencies discovered therein.

(b) To report to the chairmen of the several standing legislative committees all changes it has made in the language of the reports adopted by the General Conference.

(4) **Courtesies and Privileges.** There shall be a committee of **sixteen**, composed of one minister and one layman from each Jurisdiction, one minister and one layman from among the delegates representing Annual Conferences outside the United States, and **four members at large** known as the Committee on Courtesies and Privileges, having the following duties and responsibilities:

(a) To consider, as presented to it by members of the Conference, what said members regard as questions or matters of privilege, to decide whether they are such or not, and if they are regarded as being such, to recommend to the Conference that they be heard. (NOTE: Only questions or matters of privilege which are so urgent that they cannot wait for consideration by this committee may be presented immediately to the Conference, as provided in Rule 9.)

(b) To prepare, with due regard for brevity, and present to the Conference for its action such complimentary resolutions as occasion may demand.

(c) To arrange for extending courtesies of the Conference to any to whom they may be due, fraternal delegates and official visitors excepted.

(d) To arrange for a memorial service, at some time agreeable to the Conference, for deceased delegates-elect, and for bishops and general officers of the Church who have died since the adjournment of the last preceding General Conference.

(e) To limit its report, including the statement of the chairman and the hearing of such persons as may be presented, to a maximum of twenty minutes in any one business session. No person or persons shall be presented after the sixth day unless approved by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

(f) To prepare and publish in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, contemporaneously with the list of the nominees

for election to the Judicial Council, biographical sketches not to exceed 100 words in length for each nominee.

(5) Credentials. There shall be a Committee on Credentials of seven members. To this committee the chairmen of the respective Annual Conference delegations shall report on a form provided for that purpose the names of absent delegates and of available reserve delegates to be substituted for said absentees. This committee shall in turn report all such cases of absence to the Conference with recommendations as to the seating of reserves if such are available. No reserve delegates shall be seated except by action of the Conference and after a report has been made upon the case by this committee; provided that the reserve delegates reported by the chairmen of the respective Annual Conference delegations as substituted for absentees at the opening session shall be seated tentatively without the action of this committee; and provided further that such substitutions shall be reported to this committee for review and report to the General Conference for its action. All changes in the personnel of the seated delegates of the Annual Conference delegations shall be reported to this committee on blanks provided by the Secretary of the Conference. Per diem allowances shall be paid on the basis of the report of this committee.

(6) Fraternal Delegates. There shall be a Committee on Fraternal Delegates of **nine** members, seven of whom shall be appointed by the Council of Bishops from the regularly elected delegates to the ensuing General Conference at the winter meeting of the Council of Bishops immediately preceding the General Conference and the Chairman of the sub-Committee on Fraternal Delegates of the Commission on Entertainment and Program. The Council of Bishops shall designate a temporary chairman of the committee, who shall call the committee to meet at the seat of the General Conference at least one full day prior to the opening of the Conference. To this committee shall be referred all communications, credentials, and information in the hands of the Secretary or the Council of Bishops relating to fraternal delegates and official visitors.

The function of the committee shall be to extend the courtesies of the Conference to the fraternal delegates and official visitors and present them to the General Conference. The terms "fraternal delegates" and "official visitors" shall be interpreted to include only persons who have been duly elected by the Christian communions of which they are respectively members, to represent the same before the General Conference, who present the appropriate credentials of such elections, and who have been invited

through the Commission on Entertainment and Program, after consultation with the Council of Bishops.

In so far as possible the committee shall plan the presentation of such fraternal delegates and official visitors during the first two days of the General Conference.

(7) *Journal*. There shall be a committee of seven which shall daily examine the record of the Secretary, comparing it with the stenographic record, and report its findings to the Conference, recommending appropriate action. Any error subsequently discovered in a section of the *Journal* which has been approved shall be reported to the Conference for correction.

(8) Plan of Organization and Rules of Order. There shall be a Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order of **eleven** members. The Secretary of the Conference shall be an ex-officio member and one of the **eleven**. To this committee shall be referred any proposed amendments to the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order. (See Rule 40.) To it may be referred any other matters relating to parliamentary order or procedure in the business of the General Conference.

This committee shall serve as an Interim Committee between sessions of the General Conference and shall restudy the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order and, after making such needed changes and adaptations therein as in its judgment are necessary, shall present them to the General Conference for consideration and final action, same to be published in the *Journal* of the General Conference.

The Plan of Organization and Rules of Order of the General Conference shall be the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order as published in the *Journal* of the preceding General Conference until they have been altered or modified by the action of The General Conference. (See *Discipline*, ¶ 508.)

(9) Presiding Officers. See div. III above.

(10) Reference. There shall be a Committee on Reference composed of one ministerial and one lay representative from each Jurisdiction, at least two of whom shall be lawyers, one minister and one layman from Annual Conferences outside the United States, and **four members at large**, to be appointed by the Council of Bishops from the regularly elected delegates to the ensuing General Conference at the winter meeting of the said Council of Bishops preceding the session of the General Conference. This committee shall be convened by the Secretary of the General Conference prior to and at the seat of the General Conference. After ascertaining that the **petitions**, resolutions, and similar communications dealing with the regular business of the

Conference meet the requirements herein specified, this committee shall refer the same to the appropriate standing administrative or legislative committees. This committee shall be responsible for such assignment of all **petitions** which may be in the hands of the Secretary prior to the opening session, including the Episcopal Address, the book of printed Quadrennial Reports, and all other communications which shall come into his hands after the convening of the General Conference. (Par. 510 of the *Discipline* provides that petitions shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than thirty days before the opening of the Conference session; provided, however, the Secretary shall accept up to the opening day petitions from overseas and from Conferences meeting within thirty days before the General Conference.)

The Committee on Reference may withdraw a paper after having assigned it to a committee, either upon a request or upon its own motion. It may also withhold from reference or publication any document it shall deem improper, promptly advising the author, or authors, thereof of its action in order that an appeal may be made to the Conference if desired. The committee shall publish as promptly as possible in the *Daily Christian Advocate* lists of the communications it has referred to the several standing committees, identifying each by number, title, origin, and destination. No petition shall be assigned by the Committee on Reference to any General Conference committee unless it comes from some organization, minister, or member of The **United** Methodist Church, and also contains information essential to the verification of the alleged facts concerning its origin.

All **petitions** shall be presented in triplicate. Each should deal with only one general subject, and so far as possible, only one chapter in the *Discipline*. Not more than one **petition** should be presented on a single sheet of paper.

(11) Tellers. There shall be a committee of sixty, to act as tellers for the purpose of reporting on count votes and ballots ordered by the General Conference. The tellers shall be divided into two groups of thirty each. Each group shall have reserve tellers. The Secretary of the General Conference shall appoint tellers and reserve tellers whose names shall be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

B. Standing Legislative Committees

The General Conference shall have the following standing legislative committees, which shall consider all proposals looking toward new legislation or changes in the present legislation of the church and report recommenda-

tions relating thereto to the Conference; provided, however, that reports and proposals from the regular councils and special commissions of the General Conference may be made directly to the Conference. The term "legislative" as descriptive of the functions of these committees is not to be interpreted with absolute strictness, in as much as they may consider matters calculated to eventuate in the form of advices, resolutions, appeals, etc., as well as in legislation. Too extensive use of Special Study Committees authorized by the General Conference tends to limit the work and importance of our legislative committees. Under ordinary circumstances Special Study Committees should report briefly to the General Conference, after which their reports should be referred automatically to the appropriate legislative committees for study at the beginning of the General Conference sessions. After the Study Committee makes its report, the General Conference by a two-thirds vote may authorize immediately consideration of this report.

(1) Christian Social Concerns. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to social service, labor relations, Sabbath observance, divorce, amusements, world peace, temperance, prohibition of the liquor traffic, all matters relating to the Board of Christian Social Concerns.

(2) Conferences. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the General, Jurisdictional, Annual, Provisional Annual and District Conferences, and to Missions. All petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to Central Conferences shall be referred to the Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas. (See *Discipline*, ¶ 1812 (1).)

(3) Education. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Education and to the interests and activities which by the law of the Church are made the concern of this board.

(4) Lay Activities and Temporal Economy. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating distinctly to lay activities and the Board of Lay Activities; and relating to trustees, properties, church finance (general and local), and such activities of the Church at large in and through its institutions and boards as are not made the specific responsibility of any other committee.

(5) Membership and Evangelism. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to church membership, including conditions, duties, and transfer thereof; and all matters pertaining to evangelism and to the devotional life and literature of the Church, made by the

law of the Church and the concern of the Board of Evangelism.

(6) Ministry. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the ministry of the Church in all its forms, grades, and orders.

(7) Missions. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Missions and to the interests and activities made by the law of the Church the concern of this board.

(8) Pensions. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the support of retired and supernumerary ministers, and of widows and dependent children of deceased ministers, not including bishops, and all matters relating to pensions of lay employees of Church organizations, boards, agencies, or institutions.

(9) Publishing Interests. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to all the Publications of The United Methodist Church and to the interests and activities made by the law of the Church the concern of the board.

(10) Hospitals and Homes. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the Board of Hospitals and Homes, to the interests and activities which by the law of the Church are made the concern of this board, and to all the eleemosynary work and responsibility of the Church not comprehended in the responsibility of any other legislative committee.

(11) Interdenominational Relations and Activities. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to interdenominational activities, relations, interests, and responsibilities of The United Methodist Church, including the American Bible Society, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, the World Council of Churches and **Committee on Religion in American Life.**

(12) Judicial Administration Enabling Acts and Legal Forms. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the formal disciplining, trial, and appeal of members and ministers of The United Methodist Church, and relating to the Judicial Council and the judicial procedure within the Church. This committee shall also be charged with the responsibility of preparing and presenting for adoption by the Conference, such enabling acts and legal forms as may be needed in the continuing process of unifying the interests and agencies of the Church.

(13) Local Church. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to the organization and duties of the various bodies within the local church,

including the Quarterly Conference, Official Board, commissions, and committees. Proposed legislation emanating from other General Conference committees concerning local church organization shall be referred to this committee on Local Church Organization for consideration, action and reporting to General Conference.

(14) Ritual and Orders of Worship. To this committee shall be referred all petitions, resolutions, etc., relating to ritual and orders of worship.

C. Membership of Committees

Each delegate shall serve as a member of one of the standing legislative committees numbered 1 to 14. Within the Annual Conference delegation each member shall choose from the legislative committees 1 to 14 the committee on which he shall serve, the choice being made in order of election. The layman* first elected shall be entitled to the first choice, the minister first elected to the second choice, and thus the right of choice shall continue to alternate between lay and ministerial delegates in the order of their election; provided, that two members of a delegation may not serve on any one of the above-designated standing legislative committees 1 to 14 unless the said delegation is represented on each of them. All delegations composed of fourteen or more members shall assign all members in excess of fourteen according to this same principle of distribution. (For example, a Conference with sixteen delegates shall have two members on each of any two of these fourteen committees, and one on each of the remaining twelve. Each delegate may, in the order of his turn to choose, select any one of these fourteen committees, provided that the foregoing division of delegates among the committees is maintained.)

If a matter is under consideration in any standing legislative committee which in the judgment of any Annual Conference delegation vitally affects the interests of its constituency, and if the said Annual Conference is not represented in the membership of said committee, then the said delegation may choose one of its number to represent its Annual Conference in the committee when the matter judged to be vital to the interests of this constituency is under consideration. Such a person shall be entitled to sit with the committee while this particular matter is being considered. He shall be entitled to the floor, subject to such

* The following action was taken by the 1940 General Conference (Journal, page 698):

"Your committee recommends that the first choice of committees should alternate from quadrennium to quadrennium between the ministerial and lay delegates." In 1964 the minister first elected will have first choice of the standing legislative committees.

limitations as are imposed on the regular members of said committee, but he shall not be entitled to vote.

D. Meetings of Committees

(1) For Organization. All standing legislative and administrative committees shall meet for organization at such time as the Commission on Entertainment and Program shall determine. A Bishop appointed by the Council of Bishops and an assistant secretary appointed by the Secretary of the General Conference shall serve, respectively, as chairman and secretary to effect an organization in each of the several standing committees.

(a) The Secretary of the General Conference shall convene the Committee of the Chairmen.

(b) The election of chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary of each standing committee, both administrative and legislative, shall be by ballot.

(c) The assistant secretary appointed for the organization of each standing legislative committee shall report in writing to the Secretary of the Conference at the earliest possible date the officers elected. In the case of all other committees the secretary elected shall make such report immediately to the Secretary of the Conference.

(d) The Secretary of the General Conference shall be responsible for arranging for a coaching meeting for all chairmen and secretaries of legislative committees, as soon as possible after their elections. This coaching shall include instruction in their duties, all procedures in the handling of petitions and other information to expedite the work of chairmen and secretaries. The Commission on Entertainment and Program is requested to arrange for a time and place for such a meeting.

(2) Regular Meetings. The standing legislative committees 1 to 14 inclusive shall meet for business on the first two full days at 9:10 a.m. and thereafter shall meet each weekday at 2:30 p.m. unless otherwise ordered by the Conference, until their work is completed, and at such other times as the committees may themselves determine.

(3) Quorum for Committee Meetings. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in all committees.

E. Function and Authority of Committees

(1) The standing administrative committees, without specific instruction or direction from the Conference, shall assume responsibility for considering and reporting to the Conference upon all matters which would logically fall with-

in their respective purviews, if it seems wise to do so, as these are indicated hereinbefore.

(2) The standing legislative committees may not originate business, but shall consider and report only upon that which is referred to them directly by the Conference or through the Committee on Reference, the Agenda Committee, or the Committee of Chairmen. (See Rule 31.)

VII. Proposal Involving Expenditure of Unbudgeted Funds

When any proposal is submitted to the General Conference to establish an interim or continuing board, commission, or committee, before final action is taken by the General Conference establishing such board, commission, or committee, said proposal shall be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance, or its executive committee, with the request that it bring to the General Conference an estimated budget of the expense of operation of the proposed board, commission, or committee for the next quadrennium and a statement of how the adoption of such proposal will affect the budget or budgets for the existing boards, commissions, or committees as already presented by the Council on World Service and Finance.

When any proposal is submitted to the General Conference which involves the expenditure of funds not included in an established budget, such proposal shall be referred for advice and recommendation to the Council on World Service and Finance before final action is taken by the General Conference.

VIII. Delegates' Expense Accounts*

(1) The report of the Committee on Credentials shall be the basis for settlement with principal and reserve delegates for their per diem allowance.

(2) The total traveling expense shall be payable to the principal delegate if he be present and seated. If during the session of the Conference a reserve delegate is seated in his place, he shall adjust the travel expense with such reserve on the basis of the time served by each.

(3) Travel expense for the delegates to the Conference shall be on the basis of railroad fare by the most direct route (clergy fare for ministers), lower berth or roomette (Pullman) and meals en route, or by air coach. Overseas delegates shall be allowed travel expenses on the basis of round-trip tourist air fare, directly to and from the seat of the Con-

* For the Uniting Conference, expenses for delegates will be paid by their separate General Conferences.

ference. Additional expenses may be allowed such delegates for arrival and departure not to exceed five days in either case. Unavoidable exceptions to this limitation of five days before and five days after General Conference, due to transportation schedules, must be approved by the Council on World Service and Finance. The per diem expense allowance for all such days before and after General Conference shall be at the same rate as granted delegates during General Conference. When two or more delegates come in one automobile, the owner shall be allowed 7 cents per mile for his car plus the cost of room and meals en route. Guest passengers who are members of the General Conference shall submit only the cost of room and meals en route. In all cases delegates shall report only the actual cost of travel.

IX. Material to Be Included in the Discipline

(1) No non-legislative material shall be ordered printed in the *Discipline* without first referring it to the Committee on Correlation and Editorial Revision for consideration and report to the General Conference for further consideration and final action.

RULES OF ORDER

I. DAILY SCHEDULE

Rule 1. Hours of Meetings

The following shall be the daily order for the General Conference, Sundays excepted:

- (1) 8:30 A.M. to 9:10 A.M.—Devotional service under direction of the Council of Bishops.
- (2) 9:10 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.—Conference business with recess for ten minutes at 10:30, except that this period during the first two full business days of the Conference shall be devoted to meetings of legislative committees.
- (3) 2:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.—Committee meetings.
- (4) 7:30 P.M.—Evening programs as planned by the Commission on Entertainment and Program or committee meetings.

Rule 2. Order of Business

After devotional service the daily sessions of the Conference shall be conducted as follows:

- (1) Report of Committee on Journal of the previous meeting or meetings.
- (2) Report of Committee on Courtesies and Privileges.
- (3) Reports of other standing administrative and special committees.
- (4) Calendar.
- (5) Miscellaneous business.

II. PRESIDING OFFICERS

Rule 3. Authority of the Chairman

The bishop presiding shall be the legal chairman of the General Conference. He shall decide points of order raised by the members, and shall rule on points of order not raised by the members, as he deems necessary to conform to these rules of order; subject, in both cases, to an appeal to the Conference by any member without debate; except that the chairman and the appellant, in the order here named, shall each have five minutes for a statement in support of their respective positions. A tie vote in the case of appeal shall sustain the chair. When any member raises a point of order he shall cite, by number, the rule he adjudges to have been violated.

Rule 4. Calling the Conference to Order

When the chairman stands in his place and calls the Conference to order, no member shall speak, address the chair, or stand, while the chairman stands.

III. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS**Rule 5. Attendance and Seating Reserves**

No member, unless hindered by sickness or otherwise from being present, shall absent himself from the sessions of the Conference without permission of the Conference; and all absentees shall be reported by the chairmen of the several Annual Conference delegations to the Committee on Credentials on a form provided for this purpose. No reserve delegate shall have the privilege of membership until the substitution has been approved by the Conference, except at the first session of the Conference, as provided in the Plan of Organization, div. I, sec. A, subs. 2c.

Rule 6. Directions for Securing the Floor

When a delegate desires to speak to the Conference, he shall arise at his designated seat, respectfully address the presiding officer, using the term, "Mr. Chairman," and, after recognition, proceed to the speaker's platform, where, before speaking, he shall give the chairman, in writing, his name and that of the Annual Conference which he represents; which, in turn, the chairman shall then announce to the Conference.

If by reason of the intended brevity of his remarks he speaks from one of the microphones in the aisles of the assembly hall, he shall first announce his name and the name of the Annual Conference which he represents; which, in turn, the chairman shall then announce to the Conference.

Rule 7. Interrupting the Speaker

No member who has the floor may be interrupted except for a breach of order, or a misrepresentation, or to direct the attention of the Conference to the fact that the time has arrived for a special order, or to raise a very urgent question of high privilege.

Rule 8. Speaking More Than Once; Length of Speech

No member shall speak a second time on the same question if any member who has not spoken desires the floor, no more than twice on the same subject under the same motion, no longer than ten minutes unless his time shall be

extended by the Conference, except as provided in Rule 37. This ten-minute limit may be reduced by a majority vote of the Conference at any time, and for any period of duration.

Rule 9. Question of High Privilege

A member claiming the floor at any time for what he believes is a very urgent question of high privilege shall be allowed to indicate briefly the nature of the question, and if it be adjudged by the chair to be such, he may proceed at his pleasure or until the chairman judges that he has exhausted his privilege. (See Plan of Organization, div. VI, sec. A, subs. 4a.)

Rule 10. Voting Area of Conference

Only delegates within the area of the Conference when the vote is taken shall be entitled to vote. All delegates within the area at the time a question is put shall vote, except such as shall have been excused for special reasons by the Conference.

Rule 11. Voting Procedure

Voting shall be by a show of hands unless otherwise ordered by the Conference. An "aye" and "nay" vote, if taken, shall be by signed ballot. An "aye" or "nay" vote by secret ballot may be ordered on call of any member, supported by one-third of the members present and voting. A count vote may be ordered on call of any member supported by one-third of the members present and voting, in which case the delegates shall rise from their seats and stand until counted.

No other business shall be in order when a vote is being taken or when the previous question has been called, until the process is completed, except such as relates to the vote itself, or that which can be appropriately fitted into the time while waiting for the report of the secretaries on a count vote, or an "aye" or "nay" vote. The count shall be made by the Committee of Tellers as appointed and assigned by the Secretary of General Conference.

Rule 12. Division of Question

Before a vote is taken any delegate shall have the right to call for a division of any question, if it is subject to such division as he indicates. If no delegate objects, the division shall be made; but if there is objection, the chair shall put the question of division to vote, not waiting for a second.

Rule 13. Vote by Orders*

The ministerial and lay delegates shall deliberate as one body; but upon a call, by motion of any delegate, seconded by another delegate of the same order and supported by one-third of the members of that order voting, the ministerial and lay delegates shall vote separately. But when the Conference votes by orders, no measure shall be passed without the concurrence of a majority of both classes of delegates. In cases of such a vote the order calling for it shall vote first; provided, however, that the Conference may not vote by orders on a proposed amendment to the Constitution. (*Discipline*, ¶ 10.)

IV. BUSINESS PROCEDURE**Rule 14. Motion for Adoption of Reports and Resolutions Unnecessary**

Whenever a report of a committee signed by the chairman and secretary thereof, or a resolution signed by two or more members of the Conference, shall be presented to the Conference for its action, it shall be deemed in proper order for consideration by the Conference without the formality of a motion to adopt, and a second thereto.

Rule 15. Required Forms for Reports, Resolutions, Motions, Amendments

All resolutions and committee reports shall be presented in triplicate; and, when requested by the Secretary, motions, including amendments, shall be presented in writing.

Rule 16. Reading of Reports and Resolutions

All resolutions, committee reports, and communications to the Conference shall be read by the Secretary except as otherwise provided in Rule 34.

Rule 17. Alterations of Motions, etc.

When a motion is made and seconded, or a resolution is introduced and seconded, or a committee report is read, or is published in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Conference, and may not be altered except by action of the Conference. (See Rule 33.)

* In accordance with the Enabling Legislation adopted by the 1966 General Conferences, during the sessions of the Uniting Conference, if upon call by motion of any delegate, seconded by another delegate from the same former denomination and supported by one-third of the members of that denomination voting, the members of the two former denominations shall vote separately and in case of such vote by denominations, no amendment or alteration shall be effective unless adopted by a vote of the majority of delegates coming from the Evangelical United Brethren Church and a majority of delegates coming from The Methodist Church, in each case, at the time present and voting.

Rule 18. Undebatable Motions

The following motions shall be acted upon without debate:

- (1) To adjourn, when unqualified, except to adjourn the Conference finally.
- (2) To suspend the rules.
- (3) To lay on the table, except as provided in Rule 37.
- (4) To take from the table.
- (5) To call for the previous question.
- (6) To reconsider a non-debatable motion.
- (7) To limit or extend the limits of debate.
- (8) To call for the orders of the day.

Rule 19. Rights of the Main Question

The main question may be opened to debate under the following motions: to adopt, to commit or refer, to substitute, to postpone, and to reconsider. No new motion, resolution, or subject shall be entertained until the one under consideration shall have been disposed of except as provided in Rule 11. The foregoing does not apply to secondary motions if otherwise allowable in the existing parliamentary situation.

Rule 20. Precedence of Secondary Motions

If any one or more of the following motions shall be made when one or more other motions are pending, the order of their precedence in relation to one another shall be the same as the order of their listing below:

- (1) To fix the time to which the Conference shall adjourn. (This motion is subject to amendment, or it may be laid on the table.)
- (2) To adjourn.
- (3) To take recess.
- (4) To order the previous question.
- (5) To lay on the table.
- (6) To limit or extend the limits of debate.
- (7) To postpone to a given time.
- (8) To commit or refer.
- (9) To amend or to substitute (one amendment being allowed to an amendment).
- (10) To postpone indefinitely.

Rule 21. Tabling Related Motions

No motion which adheres to another motion, or has another motion adhering to it, can be laid on the table by itself. Such motions, if laid on the table, carry with them the motions to which they respectively adhere, or which adhere to them.

Rule 22. Referring Reports, Etc.

It shall be in order for the Conference to refer to a committee a section or part of a report or resolution which is before the Conference for consideration, or any amendment offered thereto.

Rule 23. Procedure for Consideration of Substitutes

When a resolution or committee report is properly before the Conference for consideration and action, even if amendments thereto are pending, a substitute therefor may be offered by any member moving that the same be substituted for the report or resolution under consideration. The Conference shall then proceed first to perfect the original report or resolution, including consideration and action upon any amendments which may be offered to it. The same perfecting process shall then be followed with respect to the substitute. The question shall then be put first on the motion to substitute, followed by the motion to adopt the report or resolution; provided, however, that the motion for the previous question shall not be in order on the adoption of the report or recommendation or on making the proposed substitution until opportunity has been given for at least two members to speak on each side of the question of substitution or adoption.

Rule 24. Previous Question

When any member moves the previous question (that is, that the vote be now taken on the motion or motions pending), he shall indicate to what he intends it to apply, if any secondary motion or motions are also pending. If he does not so indicate, it shall be regarded as applying only to the immediately pending question. This motion shall be taken without debate, and shall require a two-thirds vote of those present and voting for its adoption; and if it is adopted, the vote shall be taken on the motion or motions to which it applies without further debate except as provided in Rule 37. (See also Rules 18, 23, 25.)

Rule 25. Unlawful Motion After Speech

It shall not be in order for a member immediately after discussing a pending question, and before relinquishing the floor, to make a motion whose adoption would limit or stop debate.

Rule 26. Exceptions to Majority Vote

A majority of those voting, a quorum being present, shall decide all questions with the following exceptions:

(1) One-third of those present and voting shall suffice to sustain a call for a count vote in case the decision of the chair is doubted. (See Rule 11.) A tie vote sustains the chair (Rule 3).

(2) A call for a vote by orders shall prevail if sustained by one-third of the members of the order from which the call came, present and voting. (See Rule 13.)

(3) A two-thirds vote shall be required to sustain a motion to suspend (Rule 39) or amend (Rule 40) the rules; to sustain a motion for the previous question (Rule 24), to set aside a special order; to consider a special order before the time set therefor; to sustain the request of the Committee on Courtesies and Privileges for the presentation of any person after the sixth day of the General Conference.

(4) A two-thirds vote shall be required to approve a proposal for a constitutional amendment. (*Discipline* ¶ 10.)

Rule 27. Reconsideration

A motion to reconsider an action of the Conference shall be in order at any time if offered by a member who voted with the prevailing side. If the motion it is proposed to reconsider is non-debatable, the motion to reconsider may not be debated.

Rule 28. Calendars, Regular and Non-Concurrence

The Secretary shall keep a chronological record of orders of the day and of reports of committees (see Rule 32), which record shall be called the Calendar; and the matters of business placed on it shall be considered as **recommended by the Committee of Chairmen**, unless by a two-thirds vote of the Conference an item is taken up out of its order.

When a committee presents a report on a given subject, as a part of its report, it must also list the numbers of all petitions relating to this subject on which the committee voted non-concurrence.

Rule 29. Motion to Adjourn in Order Except—

The motion to adjourn, when unqualified, shall be taken without debate, and shall always be in order, except:

- (1) When a delegate has the floor.
- (2) When a question is actually put, or a vote is being taken, and before it is finally decided.
- (3) When the previous question has been ordered and action thereunder is pending.
- (4) When a motion to adjourn has been lost, and no business or debate has intervened.

- (5) When the motion to fix the time to which the Conference shall adjourn is pending.

The foregoing does not apply to a motion for final adjournment of the Conference.

V. COMMITTEES

Rule 30. Rules of Order of Legislative Committees

The rules of order of the General Conference shall be observed in meetings of standing legislative committees in so far as they apply.

Rule 31. Duties and Prerogatives of Committees

When a petition or resolution or any similar item is referred to one of the several standing legislative committees, it shall be understood that the whole question with which the paper has to do is referred to that committee for such action as it may deem wise. Committees shall report to the Conference upon all matters referred to them by the Conference, directly or through the Committee on Reference. Committee reports on resolutions, petitions, etc., shall cite the same, identifying them by numbers they bear respectively in the published reports of the Committee on Reference, or in some other suitable manner.

When a committee ascertains that another committee is or, in its judgment, should be considering a subject which the former is considering, it shall report the matter to the Committee on Reference for such adjustment as the situation may require.

Rule 32. Legislative Committees Report to Secretary

At the close of each day's meetings the chairmen and secretaries of the several standing legislative committees shall provide the Secretary of the Conference with copies in triplicate of all reports adopted by their respective committees for presentation to the Conference. The Secretary shall enter said reports on the Calendar in the order in which they reach him, and shall furnish the editor of the *Daily Christian Advocate* with one copy of each of the said reports for publication in the next day's issue.

Reports from committees (and minority reports) recommending proposed changes in the *Discipline* shall give chapter, section, and paragraph to be affected. They shall quote the language of the part it is proposed to change, under-scoring it, and then state the language as it will appear if adopted, with the new part only in CAPITALS. The *Daily Christian Advocate* shall follow the same rule in printing

such reports, substituting *italics* for underscoring and **bold-face** type for capitals.

Rule 33. Published Reports in Possession of Conference

A report of any committee signed by the chairman and secretary thereof and printed by the *Daily Christian Advocate* shall be regarded as in the possession of the Conference, and on the day following its first appearance in the *Advocate*, or any time thereafter, in order for consideration at the pleasure of the Conference. The same rule shall apply to a report of a minority of any committee signed by one-tenth of the members of the committee or by ten members thereof. (See Rule 17.)

Rule 34. Preparation and Printing of Reports

All committee reports shall be presented to the Secretary of the Conference in triplicate on paper provided therefor, and shall bear at the top the name of the committee, its total membership, the number present at the time the report was adopted, the number voting for and the number voting against the report respectively, and the number not voting. Reports of the standing legislative committees shall be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate* at least one day before being presented for consideration by the Conference, and they shall not be read unless by its order.

Reports of minorities of committees adopted by them with a view to their being offered as substitutes for committee reports (see Rule 33) shall likewise conform to this rule so far as it is applicable, indicating clearly to what committee the respective minorities belong and for what reports by serial number, etc., they propose the respective substitutes.

Rule 35. Committee Chairman Not in Harmony With Report

When the chairman of a committee is not in harmony with a report adopted by the committee, it shall be his duty to state the fact to the committee, which shall elect one of its members to represent it in the presentation and discussion of the report in the Conference; but if, in such a case, the committee shall fail to select a representative, the chairman shall designate a member to represent the committee, and said representatives shall have all the rights and privileges of the chairman in relation to such report.

Rule 36. Presentation of Report of Minority

A member selected by the signers of a report of a minority of a committee (see Rule 33) to present the same shall have

the same rights and privileges in relation thereto which belong to the chairman in the presentation of the regular (majority) report of the committee, except that he may not present said minority report until the majority report has been presented, and shall then offer it as a substitute therefor, and except, further, that in closing the debate on the question of making the substitution the member presenting the minority report shall speak first and the chairman last. (See Rule 23.)

Rule 37. Speakers For and Against

When the report of a committee is under consideration, it shall be the duty of the presiding officer to ascertain, when he recognizes a member of the Conference, on which side he proposes to speak; and he shall not assign the floor to any member proposing to speak on the same side of the pending question as the speaker immediately preceding if any member desires to speak on the other side thereof.

Except for undebatable motions, no report shall be adopted or question relating to the same decided without opportunity having been given for at least two speeches for and two against the said proposal, provided that right is claimed before the chairman or duly authorized member representing the committee's report or the minority report, if there be such, is presented to close the debate.

When all have spoken who desire to do so, or when (and after) the previous question has been ordered, the chairman or/and duly authorized member or members presenting the committee's report (and the minority report if there be one) shall be entitled to speak before the vote is taken.

This right of the chairman and/or other member or members to close the debate shall prevail in like manner to a limit of five minutes when a vote is about to be taken on a motion to amend, to substitute, to postpone, to refer, or to lay on the table or any other motion whose adoption would vitally affect the report under consideration; provided, that this five-minute limit shall not apply to a motion to substitute a minority report (see Rule 33) for a regular (majority) report of a committee.

Rule 38. Effective Date

All actions of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church shall become effective upon the final adjournment of the session of the General Conference at which they are enacted, unless otherwise specified, except as provided in ¶ 575 of the *Discipline*.

VI. SUSPENDING, AMENDING, AND SUPPLEMENTING

Rule 39. Suspension of Rules

The operation of any of the provisions of the Plan of Organization or of these Rules of Order may be suspended at any time by a two-thirds vote of the Conference. (See Rule 26, subs. 3.)

Rule 40. Amending Rules

The Plan of Organization and these Rules of Order may be amended or changed by a two-thirds vote of the Conference; provided the proposed change or amendment has originated in the Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order, or has been presented to the Conference in writing and referred to this committee, which committee shall report thereon not later than the following day. (See Rule 26, subs. 3.)

Rule 41. Robert's Rules of Order, Supplemental Authority

In any parliamentary situation not clearly covered by the Plan of Organization or these Rules of Order, the General Conference shall be governed in its action by the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*.

THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS

of
The Board of Bishops
of
The Evangelical United Brethren Church

Dallas, Texas

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Delivered by

Bishop Reuben H. Mueller

As the officially credentialled delegates to the 41st General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, you have been summoned into an adjourned session here in Dallas, Texas, to complete the business of that General Conference. This is therefore not a new General Conference, but is a postponed session or continuation of the General Conference that sat in regular quadrennial session in Chicago, Illinois, November 8 to 17, 1966. The calling of this adjourned session was made contingent on the actions of the Annual Conferences of The Evangelical United Brethren Church and of The Methodist Church in taking their respective referendum votes on the question of organic union of our two denominations, as authorized by the General Conferences in Chicago on November 11, 1966. It was then determined that if the two denominations would produce the required constitutional majority votes in each case, then a uniting General Conference would be called to meet in Dallas, Texas, April 21 to May 4, 1968, to effect this union by the creation of The United Methodist Church, under the approved Constitution and Enabling Acts, and to begin its life and work under a properly adopted order and *Discipline*.

DECLARATION ON CONFERENCE VOTING

When the voting by the Annual Conferences of both denominations was completed, the bishops of both churches issued the proper Declarations concerning the results of this voting. The Board of Bishops of The Evangelical United Brethren Church issued the following declaration and made it available to all members and friends of our Church and of The Methodist Church:

Episcopal Declaration concerning the union of The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church.

WHEREAS, in the providence of God, The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church have been engaged for many years in official conversations regarding possible union into one united Church and have intensified these conversations during the past ten years, and

WHEREAS, the General Conference of both denominations elected Commissions on Church Union and instructed them to endeavor to negotiate an acceptable and feasible Plan and Basis of Union, and

WHEREAS, such a Plan and Basis of Union was developed, consisting of a Constitution, Enabling Legislation, historical records and statements of Christian belief and social understandings, together with a *Discipline* (Part IV), and

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Enabling Legislation, the statements of Christian belief and social understandings were adopted by more than the required three-fourths majority vote in the respective General Conferences meeting in Chicago, Illinois, November 8-17, 1966, and the *Discipline* (Part IV) was adopted in principle, subject to amendment and modification by the General Conference of the uniting Church, and

WHEREAS, the affirmative votes of the two General Conferences were ratified by more than the necessary two-thirds majority vote of the aggregate number of members of the Annual Conferences in 1967, present and voting on the union question;

THEREFORE, in harmony with the agreements in the Plan and Basis of Union and consistent with the Constitutional Law in the *Book of Discipline*, the Board of Bishops of The Evangelical United Brethren Church now hereby declares before the world-wide Christian community and to the entire membership of The Evangelical United Brethren Church that union with The Methodist Church has now been authorized by the constitutional procedures of our denomination and will become a fact in the creation of The

United Methodist Church in a Uniting General Conference in Dallas, Texas, April 21 to May 4, 1968.

For this achievement, under God, we express our devout thanks to him, invoking at the same time the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we, together with The Methodist Church, prepare for this union, to the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord and the strengthening of His Church. Basic throughout these union negotiations has been a united yearning for spiritual renewal so that the Church may be baptized afresh with divine fires and endued with the necessary spiritual vision and resources in Christ, to meet the challenges and needs of the times in which we live and of the world of which we are a part. We earnestly urge men and women everywhere to lift up dedicated hands and hearts in prayer and service to the end that The United Methodist Church will truly be Christ's Church.

The Board of Bishops

The Evangelical United Brethren Church

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WHY WE ARE HERE

This is what brings us to Dallas at this time. While other matters may engage our attention during this session, the chief reason for being here is that by their votes our own Annual Conferences have ratified the General Conference voting on Church union, and the achievement of that actual union is now our major responsibility. When we have concluded the necessary business of the General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, we must then meet in a Uniting General Conference and make such decisions and take such actions as a United Methodist Church which will make effective the faith and order, and life and work of this new Church.

One of the most important actions we will need to take is to consider the request for retirement from active service made by our colleague, Bishop H. R. Heininger, and to elect a new bishop to succeed him. This General Conference will most assuredly grant his request, and express deep appreciation for the years of dedicated and distinguished service and leadership given by this devoted servant of Christ through the church; and to pray God's blessings upon Bishop and Mrs. Heininger in the years of retirement that shall be

measured out to them by the grace of God. At the same time, we earnestly pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us in the choice of a successor. The other bishops who were elected at the Chicago General Conference in November, 1966, were elected for the regular quadrennial term of office, and with the understanding that they will become bishops of The United Methodist Church when the union takes place.

A VENTURE OF DARING FAITH

This entire enterprise has been a venture of daring faith in discovering and obeying God's will for our churches, from its very inception ten years ago. Every step has been taken according to the provision of the *Disciplines* of our two denominations, which specify ways whereby the majority will of our connectional denominations shall come to mature expression. At the same time minority positions were permitted free expression, according to the same constitutional provisions. There has been some questioning, some opposition, some wavering in loyalty to the denomination, but in spite of these the cause of church union advanced steadily, step-by-step, in a spirit of questing for better ways of Christian discipleship and witnessing in the world-wide Christian fellowship.

Realism and fairness requires that we frankly face the fact that there has been some organized opposition to this church union. You will recall that one of the last actions of the closing session of the General Conference in Chicago was to authorize the appointment of a Commission on Unity whose responsibility it would be to carefully investigate such opposition to union in an effort to find a thoroughly Christian way to resolve differences. The Commission on Unity will present its own report here today. It has done its task well in a spirit of reconciliation and with complete adherence to the time-tested principles of our Disciplinary Church regulations.

THERE ARE NO SECESSION RIGHTS

In a connectional church like ours we cannot recognize and submit to the independent congregational right of secession. No congregation, and no Annual Conference, has the right under our Constitution to secede as such units. Individuals have the right to personal decision and conviction, and the related right of seeking a fellowship of their own on such congregational principles. But as long as they hold membership in one of our congregations, they have no right to subvert our *Discipline*, cause dissension, and create division in the church. Their church membership vows are violated as soon as they take such steps. This is especially true of the ordained minister who instigates and promotes

such dissension, for he is under solemn oath before God, because of his ordination vows.

There are also those who have been willing to change their minds about the issues involved, and who have decided to stay with the church as it enters into union. The rank and file of our EUB members are obedient to our *Discipline* and the acts of our General Conference and the vast majority of our people are looking forward to the new experiences and challenges through The United Methodist Church.

THE INTER-CONFERENCE PERIOD

But we would not have you think that these negative considerations are major concerns in connection with our Church union. We mention them lest we be criticized for ignoring them, and to indicate that responsible administration has taken them all into consideration.

By way of contrast to these negatives, most of the time between the Chicago and Dallas Conferences has been devoted to constructive, forward-looking plans and activities, looking toward the consummation of Church union and conference unions. These have been busy months in which boards and agencies of the denominations have been hard at work, planning for the future. Cognate boards or agencies have been meeting together and conferring about their common interests. Much credit goes to the persons who make up these church units, as well as to the Methodist Ad Hoc Committee on EUB Union and the EUB Commission on Church Union. These latter two agencies, working closely together, usually through their executive committees, will present complete reports of their recommendations to the Uniting General Conference here in Dallas. Great credit for all this work belongs to the two dedicated secretaries—Dr. Charles C. Parlin and Dr. Paul A. Washburn.

Furthermore, in the Annual Conferences, there has been much constructive planning and activity looking toward Annual Conference unions following the General Conference. It has become apparent that there is eager expectancy in most instances, looking toward effecting proper unions of geographically overlapping conferences, by the Spring of 1969. Already in more than 300 local situations, annual conferences have effected some type of church union, federation or yoked-parishes, as a prelude to the union of the parent denominations. Such a "ground swell" is strong approval for this entire enterprise.

ACCENT THE SPIRITUAL

If we thought it necessary to marshal the positive reasons in favor of this church union, it could be done, but it would

consume entirely too much of our limited time today. The primary motive from the beginning has been spiritual. We believe that God has willed it, and has led by his Holy Spirit, to bring these two communions into one fellowship. We need to be obedient to the leadership of that Spirit, so that God can use us and our resources to reach out into the world to call men to repentance and faith, and to help to redeem and rebuild human society. Great size in a Church is no merit in and of itself and may become a stumbling-block to genuine Christian witness and service. But given the spiritual concept and purpose the resource of size can become a great asset in facing the problems of the world. I frankly confess that I came, through my world-wide Christian contacts, to see that there can be no spiritual virtue in a provincial littleness, that draws its clothes about itself, builds fences or walls to keep the world out, and dies spiritually through the process of trying selfishly to hoard and enjoy the Christian religion. The outstanding problems of today are great world-wide and world-shaking issues, and they require a church of size and resources and commensurate dedication and sacrifice to meet them and to solve them. That is why I shall thank God for the privilege of being a United Methodist from this week on.

Just a few of these issues are the race question with its civil rights ramifications; the terrific crisis in our cities where lines between black power and white power are being drawn; the developing struggle with the alcohol octopus and the cigarette trust; the problem of making homes Christian; and the all-consuming question of international responsibility with the problem of war. Sensing the magnitude of some of these, I became persuaded that a small company of people are no match for the problems of our day. I know that the Christian movement began with a very small group, but I also know that it did not remain small and circumscribed. The end-purpose of Jesus Christ has always been, and still is, to gather multitudes—so great that no man could number them—under the banner of His Church. He has never placed a premium on littleness. This is at the bottom of my interest in Christian cooperation through the church of Christ.

THE CANADA CONFERENCE

Last January 10, we attended the stirring and significant service in Kitchener, Ontario, where our Canada Conference became an integral part of the United Church of Canada. One of the senior officials of the United Church, commenting on this union, wrote in *The Christian Century* "The Plan of

Union lays down the conditions under which the Evangelical United Brethren Church will enter the United Church of Canada. The EUB Church's 44 pastoral charges and 10,000 members will be related to specified presbyteries, where they will form a substantial and influential group. No doctrinal changes are involved, and congregations are guaranteed the right to continue with their present organization and materials. Dr. Emerson Hallman, the superintendent of the EUB Church will continue as a superintendent with special responsibilities for his present churches and ministers. All ordained EUB ministers are, of course, recognized by the United Church and will join its ministry.

"This union, the first to hold the promise of consummation since 1925, is significant, although the numbers involved are not great. The resulting church should be one that carries forward the tradition of intimate fellowship, biblical theology, and evangelical concern which have characterized the people of the EUB Church. They will not be lost in the larger church but will find there wider opportunity for their special witness. Opposition, based on fear of the United Church's liberalism and on fear of loss of identity, poses problems that will require wise and fair treatment. It is the hope of both churches that most members and ministers will be able to share in the Union." In this spirit the union in Canada is moving forward under the blessing of God.

CONSULTATION ON CHURCH UNION

Our General Conference has twice voted participation in the Consultation on Church Union. This movement, which has as its purpose, the creation of a church that will be catholic, reformed and evangelical, has grown from the original four to ten consulting and cooperating denominations. It is our purpose that The United Methodist Church should play a significant role in COCU, helping to give it direction and making many important contributions to its development. No one can say how many years it may take to develop a plan for such a new church, but we are very certain that our church should be there, working on the inside and knowing what is happening in these consultations. This will take time—much time, and much energy, but through it all we will learn important Christian lessons from one another.

"NEW OCCASIONS TEACH NEW DUTIES"

This phrase from a poem by James Russell Lowell, applies to the church in our time. Because it is true, this is no day for backward-looking church members, who pine for

“the good old days” and who resent change. Our real challenge is how we will bring the spiritual resources of a living God to bear on the problems of living in this present world, and that a shrinking world is forcing on us.

No one has a right to say that such advance and victory cannot happen today, just because it hasn't happened yet, or because of handicaps and defeats along the way. We should be people of a heavenly vision.

In recent days we witnessed what can happen to a man who loves Christ, lives big and follows the vision. Who can ever forget his ringing words, spoken before the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C.—“I have a dream”? Or those later words, spoken just a few days before he was wantonly killed: “I have been to the mountain. I am no longer afraid. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord.” And one of his favorite passages from Isaiah, comes home to us with a new appeal today:

“A voice cries:

In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God,
Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and
hill be made low:

The uneven ground shall become level, and the rough
places a plain.

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
And all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the
Lord has spoken.”—(Isaiah 40:3-5)

What a dream! And what obedient devotion! We can say in all honesty, however, that our lives do not measure up this well in the sight of God. We are painfully aware of sins and defects which mar. But in our disappointment with ourselves and our day, in remorse, we can hear our Savior's words: “Behold, I make all things new.” It is He who gives us hope and courage to begin again. It is He who puts His stamp on us as His new creation—persons in whose lives forgiveness plays a vital part in bringing us near to the will and heart of God.

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TO THE UNITING CONFERENCE

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The presentation of an Episcopal Address on the opening day of the General Conference of Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches has been a custom of long standing. It is a review of the life and thought of the Church and its responsibility in contemporaneous life. The Address is written by a bishop whom his colleagues choose by ballot. The contents are reviewed by the entire Council of Bishops.

This address has unusual significance in that it was delivered on the eve of the formal merger of The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

It could hardly be expected that so large a company of men could agree in every detail of an Address covering so wide a range of subjects. Into the Address, however, are written the deep convictions of the Council of Bishops as a body. Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke of the New York Area delivered the Address for the Council of Bishops of The United Methodist Church. To it the names of all the bishops are affixed.

THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS

To the members of this Conference which shall unite The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church bringing into being The United Methodist Church;

to laymen, to ministers, to friends, to casual observers, grace and peace from God our Father.

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hand and voices,
Who wonderous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

We Remember Them

Among those countless gifts are the labors of colleagues who have walked this way before us. We remember them as captains among the host, differing in gifts, various in their use of abundant talents, joined in consecration and fidelity. That we meet today under favoring circumstances is a monument to their achievement. As their names are read let memory unfold our indebtedness to our comrades in the faith:

Dana Dawson (May 2, 1964)
Edward W. Kelly, Jr. (July 28, 1964)
Charles W. Flint (Dec. 12, 1964)
Ferdinand Sigg (Oct. 27, 1965)
W. Vernon Middleton (Nov. 12, 1965)
Alexander P. Shaw (March 7, 1966)
Marquis LaFayette Harris (Oct. 7, 1966)
Ivan Lee Holt (Jan. 12, 1967)
A. Raymond Grant (Aug. 15, 1967)
P. C. B. Balaram (Jan. 17, 1968)

Let us "thank our God with heart and voice for the wondrous things he hath done" through these and that goodly number of others with whom we have labored in His Name. Let us rejoice that "he hath blessed us on our way and . . . is ours today."

The year 1812 marks the first General Conference during which the bishops of the swaddling Church provided an "Episcopal Address." According to the General Conference Minutes for that year, Bishop McKendree read the Address which was a "novel thing in Methodism." Having concluded, Bishop Asbury rose to his feet and, addressing Bishop McKendree, said, "I have something to say to you before the Conference." Bishop McKendree arose, and the two bishops stood face to face, Bishop Asbury went on to say: "This is a new thing. I never did business in this way; and why is this new thing introduced?" Bishop McKendree replied: "You are our father; we are your sons. You never had need of it. I am only a brother, and have need of it." Bishop Asbury

said no more, but addressed the Conference, giving a brief historical account of the work in past years, its present state, and what may probably be expected in the future upon this continent.*

This is the second occasion in Methodist history when the Church gathered as a Uniting Conference. It marks the third such event in the life of the predecessor members of the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

In 1939 the Methodist bishops noted that this "uniting Conference . . . has no distinct precedent, and will have no distinct successor." Consequently, the address was "framed with the dominant purpose of exalting the mission of a Conference unique in Methodism."

The re-uniting of the strands of the former Evangelical Association in 1922 was marked by a sense of fraternal joy that a new way had been found to re-unite old friends. The union of the United Brethren in Christ and the Evangelical Church in 1946 provided a mountain-top experience when "the sun shown more brightly and the balmy atmosphere of Christian fellowship was never warmer."

Today's event should provide an opportunity to examine "the work in past years, its present state, and what may . . . be expected in the future."

Though this address is the basic writing of one hand, it represents the corporate mind of the Council. We have accepted the responsibilities laid upon us as a sacred trust. We pray our labors may be judged in the spirit of the Christian dedication in which we place them upon his altar.

"In the providence of God our Churches have come together at a moment of world crisis. In every land there is perplexity and fear. The priceless values of life are everywhere threatened. Never in modern times was there such an imperative demand for the proclamation and application of the Gospel. . . ."

These words bear the mark of that highly-regarded quality—relevance. Their first enunciation came as a portion of the "Message of the Council of Bishops" to the United Conference in 1939. Their resurrection in this hour should remind us of our close kinship with this preceding generation as its report of the condition of their world so closely matches our situation. We may differ from them primarily in the intensity and rapidity of change, social and technological, whose directions earlier generations had set.

During this Conference we must continually remind ourselves that yesterday's unfinished business becomes the clamouring first item on today's agenda. The penalty assessed against those who ignore these items is the visiting

*—*General Conference Minutes*, pages 1792-1896.

upon their children's children of those grievances intensified. "Remembrance is the secret of redemption." More than remembrance is required. That "more" will challenge us over these days. Tonight, let us begin by remembering.

Our institutional history begins with the Christmas Conference of 1784. That occasion provided the birthdate of The Methodist Church as an organized entity, distinct and living. From that Conference flowed the Methodist episcopacy grounded in classical ecclesiastical soil but without "sacramentarian implication."

Within half a generation a group of like-oriented societies joined themselves into a unity taking the name—The United Brethren in Christ.* A third group, closely associated in spirit and conduct, formally organized in 1816 as The Evangelical Association. The latter two were geographically oriented to the agrarian trek westward out of Philadelphia. Linguistically and culturally these folk came from well-regarded German stock.

The Methodist Conference of 1808 created a primary Constitution for the government of the new Church. Its structure was elemental and is definitive to this day. This Constitution became the mentor and guide for both The United Brethren in Christ and the Evangelical Association.

Legislative, administrative, judicial, this is the organizational trinity which characterizes the institutional structure of the Churches coming into this union. Legislative, the General Conference with its attendant Conferences. Administrative, the episcopacy with its executive responsibilities carefully defined. Judicial, the Judicial Council, an ecclesiastical supreme court for the United Methodist Church.

The expansion of the frontiers of the nation, the rapid growth in population, the attendant increase in membership, the mounting complexity of relationship and demand in our society, the widening sensitivities of Christian conscience, these have been some of the ingredient characteristics demanding a manifold organization undreamed by our fathers.

To match the changing and growing requirements, the General Conference has created boards and agencies to promote the programmatic aspects of the Church. Exceptions to this position have been carefully defined and limited by the General Conference. From the beginning, however, the administrative, the executive functions of the Church have been lodged with the episcopacy, particularly at the local level. This fact should be clearly recognized in the new Church unless we would radically alter historic behavior.

* —September 25th, 1800.

We meet in union celebrating our fathers' achievement, humbled by their wisdom, encouraged by their faith, challenged by the immediate circumstances which demand new ways wedded to inherited fidelities of the Christian faith and way.

Ours has not been a placid history of unrelieved harmony as communions. Early schisms separated the brethren of color from our immediate fellowship. The wound of separation, however rationalized, remains as a stigma signifying unto us our partially redeemed condition.

The year 1828 marked the creation of The Methodist Protestant Church. It came into being as a protest movement born of the Church's failure to recognize the rising demands of the common man for a share in decision-making in the councils of the Church, as well as a protest against the arbitrary exercise of episcopal authority.

The year 1844 brought to sharp focus the malady of sectionalism which was gnawing at the vitals of the nation. Methodism, the one major Protestant denomination which served the geographic spread of the land, was not immune to this nation-splitting virus. "Finding it necessary to unite in a distinct ecclesiastical connection" the Church divided North and South amid far more tears than cheers. Again, the partial measure of our sanctification was manifested in our inability to be reconciled in Christ.

The year 1891 witnessed a dis-association in the Evangelical Association. The following year the United Evangelical Church came into being as an organized fragment of the division. Happily, within a generation the separated brethren repented of their deed and the schism was mended (1922).

After long travail, soul-searching and recognition of mutual failure and ensuing loss, three branches of the Methodist stalk rejoined as members of The Methodist Church (1939).

By 1946, not only had an uneasy peace concluded the second World War, but the United Brethren in Christ, and the Evangelical Church accepted the bonds of union and took unto themselves the descriptive family name, The Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Today we continue this centripetal movement. We herald it, not as a journey complete. We acknowledge it as a way-station. We look down the road with high anticipation contemplating the continuation of this journey toward The Center.

Though Methodists and their kindred have been institutionally divided, there has been a continuing hallmark of identity among us. The axiom, "The Methodists are one

people," has been more than a pleasant phrase. It has been a descriptive term—lean and accurate. In faith, polity, thought, in our virtues and in our parochialisms, we have been the continuing incarnation of the Wesleyan mood. The Episcopal Address to the United Conference in 1939 noted, "Methodism has had a basal unity, central, elemental, and enduring." The manner of our present union and the negotiations preceding it are blessed testimony to the "basal unity."

Today we are known as The United Methodist Church. The definitive word for some will be the term, "United." Many will rejoice in the continuance of the honored name, "Methodist." What gives credence and meaning to both is the simple word, "Church."

The Church as Fellowship, a Community

The tensions within our use of the word "Church" are many. Reduced to their simplicities the word has two significant meanings. A fellowship created by and committed to an Eternal Person who unfolds the nature of the being of God and the nature and destiny of man. A second meaning naturally flows from the first. It signifies an institution whose reason for continued existence is creating and making available for use an efficient, capable instrument. This instrument is dedicated to and employed in the "proclamation, nurture and service" of the eternal truth about the God whom we have discovered in the Eternal Person.

By faith we declare:

In the beginning—God! (Genesis 1:1)

In the beginning was the Word, the Word was God; all things were made through him. (John 1:1-2)

The way of the beginning, the nature of it, the scientific dimensions of it we do not know precisely. Our confidence abides in the being of God who was in the beginning, who is the Creator of "all things."

The Word became flesh. (John 1:14)

We believe the God of beginnings is the sustaining God, whose will to sustain imparts itself not only in nature's unfolding habits, but in and by and through life shared with his creation, and particularly in that portion of his creation which is man. We stake our life on the fact of Jesus Christ as God's ultimate word made good. Paul put it unforgettably, "The glory of Christ who is the exact likeness of God." (II Corinthians 4:4) He is *the* Fact which announces the great divide in history.

The keystone of the Christian Way, is the belief that Jesus the Christ is the revelation of the character of God. In him, through his life, labor, cross and resurrection we know God

as love unchanging and undying. Christ reveals, translates, the word of God's character and will into human life. In this act he becomes our Saviour. He saves us from cosmic orphanhood, from the meaningless travail of the godless life to an eternal partnership with the God of the ages.

The Word became flesh and dwells among us! (John 1:14)

He dwells among us as continuing Fact and definitive factor in human existence. Only in a life committed to him do we come to true knowledge of him. This commitment is our response to God's commitment to man in Christ Jesus. Commitment brings a new life. Its newness is evident in the way we view the facts of human existence; the interpretation we bring to the origin, the meaning, the vocation, the destiny of man; the mood and style of life itself.

His presence dwells among us in the accompanying Holy Spirit, sensitizing our hearts in seeking forgiveness for our waywardness, strengthening our wills in repentance and reconciliation, encouraging our Christ-like hopes.

The dependable record of the Word's becoming flesh and dwelling among us, we believe is found in the Bible. Apart from the credibility of its record of the great adventures of God, acts which find their ultimate in the revelation of God as unrelenting, participating love in Christ, we possess no textbook for unravelling the mystery of existence. In truth the Bible is "the cradle of Christ, proclaiming the faith of its writers."

The Word reveals to us the nature of man as a child of the Christ-like Creator. Our ability to think the Creator's thoughts after him, to share the break of his heart, to aid in the reclamation of life, to be conscious of our mortality, and the hope of immortality, these are among men's signal attributes. They mark him as a member of the Father's house.

The Word also reminds us that man may be other than a resident in love in the Father's house. Man may be rebel, anarchist, murderer, demon. Man's sign is his freedom to be the architect, the realizer of his choices. His damnation unfolds when he chooses to dwell in that country which is far from his Father's house. His glory is discovered as he becomes a member of the family in residence. His blessedness is realized as he continues in that fellowship which is obedient to the command to be perfect in love, even as he is perfect.

The Church is that fellowship which not only holds these truths to be fact. The Church is the contemporary incarnation of the life and the mind which are in Jesus the Christ. The Church is the fellowship of the committed friends of Jesus striving to continue his reconciling and redemptive

ministry. As another has written, "The Church is the trustee of the salvation that works by love." * It is a salvation meant for "all the world." To declare, "The world is my parish," is to remind ourselves that the Word is to all men. It is a mandate laid upon us that the Word is to be shared with every man.

These are arrows in the quiver of our faith. To these we have committed our lives.

The Church as Institution, an Instrument

But more! The Church is the Word forever becoming flesh, reclaiming flesh, transforming flesh. For this task tools are required. These tools are the instruments we fashion to fulfill our task of proclaiming, nurturing, serving the new life we have discovered in Christ. They are implements dedicated to the increase of the evidences of Christian love in the field of the world which is the society of man.

These tools are created and employed toward one end, to creatively share the Good News about God and man, and conscientiously nurture the growth of a society in which God's revealed will shall be regnant and decisive. Note the manner in which we have attempted to share the Good News through the institutional life of our Church.

Our churches were born as movements with a mission, or as a mission in motion. The famed Christmas Conference commissioned its first three foreign missionaries. Two months later Freeborn Garretson and James Cromwell took ship as missionaries to Nova Scotia. Jeremiah Lambert, the third appointment, was assigned to Antigua.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, founded in 1819, was the natural creation forged to express Methodism's understanding of the imperative that the Good News must be shared.

The Board of Missions, the ultimate successor to the Missionary Society, is a refinement of that continuing concern. Its expanding ventures have girdled the globe enlisting an army in its services. The means presently employed and the services rendered would scarcely be recognized by those pioneers. The necessity of replying affirmatively to the Christian compulsion to share Good News would find them quite at home. The messengers come and go with the generations. The form and manner of our transmission of the message is altered; one era ends, another is born, but the message is one and forever.

Five years after the Christmas Conference John Dickens founded the Book Concern to advance the "cause of Chris-

* —Harold Roberts.

tianity by disseminating religious knowledge and useful and literary and scientific information in the form of books, tracts and periodicals" (1789). It was also hoped the "Concern" would produce a profit which was to be used solely for the support of retired ministers, their wives and orphans. A restrictive rule adopted in 1808 towards that end obtains to this very day. The successor to the Book Concern, The Methodist Publishing House, is an excellent institutional tool serving those purposes envisioned by the fathers, purposes which any prophetically Christian fellowship must serve.

Two years earlier, 1787, acknowledging that the "cause of Christianity" required not only vital piety, but a well-trained mind, Cokesbury College was founded at Abingdon, Maryland. In announcing the opening of the College, the constituency was informed that "The first object of the college shall be to answer the design of Christian education by forming the minds of the youth, through divine aid, to wisdom and holiness . . . and training them . . . that they may be rational, Scriptural Christians." The turbulent career of this institution came to an end as fire destroyed the main building, assuring Mr. Asbury that both he and "Mr. Whitfield had not been called to build colleges." (1795). By 1820 the Methodists had changed their minds. In the next generation they founded more than 200 colleges resident in 34 of the 35 states. To this number should be added no less than sixty institutions founded by The Evangelical United Brethren Church. It was a trend, a holy adventure which set the pace for educational effort across the nation and around the world.

During this Conference we shall celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of Methodist sponsored education among the Negro community, particularly in the South. The movement began with the founding of the Freedman's Aid Society, August 7th, 1866 in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Paine Institute in Augusta, Georgia in 1882. It continued as additional schools were founded and supported more recently by the Race Relations Sunday offering. During the year 1966-67 that offering totalled more than one half million dollars, roughly the equivalent of a ten and one quarter million dollar endowment.

Academically, progress has been determined and steady. By 1967 all but one of these institutions enjoyed Class A rating granted by the Southern Association.

The year 1872 saw the Church establish a loan fund which has made more than eighteen million dollars available to more than eighty thousand Methodist students across the Church. This rotating fund is now lending approximately

one million dollars a year. It has aided the generations in preparing stellar Christian leadership for service around the globe.

By 1892 the University Senate was founded to protect the Church against unwise expansion of schools and colleges as well as to insure against educational malpractice. It is perhaps the oldest accrediting agency in the nation and enlists among its membership some of the most able educators in the land.

The end of World War II being foreshadowed, the Church set about the task of international reconciliation. Among other ventures it provided scholarship aid to promising graduate students from war-ravaged as well as developing nations. The continuing results of this imaginative effort are far beyond prudential expectation.

These are vignettes of the Word becoming flesh and dwelling among us. This is the prophetic insight and the conscience of the fellowship forging tools for the accomplishment of his will.

The Vocation of the Church

The Church in mission, the Christian spirit incarnate, has accepted many missions; in education, ecumenical affairs, emergency relief, evangelism, missions, publishing, social concerns, specialized ministries of many orders, media of mass communication, public relations.

The Christian Church in mission, the Church in living action, attests the fact that religion is always personal but never private. We know no such thing as personal religion to the exclusion of social concern and redemption. The institutional manifestation of the life of the Church is the engine whereby the power, the dynamism of the Gospel is translated into the language of recreating reconciliation. Without the tools of the institution the spirit is impotent. Without the spirit the tools become laggard and vagrant.

This must not be understood as a plea for "freezing" older institutional habits in the torrid climate of our time. The renewal we seek will come among us, not through a frenzied search for the re-establishment of ancient ways, or haphazard maintenance of the institutional habits of the immediate past. No man captures his youth by repeating its fancies and follies. Nor does a Church realize renewal by repeating the nostalgic rituals of "the old time religion."

The vocation of the Church is the releasing of that renewing power of his spirit which is altogether holy, as we, in faith, commit our lives to him who has committed himself to us. It is this spirit at work in us which will make it possible forthrightly to say to our generation what Jesus

said to John, "the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the good news preached to them. And, blessed is he who takes no offense at me." (Luke 7:12-23)

Who would make bold to say, These things are being reported of us as clearly as he would hope. With Dag Hammarskjold we would agree, "in our era the road to Holiness passes through the world of action." The United Methodists have not always walked that high road.

Some best sellers assure us that God is dead: that anarchy is freedom, that license is liberty, that right and wrong have no ultimate meaning but are the vagaries of the social and cultural winds, that man is an aimless wanderer over a thorny, stony road to nowhere, that life itself is futile, a meaningless travail.

This is not the first period in man's history that a tidal wave of despair has inundated the human shore. Thankfully, signs of hope are rising out of the storm. They tell us that right and wrong do have assured consequences; that God is definitely alive in the vast movements of our time.

This is the hour for the Christian fellowship to speak, to venture across the bridge of communication in the one vehicle that is decisive and conclusive, a Christ-centered life. As God crossed that bridge in the life of our Lord, as the Word became flesh, so that Word in us must inhabit and possess a living person. It will not be the so-called depth and profundity of our ideas that will save the world. It will be those simpler truths of the Gospel, lived persuasively and joyously.

We believe the one energy more powerful than nuclear fission is the power of the Spirit of God at work through a living soul. Revolutions of all order are finally won, not by flare and force of arms. They are won by the favor of the Spirit incarnate.

In our world it is not means we lack, but the mood; not the mechanical devices but the morality; not the hard money, but the consecrated men. The master of our motivation determines the matter of our harvest. The Christian fellowship must find its motivation in the Christ whom it is committed to serve as its Master—"that they may have life."

The Good News literally means the blind can see, the lame can walk, lepers can be cleansed, the deaf can hear, the dead can be raised, the poor will have the Gospel preached, and we will not be ashamed to be counted in the community of his friends.

Is this the dreaming of a dead prophet? Or, is it the implicit dimension of the Christian fellowship? Is it fantasy,

or is it after the mind of Christ? The Lord being our helper may we look about us with the mind of Christ and—

Behold the City

Behold the City, that giant striding across the earth's face.

The city, to which men flee for security; and in which they tremble before the darkness as the harbinger of danger and death.

The city, marked by the vast, inescapable clutter of people everywhere; but in whose caverns and towers men find their hiding place of anonymity and coveted lostness.

The city, to which men march for freedom from enslavement, for beckoning opportunity; but where so many find captivity, torture and death.

The city, to which men flee to avoid their brother, and the place where they discover the frigid chill of having no brother.

The city, where princes dwell in regal splendor, quite untroubled by their brother; where paupers languish amidst rancid decay sorely troubled but unheard.

The city, which is the market place where some find their stake of gold; but where so many find their crushing abyss of relentless, numbing poverty.

The city, which is the mecca for the healing and the saving arts; but also, the capitol of vice, violence and friendlessness.

The city, the open door to culture's treasures and learning's rewards; but also the place where ignorance becomes a crippling demon and the darkness of enfeebled knowledge signifies "death at an early age."

The city, the place where men carouse in rollicking round; while others mount their carousel of frustration to maddening nowhere.

The city, that conglomeration of people, places and things where our schizophrenias ran rampant and all too often we place the item upon tomorrow's agenda, and then refer the matter to a committee or a commission hoping that our generation may outlive the denouement in undisturbed peace.

The city, the place so many shun or curse. The city, the place over which He wept. The place where He died! The city, the testing plot for the Gospel.

Those who bemoan the passing of the "frontier," meaning the subjugating of open lands and consequent removing of the lure of exploration, adventure and fortune should turn their faces toward the city. The city marked by almost indescribable complexity, by the unceasing mobility of man,

by the restless ferment of ideas, by the perpetual striving for goods, by unfettered war between the classes, the ages, the races, the ceaseless search for a better way of life. All these characteristics help from the heavy, tugging, clawing, warring, bitter tides of life in the city. Here *is* a new frontier! And, what is the Church doing in all this world?

Generally, the castles of Christendom are in the city. The "finest pulpits" in the land are in the city. The great "voices" are heard in the city. The large endowments are held by city parishes. The long panorama of remembrance of the splendor of the Church is in the city.

But, the vast multitudes pass the churches by untouched, not seeing, not hearing, and seldom caring. Is it that man in much of the city is less than man, not equipped with those innate hungers and sensitivities, yearnings for human dignity and worth?

Not so! Too often man in the city is in perpetual anguish and anxiety, seeking food for his table, clothes for his frame, a home and not a hovel, employment that denotes the community's need for his services as well as his need of the community, a serving hand and not a handy sermon. The sermon he might understand and appropriate if only Christ's Word would become flesh and dwell in his midst.

It has been observed that the wealthiest congregations cling longest to their citadels in the city. It strikes the note that without financial resources, often only the sheerest necessities, the witness to the Word cannot be kept alive. Witnesses *are* available in increasing number. The resources assuring their living *are not* in abundance.

The superlative is seldom accurate and should be viewed with suspicion. However, we believe there never was a wider, more versatile frontier for sharing the Gospel's spirit and power redemptively than in the cities of the world. Many of the larger cities on the planet number far more citizens than most of the new nations welcomed into the United Nations. In these gargantuan complexes the field of mission is unparalleled in its breadth of possibility, its depth of need. Here it is that the ultimate future of the Gospel itself lies open before us.

During the last quadrennium we were enlisting these twins—the city church and the one in the suburb—to share an experiment in Christian neighborliness. What we began is only prelude—an overture for the drama of Christ's conquest of the city. These should be joined inseparably. Metropolitan Urban Service Training (MUST I), pioneering, ecumenical, creative, frustrating and yet rewarding is one attempt to learn some of the secrets of man's life in the

city and the manner in which the Church can infiltrate, can serve, can claim the city for Christ.

Many of our liberal ideas about the inevitable perfectability of man have come to shipwreck. New adventures in thought, the challenging of old dogmas concerning denominational prowess and governmental interaction and partnership, a new frame of daring, and renewed commitment to the testimony of Jesus—these are inevitable demands of our time. If the Gospel is not adequate for salvation in the city, we have no Gospel for man. Many believe we have failed our Lord in the city. We pray forgiveness because where the crowded ways of life do cross we have too often crossed over on the other side, unheeding—and relieved! We believe the city is redeemable. The city is the habitation of men, and they all were destined to be members of the Father's household!

We dare not depart this place before we resolve that in prayer, personnel and sacrificial gift we shall join men of good will, whatever their name or sign, helping create conditions that will maintain the humane fellowship and strengthen the tools of our redemptive labor where indigenous means can least be had. "The world for Christ in this generation," sang the youth of our land three-quarters of a century ago. What of the City for Christ in the next generation!

The City: a More Careful View!

The catastrophic violence which has shaken the cities in many nations during the past summers, and especially during the last weeks should provide a warning blast that a plague is rampant in the land. There are those who declare the name of the disease to be primitive lawlessness; others assure us it is the raw evidence of sin. A portion of our citizenry "legitimizes violence" and another sector resorts to legalized suffocating of the eruption. The remedy many prescribe is increasing and radical repression. Such a course continued may ultimately abrogate most of our hard-won victories for personal freedom which have been enshrined in the due process safeguards of our Constitution. Though the sovereign must protect himself, the employment of troops in the process, however reluctant, may be the symbol of creeping totalitarianism and must be used sparingly. Having been employed, the incident dare not be "closed." It should now be "opened" to learn the cause, discover the healing remedy and apply it with vigor.

These disruptions call attention to the natural bent of our people toward violence, not as the characteristic of any one segment of society but of the North American community.

Some claim it as an inheritance from the storied frontier days. Others tell us it is the psychological harvest of our television programming. Some say it is the games at which our children play, the toys they employ. Today's medium, we affirm, determines tomorrow's behavior. We should not forget that almost two generations have been reared on the brew of international violence, from World War I even unto Vietnam, with all the publicity and behavior-pattern fallout attendant thereto. It is a heady wine—corrosive, degenerating, deadly.

Some find the clue to our situation in the weakening of family life and discipline, the loss of the family's restraining tendencies, its failure in training in the recognition of and obedience to authority, and the loss of a sense of security whose author is a great and abiding affection.

Our celebrated affluence, prodigally distributed between parent and child is no substitute for those warm relationships which the words, "my son," "my daughter," "my father," "my mother" should signify within the Christian family. It has become almost axiomatic that violence is a way of life in broken homes and the proportion of such homes continues to rise.

We are told by others that the roots of the difficulty are grounded in our confrontation with laws which are the prudish inheritances of our moralistic Puritan forebears, but finding no broad support in the body politic of the new morality. Some tell us we are reaping the harvest of slow moral corrosion across the entire social and ethical spectrum. The gamut may begin among the membership of those guardians of our well-being, the agents of law enforcement, and travel through the social order in public and neighborhood crimes against both person and property and discover its nadir in shadowy, demonic Mafia organizations. The proportionate increase of property violation and violence against persons is of epidemic order and the direction of increase has not been halted. Though these words are primarily descriptive of the American scene, parallels may be found the world around.

What of the Church and its immediate role in the social and ethical life of our communities? We believe the statements of our social creed are clear and correct. In the tug between lawless violence and obedience to law there is but one choice. In the perpetual tension between property rights and human rights we have no option. "Of how much more value is a man than a sheep!" (Matthew 12:12).

True it is that lawlessness cannot be tolerated. However, to repress these explosions by whatever means without major attention to the conditions causing frustration and

hopelessness escalates the spirit of hate and compounds the final destruction. It should be a truism that the causes of civil war must be found and given conscientious consideration and correction by those who claim membership in the Christian fellowship. These conditions dare not be rationalized into limbo, or dismissed with a clever, or any angry slogan.

What triggers these holocausts? Why do minorities risk limb, liberty, and life in their fiery protest? To answer as some have done that it is the Mardi Gras spirit of carnival and holiday which prompts them is to deal insignificantly, shabbily, yea sinfully with crisis. If this is our final judgment then the blind have not been willing to see and the deaf have refused to hear.

"What doth the Lord require of the Church—the fellowship?" Though asked of a simpler society it was addressed to men, and we are men! "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8).

Having the miracle of Christ-like sight and hearing performed, may we suggest that members of the fellowship walk humbly through the depressed sections of any great city of the world. Visit the schoolhouse, the local market, the apartment house, the neighborhood where our brothers dwell. Then, decide whether we, members of the fellowship, have done justice, whether we have shown loving kindness, whether the expectations which our proclamation of the Good News has lifted could possibly be realized in these neighborhoods. Ask yourself, "Is this the realization of Christ's dream?" "Is this the City of God?" An honest answer would reveal whether his spirit, his mind possesses us; whether we have been his obedient servants.

A failure of the imagination, of humane sympathies, of the will, of Christian conviction, these are our major ills. In the Christian family there should be no paralyzing illness among us in the exercise of these qualities.

Our journals are spattered with pictures of the moon's surface, prizes rewarding man's technical achievements. The pictures are taken to aid in making straight and safe the way of a man who is to walk on the moon's surface. How much simpler and more meaningful to take a picture of some of the streets each of us could name on which it is not safe for man, woman or child to walk. Searching that picture let the fellowship provide the relentless conscience which forces a nation to give more heed to its slum dweller than to the dwelling place of the "man on the moon."

A journal in the secular city admonishes its readership,

"reconstruction of attitudes and re-definition of priorities are essential precedents to reuniting . . . riven cities." *

This should be the copyrighted life-endorsed message of the Christian fellowship. It is among us that the spirit for reconstructing attitudes, the recognition of the high worth of persons and their exalted place in any Christian society should be regnant. This is OUR business. If it is not, we are out of business.

Like that sophisticate we ask, "Who is my neighbor?" and do not wait for the reply. We have heard it too often. The violence in cities, their miseried degradation, their blind eruptions of wrath should tell us, "You have not heard it, you have not seen it." Or, having seen and heard, your conscience did not cry for remedy and healing. It was just an old story until Watts, Harlem, Atlanta, Newark, Jacksonville, Detroit, Wichita, Milwaukee and Washington, D. C.—you name the reminders of our heedlessness. They are becoming legion. We shudder at the phrase "hot summer," and fail to accept and apply the just remedies which will quench those fires.

The poet has assured us we "hear Thy voice, O Son of Man!" "We catch the vision of Thy tears." Would that his assurances were more completely verified by fact.

If there is one extraordinary word in the Christian vocabulary, it is the word reconciliation, the reconstruction of attitudes. We know the word. It is our word. Let us speak the word in language that is universal, the language of the Spirit becoming incarnate in a person, in a community of persons. Here there are no alternatives. Here we become one in Christ, his agents of reconciliation, reconstructing attitudes, helping re-define priorities and translating them into new neighborhoods.

Years ago when a matter of dubious worth was suggested, the mayor of one of the largest North American cities was heard to shout, "I cannot. The Methodists and the Baptists won't stand for it!" In our time let it be said, "This is what the United Methodists stand for—justice administered to every man, freedom's door opened for every man, so that every man may walk in the dignity due a son of God. To this we pledge our very lives so help us the Eternal.

We must redeem that pledge in action as a church and nation of such magnitude as will match the crisis of the times. The tragic events of these latter days are not idle winds of little consequence. These are gales of throbbing force. The Church dare not be a bark securely moored and sheltered from this storm. May she be what she was meant to be, a captain and crew risking life and ship that a new

* —*The New York Times*, Aug. 2, 1967.

land will be found and possessed where men will dwell as brothers free.

Town and country have been words which conjured pictures of a nostalgic way of life. In the main the present reality which these words signify differs widely from yesterday's remembrance. This fact of sweeping, radical difference demands a new view, a new determination in the relationship of The United Methodist Church to the life and labor of this vast segment of His Church.

The City and Youth

From the beginning most of the world's dreams have been husbanded by those whose lives have neither been garnished nor tarnished by the accumulating years. So far as we can reconstruct the days of its birth, Christianity was primarily a youth movement. An oldster having seen the Messiah was willing to die in peace. The younger men were willing to die in the struggle—and did!

It is to our cities that the younger generation gravitates. Here they cluster and hive. What have they discovered which creates those fantastic displays of rebellion modelled in so many designs, from social hippie to public arsonist, to political anarchist, to dead end kid? Why do they forthrightly condemn their elders and the structures they have painstakingly and sacrificially created?

Is their rebellion but the normal segment of every life's cycle, the tangle and tussle of the generations in their ebb and flow? Or, is there fundamental and meaningful ground in this fact of protest which oscillates between laughing ridicule and vitriolic bitterness? Do the variances between the creeds we verbally embrace and the conduct we publicly portray provide a reasonable launching pad for their flight into cynical rebellion? Can we understand youth's outrage seeing our armed forces freely spraying defenseless villages with napalm, and in contrast sending their friends to jail for what they consider the casual and harmless use of marijuana? Do we forthrightly listen as they shout their condemnation of the acquisitive madness of the tens of thousands as millions of our fellows have been able to acquire only the miseries of the poor: hunger, disease, illiteracy, hatred, and early death?

Life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, a treasured trinity. What is its relationship to that other Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? Does the apparent lack of vital relationship provide "a sea of broken promises" through which youth is trying to swim toward some surer land of hope? It appears to be fact that many of our youth "protest any action by any authority they believe as insincere, self-serving, and in-

humane." It should not only be their right but their duty to protest!

Why this yen to "take a trip," to expand the borders of consciousness because the common life has become boringly common? Why this willingness through psychedelic escape to jeopardize the long journey into life's future travelling with a maimed body and an irretrievably bruised spirit? These are not rhetorical questions to be tucked away in forgetfulness. The Church which is His body must make answer to this pleading.

If, as a younger person, I belong to the group which is a minority member of society, will I find the answer in these trinitities to be the consoling myths of the middle-class white men? Are the overt violences of the minority we note with horror the violences in which the majority has indulged covertly?

If I belong to any army of the disinherited, the migrant worker, the forsaken of Appalachia, the American Indian, the bonded East Indian, the forgotten Arab refugee, how will I read the Good News about the Fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of man, and reality of the good community of a great affection through the flesh and blood of white Protestantism?

The secular society is a phrase justly celebrated. It announces a new era in man's adventure story. It is descriptive of the enhanced opportunities available to man; longer life, a more adventuresome life, a more comfortable life, a "happier" life. It is a life from which man can banish his most persistent foes: hunger, disease, ignorance, darkness, and postpone the coming of his arch enemy, death.

In a society which credalizes the brotherhood of man why are so many of the brethren denied the secular goods of life when they are available? In contrast, however, why do so many possessing these goods find no abiding satisfaction in their realization? What prompted the President of these United States to note in his recent State of the Union Address that though this nation was rich and successful it was sorely troubled and uneasy? Can it be that in the midst of technological victory we have lost the answer to the old question, "Who is man?"

Our rebel youth are suggesting the Church has lost the answer in the new world. Youth wonders whether we ever knew the answer as they view the parish church. There are those among them who declare the neighborhood church to be an irredeemable and ingrown institution having lost the sense of the wider mission which called it into being. They see these churches as a group of "struggling, enervated, demoralized congregations, led by struggling, enervated,

demoralized ministers." This criticism we believe an unwarranted and fallacious reading of the nature of the wider Church.

Their concern for the welfare of the Church we share. She *is* becoming aware of the chasm which has separated her from large segments of mankind and uncertain how to bridge the gulf. To set the Church over against the world, or to identify the Church totally with the world denies her very being. To be in the world as a redeeming, reconciling servant rejoicing with one's fellow man in God's gift of life, this is her mission!

Let the Church ask again, "Who is man?" May every discipline be asked to bring its full measure of knowledge and light to the task of answering the questions: "What is the nature of the universe in which man dwells? What is his relationship to the universe? Do our studies provide any clue as to man's vocation and destiny?"

We believe such seeking will re-open the door to the biblical truth that man is a unity, body and soul, living in a given place, within a stated network of relationships which are the gift of God. We believe God did not make an alien world, nor are we aliens in the bosom of His creation. He sent His son that the world through him would be reconciled. God is in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, entrusting to us the message of reconciliation and the work of reconstruction. Within this network of relationships we are called to provide our lives as ready instruments for the transforming of all of life after the mind of Christ.

Let the body be husbanded in its possibilities for health, knowledge, and status so that the soul may move among men with dignity. May the soul accept the full measure of responsibility so that the body will not violate its nature as the temple of God. Body and soul will then move freely with the freedom discovered in the love of Christ.

Is the Church willing to ask again, "Who is man?" And, listening to the answer, learn. And, learning live adventuresomely, dangerously, unselfishly in keeping with the garnered knowledge? If the Church is willing to spend itself, as the devoted servant spends his life in his Master's service, we believe the young will not pass her by unheeding, will not find her irrelevant. They will find that identity for which they are seeking in genuine Christian obedience. They will find the Church to be "where the action is"; wherever man is, and in whatever condition man is found, establishing the reality of the community which is characterized by love. A dream you say? Another young man did not hold it to be a dream. His name is Jesus of Nazareth.

The Book—Our Contemporary

We should never forget, we are the people of the Book, the Bible. That book has shaped us and our society, whether we admit it or not. Apart from a knowledge of the Bible, we cannot know ourselves. We claim no magic inherent in its possession. We do claim it as a definitive guide showing forth the ways of God. We believe the Bible is the primary story of one nation's adventure in God's covenanted companionship. We believe it is the record of his Word accepting the frame of flesh and dwelling as man with man. We believe it is the record of a man showing forth God's will for every man.

Though we have laid claim to being the people of the Book and the Way, both demand a greater degree of careful attention than we have granted them. May we as a United Methodist Church resolve to encourage our people to examine the Book again, study it with prayerful attentiveness, and particularly those portions which tell us how he walked the Way.

Can we make the parables our contemporaries so that an urban dweller may find a seminal word in the agrarian tale? Can a secularist discover a saving word of light in a tale told of an ancient market place? Can we identify that "other neighbor" with the neighbor we ought to be?

What if on some Sunday the minister would preach the Sermon on the Mount again? Suppose task forces within the listening fellowship would provide the experimental exegesis on the Sermon, including those passages which have been relegated to the store-house of their primitiveness or "otherworldliness"? It could surprise us how contemporary their validity. We believe Jesus' declarations concerning the nature of happiness, the end of man's striving to be excitingly valid. Fidelity, happiness, integrity, liberty, loyalty, security, responsibility, concerning these He taught them with authority. Let us rouse our people out of the crippling cadence of having read the last best seller, to reading and renewing their spirits in the substance of that first Book, a continuous best seller.

The Bishops earnestly commend such churchwide study to this Conference and to The United Methodist Church. The renewal we seek, and for which we pray, can be found in a renewed acquaintance with the Book. History verifies the claim. The future challenges us to test the axiom.

The Wider Christian Fellowship

Mention of the Bible reminds us of the total Christian fellowship for whom it is the Book. It reveals the tap root of our unique oneness. It arises out of the life of the He-

brew community as we share that legacy through the Old Testament. From the Apostolic Church we have inherited the fidelities of the New Covenant. Those simple phrases, "even unto this day," "to this very day" (Matthew 28:8) remind us that the Scriptures are the record written long after the event by many who shared its immediate life. The Bible is the record of God's revelation in Christ which all Christians are called to share.

Variances have arisen among us over the decades, some for good and sufficient causes, others were frivolous, pride-laden aberrations. Many of these have been resolved and forgotten as we have travelled the road toward a more adequate and a happier fellowship. Some of the differences presently separating us appear to those whom we would enlist and cannot as testimonials of our insincerity, or our hypocrisy.

We trust this Conference will reaffirm its desire for a more perfect union among the members of Christ's scattered family. Dwellers in a divided house provide no forceful or persuading voice of conviction to those without the household. A divided body is a crippled body, one whose worthfulness is depreciated in direct proportion to its fractured wounding. The sea of human need is so wide that no single craft among many is sufficient for the voyage whose purpose is to witness to the power of Christlike love for all mankind.

The United Methodists have been pioneers in many conciliar arrangements, city, county, state, national, regional, and the World Council. It could be said we have been professional "joiners." Upon occasion our very strength has made our relationship suspect and our behavior misunderstood. In truth, this type of ecumenical cooperation provides us with our natural element of operation. We find ourselves at home in an atmosphere which affirms, "Is thy heart right, as my heart is with thine? Dost thou love and serve God? If it be, I give thee the right hand of fellowship" (II Kings 10:15. See Wesley's Sermon "Catholic Spirit," number 39 in the 53 Sermons).

The opening statement addressed to the Second Vatican Council is both prophetic and restrained. "At this moment of history Providence is leading us toward a new order of human relations which, by the work of men and for the most part beyond their expectations, are developing towards the fulfillment of higher and unforeseen designs." This is an observation in which we join heartily.

Too often we have permitted psychological difficulties, historical inheritances of both fact and fiction, to become hallowed with the caste of principle. "Old positions hardened

by bitter memories, mixed up with the questions of prestige and subtle polemics, arouse reactions which tend to be represented as assertions of principle on which it would seem impossible to yield."

The United Methodist Church with its experimental and pragmatic approach to the husbanding and ordering of the Christian life should be in a position to distinguish between the psychological difficulty and the valid principle and move forward positively.

We believe The United Methodist Church has much to receive from its many brethren in Christ from whom it has been separated. Likewise, we believe The United Methodist Church has contributions of principle to make to this "great new fact" in our time, to the unity of the Christian fellowship. We recall Samuel Wesley's comment to his son, John, "Remember that logic is not everything." Our contributions may not be primarily in the region of the strictly logical, but in the wider domain of man's total life. We have never exalted the "train of ideas," nor depreciated it. The "painted fire of formalism" has never taken us prisoner, though we acknowledge its worthfulness.

Fundamental to our experience of the Christian life is the simple fact that "God can be experienced." We hold that "theology should always stand in direct relationship to the spiritual life." The Gospel is the Good News that God, through faith in Christ, will save a man from death to life. This salvation is a personal experience which comes through the work of the Holy Spirit. It is the presence of "the Divine in the consciousness of the believer." It sets the heart to rejoicing, "O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise. . . ." From the beginning we have aimed at fostering "a warm sense of personal indebtedness to a personal Redeemer." This awareness of identity with the Eternal, and joy in that relationship is no incidental contribution to the ecumenical household of faith.

Methodism, through its founder, provided the concept of the small church within the Church, as a "community of ministers." This mutuality is symbolized in Charles Wesley's hymn, "All praise to our Redeeming Lord, Who joins us by His grace, and bids us, each restored, Together seek His face." * The radical and enduring nature of that insight is the announcement that the "religious vocation" is open to ordinary folk making them a community of ministers, everyday saints.

Wesley's sermon on the Catholic spirit is a clear enunciation of this position suggesting that one mark of the little church within the Church is the awareness of Christ as

* —Hymn No. 301, *The Methodist Hymnal*.

“breaking down the partition walls which either the craft of the devil or the folly of man has built up.”* This notion of the small church within the Church, and the nature of church membership should be of significance in ecumenical considerations, including structural relationships.

Methodism declares that perfection in Christian love, the completion of the new creature in Christ, is an essential portion of the Good News. The Christian’s self-knowledge and the vision of God in Christ, in their very tension, should excite the believer toward the realization of the perfect love he sees in Christ. It should also awaken within him the vastness of God’s everlasting grace, the power of that love as manifested in God’s power in raising Jesus from the dead, and establishing Him as head of the Church.

The Evangelical Revival, and particularly the Wesleyan movement, introduced a new person to the life of aristocratic England, the Fellow Man. How to relate to this Fellow Man has troubled Methodism from the beginning. This anguished conscience has helped bring the extension of redemption to the entire gamut of humanity through social reforms of every kind. At last it issued in the Social Creed of the Church. God’s evaluation of man is stamped upon every man through the Cross. As no man is exempt from redeeming grace, so no portion of the good life should be cloistered from another. Every life and all of life should be sanctified, made perfect in love. We commend the remembrance of this contribution to ecumenical consideration.

Finally, the religious life must have the rightofway over all instruments of organization. Highly organized as The United Methodist Church appears to many, in the long view organization has been the hand-maiden of conviction and consecration. Man was not made to serve the matrix of finite organizations. Organizations are the instruments forged by man to meet the demands of God’s love upon us.

We pray this Conference will ardently reaffirm its desire for the creation of a more perfect union among the members of Christ’s scattered family. We must pledge our support of the work of those commissioners we have delegated to share our hopes, to speak our minds, to move forward by God’s grace toward a more inclusive union.

The precise structural and institutional dimensions we do not see. Time, patience, persistence in good will are required. The necessity for a closer and more significant relationship between the churches we cannot and should not avoid.

As we wrestle with those inevitable human problems inherent in our historic diversities, let us increasingly work

*—*Ibid.*

together in the fields of human need. As we labor doing his will with a common will, miracles of rich discovery assuredly shall be our reward.

There is an ancillary and yet related matter which this Conference should discuss; namely our relationships with British Methodism. We realize the sensitive nature of current negotiations between our English brethren and the Church of England. Under no circumstances would we wish to disturb these.

However, during the interim of their fulfillment would it not be an act of Christian fellowship, too long delayed, to welcome our ministerial colleagues by direct transfer into our conferences, rather than accepting them as persons "coming from another denomination"? Though an ocean may separate us we are members of one household united by the Wesleyan spirit.

If this suggestion finds hospitality among us, and we set about fashioning the required legislation, we should explore this frontier of possibility more widely. Can we provide a plan whereby missionaries sent out from either Church may have voice and vote in an annual conference in lands where both are at work?

And then, to bring this matter toward immediate center, are we in the mood to provide for the reciprocal exchange of a limited number of voting delegates between the British Methodist Conference and The United Methodist Church?

Should this be our posture let us arrange a concordat with autonomous Methodist Churches for the mutual election and seating of delegates in each other's highest legislative conference.

We express our strong desire to effect reunion with our brethren of The African Methodist Episcopal, The African Methodist Episcopal Zion and The Christian Methodist Episcopal Churches who share our common heritages.

We submit these possibilities for your careful and prayerful consideration. We recommend their acceptance wholeheartedly.

United Methodism and the World Parish

To the question, "Who is man?" the Christian answers, "Man is of inestimable worth on his own account." The variances of culture, creed, color are incidental to the fundamental evaluation of man. It is in the Christian missionary adventure that the mystery of godliness comes to its focus most sharply. The boundaries of culture, class, race, and language are all conquered by this consuming "foolishness," to share a Good Treasure for the simple reason that we have found it to be surpassingly good (Matthew 13:45, 46).

We have this Treasure in earthen vessels. The nature of the vessel has, quite naturally, dictated the manner in which we have clothed the Treasure and shared it. We have so intermingled Treasure and vessel that we have often held them to be inseparable. Belatedly we are learning that the Treasure must be freed from the immediate vessel of its transport and permitted its own vessel of containment in the new circumstance. The wrench to our human pride caused by this discovery is considerable and for some insurmountable. The manner and speed with which we appropriate the lesson may determine the power of our continuing witness.

The Treasure insistently demands answers to perplexing questions: How far down the road of time are we willing to peer and plan? Are we prepared to forego much of our denominational sovereignty and increasingly labor together with other members of the family of Christ? Are we prepared to re-examine traditional patterns and requirements and alter our definitions of missionary service?

Like faithful watchmen we have manned the ramparts of the world seeking out the enemies of man—hunger, disease, ignorance, distress, and sin's enslavement. We have wrapped this Treasure in institutions of learning, of healing, of service to the starving, the stricken, the maimed. We have visited our brethren in His name! How much daring, courage and adventure are we willing to invest in tomorrow and the new world aborning?

The current flexing of younger churches' muscles in requesting a more definitive voice in their own affairs should be accounted victory and not grounds for recrimination or divorce. The increasing intervention of governments in areas formerly served by the Churches must not compromise or halt our witness—rather cause us to re-examine it. The temptation to feel the pinch of slight because our cultural habit does not persuade another to adopt it dare not inhibit our witness. Succumbing to the temptation to weary in well-doing, to lessen our effort and find excuse in disillusionment caused by some shifting of winds in the political and social revolutions which whirl about our heads is not in keeping with our calling. Such relaxing and rationalizing is unworthy of the members of a fellowship whose sign is a Cross and whose victory is assured by Easter morning.

The Church will continue as the Church only so long as we remain faithful to his command to go into all of life and witness to the wonder of his love! As another put it, "We proclaim our faith, render our service, and leave the rest to God." * To which we would add, to remain Christian we *must* proclaim our faith, we *must* render our service! Apart

* —Episcopal Address 1964.

from the witness we are not on his Way. We have lost the Way!

The dictum that change is the only constant in our world belongs to the arsenal of wisdom of contemporary philosophy. True enough, change *is* an ingredient in the contemporary scene. Many are the strictures against the Church that it has failed to recognize change for what it is, an evidence of opportunity growth, and renewal.

Fearing that those portions of the institutional life of the Church entrusted to the missionary enterprise would not be amenable to change, the General Conference of 1948 created a new instrument of assurance, The Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas. Its primary task was to keep the Church alert to change in its world parish responsibilities.* The task description was clear, "Recognizing the difference in conditions that exist in various fields of the world, and the changes taking place in those fields, this commission shall continue to study the structure and supervision of The Methodist Church in its work outside the United States and its territories and its relationships to other bodies and shall prepare such recommendations as it considers necessary for presentation to the General Conference."

Succeeding General Conferences have renewed this charge. In turn the commission, under perceptive leadership, has been obedient to the assigned task. The fundamental question is simple. "How can the United Methodist churches living under various climes, political, social, and geographic, help each other grow in stature and depth fulfilling the mandate to be Christ's body in the place where they are?"

The answer is far from simple. No single answer is the measure of universal truth. What is considered a necessity for salvation in the Methodist Church in Latin America and parts of Asia is considered a violation of the bonds of our Methodist fellowship in Western Europe and sections of Africa. Pair the regions of the world and their contrasting necessities for the continuing life of the Church are self-evident. The United Methodist Church restates the position it has held over the years; each member of its far flung family must choose that manifest relationship through which it will most adequately *be* the body of Christ in that place. It must be a free choice for all parties concerned.

The Lordship of Christ demands diversity in unity. Diversity in polity and creed may go so far afield as to destroy those elemental and fundamental relationships which have helped create and continue life in The United Methodist Church. Unity may be of such a nature as to stifle the crea-

*—Paragraph 1812, *Discipline* 1964. COSMOS.

tive urgency resident in the regional differences. How wide the diversity and how restricted the unity and still remain one United Methodist Church is the dichotomy we must resolve.

The very nature of the Church permits no make-shift compromise or accommodation. The pace of world change grants no postponement of continued earnest study, careful consideration, and decision.

In striving through the aid of the Holy Spirit to overleap these hazards, the commission requests continued life within the framework of its original mandate. It will recommend an authorization to call a World Methodist Structure Conference looking toward the future of United Methodism in a world that is the prisoner of change. Yours will be the task of judging the way of our future relationships, the nature of the Church considered.

In considering these demands both of intradenominational and interdenominational relationships we should remember the two aspects of the life of the Church that are difference making. There is that aspect we term instrumental activity. It includes those ecclesiastical furnishings by which the spirit of God is appropriated and lived forth by men. We must never forget that the worth, the value of the instrument is to be judged by the "sacredness of the results in the lives of the men who use the instrument," The fruits are often of such splendor that we grant a sanctity to that which of right belongs to the miracle of grace in a man's life. Instruments are required, but their particular nature is usually not definitive and should not be idolized.

Listen to the words of an earlier Episcopal Address—"We may remind ourselves that Methodism has always judged creeds by their effects in the minds of the believers, liturgies by the quickening of the worshipful spirit, and orders and offices of ministry by their practical efficiency in accomplishing the works of the Kingdom of God in the lives of the believers" (1940). Having been reminded may we heed the admonition.

Witnesses: On the Christian Way

We are told that "as the number of disciples kept growing" the problem of a division of labor presented itself to the apostolic Church. Said these early disciples, "it is not right for us to neglect preaching of God's word" so that other demands in the life of the fellowship could be met. In consequence the brothers chose a number "and put them in charge of the matter" (Acts 6:1 ff).

The decision implemented a prudential concern for those charged with worship and the educational life of the group.

It recognized the essential worth of "prayer and the work of preaching" in nurturing the interior life of the fellowship (Acts 6:4).

In this early community the great majority of the members were laymen enlisted from the manifold tasks of the common life. In providing the definitive witness to this newly found life it divided the functional responsibilities which the nature of the new community required. Laity and clergy, but one church! The conclusion of the record is arresting. "And so the word of God continued to spread" (Acts 6:7).

Methodism took root in the lay soil of the common man's life. For almost two hundred years the political and social life of England has been influenced mightily by the work and witness of the lay preacher in the Wesleyan tradition.

Colonial Methodism was primarily a lay movement, husbanded and encouraged by a small intrepid contingent of ordained ministers. From the first our organization included large lay responsibility in the nurturing of its classes and scattered societies. Though supervised by travelling ministers it was the lay class leader who in word and work was the witness to the new life on the old spot. To this day lay participation is an "across the board" matter in the decision-making councils of the Church.

Within the institutional life of the Church the functional division of labor remains. The minister is not the handyman for saints in the making. He is no amanuensis for the lay life of the spirit, the layman's stand-in for announcing and implementing the ethical concerns in the community. Nor is he the echoing voice of the dominant class.

The freedom of the minister to speak as the Spirit provided utterance has been one of our most cherished inheritances. Its exercise dare not be abused by the slothful or irresponsible recklessness of the speaker for God. Nor should it be restricted by the self-appointed vigilantes of the status quo in their particular economic, social, or cultural enclave.

The minister should be, what he was in the beginning, one among many who will give his time, energy, and meditative concern to seeking the will of God for that hour in that place, and then sharing what he has discovered in love, with sharp, simple clarity. In the main the fellowship has found the division of labor an instrument for good.

This division does not suggest any inherent inequality in the temper or the quality of the Christian witness. Quite the contrary! The United Methodist fellowship is a "community of ministers" each of whom is a witness to the Christian life in the place of his labor. The layman is the Church at work

where he works. He is one of the preachers of the congregation in dispersion.

Skilled and dedicated labor as Christian witnesses requires not only the quiet burnishing of the spirit as a member of the fellowship at worship. It requires a continuous renewing of the tension between what Jesus was, what he would have us be, and what exists in the complex circle of our several relationships.

In these activities every layman is a center—a nucleus of potential power, spiritual, intellectual, social, political. This gift of power brings with it an inseparable partnership responsibility. To provide an informed Christian conscience in exercising our responsibility as members of the fellowship is the business of the total Church.

To this end the Church, through its teaching, preaching, and serving function must not only inform the mind; it must inspire the will. As power and responsibility are inseparable in the Christian life, so are the informed mind and the courageous will. An eloquent sermon concerning the Brotherhood of Man, biblically sound and statistically relevant, is of slender consequence unless the message from “the front” becomes the laymen’s order of the day in the trenches of daily life. Unless brotherhood includes the total roster of our relationships, we deny the nature of the fellowship and make of the word “brotherhood” a mockery. These wider relationships are the pulpits from which *both* the layman and the minister speak.

We are constantly informed that poverty is one of the arch enemies of the good life, of genuine brotherhood. In the usual sense poverty means insufficient nourishment to maintain a healthful, complete life. However, poverty has many faces. Poverty may mean being deprived of enough caloric intake to maintain the physical structure as an alert, productive engine. Remembering that men live not by bread alone, poverty may be insufficient educational opportunity to fulfill society’s demands, or a quarantine from those relationships which nurture human dignity. It may mean inadequate housing facilities for the body so that those family relationships which help keep persons humane are starved and warped. Poverty may mean high school dropouts, deserted and destitute mothers, jobless fathers, inhumanity to man. Poverty does have many faces!

In this market place of want as in so many other relationships the layman should find an unusual opportunity to become an ambassador for the King’s Way of life. To accept the task of teaching among the educationally deprived; to serve as a townfather helping create a climate in the community that welcomes adequate housing for every family

without discrimination to race or color; to be a legislator exercising this gift of power responsibly, his Christian commitment the motivation for his vote; on the market place to provide racially nondiscriminatory employment which spells responsibility and dignity, these are among the preaching opportunities for the layman.

The division of labor recorded in Acts set some persons apart "in order to handle the finances" (Acts 6:2). This has become a traditional behavior pattern among us. To our chagrin and loss it has often been the primary function in which the cooperation of some of our most gifted laymen has been solicited. These persons perform significant tasks in their chosen vocations. Their abilities are wide and their concerns genuine. Why do we so often ask them for the totally insignificant venture as members of the fellowship?

Ask them to usher on the third Sunday of the month and receive the morning offering on that date. But then, ask them to carry the Gospel beyond the stockade of the Church with courage and fidelity as purpose and direction have been provided which honor the mind of Christ.

The narrative tells us that the men chosen for service were "known to be full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom" (Acts 6:3). Obviously they were chosen because of their faithful Christian witness. The record assures us that the nature of Christian stewardship was exemplified at the outset, the investment of the entire roster of talents so that the fellowship and its work might increase. This continues to be the measure of the good steward.

The Good News that must be shared enlists and requires the capabilities of the total person, time, talent, treasure. Any lesser obedience makes of the Good News quite ordinary news.

For the advances made in our understanding of the nature of Christian stewardship and its implementation, we find cause for gratitude. We cannot but wonder what the fellowship could accomplish for Christ and His Church if our total potential were more nearly realized. More of the hungry would be fed; more of the lame would walk; more of the lonely befriended, more joy in the heart of the witness. Who could prophesy the inclusive nature of that "more"?

Seeking for additional reasons why the true potential of the Church has not been realized consider the second member in that division of labor—the minister and his vocation. The skill, the capabilities, the spirit of the captains among the host generally determine the victories of the host. If the captains are uncertain of their vocation, weary in its exercise, the trumpet they blow will never call to victory, only signal retreat and defeat.

Let us admit it. Our ranks are not being replenished in sufficient numbers to adequately man the ramparts. There are defections among us by those who have discovered the parish ministry less than exciting and challenging. They have found demands made upon them which they judge to be small, narrow, menial, monotonous, and too often purposeless. They discover themselves cast in the role of perpetual menders, picking up the pieces resulting from never ending collision and consequent broken relationships. They spend the major portion of their time trying to reconstitute the personal damage and creating a semblance of social wholeness.

The young minister gave his life to his vocation believing the Gospel provided a mandate and power to create a new society. Sadly he discovers too many of his parishioners are quite satisfied with the old world, varnished and polished a bit, but not radically altered. The hope of creating a new world is submerged in keeping the old world alive. The bright dream languishes and dies. And the word is—irrelevance!

So We Are Told!

And yet, though our numbers are insufficient for the demands of the task; though our consecration is often truncated by our finitude; though demands are made upon us for those multitudinous peripheral services; though the prophets of doom assure us the parish ministry is a vestige remainder of a disappearing era, we *are* confronted by the cogent and contemporary wisdom of Paul. He could be writing to the church in your town as he wrote to the church in Rome. "How are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? And how can men preach unless they are sent? . . . So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ" (Romans 10:14, 15, 16).

"How are they to hear without a preacher? What is heard comes by the preaching of Christ." Is this an oversimplification? Does it have relevance in this day of technological wizardry in the field of communication and motivation? Is Marshall McLuhan correct, "the medium is the message"? In this instance the medium being the preacher who is an incarnation of the message.

The Christian Gospel being what we maintain it to be, the Good Word of the Eternal to man, what a responsibility to be the vehicle, the vessel whereby this Word is communicated to our fellow man! No other task is like it under the sun. No responsibility is of greater import. And, we believe, in no other service are the rewards of the same

order. This is true, providing we are the genuine middlemen, the convinced ambassadors in an eternal enterprise which makes a fundamental difference in the neighborhood where we live and to all eternity.

To state the case for the ministry in this fashion may cause some to wince at our naïve stance. To others it will appear as professional arrogance compounded. Some will wonder where we have been during the days of this secular and technological revolution. Have we not heard, have we not seen, do we not know the facts about the world in which we live! Humanism, communism, secularism, existentialism, nationalism. Each of these provides an alluring creed for living and each claims a vast membership in its clan. We would add that in our view each in its own way acknowledges and is obedient to false gods. Each behaves as if the work of its hand and mind was its god, the perfect definition of idolatry.

Earlier the structural lineaments of our creed were suggested. We begin with an adventure, a leap of faith which unites the worlds. We assert, "This is God's universe, the God who reveals himself in Christ. The God who, revealing himself, summons us to share the Christ-like adventure and be faithful to the message which the faith has discovered and delivered. Our God urges us to travel into the far country of knowledge, sensation and intuition and bring the harvest of our journeying as implements to help fashion the Christian life, and the Good Society."

To enlist his fellows in such an adventure the Christian minister is called. The adventure knows no bounds but the boundless love of God in Christ. It asks no privilege except the opportunity to serve a fellow man in his Name. It does ask of a man that he become the incarnation on the street where he lives, and in the town he calls his own.

Witnesses: Our Institutions of Higher Learning

The United Methodist Church is fortunate beyond common acknowledgment in the colleges, universities and seminaries related to it. Their relationship to the Church should guarantee not only the high quality of instruction, but also the temper and inspiration of the Christian spirit. We cannot provide educational opportunity for our entire citizenry. We can provide a quality of instruction in the classrooms, and of life upon the campuses of these institutions which bears the mark of Christian concern, insight and determination.

Academic excellence must be the bench-mark of our institutions. Their faculties should be regarded, not as civil servants, but as seekers after truth and sharers of its

treasures. Students in these institutions will not be considered impersonal objects to be moved along an educational conveyor for a quadrennium. They will be looked upon as persons of absolute worth, learners, adventurers, preparing for life's journey along his Way.

If we believe this to be true we shall provide no less verbal appreciation but more of that economic oxygen known as financial resources to assure the vital and lively continuance of these institutions.

To the task of discovering means adequate for the continuing adventure this Conference must give its perceptive attention, or sentence many an institution to radical compromise or ignominious death.

Consider our seminaries!

These are among the primary bastions of the Church. Here the Book should be discovered with scholarship's lamp playing upon it in brightest illumination. Here a courtship, a love affair, should begin between the student and the Bible that will never end. Here the long traditions of the Church should be taught as living experiences of saints in process, a procession in which we are a living part, and not as archaeological remains to be dusted for a day and filed away for another's examination. Here the various paths to man's knowledge about man, his psyche, his society, his salvation should be explored and mastered. Here the rough, tough questions of contemporary existence and of life's meaning should be explored. Here the vitality of the Christian faith must bring its honest reply as it is tested in the boiling crucible of secular life. Here the student should discover a knowledge and appreciation of the tools through which he can serve his fellows in the contemporary scene to the end that the Name of Christ will be glorified.

The seminary teacher, that chosen instrument of God, has been elected, not only to stimulate and nourish the mind of the student but to become the wonder-working incarnation of the love of God in Christ. Through his students the teacher becomes the preacher in a thousand pulpits, to worshippers whose number is like an army, and whose power is beyond computation.

Brick and mortar do not determine the seminary's quality and life-sharing ministry. The teacher is the author of that life-demanding miracle.

We salute our seminaries. We celebrate their faculties, and their husbanding boards of trustees. We welcome students to these halls of learning. We would remind them all of their unique and awe-inspiring responsibilities. In good measure these persons are the contemporary architects of the house of faith in which the on-coming generations will

dwell. Yesterday's stately mansions, academic or administrative, will not serve "the present age" adequately. Tomorrow's seminaries are in process of building. God grant us the knowledge and the grace to be workmen who need not be ashamed.

Seminaries, to be lively instruments of instruction, are dependent upon students. Whence come these? Primarily from our homes. The future of the Christian Church will depend upon the meaningfulness of the Christian Way for our homes. Years ago William Hocking defined religion as "the ultimate passion that governs a man's life." We believe a vital Christian faith is the "greatest motivation to the highest and noblest living." We also believe the Christian faith lived victoriously and consistently in a home "as the ultimate passion that governs a man's life" is the most persuasive single element in the choice of the ministry as a vocation. If we bemoan our failure in recruitment for the ministry, let us begin at the beginning and mend the flaws of Christian witness in our homes.

"To Timothy, my true son in the faith . . ." (I Timothy 1:2, GNMM) denotes one of the singular signs of the validity and verification of a man's faith. A vital young man found a meaningful vocation through another's convincing confirmation of his faith. Only as a minister can lay claim to "a son in the faith" can he quite understand the depth of joy resident in this confession.

Other avenues beckon our youth into the Christian ministry; the fellowship of the Church in its various activities; the concern of a layman, the sheer nature of the Gospel in tension with the need of the world. Whatever the route by which the Timothys come, the Church should aid in providing the training required for the more adequate fulfilling of the task.

The Church has a right and duty to demand the finest educational opportunities and the most conscientious use of these opportunities by the student preparing for the ministry. The Church should wed that demand to such assistance as will not enslave a family's future in liquidating an indebtedness assumed so that the minister might serve the Lord more adequately.

We trust this Conference will take counsel with its mind and conscience in this matter. Let us again determine that only the finest educational opportunities should be provided for our ministry. Then let us accept that fair share of support required, not as a grudging installment on future services, but as our share in that enterprise which answers Paul's question, "How shall they hear without a preacher? what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ." May we

resolve, "They shall hear Christ preached." To this end we pledge our very selves.

Witnessing: And the Cry of War

The fear of material loss, shrinking from pain and death, these have been deterrents in restraining most men from embarking on dangerous adventures. Man is apparently equipped with an inner drive toward the preservation of the self and its extensions which prompts this reluctance. War, the instrument of nationalism, is one major exception as it forces its will across these closely-guarded borders.

Love of nation causes men to risk huge material costs, physical pain, mental torture and even death. No religion commands the universal devotion and sacrifice which the nation's call can evoke. Too often "man's other religion"—nationalism—is man's only true religion. All others become servants to national sovereignty.

The resort of the nation to war is dictated by a belief that force is the ultimate and final arbiter of international disagreement and fratricidal collision. Will men never learn from history that reliance on such force seldom, if ever, provides the desired end? This force carries within itself the venom of its own destruction. Literally, "force commits suicide." The most that can be said for the application of force through war is that it may grant another opportunity for solution of the disagreement. It does not provide the solution!

It may be true that in war we have never wounded an enemy in the same serious degree in which we have wounded ourselves. Is it possible to murder without becoming a murderer? Can individuals or nations lie without becoming liars? Need we note the U-2 incident, the Bay of Pigs event, the Dominican Republic accident, the Gulf of Tonkin happening, the most recent Pueblo embarrassment? Can we embrace chicanery and savagery without becoming contaminated?

Dare we hide behind the clichéd confession, "International relations is a heinous business but then everybody is in this business"?

The troubled Christian conscience dissenting, often irritatingly and dramatically, from present government policy is causing other citizens to demand its silence and compliance. The United Methodist Church should have a word for us in this struggle.

Our Social Creed reminds us that government rests upon the support of conscientious citizens and due respect must be had for duly constituted authority. However, it does not permit us to forget that the health of government is de-

pendent upon the citizen's freedom to express his conscientious dissent. When the dissenter moves outside the law in obedience to the voice of conscience, and accepts the penalties of the law, the Church dare not desert her child. The Church must insist that the nation listen to this voice of conscience, giving it, not only an impatient ear, but sincere attention and consideration. The very health of the nation is dependent upon such behavior.

Whatever the judgment of the past concerning war, who can defend it in our time? Yesterday's four horsemen have been augmented by apocalyptic terror and the threat of universal annihilation.

The ultimate question remains, Can the Christian community enlist men in so desperately desiring peace that they are willing to endure sacrifice of an order commensurate with the demands of war?

Mobilization and use of power to help create the conditions which will nurture peace among the nations, and the varied clans within the nations demand unimagined sacrifices. That we have not met these demands is a matter of history. That these demands cannot be met has never been proved. That the Christian fellowship can meet these demands in our time we do believe!

Let the Christian community, and especially the United Methodist fellowship around the world, share its treasure meaningfully and sacrificially in the effort to destroy the roots of war. This is the hour to renew our endeavors, to bind up the wounds of the orphan and the hurt of the widow, to aid in the physical restoration of the destruction born of fiery violence, to help husband the good earth so that its increase may bless our fellows with health and hope. This is the hour to be reconciled through the grace of Christ. May the declaration of our willingness be wedded to our deed.

The hour may be midnight and tomorrow may be too late. This is the hour for the Church to speak and act that peace may visit the earth again. This is the hour for the Church to join in "the greatest prayer of man which asks not victory, but for peace!"

Hunger and its immediate twin, illiteracy, are among the arch enemies of mankind that spawn the seeds of war. These demons can be vanquished. The strength of these foes is being increased though the tools for their defeat are in our possession. It is estimated that there are two hundred million more illiterates on the planet than there were five years ago. The percentage of children attending school is falling ominously in Latin America, Africa, and Asia. This condition is understandable when we remember that three

quarters of all the heads of households are farmers. Most of these are not tooled to maintain the current subsistence level of existence and are losing the battle against the vagaries of climate and season and the fatally exploding populations. Bound to agriculture and its tenuous future in much of the world is the support of the institutions of learning. As we lose the battle to feed the body we also lose the battle to nourish the mind.

In these United States we dare not develop a sense of national superiority or complacency. It has been estimated that almost twenty percent of the non-white population of our nation is functionally illiterate, suggesting fewer than five years of elementary schooling. For all practical purposes no less than seven percent cannot use the printed word and this is in a society which is increasingly dependent upon the tools which literacy must provide.

Picturesquely we may say, "The stork is outstripping both the plow and the book." Food production is increasing at the rate of one percent and the world's population at the rate of two percent per year. Concerning literacy, simple arithmetic flashes signals of increasing and proportionate distress which must not be ignored. Counterwise, it dare not be said that the good earth lacks the capacity to produce, or that the world's farmers cannot be taught to enlist the services of the good earth in banishing hunger. We are only beginning to understand the almost limitless possibilities of the seas around us in supplementing our sources of food. If only a fraction, a small fraction of the sums we lay upon the altar of the god of war were invested in these enterprises, how great would be the victory for peace!

The failure lies in governments which lack both the will and the courage to aid the earth and the sea and its husbandmen in winning this victory over hunger. Prime among these is the government of the United States, to which most of us are a party. We are told we are spending seven-tenths of one percent of our gross national product for food and development assistance around the world. This sum is far less than one-tenth the cost of the military operation in Vietnam alone.

Let the Church condemn the institution of war for what it is—a transvaluation of every value dear to the heart of Christ. May we resolve to cast our lot with men everywhere in removing those inherited impediments; illiteracy, hunger, disease, poverty, and other corroding disabilities which are among the major causes of war and for which there is an ample remedy.

It is the layman whom the Church must enlist in this

warfare. He possesses the instruments of knowledge in the varied fields of the human enterprise. The accumulated skills of technology are tools in his kit of life. He is acquainted with and can employ the springs of political and economic power without which every endeavor is a feeble, halting exercise. This is the hour in which his enlistment should be complete and the object of his warfare the establishment of the conditions which make for peace among men.

In this adventure, ecumenism will find a task equal to its great potential. If we would "work together" what finer task than feeding the hungry, restoring sight to the blind, aiding the educationally-maimed so that they may walk upright, and banishing the black night of futile war. No denominational family will win this war in splendid isolation. In embracing each other as comrades in His host the prophet's promises and Christ's hopes will be more truly realized as his Kingdom comes.

Witnessing: The Instrument

The presently irritating moralisms of our forefathers are being caricatured by the widely-heralded insights of the purveyors of "situation ethics" which claims for itself the descriptive title "new." Among these moralisms sobriety, chastity, honesty have been prime targets for the situational marksmen. Half a generation ago the episcopal address reminded the Conference that "since drinking had become increasingly prevalent and the saloon had exchanged its sawdust floor and brass rail for the dim, carpeted luxury of the cocktail lounge, and the burly bartender had given way to the girlish figure of a young woman waitress (or a comely hostess on a jet liner), the whole matter of drinking has moved into a new atmosphere of social respectability." *

And so it has! The situation has changed. The circumstances have been altered. The end result is the same, and intensified. The wasted man-power hours increase, as do the number of broken homes, and the slaughter on the highways borders on the catastrophic.

The Pauline declaration, "You are God's temple . . ." (I Cor. 3:16) is the immediate situation and the effects of the violations remain of an identical order over the years.

The use of the pencilled cigarette has become fashion's darling. Apparently the battle between the sexes is one of vying for its consumption records. A careful reading of the situation would indicate that the risks of physical impairment and death are so great that no lover of life could prudently indulge in its use. What should be the situation ethic of the Christian who considers his body as the temple

* —Episcopal Address, 1952.

of God and the dwelling place of His Spirit? The answer is all too obvious, and so little heeded!

The sex situation, given the new discoveries, has in no wise altered or repealed the standards of the New Covenant. "Barnyard morality," as another termed it, is no new discovery, merely the recovery of an ancient vice. To "keep yourself only," each for the other, is no time-ravaged moralism, but one of wisdom's prizes which should not be lightly lost, but permanently treasured, "a man's body being the temple of God."

Conclusion: We Stand at a Boundary

In these hours we stand at a boundary. We are about to cross over into a new land. We have spied it out and found it good. We bring possessions in abundance. Union having been achieved must now be husbanded in sincerity with grace.

As we cross the frontier many will carry a full measure of our evangelistic inheritance. Apart from our continuing zeal which unceasingly seeks self-commitment to our Lord as the altar from which every heart should depart into the world, The United Methodist Church will become an impotent institution living on uneasily and uselessly, Christ's mission considered. Empowered by our commitment to Him that mission will not fail because He has never failed us.

We will say with the man whose stamp we bear, "The best of all, God is with us." We will say it because we know it. The evidences about us will witness to the fact. The broken-hearted will be healed, release will be brought to each of us in our several captivities. Celebration will displace ennui. Lethargy will give way to joy. Death will be overcome by new life.

In crossing the boundary others will not permit us to forget the full burden of our social responsibilities. The United Methodist Church will continue to pray, "O Lord, grant us a clear vision to perceive these things which in our social order are amiss, giving us true judgment, courage and perseverance to help right the injustices of our time, enduing each of us with wisdom and strength to minister to the poor, the suffering and the friendless, being Christ's friend to each of these." * In part, our willed deed should become the answer to our prayer as through his grace working in us the lame will walk, the blind will see, the lonely will find a friend, and the sinner will find grace.

Some will continue to criticize us because of our organizational activism; the machinery, the appeals for funds, the roster of reportings, the publicity, sometimes sought,

*—Adapted, *The Methodist Hymnal*, 1956, page 516.

often unsought. At our best we have employed the organization as messengers of Christ's will, even though with finite skill and wisdom. That we have often permitted the instrument to stray, none would deny. We do affirm that if the hungry are to be fed, if the illiterate are to be taught, if broken bodies are to be made whole, these miracles will come to pass only through the use of tools he has helped us forge. It is not that fewer tools are required. We need more artisans of the spirit who will use them skillfully. God help us discover the artisans!

Crossing into the new land there are those who will continue to remind us of our world-scattered membership. We have tried to modify the dispersed nature of our fellowship by means of the Jurisdictional structure and our Central Conference organizations. These may be understood as an enlarged replica of John Wesley's notion of the "small church" within the Church. These devices have been useful in husbanding our regional sensitivities and maintaining our organic unity. We trust they will continue to be used to the glory of his Name.

Let us not forget that across international borders choices other than walking the closely-knit organizational path must be honored, yea celebrated, if this is the direction which the Spirit is indicating for the Church in that place.

As we move into the new relationship may we view our adventure as a journey in process. May we know the venture to be a step toward that more inclusive fellowship which is making common cause with all those with whom we name the Name.

The disappearance of the Central Jurisdiction from the visible scene should not suggest that the fellowship has been completely sanctified. The dimensions of the unfinished task of reconciliation dare not be evaded or hidden. This task cannot be assigned to a committee or commission for suggestion and resolution. None will "work it out" for us—only the grace of God at work in the very marrow of our being, discovering in each of us a willing servant.

As we depart these halls, let us march as one family, one community bound by a great affection because of our faith in Christ, permitting no walls of separation to remain between us.

The new land lies before us. As we look across its boundaries I would remind you of the spirit of another's admonition of his people:

"Fellow Christians we cannot escape history. We of this Conference and this Church will be remembered in spite of ourselves. No personal significance or insignificance can spare one or another of us. The fiery trials through which

we pass will light us down in honor or dishonor to the latest generation.”*

So they will!

We cannot escape. We will be remembered in spite of ourselves. The option of *how* we are to be remembered—that is ours!

As you cast your vote for the future ask yourself:

“How many times must He cling to a cross before you answer, ‘Here am I’?”

The answer is blowing in the wind.

And the wind blows wherever it wishes; you hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from (John 3:8, 17). You should know it is saying, “Be my witness wherever you are!” (Acts 1:8)

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**MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1968
MORNING SESSION**

Bishop Harold R. Heininger, Chairman

The 1968 Adjourned Session of the 41st General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church (which was held in Chicago, Illinois, November 8-17, 1966) convened in the Little Theatre of the Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, on Monday, April 22, 1968, at 9:00 A.M. Bishop Harold R. Heininger, vice-president of the Board of Bishops presided.

Opening the Session—Bishop H. R. Heininger

Following a piano prelude by Rev. Aaron Schaefer of the Administrative Staff of United Theological Seminary, Bishop Heininger led in an invocation and called the adjourned session of the 41st General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church to order in the name of God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Worship Service—Bishop Paul M. Herrick

Bishop Herrick directed a meaningful worship experience which resulted from a skillful blending of scripture selections, hymns and prayers of the church. Included were selected portions of the Psalms, Ephesians 1:15-23 and 2:19-22; the Invocation and Lord's Prayer from the ritual of the service of Holy Communion (EUB) and a prayer based upon Harry Emerson Fosdick's great hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory." The text of this prayer was:

PRAYER

"Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting thou art God." (Psalms 90:1, 2.)

Thou art our God of Comfort in our sorrows.
 Thou art our God of Strength in our weakness.
 Thou art our God of Redemption in our confession.
 Thou art our God of Reconciliation in our frictions and warrings.
 Thou art our God of Direction in our wanderings.
 Thou art our God of Victory in our struggles.
 Thou art our God of Peace in our confusion.

1. So we pray—

"God of grace and God of glory,
 On Thy people pour Thy power;
 Crown Thine ancient church's story,
 Bring her bud to glorious flower.
 Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
 For the facing of this hour."

We come here to exalt Thee, to worship Thee, to find Thee anew with all Thy healing Grace. Liberate us from the depression, the ills—

2. "Lo! the hosts of evil round us
 Scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
 Fears and doubt too long have bound us,
 Free our hearts to work and praise.
 Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
 For the living of these days."

We are aware of the forces of evil running loose in our world today. We hang our heads in shame because of war, poverty, disease, and the needless destructive insanities which are destroying thy beloved family around the world. O God—

3. "Cure Thy children's warring madness,
 Bend our pride to Thy control;
 Shame our wanton, selfish madness,
 Rich in things and poor in soul.
 Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
 Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal."

Open our eyes to *see* Thee, O Christ.
 Open our ears to *hear* Thy voice.
 Turn our footsteps to Thee and to Thy needy world.
 Help us to love the unlovely, despised, the hateful, the black, the filthy white, the rebellious yellow.
 May we weep over our Jerusalems.
 Replace our complacency with Thy concern of Calvary,
 Send us out with Thy spirit and message of redemption. Oh—

4. "Set our feet on lofty places,
 Gird our lives that they may be
 Armored with all Christlike graces
 In the fight to set men free.
 Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
 That we fail not man nor Thee!"

Thou hast led us to this hour and place to join hands and hearts with our brethren of our sister denomination.
 For many of us this has been a traumatic experience.
 Much thought, prayer, seeking, planning has been experienced and much more will be demanded.
 Continue to lead us, O God. Save us from the misapprehension of thinking our task is completed.
 We have come into this union to sharpen our tools, to improve our skills, and to expedite the building of thy kingdom on earth—
 Save us, Oh,

5. "Save us from weak resignation
 To the evils we deplore;
 Let the search for Thy salvation
 Be our glory evermore.
 Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage
 Serving Thee whom we adore."
 —Amen

The hymns were the familiar "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" and "Lead on, O King Eternal." The worship service concluded with a benediction pronounced by Bishop Herrick.

Bishop Heininger expressed appreciation in the name of the Conference to Bishop Herrick for his leadership in this service.

Episcopal Address—Bishop R. H. Mueller

Bishop R. H. Mueller, Senior Bishop of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, read the Episcopal Address which contained the Declaration of Union of The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church. (See Appendix, page 208.) (DCA 38-40.)

The Conference stood to applaud the presentation by Bishop Mueller.

There was a motion properly presented and voted to adopt the presentation of Bishop R. H. Mueller. (DCA 40.)

Roll Call—Emerson D. Bragg

The Secretary called attention to the fact that the Pacific Northwest Conference and the Montana Conference delegations are incomplete, and that these conferences have elected official observers to this Conference. (DCA 40-41.)

Clarification Regarding Seating of Delegates

Bishop Heininger read the action voted by the 1966 General Conference regarding representation at this Adjourned Session as found on pp. 455, 456 of the Proceedings of the 1966 Conference:

WHEREAS, there is a possibility of the Union of The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church being consummated during the quadrennium; and

WHEREAS, the Enabling Legislation adopted by this General Conference provides that if the Plan of Union is adopted by the requisite votes of the annual conferences this General Conference shall meet prior to the uniting conferences; and

WHEREAS, it is planned that in the event of the approval of the union by the annual conferences the uniting General Conference will be held at Dallas, Texas, in April of 1968; and

WHEREAS, an adjourned session of this General Conference would be a continuance of this forty-first General Conference and at such session any and all business may be conducted while at a special session only such business may be conducted as is set forth in the call for such special session; and

WHEREAS, paragraph 164 of the *Discipline* provides that in the event of a special session of the General Conference being called the delegates at the last regular session shall be the delegates thereof; and

WHEREAS, it would appear that at an adjourned session the delegates elected to the forty-first session of the General Conference would continue as the delegates at an adjourned session according to the interpretation of Instruction Number 9 adopted by this General Conference on November 16, 1966; and

WHEREAS, it would be proper in adjourning this meeting of the forty-first session of the General Conference not to adjourn *sine die* but to adjourn to meet at the call of the Board of Bishops, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Bishops be and hereby is instructed, authorized and empowered to call an adjourned session of the forty-first General Conference to meet at such time and place as in the judgment of the said Board of Bishops shall be in accordance with the Enabling Legislation adopted by this General Conference and that such notice thereof be given by the Board of Bishops as it shall deem proper;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that if and when an adjourned session is called the delegates to this forty-first General Conference shall be the delegates to such an adjourned session; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in the event that church union shall not be approved by the requisite votes of the annual conferences, the adjournment of this General Conference shall be and in such case is declared to be adjournment *sine die*.

Registration of Delegates—Eugene Moore

Eugene Moore (Illinois), Conference Registrar, supervised the Registration of delegates and checked the Attendance Roll.

Special Resolution Regarding Pacific Northwest and Montana Conferences

Bishop Mueller submitted this Resolution regarding the seating of observers from the Pacific Northwest and Montana Conferences:

“Mr. Chairman, we have conferred in the Board of Bishops about these matters, and I would like, on their behalf, to offer a motion that the persons who are elected as observers by the Pacific Northwest Conference and by the Montana Conference, that they be given status in this Conference as Advisory Members, this means without the power of vote, but this will entitle them to receive their expenses

as other delegates receive their expenses from the General Conference Treasury, and that they be entitled to be seated with their conference delegation on the floor of the conference."

This resolution was approved by vote of the Conference (DCA 41).

Special Resolution—East Germany Delegate

Bishop Mueller announced:

"Mr. Chairman, in connection with the East Germany Conference, there was seated in the Chicago General Conference, Rev. W. Meinhardt, and Dr. Herbert Eckstein, Dr. Eckstein the officially elected delegate, Dr. Meinhardt the first alternate. The alternate, because the other elected delegate was not able to get travel permits to leave the Eastern zone to come to the United States. This time, however, through the intervention of Bishop Wunderlich, and of Mr. Herman Wills, a Methodist layman with the State Department, it was possible to secure travel permits for all of the East Germany Delegates, both Methodist and EUB, and Brother Falk is here. He has come at the suggestion of the Board of Bishops, that he will be accorded an advisory relationship without the right to vote, Brother Meinhardt must remain seated because he was seated in Chicago, and the action of the Chicago General Conference set the rules for this adjourned Session, but this will entitle Brother Falk to the expenses of travel as the other Delegates of East Germany are entitled to."

This resolution was approved by vote of the Conference. (DCA 41.)

Voting Area of Conference Established

Bishop Howard moved that the three center sections to row V of the Little Theatre be constituted the voting area and that the sections on each side of these center sections be excluded from the voting area. The motion by Bishop Howard was approved. (DCA 41.)

Agenda Adopted

The agenda for the day was presented as prepared by the Board of Bishops. Bishop Howard indicated that the report of the Board of Evangelism should be inserted following the report of the Board of Christian Education and prior to the Board of Publications. It was also announced that an additional item should be added to the list of reports. This is the report of the Committee on Church Unity which is to be presented by *Dr. Warren Mentzer*. It was voted to adopt the agenda as presented and modified. (DCA 42.)

Greetings—Sierra Leone

Bishop Howard reported:

"You may have seen in the paper lately that in the country of Sierra Leone there has been a military coup within a military coup. We all wondered how this would affect the stability of the country. Rev.

Clyde Galow, the Field Representative at Sierra Leone has sent a word of greeting to this General Conference, and has said that law and order prevail in Sierra Leone, and he sends his greetings to the General Conference. I move the reference of this to the secretary for proper communication. (DCA 42.)

Greetings Sent

The conference voted to instruct the Secretary to send greetings to the Sierra Leone Conference. (DCA 42.)

Statement—Committees of the Conference

Bishop Heininger: I am going to ask the President of our Board of Bishops to explain where we are in this session with regard to Committee Appointment and Committee Service.

Bishop Mueller: Mr. Chairman, first it might be a matter of interest to everybody, Bishop Milhouse has passed on word that there were 9200 persons who received communion in the service last night, 9200. With regard to committees, since this is an Adjourned Session of the Chicago General Session, all the committees that were appointed at that time are the committees of this Conference; however, there are some other considerations. The voting on amendments to our Constitutional Law by the Annual Conferences, removed all committee lists from this one, and established the regulation that the General Conference and Annual Conferences can set up committees for particular and specified purposes. We will not operate under that very long because tomorrow the new church comes into being, but since we are meeting only this one day, it seems unwise to organize this Session into the various standing committees we had before, and have them meet to go through the motions. Our purpose is that if matters do arise on this floor that will require committee consideration we will at that time activate the former committee to refer the matter to it. We prefer that every matter be dealt with by the House on the floor here in this session, if at all possible. (DCA 42.)

Committees—Policy Adopted

The committee policy as outlined by Bishop Mueller was adopted. (DCA 42.)

General Conference Arrangements Committee—Report

Dr. Paul V. Church (Dayton, Ohio) reported: Mr. Chairman, I have asked the members of the Committee to stand with me on the platform. *Dr. Craig Brandenburg* has served us faithfully as Secretary, *Dr. Cawley Stine* as Treasurer, Dr. Stine will make a statement regarding our expense forms which is probably the most important thing in this brief report. I would report that we have worked faithfully with the Committee on Entertainment of The Methodist Church. We were made, the three of us were made full voting members of that Committee and all plans for this Conference and for the Uniting Conference have been made in cooperation with them. We have found this a much easier General Conference to get ready for than Chicago. We have had the tremendous help of three persons, especially *Dr. Otis Young* who is chairman of the Committee on Entertainment, who is an old pro at the business; *Dr. Norman Conard* who is on the staff of the Council on World Service and Finance, the Convention Bureau and has carried major responsibility in terms of all arrangements; and the third person, *Dr. Wesley Hole*, the Secretary of The Methodist Conference from whom you have received correspondence. We agreed

early in the procedure that he was to handle correspondence to all delegates on both sides of the house so that much of the work that would normally go through our office came through his office. I believe that preparations that are adequate and good have been made for this session and for the Uniting Conference. We do owe a great debt of gratitude to the local committee and the tremendous work that this group has done. The Methodist Committee on Entertainment has said that they have never had a local committee as effective as the one that has worked here at Dallas and especially to its chairman, Mr. Jimmy Stewart who is one of the or *the* top executive in relation to the State Fair and the management of it and believe me he knows his way around. He has done an excellent job. I would call upon Dr. Stine for a statement on the Treasurer's forms.

Dr. C. H. Stine (Dayton, Ohio): Mr. Chairman, each chairman or the chairman of each conference delegation will receive a packet of forms. In this particular packet there will be a personal expense form for the number of delegates which you have in your particular group. In addition to that, he will have as the chairman of that particular delegation a form which if he takes these personal forms checks them and double checks them and then gives us the total on the other form which is for him. Then we will have the auditors go over these forms and issue the checks accordingly. The personal expense forms and then for the Conference delegation. Each delegate will pay his own hotel, his own expenses, and upon the form place the amounts that are due there—as far as the travel expenses and things such as that and, of course, the per diem amounts will be included there. As far as the rates and the allowances are concerned, on the personal expense form on the reverse side we have the action of the Council of Administration which tells the amount of mileage that is permitted and also the per diem amount that it allowable. So the information is there for your benefit. Each delegation is limited to the exact number, of course, of those folks as required by the *Discipline*. In case alternates take place of a regular delegate, however, we do not pay the expenses for both persons all the way through. They are considered as one. We pay for one when alternates are used in that particular fashion. And then also we have not been dealing through a local bank in this particular Conference for various reasons but the principal hotels have been contacted and they have agreed to accept your expense checks in payment for your hotel accounts, etc. If there are any questions, anything further, our office is up here in Room 300 of this particular building and Miss Miller, the bookkeeper, or if I am there, shall be glad to help you and assist in every way possible. Now if there are any particular questions that are to be answered I shall endeavor to try to reply as best I know how. (DCA 42, 43.)

Arrangements Committee Report Approved

The report of the Committee on Arrangements for the General Conference was approved. (DCA 43.)

Communications Staff—Report

Dr. Curtis Chambers (Dayton, Ohio): Bishop and Members and Guests of the General Conference, I have been asked to speak as Communications Chairman for the General Conference for The Evangelical United Brethren Church. In this capacity I have had the pleasure of working with *Dr. Paul Church*, who is director of the Communications for our denomination, and our assignment has been to help to plan for press, radio and television coverage of the General

Conference of the Uniting Conference in cooperation with the Methodist Communications Staff.

In several meetings in Dallas and elsewhere these plans have been developed, and as in Chicago in 1966, the joint Communications Staff for all media coverage, print and electronic, was formed. Dr. Church and I have represented the Evangelical United Brethren Church on the Communications Executive Staff, which is headed by *Dr. Harry C. Spencer*, the General Secretary of the Television, Radio and Film Commission of The Methodist Church, who serves as the General Director. Also included is *Dr. Arthur West*, who is General Secretary of the Commission on Public Information or Public Relations and Methodist Information. He is serving as Director of Press Relations, and Mr. Nelson Price of the TRAFCO Staff is serving as Director of Radio, Television Relations.

Also associated with the program is a film crew from TRAFCO just making a brief documentary film, a motion picture film of historical highlights of this occasion, both from our separate sessions today and from the Uniting Conference which follows. Other provisions are being made for audio tapes, film strips and stills of the Conference. Evangelical United Brethren who have been serving on the work staff include *Dr. Raymond Veh* and Mr. Lee Rank, who are covering the daily sessions, and the *Reverend Floyd Mevis*, who is serving as special staff photographer.

In addition, the *Rev. Ronald Patterson* is serving as an editor on the staff of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. I should like to make special recognition of Dr. Veh, who for so many years has given so largely of his creativity and his energies to press coverage and communications coverage of General Conferences. He has pioneered in his field in our church, and at this time, shortly before his retirement, I think that he deserves our deep gratitude for his great concern in this area and for the responsibilities that he has carried in communicating our work to the press, radio and television. There are many representatives of the press who are here. There is a large working staff; there is a press room which is available.

Parenthetically, I might invite any directors of public information or directors of communications in Annual Conferences to visit the Press Room, to register and to receive resources which would be helpful to you in your work. The *Daily Christian Advocate*, which will be provided for each delegate beginning Tuesday morning, will contain a verbatim report of all that is said in our Conference session today and in the days to come. The uniting service tomorrow will be televised in full over a local TV channel and a video tape of the service will be made available for later replay on television stations. For example, I believe that at least excerpts from this television tape will be played next Sunday morning on a Dayton station. This brings me to say finally that the eyes of the world are upon us.

In these times of electronic news dissemination, faster than the winking of an eye, who are aware that statements we make, debates in which we enter, decisions at which we arrive will be seen and heard and known across the nation and the world almost instantaneously and therefore, I trust that we will rise to the occasion as responsible churchmen recognizing that in the pages of the daily newspaper, on radio newscast, or through a filmflip, on the night television news, by what we do and say and are here in Dallas in these days. We have an opportunity to witness to our faith and to communicate to the gospel in significant human terms. Thank you. (DCA 43.)

Communications Staff Report Adopted

The report of the Communication Staff as presented by Dr. Chambers was approved. (DCA 43.)

Announcement of Retirements

Bishop Heininger: I shall now ask the Secretary of the Board of Bishops to list the names of persons who are seeking retirement.

Bishop J. Gordon Howard: Mr. Chairman, members of the General Conference, three general officers and one bishop are requesting retirement. The three general officers are: *Dr. Cawley H. Stine*, General Church Treasurer and the executive of several other departments; *Dr. Raymond M. Veh*, one of the editors—editor of *Builders*; *Dr. Paul Price*, member of the staff of the Board of Christian Education. I move that their request for retirement be granted, that each of them be granted all of the benefits and privileges properly due him, in accordance with the *Discipline*. (DCA 43.)

Retirement Voted

The motion to approve the motion to grant the retirement of *Dr. Cawley Stine*, *Dr. Raymond Veh* and *Dr. Paul Price* was voted. (DCA 43.)

Retirement—Bishop Heininger

Bishop J. Gordon Howard: This comes as a recommendation of the Board of Bishops, voted that: "Whereas our esteemed colleague, Bishop Harold R. Heininger, voluntarily has announced he will request superannuation at the forthcoming Monday session of the General Conference, Dallas, Texas, April 22, 1968; therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Bishops recommends to the aforementioned General Conference that Bishop Heininger be accorded superannuation status, to be effective August 1, 1968, that he be granted all benefits and privileges properly due him in accordance with the *Discipline*, and that he be granted the title of Bishop Emeritus. I move the adoption of this resolution. (DCA 43.)

Bishop Heininger Retirement Voted

The motion to authorize the retirement of Bishop Harold R. Heininger was approved. (DCA 44.)

Roll Completed

Dr. Emerson D. Bragg and *Rev. Eugene Moore* presented the changes requested by the Annual Conferences in the Roll. These changes were approved by vote of the Conference. (DCA 44.)

Roll Certified—Emerson D. Bragg

The Conference Secretary certified the Roll of the Conference to be:

Bishops (ex-officio)
 R. H. Mueller
 H. R. Heininger
 J. G. Howard

H. W. Kaebnick
 W. Maynard Sparks
 Paul M. Herrick
 Paul W. Milhouse
 George E. Epp, Advisory

Annual Conference Members

The Chairman of each Annual Conference Delegation, on a prepared blank, certified that the following Delegates were in attendance upon this Adjourned Session of the 41st General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

California Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Harvey N. Chinn, L. H. Gustafson, O. E. Schafer, E. C. Schneider.*

Lay—*O. A. Bosshardt, Melvin J. Brawn, Percy Grumbein, Jr., Chris W. Schmidt.*

Canada Annual Conference

Ministerial—*H. L. Brox, F. M. Faist, E. E. Hallman.*

Lay—*L. G. Bauman, Harry Bruegeman, Norman Draker.*

Dakota Annual Conference

Ministerial—*O. A. Gehring, L. A. Kruckenberg, N. C. Neumann, R. H. Strutz.*

Lay—*Loren Clark, Cliff Haugen, Donald Ollman, Leonard Stengel.*

Eastern Annual Conference

Ministerial—*George W. Bashore, Robert M. Daugherty, Walter E. Deibler, D. LeRoy Fegley, Thomas W. Guinivan, Mark J. Hostetter, C. E. Kachel, Warren A. Loesch, Thomas S. May, Warren F. Mentzer, Harold S. Peiffer, Ezra H. Ranck, Carl M. Schneider, Daniel L. Shearer, Harry W. Zechman, Henry W. Zehner.*

Lay—*Frederick H. Barth, Fred G. Bollman, William D. Bryson, Ulysses S. Estilow, Roy K. Garber, Mrs. D. Dwight Grove, Paul F. Hoffer, Paul M. Lenninger, H. V. Masters, Harold H. Quickel, Albert F. Schuster, Lawton W. Shroyer, A. C. Spangler, Emma S. Tousant, William C. Troutman, James H. Whitraft.*

East Germany Annual Conference

Ministerial—*D. H. Eckstein, W. Meinhardt.*

Lay—*J. Gaehr, H. Sticher.*

Erie Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Glenn E. Donelson, H. Ray Harris, Ivan G. Hunsberger, John F. Olexa.*

Lay—*Carl Childs, Gilbert Ledebur, Mrs. Ruth McGill, G. Eugene Rote.*

Florida Annual Conference

Ministerial—*William G. Hawk, William R. Obaugh*
Lay—*Jay Stark, Jr., Clarence Stein.*

Illinois Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Samuel Batt, John R. Bouldin, Sherman A. Cravens, Warren R. Ebinger, Paul H. Eller, Virgil J. Hague, Wayne C. Hess, O. F. Landis, E. J. Larson, Eugene J. Moore, Richard Tholin.*

Lay—*Doit Biggs, Mary Jane Boynton, Fred C. Durbin, Floyd Fager, Walter P. Getz, L. R. Moore, Walter Muller, Frank Simpson, Homer Wolfensberger, Wallace Yenerich, Paul Zimmerman.*

Indiana North Annual Conference

Ministerial—*V. A. Carlson, John Chambers, M. W. Chambers, A. Hunter Colpitts, Merrell D. Geible, A. L. Keller, W. S. Parks, J. O. Penrod, Garth Shepherd.*

Lay—*C. H. Ade, David Barnhardt, Glen Beams, Wilkie Bush, Russell Creighton, George Davis, Forest R. Heyde, Clarence Lieghty, Orville Van Dyke.*

Indiana South Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Homer W. Achor, Heedlie M. Cobb, Gene P. Crawford, C. David Hancock, R. P. Hawkins, Robert Koenig, K. K. Merryman, Glen O'Dell, Philip Stone, Russell Youngblood.*

Lay—*R. M. Crawford, John Easley, Gordon France, Mrs. John Gooch, Frank Hardy, Justin E. Marshall, Maynard W. Mylin, George St. Angelo, Sr., Mrs. Charles Taylor, Francis M. Wilcoxon.*

Iowa Annual Conference

Ministerial—*L. E. Deaver, J. A. Dowd, R. R. MacCanon, P. O. Pfaltzgraff, R. L. Russell, H. A. Varce, A. E. Wilken.*

Lay—*Harold L. Bergeman, James Bogenrief, Lloyd Epley, Carl Faust, James Stanton, Milo Lease, Wayne Marty.*

Kansas Annual Conference

Ministerial—*LeRoy A. Bott, Walter R. Brant, Paul S. Deever, C. R. Findley, E. R. Ford, Lawrence Kurth, Henry H. Vogel, M. M. Wright.*

Lay—*Paul B. Adrian, Walter Dreier, Lester Melrose, Walter Mugler, Melvin G. Schlender, Homer Stiller, O. K. Webster, Mrs. Ernest Woolworth.*

Kentucky Annual Conference

Ministerial—*John W. Bischoff.*

Lay—*Ed Slothour.*

Michigan Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Gerald Fisher, Stanley Forkner, Robert Horton, Garfield Kellerman, Newell C. Liesemer, John Murbach, W. Prentice Peck, Lawrence R. Taylor.*

Lay—*Ray Allen, Paul E. Chamberlain, Williard Haist, John Iwaniuk, John Kennaugh, Ralph Klump, Arden Peterson, Mrs. Frieda Spafford.*

Minnesota Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Floyd E. Bosshardt, Merle A. Dunn, Delmont Gordy, E. Russell Praetorius, A. B. Utzman.*

Lay—*Kermit Decker, Garland Hubin, Wesley Mellgren, Gerald Rufer, Vern Scholer.*

Missouri Annual Conference

Ministerial—*C. H. Crandall.*

Lay—*Orval McMillan.*

Montana Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Harvey E. Bartram, Lewis Magsig.*

Lay—*Lester Ollerman, Bruce Packer.*

Nebraska Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Richard A. Heim, Donald J. Nunnally, D. R. Roker, Harvey J. Schroeder, John F. Wichelt.*

Lay—*James Hoyt, Mrs. Milton Mundhenke, Odin Poppe, Karl Rasmussen, Clarence Schroeder.*

New York Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Sherman B. Eckel, John D. Rein.*

Lay—*Clayton C. Alt, Leslie Straight.*

Northwest Canada Annual Conference

Ministerial—*T. E. Jesske, F. W. Snyder, S. B. Taetz.*

Lay—*E. E. Deimert, Roy Hehr, W. Schindell.*

Ohio East Annual Conference

Ministerial—*R. E. Appel, A. L. Brandyberry, E. P. Eberly, Paul W. Frees, Kenneth W. Hulit, Melvin A. Moody, Kenneth H. Pohly, G. E. Schreckengost, Allan H. Zagray.*

Lay—*Gene Boyer, Merritt Clymer, Mrs. June French, Mrs. Pauline Harrold, Melvin Hayes, Luther Limbaugh, Paul Maibach, William Wagner, Virgil Zimmerman.*

Ohio Miami Annual Conference

Ministerial—*John Bergland, Emerson D. Bragg, Owen Delp, Carl B. Eschbach, William K. Messmer, Walter Miranda, Louis O. Odon.*

Lay—*Harold Boda, Mrs. Hazel Dover, Hubert Fellers, Harvey Hammink, J. Jacoby, R. L. Pounds, Sam Upton.*

Ohio Sandusky Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Harry L. Adams, Daniel D. Corl, R. W. Faulkner, Laurence E. Feaver, Joseph Graham, J. Paul*

Jones, Jr., Howard McCracken, John F. Osborn, John C. Searle, Sr., Kenneth Stover.

Lay—Robert E. Cochran, George Gilts, Frank Grandey, Charles Haldeman, Torrey A. Kaatz, Wayne Leatherman, Wayne Luke, Ed Nietz, Sanford Price, Oliver Roberts.

Ohio Southeast Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Howard W. Buckley, Carl Butterbaugh, Harold Dutt, Irvin H. Lane, Clayton F. Lutz, Rex C. Smith, Kenneth E. Wrightsel.*

Lay—Lawrence W. Beardmore, Mrs. Mary Cabbage, Dale DeLong, David Herbert, Walter LaPlant, Lyle J. Michael, Marion Prosch.

Oklahoma-Texas Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Roderick E. Gray, James Williamson.*

Lay—Jay Anderson, Irvin Hamburger.

Pacific Northwest Annual Conference

Ministerial—*T. R. Buzzard, D. L. Vermillion.*

Advisory—*Delbert M. Keller, Lloyd G. Uecker, Kenneth D. Dooley.*

Lay—Harvey Anderson, R. E. Randle.

Advisory—H. R. Praetorius, Mrs. Oscar Carlson, Mrs. Don Warner.

Rocky Mountain Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Ralph Hines, Lloyd C. Nichols, Allen L. Unger.*

Lay—Oscar Marks, Romane Moeller, Rolland Osborne.

Sierra Leone, West Africa Annual Conference

Ministerial—*B. A. Carew.*

Lay—S. H. Thomas.

Susquehanna Annual Conference

Ministerial—*David H. Andrews, Woodrow A. Bartges, Robert L. Close, Melvin Geiman, Jr., Calvin B. Haverstock, Jr., R. Kenneth Heim, Ben F. Heiser, D. Rayborn Higgins, Paul E. Horn, Gerald A. Kauffman, Clair C. Kreidler, William J. Lippert, Frederick W. Mund, Wilson A. Shearer, Arthur W. Stambach, Roy H. Stetler, Jr., Robert H. Stolte, William F. Woods.*

Lay—Mrs. Kenneth L. Benfer, T. C. Blickenstaff, Paul L. Cressman, Eugene A. Fuhrman, Elmer N. Funkhouser, Paul G. Gilmore (A.M.), Chester R. Heidlebaugh, Russell P. Hummel, Harry P. Kissinger, Gordon S. Kunkel, H. Leroy Marlow, Raymond G. Mowrey, Allan W. Mund, W. J. R. Rein, Ralph M. Ritter, Harry W. Shenk, (P.M.), Clair R. Trout, Earl D. Warner, J. Britain Winter.

Switzerland Annual Conference

Ministerial—*D. Roser.*

Lay—*E. Gautschi.*

Tennessee Annual Conference

Ministerial—*E. B. Jeffers, J. Castro Smith.*

Lay—*Charles Ellis, L. D. Lusby.*

Virginia Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Floyd L. Fulk, Howard L. Fulk, John R. Sawyer, Charles B. Weber, George S. Widmyer.*

Lay—*Jack Allen, Elwood Frye, Carl G. Ritchie, Raymond G. Swadley, E. C. Tutwiler, Jr.*

West Germany Annual Conference

Ministerial—*F. Harriefeld, I. Mohr.*

Switzerland Annual Conference

Ministerial—*D. Roser.*

Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference

Ministerial—*George Biggs, Bruce H. Bishop, Harold R. Burgess, Oscar A. Burkel, Donald N. Ciampa, Clyde W. Dietrich, Arthur T. Moffat, John W. Russell, Elmer A. R. Schultz, Gene E. Sease, James A. Woomer.*

Lay—*Mrs. G. O. Bishop, Dwight M. Bittner, Harry R. Blanset, A. Ford Boucher, George A. Eschbach, Mrs. Carroll Gray, George Hershberger, D. W. Hummel, Paul R. McCormick, George W. Nicely, Paul D. Walter.*

West Virginia Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Bland Brady, Robert Dille, Harry Eckels, Clarence Edman, Jack Higgins, James H. Reed.*

Lay—*Roy Blessing, Roy Harper, Charles F. Michels, Carl Rogers, Mrs. Floyd Rogers, Wilbur Tardy.*

Wisconsin Annual Conference

Ministerial—*Gordon R. Bender, Roy E. Bosserman, Solomon Cramer, Milton W. Giese, Willard W. Schultz, Harvey Schweppe, Herbert E. Zebarth.*

Lay—*Roy Boettcher, Lawrence Hinz, Donald Lowater, Ora Lueptow, Rolland Mitchell, Mrs. Walter Rilling, Mrs. Melvin Sprecher.*

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Peter Wong

Dominican Evangelical Church

Nestor Lira

United Church of Christ in the Philippines

Onofre Fonceca

Enrique Sobrepena

United Evangelical Church in Ecuador

Alfonzo Vasquez

United Evangelical Church in Puerto Rico

Ismael Diaz

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Tellers Appointed—Election of Bishop

Bishop Heininger requested Mr. U. S. Estilow (Eastern) to be prepared to provide tellers to serve in counting the ballots in the election of a Bishop. The following were appointed: *Owen Delp* (Ohio Miami), *John Russell* (Western Penn.), *Gene Crawford* (Indiana North), *Paul Cressman* (Susquehanna), *George Davis* (Indiana North), *Paul S. Deeever* (Kansas), *Eugene A. Fuhrman* (Susquehanna), *Elwood Frye* (Virginia), *Melvin Hayes* (Ohio East), *Laurence Hinz* (Wisconsin), *Melvin J. Brawn* (California), *N. C. Neumann* (Dakota), *Donald J. Nunnally* (Nebraska), *Wilson A. Shearer* (Susquehanna), *Harold Quickel* (Eastern), *O. A. Gehring* (Dakota), *Harry Bruegeman* (Canada), *Melvin Geiman, Jr.* (Susquehanna), *Clifford Haugen* (Dakota), *James Hoyt* (Nebraska), *Irvin Lane* (Ohio Southeast), *Ed Nietz* (Ohio Sandusky), *Wilbur Tardy* (West Virginia), *Gene Rote* (Erie), *Albert F. Schuster* (Eastern), *Orville VanDyke* (Indiana North) and *James F. Williamson* (Okla.-Texas).

Ballot for Bishop

Bishop Heininger stated: I believe that now we have taken care of arrangements that are more or less mechanical. Let us seriously approach the task which is before us. It is probably not necessary for me to remind the voting members of the Conference that they are supposed to be seated in the sections indicated. If there happens to be any person who has the right to vote seated elsewhere, will you please make the adjustment? Nor is it necessary for me as chairman today to define the comprehensive nature of our responsibility, but I would like to call our attention to the provision in the *Discipline*, in Para-

graph 385: "The Bishops of the Evangelical United Brethren Church shall be elected by ballot by the General Conference, from the active itinerant elders who have been itinerant elders for at least ten years, for a term of four years. If they prove to be faithful shepherds, live according to the Word of God and the order of the Discipline of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, in true godliness, they shall be eligible for re-election."

Nor is it necessary for me to at great length outline the duties of a man chosen for this high office among us. He is to oversee the spiritual and temporal concerns of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in general, take care that everything is done according to the word of God and the order of the *Discipline* of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, preside at the sessions of the annual and General Conferences, to ordain ministers, to assign with conference superintendents the respective fields of labor to ministers. There are provisions here for other changes and responsibility in conferences, for taking care of vacancies that may occur in the office of conference superintendent. The Bishop is advised to travel throughout all the annual conferences of his area, and such other parts of the Evangelical United Brethren Church as the General Conference or the Board of Bishops may direct.

He is to observe the whole of our church *Discipline* in its official functions and according to the word of God watch faithfully over the flock of Christ, feeding them with wholesome doctrine and guiding them with strict discipline. He is to call together annually the conference superintendents of his area for the purpose of consultation and planning for the promotion of the interests of The Evangelical United Brethren Church. I think all of us who are responsible members of this body are aware of these high duties. Let us prepare to vote for one elder to this important office by having a period of silent prayer. Let us pray.

(Silent prayer.)

Bishop Heininger: "... in the Savior's name. Amen." Will the voting members of the conference prepare a ballot of one name. Start collecting the ballots . . . when they have been collected the ballot is closed. The tellers will withdraw and make their report at their convenience. (DCA 44-45.)

Petitions and References to the Uniting Conference

Bishop Heininger: We will ask *Dr. Paul V. Church* to come forward and deal with petitions and references to the Uniting Conference.

Paul V. Church: Mr. Chairman, we received numerous petitions from conferences, agencies and other groups to the Uniting Conference. All have been submitted to Dr. Wesley Hole and are being properly processed by him and will be presented to the Uniting Conference. There were three petitions which came from annual conferences, that were processed in a different way. All three were looked at by the General Council of Administration and they were passed on by reference to the Joint Commission. The Joint Commission has a recommendation on these three petitions. We could either handle this now, Mr. Chairman, or we could hold it until the Council reports this afternoon, which I believe would probably be the better procedure. (DCA 45.)

Bishop Heininger: I wonder if we could have a motion to approve this transmission of petitions to the Uniting General Conference. The conference voted this reference. (DCA 45.)

Question Regarding Petitions Referred—Emerson D. Bragg

Dr. Bragg: Mr. Bishop, do you want these petitions identified by name in the record?

Bishop Heining: We do. And Dr. Church will see that that is done. (DCA 45.)

These petitions are given as numbered, and by name, source of origin, and reference to committee in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, pp. 77-90; 137-149.

Recess Declared by Bishop Heining

Bishop Heining: Are there miscellaneous items that we can care for at the moment? If not, may I suggest we stand for a brief period. We have a group of reports to receive.

Business Session Resumed

Bishop Heining: Will the conference please be in order. Thank you.

Presentation of Overseas Delegates—Dr. Edwin Fisher

Bishop Heining: I am going to ask *Dr. Edwin Fisher* to present the General Conference delegates from overseas by name, and ask these persons to stand as their names are called.

Dr. Edwin Fisher: Mr. Chairman, it is indeed a joy to welcome representation from the overseas Conferences of our church and representation from affiliated churches overseas. We will call the names of the overseas delegates and ask the people please to stand at the places where they are as their names are introduced here: from Switzerland, *Superintendent Roser*; and Mr. Gautschi; Will you please remain standing? From East Germany, *Superintendent Eckstein*, *Superintendent Falk* and the *Rev. W. Meinhardt*. From South Germany, *Supt. Gaeher*, the *Rev. Sticher*; from West Germany, *Supt. Mohr*, *Supt. Harriefeld*; from Sierra Leone, *Supt. Carew*, and Mr. S. H. Thomas; from our Special Missions Conference overseas in Puerto Rico, the *Rev. Ishmael Diaz*. Fraternal representatives from overseas churches: from Hong Kong, Church of Christ in China, *Dr. Peter Wong*, General Secretary. From the Dominican Evangelical Church, the *Rev. Nestor Lira*. Because of the interesting relationship in the Philippines between the United Church of Christ in the Philippines and the Philippines Methodist Church, by special action, the Board of Missions of our Church invited two representatives from the United Church of Christ in the Philippines. They are: *Bishop O. G. Fonceca* and *Dr. E. C. Sobrepna*; from the United Evangelical Church in Ecuador, the *Rev. Alfonso Vasquez*. Mr. Chairman, we thank you very much. (DCA 45.)

Bishop Heining: We are very glad to have these friends from overseas join us in support of the cause.

Bishop Emeritus George E. Epp Presented

Bishop Heining: There is a gentleman seated here at the table of the Board of Bishops whom we would like to recognize particularly. I refer to our esteemed colleague, George Edward Epp. Bishop Epp will you please stand?

The conference stood to greet Bishop Epp.

Wives of Bishops Introduced

Bishop Heininger: There are some ladies seated somewhere in the balcony, I believe; the wives of the Bishops. I am a bit partial to these ladies, to one in particular. I would like to have these ladies please stand wherever they happen to be: the wives of the Bishops and widows of Bishops who are here.

The conference stood to honor these women with applause.

Dr. O. T. Deever Presented

Dr. A. G. O'Dell (Indiana South): Mr. Chairman, I would suggest, in fact I move, that special recognition be given to *Dr. O. T. Deever*. I understand that this is his 17th General Conference in attendance.

Bishop Heininger: Where is Brother Deever? We are very grateful to you, Doctor, for your contribution to the on-going life of our church across the years.

The conference stood to salute this fine veteran servant of the Church.

Reports by General Church Agencies

Bishop Heininger: We will now turn to a series of important reports. Will you notice on the third page of your folder the eleven o'clock period for reports from boards, institutions and agencies? We have agreed that because of the nature of our conference, instead of prolonged presentations, each executive will have two minutes to present the report as printed. May we ask that these executives be ready and at a microphone in the order mentioned in print, that they identify themselves in their first sentence. We will call upon Bishop Howard to report for the Board of Bishops. (*DCA* 46.)

Report of Board of Bishops—Bishop J. G. Howard

Bishop Howard: We did not get the report of the Board of Bishops into the *Blue Book* so you have in your hands, or should have, three mimeographed sheets. One the regular report, page one, the report where we tell about the interpretations which we have made. We made an interpretation as to the eligible delegates for adjourned session; page 2, we made an interpretation of paragraph 275 and 279, and an interpretation of paragraph 125 that is on page one and two of the regular report. You hold in your hands a supplemental report; this was business that we transacted after we reached Dallas here last week. It has to do with the relations of the Montana Conference to the denomination. The Montana Conference challenged a number of rulings of Bishop Sparks and appealed the decision of the chair and the appeals were referred to the Board of Bishops. The Board of Bishops in each case sustained Bishop Sparks and you will find that report in the supplemental report. (Appendix, page 1570.)

Yesterday the Board of Bishops was asked to interpret two other paragraphs in the *Discipline* and I did not have a chance to get these mimeographed since this just happened late yesterday afternoon, so I will read them. With reference to the meaning of the paragraph 376, Items 1, 2, 3, 4 under the heading Retirement Allowance for General Church Officers. It is the interpretation of the Board of Bishops that this disciplinary statement means, that in determining retirement allowances for general church officers, all the years of service in any general board or agency whether in the EUB Church or The United Methodist Church shall count toward the service record of a general

church officer or staff member. I think that is clear that, as we make the transition from the EUB Church to The United Methodist Church, years of service shall accumulate in both denominations.

This is the second item. Voted with reference to the meaning of paragraph 377 under the heading "Retirement Allowance for General Church Officers." It is the interpretation of the Board of Bishops that this rule was designed to protect the general church officer who had met the qualifications for retirement allowance in terms of his tenure but was then involuntarily separated from active service in his office before retirement or for disability. This paragraph 377, therefore, qualifies the person concerned to make an appeal to the Council on World Service and Finance of The United Methodist Church which agency in consultation with the general secretary of the Board of Pensions shall be responsible to make a decision of each case according to its merits. Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of the report of the Board of Bishops.

Bishop Heininger: Is there a second?

Is it clear to the members of the conference that the Board of Bishops have the power to determine by a majority vote all disputed questions of the law of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, especially as to the interpretation of the church *Discipline*, and that such an interpretation is binding upon the entire Evangelical United Brethren Church until the next General Conference, at which time they shall be thoroughly studied and presented to the General Conference in form to be incorporated into the Law of the Church? A report of our secretary indicates what these interpretations have been. We require your endorsement. Your vote to approve indicates that endorsement. Are there any questions? Are you ready to vote?

All in favor please say Aye. (Vote: Aye)

Opposed?

You have approved the report of the Board of Bishops. (DCA 46.)

Presentation of Mrs. Jean Weaver—Dr. Paul Church

Bishop Heininger: The Council of Administration.

Dr. Paul V. Church: Mr. Chairman, before making a statement I would like to have the privilege—across the years there is one on the platform this morning who has served the church in a quiet way, no one but those of us who have worked closely with her realize the tremendous contribution which Mrs. Jean Weaver as personal secretary to the Executive of the Council of Administration has made to the life of our denomination. She began her service in 1923 and if I calculate it right, this is 45 years devoted service which is the better part of a lifetime, I believe. I am not a person, I think, who is given to superlatives and I know that often I am criticized for lack of giving praise where praise is much deserved. I cannot speak too highly of the services that have been rendered here and of the debt that the church owes to Mrs. Weaver. I would like to have her stand. (DCA 46.)

(Mrs. Weaver stands and receives applause)

Mrs. Jean Weaver (Secretary, Executive Council of Administration): It has been a high privilege for me to serve in this relationship and it has been a benediction to my life that every moment of it has been a pleasure and a joy and I am the one to be grateful for this opportunity and for serving under these wonderful people for whom it has been my privilege to serve and for the fellowship that I have had. In the words of the Psalmist I would say, "My cup runneth over." Thank you. (DCA 46.)

Report of Council of Administration—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: Mr. Chairman, the report of the General Council of Administration is found on pages one to 17 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1597.) May I say that there are a few copies of the Blue Book available for some of you who may have forgotten them. If you will raise your hands, maybe one of the ushers will distribute them. The report of the Council simply deals with those items which were referred to it; the action of the Council on the items is first of all stated and then there follows the petition on which the action was taken. These are all matters of reports. There will be a further report by the council this afternoon, and certain ones that will need some endorsement by the Conference. Mr. Chairman, I submit the reports of the Council and will submit the other reports in response for interpretation. (DCA 46.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve the report of the Council of Administration? Is it seconded? Are there any comments or questions? We have the understanding that certain items will be presented later. All in favor of approving the report will please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 46.)

Report of Department of Health and Welfare—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: Mr. Chairman, the Department of Health and Welfare report is not printed. I simply have a brief statement to make regarding the work that the department has done. Our primary job has been the review of Home constitutions and the recommendation to the General Council of Administration for approval of these revised constitutions. These constitutions for the most part needed revision at the point of making the amendment of the constitution possible by the Annual Conference in which the home is located rather than by the General Conference and the election of Boards of Trustees rather than the General Conference. All the constitutions have been brought into order so that they follow this recommendation. The other major work of the department has been to work with the Board of Hospitals and Homes in The Methodist Church, arranging for procedures to which the interest of our Homes and their financial support would be continued in The United Methodist Church. Mr. Chairman, I submit the report.

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve this oral report of the Department of Health and Welfare? Is it seconded? Any questions to Dr. Church on it? If not, all in favor of approving the same, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 46, 47.)

Report, Department of Communications—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: In the area of the Department of Communications, our primary responsibility has been working with TRAFCO and Methodist Information and in preparation for the coverage of the Conferences here in Dallas. Methodist Information and TRAFCO have already begun to serve our constituencies and we have profited from their services and we look forward to the fine services that we will receive from these agencies in the future, which in our church we were not able fully to offer. We submit the report. (DCA 47.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve the oral report of the Department of Communications? Is it seconded? All in favor please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 47.)

Report of Program Council—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: Reporting for the Program Council; immediately following the General Conference in Chicago, our Program Council decided that we would not do further program projection until the outcome of the vote on union would be known. We had done our planning and our programming through 1968 at that time. The decision proved to be wise in view of the vote that came. However, the Program Council has proved to be invaluable during these closing days in the life of our church, since the staff has been able to communicate to make decisions of real importance relative to the union matters, and we feel that during this period between the Conference in Chicago and present time, a real contribution has been made by the Program Council. I submit the report, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve the oral report of the Program Council? Seconded? All in favor of approving the same, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 47.)

Report of the Statistician—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: One of the reports that is not on the agenda for which I am responsible is that of the General Church Statistician. The complete statistics for the year, the calendar year 1966, appeared in the Yearbook and we will not refer to them. We had hoped that we would have a more complete report of 1967 statistics for this General Conference but our Conference reports have not come in to make this possible. However, I can report that as of this date 21 of our 32 conferences have reported. The picture that is presented in terms of membership gain and loss is not one of which we can be proud. We must report that of these conferences with 11 still to report, we have a net loss of 5,209 members. Only two conferences registered any gain during the past year—Ohio Miami and Ohio Sandusky are the only two conferences who registered gains. I submit the report, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Heininger: You heard the report of the statistician. Is there a motion to approve it? Is it seconded? It contains food for thought and planning and prayer. All in favor of the report, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 47.)

Report of Church Trustees—Dr. Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: Reporting for the Board of Trustees, we would report that our primary activity has centered around two houses which were purchased, adjoining the property on which our administrative offices are located in Dayton, Ohio. One of these houses was torn down, parking space being made of the lot. We had certain legal problems in relation to the other one. These legal problems have been cleared. The Council in its last meeting voted to supplement funds which would be available this year with Council funds, to clear the indebtedness on these houses and this indebtedness has now been cleared. We would report that the debt on the administrative offices

building has been reduced to \$525,000. We submit the report. The report is not in the book. (DCA 47.)

Bishop Heininger: You have heard the report of the Board of Trustees. Is there a motion to approve the same? It is moved. Is it seconded? Any questions? All in favor of approving the report of the Board of Trustees, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 47.)

Report of Department of Stewardship—Nelson Stants

Bishop Heininger: Do I understand, Dr. Church, that there will be another report on Stewardship? We will now hear Nelson Stants report for the Department of Stewardship.

Nelson Stants: The report for the Department of Christian Stewardship is recorded on pages 18 and 19 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1613.) I would refer merely to Item 2, point 1 on page 18, and I will read it. "To separate the Division of Stewardship and Finance from the Board of The Laity and create a separate Board of Stewardship rather than adopt the proposed structure provided in Section 13, paragraph 1251 to 1329, Plan of Union, Part 4, revised." A dissertation is going from the Department of Christian Stewardship as a result of the unanimous vote by the general department to the Uniting Conference. And I might state briefly three reasons. It is our conviction that a separate Board of Stewardship would have greater freedom to operate and to present the claims of stewardship upon the entire membership of The United Methodist Church in a more adequate manner. It is also our belief that as a separate board a more adequate budget, with a larger staff, could be realized. It is also our understanding that a separate board might be represented in its membership by those with great experience, interest and background in this particular area. And this is not presently true. In the present legislation as proposed, or as approved and as further proposed in the Board of The Laity, this particular matter will be brought first of all to the Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy. Thank you. I submit this. (DCA 47.)

The conference voted to approve the report of the Department of Stewardship. (DCA 47.)

Report of the Central Conference of Europe—J. Gaehr

Bishop Heininger: I am going to invite Brother J. Gaehr, of South Germany, to come to the platform microphone here and make a brief presentation on behalf of our work in Europe. While Brother Gaehr is coming will Brother Carew assume a place where he can easily come to the platform and following him, John Schaefer.

J. Gaehr: Mr. Chairman, members of this General Conference, the Central Conference in Europe at its last session in April, 1967, was an extraordinary session. At the same time and at the same place there was a session of the German Central Conference of The Methodist Church. Our Central Conference had to evaluate resolutions and possibilities the General Conference of Chicago had made, especially to adopt Part 4 of the *Discipline*. Now before us is the first session of the Uniting Central Conference of the Church in Germany. It approved, I think, in principle, Part 4 of the *Discipline* as adopted. Furthermore, it will be the task of the German Central Conference to elect a bishop. Then it can lay the groundwork for the merger of the annual conferences. There will be four conferences in Germany; four or five, excuse me. The EUB's in Germany are sorry that our Brethren of Switzerland with this General Conference are going automatically to

the Central and Southern European Central Conference. But they shall continue to be brethren in Christ in one Church.

The West Berlin District of the East Germany Conference is petitioning the Uniting Conference for the right to create a West Berlin Conference in Germany. The General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church hereby endorses this appeal for the creation of such a West Berlin Conference. Thank you. (DCA 47, 48.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve this report from the Central Conference of Europe presented by Brother Gaehr? It is moved. Is it seconded? Bishop Mueller, do you wish to add anything to the presentation? (DCA 48.)

Bishop Mueller: No, I do not. I won't take the time. This has been a wonderful work, with harmony in those parts in Europe and with groups. I want to raise the question as to whether the petition of the East Germany Conference of the West Berlin segment has been presented properly? Is that going through? Dr. Eckstein, can you tell us? Brother Eckstein, would you please go to the microphone? Brother Herbert Eckstein is superintendent of the East Germany Conference with residence in West Berlin. (DCA 48.)

Dr. Eckstein: Mr. Chairman, members of the conference: in Berlin we are two parts of the two conferences of The Methodist Church and the EUB Church, and now we belong to the East Germany Conference and to The Methodist Church—belong to the Northeast Conference and the members of the two conferences in West Berlin voted to present a petition to become their own conference for West Berlin. And this petition went to the Commission too for study and we hope that we get the permission to be one conference in West Berlin. (DCA 48.)

Bishop Mueller: Mr. Chairman, may I make a comment? I am only concerned that this petition have the endorsement of the Evangelical United Brethren General Conference so that when it goes before the Uniting Conference it has the weight of that endorsement which would recommend that you have the right to constitute a special conference for West Berlin. This is your request, is it not? (DCA 48.)

Dr. Eckstein: Yes.

Bishop Mueller: Instead of just a provisional conference but a regular conference for West Berlin.

And, if this could be added to Brother Gaehr's report as just a statement at the end (the secretary can add it), it would help us in processing this through.

Bishop Heininger: Would the conference permit the addition of this technical item to the report of Brother Gaehr? If so, please say agreed. (DCA 48.)

Conference: Agreed.

Bishop Heininger: Any opposed? It is incorporated. We now have a motion before us to approve the report of the Central Conference of Europe. All in favor, please say Aye.

Conference: Aye.

Bishop Heininger: Any opposed? It is approved. (DCA 48.)

Dr. Bragg: Do I understand correctly that the record should show in regard to this last report that we endorse this petition and refer it to the Uniting Conference?

Bishop Heininger: That is the sense of the action, yes, thank you.

Report of the Sierra Leone Conference—Dr. B. A. Carew

Bishop Heininger: We will now have Bishop Howard present Superintendent Carew.

Bishop Howard: Mr. Chairman, one of my pleasant duties is to

preside at the Sierra Leone Conference. At this last session in February they voted to have one superintendent rather than two. One full time superintendent rather than two part time, and they elected as the full time superintendent of the Sierra Leone Conference *Dr. B. A. Carew*, and I am pleased to present him at this time. (DCA 48.)

Dr. Carew: Mr. Chairman, members of this conference, it is my joy to report that we are making progress in Sierra Leone. Just as has been expressed by the Bishop, we elected one full time superintendent with the aim of making more progress. In the recent session we also voted that we shall go with the parent body to unite with The Methodist Church. While we prepare our minds to encourage the uniting with other religious bodies, or to effect union with them, we prepare our minds to join the Methodists in Liberia. We pray that you continue to pray for us. Our country is not steady. We now have an army government and we are hoping to go back to civilian rule soon, but I don't know when because just a few days ago we had a coup. So there is real confusion. I ask that you continue to pray for our Conference. (DCA 48.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve this report from Sierra Leone?

(Motion made from delegate on floor)

Bishop Heininger: Is it seconded? We are very grateful to have this friend here to interpret the work over there for us; to give leadership. All in favor of approving the report, please say Aye.

The Conference voted approval (DCA-48)

Report of the Board of Missions—*Dr. John Schaefer*

Bishop Heininger: We will now recognize *John Schaefer*.

Dr. John Schaefer: Chairman, members of the General Conference, and friends; a report of the Board of Missions is found on pages 52 to 65 in the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1646.) These reports should be read against the present world situation, which is a very critical one; our war in Vietnam, Civil War in Nigeria, revolutions in parts of the world. Furthermore, the National Division Report should be read against the backdrop of the crisis that now confronts our nation.

In the Report of the Board of Missions, the first report is that of the General Secretary, which outlines the implementation of the reorganization of the Board, which was voted by the General Conference in Chicago. The next report on the Division of World Missions, seeks to give a review of what has been accomplished by the Evangelical United Brethren Church since we united at Johnstown, Pa., to this present hour.

The report of *Dr. Klump*, which is the report of the National Division, goes in a different direction. He outlines in vivid fashion some of the challenges that confront us this day as we move to mission on six continents; and the report of *Miss Marion Baker* outlines the tremendous support which the women of the church have given to local church programs as well as to missions at home and overseas. I wish to express appreciation to the three Bishops who have acted as officers of the Board of Missions during these years: *Bishop Heininger*, our Chairman and Vice-President, *Bishop Howard*, and *Bishop Sparks*.

I wish also to pay respect to *Mrs. Grove*, who served as president of the Women's Division and to *Carl Eschbach* a pastor who served without remuneration as chairman of the Resources Division. Mr.

Chairman, I would not feel right if I did not ask the members of the staff of the Board of Missions to stand. If you would just turn around, they are sitting in the back two rows of the theatre. If they would stand I would express appreciation to each of the people who have carried on for you the mission to six continents. Thank you very much.

Bishop Heininger: As we move through these reports I know we all feel that the pressure of time puts the whole matter out of perspective. We are, however, grateful for these reports. Is there a motion to approve the report of the Board of Missions?

Are there any questions?

If not, all in favor please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Opposed?

The report is approved. (DCA 49.)

Report of the Board of Christian Education—Dr. E. Craig Brandenburg

Bishop Heininger: We now call upon *Dr. E. C. Brandenburg* to report for the Board of Christian Education.

Dr. Brandenburg: Mr. Chairman, members of the Board of Bishops, and our Delegates and friends of the General Conference: Our report is on page 25 (Appendix, page 1620); it will seem to you like it may be a long report. There are two reasons for this: one, we had some historical documents we wished to incorporate. Number two, we had some items we wanted to carry to the Board on going to the new church which are unfinished projects that are to be carried on. You will find our report under four divisions, the General Administration, Staff Responsibilities and Functions, and then number three is a review of the work of the three Divisions, the Division of the Local Church, the Division of Higher Education, and the Division of Curriculum, Research and Development. You will find listed in this report beginning on pages 46, 47, 48, the outlining and the names of the new material that will be used in The United Methodist Church that our Board has approved. We are bringing these to you for your information so that you will have this information as we move to use of our new materials on September 1, of this year.

We are most happy to report to you that we have been able through our Committee to work jointly for four years with the Methodists, and two years very specifically, in outlining a new set of materials that are being brought not for your consideration, but for your information, to be used in the new church; and most of this is new material of which we are exceedingly proud. I would like for you, on page 50, to read the word which really reflects the idea and the thought that comes from your staff as we look to the future.

Mr. Chairman, I would like then for the members of our staff to stand to be recognized by the Conference, and I would like for Dr. W. R. Montgomery, who gave about 23 years to the work of the Board, to stand with the staff in his relationship. Will you stand please?

This is our report, Mr. Chairman. (DCA 49.)

Bishop Heininger: You have heard the report of the Board of Christian Education. Is there a motion to approve it? Is it seconded?

We are very grateful to those who have carried forward this work so well.

All in favor of approving this report, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed?

The report was approved. (DCA 49.)

Report of the Board of Evangelism—Rev. Joseph Yeakel

Rev. Yeakel: Mr. Bishop, it is probably significant and symbolic that the report of the Board of Evangelism is to be squeezed in between Christian Education and Publications this morning. The scientific historian tells us that the real action is the places where two forces are putting the pressure on something else, and we believe that Evangelism is at the point of that pressure, it is somewhat like biting down on a peanut-butter sandwich.

We do believe that according to our report, and according to our experiences with the Methodist Board of Evangelism, the need to challenge the church in the days ahead is in this particular area of the church. Consequently, we have been trying to gear ourselves to that effort, and our report on pages 23 and 24 reflects the activities of your staff in the interim between Chicago and today.

Permit me, if you will, to recognize the Rev. *Reuben Job* who is sitting in the back of the theatre, who will be kind enough to stand, and also we have already recognized *Dr. Deever*, the First Secretary of the Board of Evangelism, who constantly gives us assistance along the way. Also, *Dr. Ralph Holdeman*, former Secretary, who is with us this morning, and I think to complete the lineup, *Dr. John Knecht* is also present, and that is about as well as we can do.

May I take an opportunity also to express our thanks to Bishops Milhouse and Heininger for their guidance, and also to record in the record the faithful services of Miss Lois Pottle who is the Administrative Assistant of our Board and has served in this capacity from the beginning of the Board until this present time. We thank you for the opportunity to make this report. (DCA 49.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve the report of the Board of Evangelism? Is it seconded?

Before we vote on it I want to say some of us had the opportunity to attend the joint meeting of these agencies in Atlanta; we are impressed by the way in which our leadership has already become active members of the outgoing team for The United Methodist Church.

All in favor of approving the report of the Board of Evangelism, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed?

The report was approved. (DCA 49.)

Report of the Board of Publication—Donald A. Theuer

Bishop Heininger: Mr. Theuer will present the report of the Board of Publication.

Donald A. Theuer: Mr. Bishop, I have been called upon to feed but I have never been called upon to meet the press. I asked Joe Yeakel whether it is whole wheat, rye, or enriched white. Our report is found on pages 69 through 78, including the report of the publisher, report on church school publication, report for *Church and Home*, for *Dr. Curtis Chambers*. (Appendix, page 1661.) I would like to make a verbal addition to the report that we are submitting in bound copy of the official executive committee, and the board session minutes for meetings held since the 41st Session of Conference.

This is a complete and correct copy of the proceedings of the meeting and all the official actions of the board. I would like to express my appreciation to our staff during a very busy and sometimes difficult period. Special thanks go to *Dr. Hazenfield* and his dedicated work as Executive Editor for Publications, and *Dr. Curtis Chambers* for the very significant job as editor of *Church and Home*. One of the first notices that you will find on your desk, as ministers, regarding union will be the receipt of a copy of the *Christian Ethic*, a very significant

journal of The United Methodist Church. It will be made available to the church through the Board of Education to all the ministers on our mailing list. I would like the privilege, Mr. Chairman, to read the last paragraph of my report.

"It is exciting to contemplate the significant contribution that our Board of Publication will make to The United Methodist Church. Physical and financial assets of ten million dollars will continue to be used in the furtherance of our mission to publish the Good News. What more important knowledge and experience of about 650 persons will be immeasurably valuable as The United Methodist Church becomes a vital force for Jesus Christ in our time. It is therefore exciting to be in the midst of planning for the future. We solicit your continued friendship." (DCA 49.)

Bishop Heining*er*: Will you approve the report of the Publisher of our Board of Publications?

It is moved. Is it seconded?

Any questions or comments, if not all in favor please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 49.)

Report of the Board of Pensions—Dr. Harley E. Hiller

Bishop Heining*er*: We call upon Dr. H. E. Hiller to report on the Board of Pensions.

Dr. Hiller: Bishop Heining*er*, members of this General Conference: The brevity of my report is no indication of the important work which the Board of Pensions has been doing in the life of our denomination. You will find my report on pages 66, 67 and 68 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1659.) We have now been able to come to an auditor's report of our assets in the Board of Pensions, the precise listing of our assets, and are glad to report that following the transfer of the printing establishment equities to the Board of Pensions, at the Chicago General Conference, we now have assets book value in excess of \$25,000,000.

At a meeting with the General Board of Pensions of The Methodist Church on Friday afternoon and evening of this past week, we discovered that in the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church, we will have assets of market value in excess of \$250,000,000, which is one-quarter of a billion.

I would like at this time to thank Bishop Herrick for his work and leadership in the Board of Pensions, serving as our President. We would like to take all of the present members of our Board of Pensions over into the membership of the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church. This we cannot do. However, we will be represented well in the General Board of Pensions of The United Methodist Church.

I would like at this time to introduce some very important people in staff relationships in the Board of Pensions, but before I do this, may I present again to this General Conference, Brother Chairman, the Executive Secretary Emeritus of the Board of Pensions, *Dr. John H. Ness, Sr.* We would like to have him stand if he will. He rendered long and distinguished service in the Board of Pensions of our denomination. I would like also to introduce the Treasurer of our Board, the *Rev. G. L. Fleming*, minister of the Ohio Sandusky Conference; and *Dr. Sherman A. Cravens* who has done a very fine job with us in the short period of time, a member of the Illinois Conference, *Dr. Cravens*.

We are going to have a meeting of the Early Birds tomorrow morning at the Adolphus Hotel at 6:45, which will be the last annual

meeting of the Board of Pensions. Because of the historical character of this meeting, we are going to take particular pains to write into the minutes of this last annual meeting of the Board of Pensions of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, a considerable amount of very valuable and historical data. We will also write into that record the final audited report up to December 31, 1967. (DCA 97.)

Dr. Hiller: Brother Bishop, this is my report to this General Conference.

Bishop Heininger: Will you approve the report of the Board of Pensions? Is it seconded? Are there any questions to the Executive Secretary?

All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed?

It is approved. (DCA 97.)

Report of the General Church Treasurer—Dr. Cawley H. Stine

Bishop Heininger: Dr. C. H. Stine will take the microphone.

Dr. Stine: Mr. Bishop, Board of Bishops, and Members of our General Conference: The General Church Treasurer's report for the fiscal year of 1967 had not been properly audited at the time the Blue Book was printed. Therefore, you have received this morning as you came into this theatre a supplementary report which is now, of course, in your hands, which gives the details, and also the reports for 1966 and 1967. At the General Conference in 1966 in Chicago we reported up to December 31, 1965, taking this report, and adding it to the report at that time, we have the entire report up to December 31, 1967. (Appendix, page 1573.)

These reports, as has been indicated, have been properly audited for each fiscal year, 1966 and 1967. For further details, any questions or investigations you wish to make, if you will come to Room 300 of this particular building, we will be glad to try to help you understand the situation if you will inquire and request it there. So, therefore, that is the report of the Treasurer. (DCA 97.)

Bishop Heininger: Will you approve the Report of the Treasurer? Is it seconded?

Any questions or comments? If not, all in favor of approving this report, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed? It is approved. (DCA 97.)

Report of the Department of Christian Social Action—Dr. Cawley Stine

Bishop Heininger: Now Dr. Stine will report for the Department of Christian Social Action.

Dr. Stine: Mr. Chairman, the report of Christian Social Action is found on pages 19, 20 and 21 in the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1614.) The record there indicates the activities that have been carried forward, and I might say here that we have had very fine fellowship with the General Board of Social Concerns of The Methodist Church, co-operating and working with them in every possible way. We delighted to share with them; to come in and help make plans for the United Church. We were glad to do this as far as our time and effort was possible.

We are looking forward to greater things in the days ahead for the simple reason we will have a representative on the General Board from our denomination beginning July 1, of this particular year. So, with the limited staff and also limited finances, we have endeavored

to carry forward, and we are very hopeful that in the new church greater things will be accomplished. The report is as you have here in the Blue Book. (DCA 97.)

Bishop Heininger: Is there a motion to approve the report of the Department of Christian Social Action?

It is moved. Is it seconded? All in favor, please say Aye.

Any opposed? It is approved. (DCA 97.)

Report of the Committee on Chaplaincy and National Service —Dr. C. H. Stine

Bishop Heininger: Now the Chaplaincy.

Dr. Stine: The report of the Chaplaincy and National Service Committee is found on pages 21 and 22 in the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1616.) You will notice there that we have 71 active duty Chaplains, full time or part time, including the Veterans' Administration. Some of these men are here to attend this Conference for which we are very happy and very proud of them. Also, I wish to state that we have been working very closely with the Board of Chaplains of The Methodist Church, and at the conclusion of this conference, of course, as we unite, all our Chaplains will be included and on the same basis then as the Chaplains of The United Methodist Church.

We are proud of the work that they have been doing, and we pray God's blessing upon them as our missionaries in uniform as they continue in this new endeavor, and if I may, Mr. Bishop, I would like to meet the Chaplains who are attending this Conference here to my left, your right, at the adjournment of this particular session. (DCA 97.)

Bishop Heininger: Will you approve the report of the Department of Chaplaincy? It is moved. Is it seconded?

All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed? It is approved. (DCA 97.)

Report of Historical Society—Dr. John Ness, Jr.

J. H. Ness, Jr.: Mr. Chairman, *John Ness, Jr.* of the Historical Society. Our report is listed on pages 79-81 (Appendix, page 1670), and we will not take time to lift up any of the items there. When we had our meeting, though, late in March, there was a resolution that was approved on the basis of our incorporation and the fact that our Constitution requires members to be elected by the General Conference, vacancies to be filled by the Council of Administration, and in view of the fact that there may be a vacancy between this time and the time when we unite into the Commission on Archives and History. Because our incorporation needs to keep a full board up to that point, we would like to present this resolution if we may at this time, for approval.

WHEREAS, the *Discipline* of The Evangelical United Brethren Church indicates that vacancies on the Trustee Board of the Historical Society of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, a nonprofit Ohio corporation, may only be filled by the General Conference or the General Council of Administration of the Evangelical United Brethren Church;

WHEREAS, it is possible that a vacancy may occur on the Trustee Board of the Historical Society prior to its merger with the Association of Methodist Historical Societies in late 1968;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Historical Society recommends to the General Conference that it be empowered to fill any and all vacancies that may occur on its Trustee Board.

Bishop Heininger: You have heard the report of the Historical Society, which includes this resolution. Is there a motion to approve the report, including the endorsement by this General Conference of the resolution?

(Motion made by Delegate.)

Bishop Heininger: It is moved. Is it seconded? (Seconded.) Are there any questions concerning it? If not, all in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.)

Any opposed? Your report is approved and the resolution endorsed. (DCA 97, 98.)

Report of Commission on Church Union—Dr. Paul Washburn

Bishop Heininger: I now call upon Dr. Paul Washburn to report for the Commission on Church Union. (DCA 98.)

Paul Washburn: Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen: You will find no report in the small Blue Book from the Commission on Church Union, but about January 15, you did receive from the Publishing House a copy of the large Blue Book and a copy of the White Book. Now, these I am sure you have studied and restudied and now are prepared to debate and decide upon them during these days.

Tomorrow you will receive an additional report from the Joint Commissions on Union, which presents additional revisions and additional resolutions, which we want dealt with by the Uniting Conference. We know that you have received from us an abundant report which will become the work of this Uniting Conference. Now before I conclude, I want you to see and to meet the persons who have worked with us on the Commission on Union.

I am sorry I do not have the list here. You do know that all of our bishops served, and then we had equal numbers of laymen and ministers. I would like to ask all the commissioners to stand, please, who served on the Commission on Union. (DCA 98.)

Bishop Heininger: Will you approve the report orally given from the Commission Church Union?

(Motion made by Delegate.)

Bishop Heininger: Is it seconded? (Seconded by Delegate.) All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Any opposed? The report is approved. (DCA 98.)

Report of United Theological Seminary—President John Knecht

Bishop Heininger: We will hear the report of the theological seminaries, presented by the two presidents, *John R. Knecht* and *Wayne Clymer*. (DCA 98.)

J. R. Knecht: Bishop Heininger, delegates, and friends. The report of United Theological Seminary is found on pages 84-87 of your Blue Book. (Appendix, 1675.)

I think, perhaps, one of the most significant things that we have been seeking to do at United Seminary, since the 1966 General Conference is in the area of curriculum revision. We believe that we must seek to provide the best possible training for effective ministry in our complex society.

I would like to say that the other thing that has occupied the major portion of our time has been the implication of union for the future of theological education in the United Church. We deal with this in some length on page 85. We have been at work with sister institutions, both

on the national level, the jurisdictional level, and at the conference level within Ohio itself, working with our sister Methodist schools there.

On page 86, we lift up areas of cooperation with other institutions, for these are days when we must be working not only with schools of the United Methodist Church, but with Roman Catholic institutions, secular institutions of higher learning as well. This afternoon a number of constitutional changes will be before you for United Seminary. I hope that you will give your approval to these. We certainly are hopeful that two recommendations that will be coming to the General Conference—the Uniting Conference—will be approved.

The one calls for a national study of theological education to determine how we should best deploy our theological resources of the United Church, how many seminaries we should have and where they should be located. We believe that this is a crucial matter. And also, the support for theological education which will be coming before the conference, known as the Ministerial Education Fund, or the Two Percent Plan. This has received unanimous support of all 14 schools of The United Methodist Church. We do consider this a tremendous time in which to be engaged in theological education. We appreciate the opportunity which is ours to be working at this task in this day. Thank you. (DCA 98.)

Report of Evangelical Theological Seminary—President Wayne Clymer

Bishop Heinger: Now we'll hear from Evangelical Seminary, from its president, Wayne Clymer.

Wayne Clymer: The report of Evangelical Theological Seminary is found on pages 82 and 83. (Appendix, page 1673.) In homiletical form, I should like to make three points relative to the report. Since this report was submitted, Evangelical Theological Seminary has become a charter member and an active participant in the Association of Chicago Theological Schools. We shall together be pioneering in curriculum development and cooperative work. We have also been in close conversation with Garrett Theological Seminary and will be cooperating in our program the next few years. Special attention is called to the creation of a center for research and training to encourage development.

This center was born out of two convictions—one, that no longer can the church assume that its responsibility for theological education is complete by asking a young man to take three years after his completion of college and then say we have done our bit. We now believe, as I am sure you do, that the church has responsibility for the continuing education and nurture of its clergymen. There is also the firm conviction that the hope of the future in this fluid age demands renewal and strengthening of parish life, and we are giving ourselves to research in the area of the practice of ministry, that we may make a contribution to the ongoing life of The United Methodist Church, in this area, as well as the more traditional emphases in the Master of Divinity program.

The last word I wish to speak is a word of appreciation for the years of cooperation with United Theological Seminary. The Evangelical United Brethren Church has been most fortunate in this respect, that the theological schools of this church have worked closely together since the time of merger. It has been a joy and a privilege to think together, work together, in supplying to this church a program of theological education. We trust that this same spirit of cooperative endeavor may be carried over in the United Methodist Church. Thank you. (DCA 98.)

Bishop Heinger: You have heard the two reports of the theological seminaries. All of us are indebted to these centers of incentive for our younger ministers. Is there a motion to approve their reports?

(Motion made by Delegate)

Bishop Heinger: Is it seconded? (Seconded by Delegate) We wish we had time to discuss more fully the import of these reports; however, those who are in favor of adopting the same, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Any opposed? They are approved. (DCA 98.)

Action on Constitutional Changes of Seminaries Postponed

Dr. Bragg: Mr. Bishop, these two reports on the Constitutional Revision, I believe are to be presented later today.

Bishop Heinger: May I explain that the constitutional matters referred to by the two presidents will be before us in the afternoon session, under the report.

Dr. Bragg: Will the report of the Evangelical School also be part of the record?

Bishop Heinger: Yes. Well it was part of their statement. It ought to be in the record that these items of constitutional change will be presented this afternoon, in connection with the report of the Council of Administration, through which they have been channeled. (DCA 98, 99)

Presentation by Colleges

Bishop Heinger: Now will you gentlemen all stand and let's take a look at them in a group. Kalas, you seem to be nearest the microphone. We'll call on Westmar first.

President **H. H. Kalas**, Westmar College: The report for Westmar College will be found on pages 106-110 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1697.) I shall only make a brief statement and four points.

First of all, I would like to call attention especially to the fact that there has been a complete revamp of the curriculum of Westmar College, and that is reported in the book.

Second thing I would like to reiterate is the fact that Westmar College has renewed its commitment as a part of the mission of The United Methodist Church and has endeavored to strengthen its program and church relationship.

Third, I would like especially to call the attention of this conference to the fact that this college has anticipated merger with The Methodist Church in The United Methodist Church through its relationship with Morningside College. We have a constant, almost day-to-day relationship with that college, which is twenty-three miles from us, endeavoring in every sense to maintain the integrity and the separateness of this institution, but we are constantly doing new things together. My last remark has to do with the fact that my successor as president of Westmar College has been elected. Dr. Lawrence Smith, the president-elect of Westmar College, will begin his work on July 1, 1968. (DCA 99.)

Bishop Heinger: We will now hear from Dr. Turner, president of Otterbein College.

Dr. Lynn Turner, Otterbein College: I cannot testify that the report of Otterbein College may be found on any particular page of the Blue Book because I haven't seen a Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1691.) I can say, however, that we look forward to the 125th anniversary of this oldest institution of higher learning of our church in 1971-72, and we are laying plans for that celebration.

We are also looking forward to continued cooperative work with

the Methodist institutions of higher learning in Ohio, of which there are already four. When The United Methodist Church comes into being, there will be five such institutions in our state. We have already been incorporated into their work, and we are cooperating with them. We think that higher education will be strengthened in our section of the country by the united efforts of these five very fine colleges. (DCA 99.)

Bishop Heininger: Thank you. Dr. Racey, will you report for Shenandoah College?

Dr. Forrest Racey (Shenandoah College): Since Shenandoah is the smallest of our colleges, I suppose I should take the smallest amount of time. The report of Shenandoah College and Conservatory of Music is to be found on pages 103-105 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1694.) All I can say is that we are endeavoring to fulfill all of the things which we reported in the Blue Book. Thank you. (DCA 99.)

Bishop Heininger: Thank you. Dr. I. Lynd Esch will report for Indiana Central College.

Dr. I. Lynd Esch (Indiana Central College): Bishop Heininger, I am real happy to join this parade of stars. The Bishop said he was having difficulty knowing how to present seven colleges. He's retiring. I wonder what he would do in the next General Conference with 123.

The report for Indiana Central College is found on pages 90-91 of your Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1681.) I want to express my appreciation to the entire Evangelical United Brethren Church, particularly to the supporting territory, for the fine support and cooperation that we have had through the years for our institution.

And then I would like to present three young people. The Student Council at Indiana Central College is very much interested in this Uniting General Conference, and it voted to send three official observers for our college, to report back to the student body. Those observers are present here this morning in the presence of Miss Donna Stone, Miss Majorie Schmidt, and Mr. Bob Coleman. I think they are sitting right over here in the area. We are looking forward with enthusiasm to the continued opportunity that will be ours for expanded service in Christian higher education under The United Methodist Church. (DCA 99.)

Bishop Heininger: Dr. Allen Mund, acting president of Lebanon Valley College.

Dr. Allen Mund (Lebanon Valley College): I am very happy to be here as a fellow delegate to this historic conference, and I can refer to pages 92-96 for Lebanon Valley College's report. (Appendix, page 1683.) While I am quite sure that most of you will not read the complete report, I am therefore going to take the privilege of reading just a few excerpts from it.

Much has been said these days about the future of church related colleges. And indeed, if one looks upon the financial problems, they are difficult. But to look at only the financial problems which confront us, would be to overlook challenges which are far more stimulating, encouraging, and which can be met by determined effort and sacrificial zeal. If our nation is to maintain, as most of us feel it must maintain, the diversified system of higher education; and if the church desires to continue its central influence into the development of young people, as I'm sure all of us do, then the years ahead can be glorious ones for the church and for the college. For despite all difficulties and obstacles, we can make Lebanon Valley College an ever-increasing positive force in the total program of the church by keeping its academic sights high and its spiritual tones sincere. I share with you great hope in the union and know that the new United Church will give added strength and substance to its educational arm. It will always be a privilege

and a pleasure to serve the church as a part of its great venture into the future. Thank you. (DCA 99.)

Bishop Heininger: Dr. Arthur Schultz, president of Albright College.

Dr. Arthur Schultz (Albright College): Bishop Heininger, members of the General Conference. The Evangelical United Brethren Church has been good to Albright College, and we want you to know how much we appreciate your support, interest, and prayers. The report of Albright College since the last General Conference session in Chicago appears on pages 88 and 89 in your Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1679.)

These are exciting days on our campus. We call to your attention that we are entering the very involved computer center program at Albright College. We are embarking on a baccalaureate nursing program—a four-year nursing program at Albright College, starting in 1969. Other details of the future are listed in this summary. We are proud to continue the name of Albright into The United Methodist Church. We might say that since the middle of March we have had a waiting list of freshmen students for next fall, one of the earliest times we have had to close off the admission to the college for a number of years; and a large indication of what is coming from increased applications from Evangelical United Brethren and Methodist young people in eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York.

I conclude with the final paragraph that we wrote into the Blue Book—that Albright College is grateful to the Evangelical United Brethren Church for financial support and outstanding students. These are indeed great days in which to be engaged in the work of Christian higher education. The challenges are many. The problems must be solved. More than ever, we are convinced that together with God our objectives can and will be reached, and the growth and influence of Albright College will continue to increase mightily in the years that lie ahead. We pray that God may give us all the vision, strength, courage, and dedication which we need to face the future. Thank you. (DCA 99, 100.)

Bishop Heininger: The Chair now inquires as to whether Dr. Schilling has arrived to represent North Central College. Have any other provisions been made? If not, let us have the understanding that the material on page 97, following, represents the report of North Central College. (Appendix, page 1688.) Is there a motion to approve the reports of the college presidents?

(Motion made by a delegate.)

Bishop Heininger: It is moved. Is it seconded? (Seconded by a delegate.) All in favor, please say Aye and give a good hand. (Conference vote by applause.) The reports are approved. (DCA 100.)

Report of Hillcrest Christian College

Bishop Heininger: Now we have only one other item on the college list. Who reports for Hillcrest College of Northwest Canada Conference? Will the representative from Northwest Canada Conference indicate where the report is to be found? Brother T. E. Jesske is coming forward.

T. E. Jesske: The report is found on page 123 of the Blue Book. (Appendix, page 1713.) Mr. Maetche, the president of the college, is unable to be present at this General Conference. He wrote the report. There are two things I think I would like to say. First of all, draw to your attention the Memorial Chapel which will be dedicated this summer in memory of Bishop Elmer W. Praetorius who for twenty years was the Bishop of our Conference and Bishop at the time when Hillcrest College had its beginning. Also, to state that there are plans

underway now, if approved and if they develop in which Hillcrest Christian College will assume a larger influence in cooperation with other Bible Colleges of similar nature. (DCA 100.)

Bishop Heininger: You have heard this report. Is there a motion to approve the matter under President Maetche's name which is found on page 123. Is it seconded? All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Opposed?

The report of Hillcrest College was approved. (DCA 100.)

Presentation by Benevolent Homes—J. I. LaFavre

Bishop Heininger: Will the representatives of the Benevolent Homes and administrators please present themselves here on the platform. First of all, I am going to ask these men to come to the microphone and give their name and the institution which they represent. At this moment no speeches: J. I. LaFavre, administrator of Western Home, Cedar Falls, Iowa; W. H. Nelson, administrator of Friendly Acres Home, Newton, Kansas; Fred Christman from Quincy Evangelical United Brethren Orphanage and Home, from Quincy, Pa.; Mearl Dustin, administrator of the Haven Hubbard Home of New Carlisle, Indiana; Lewis Johnson, Flat Rock Children's Home, Flat Rock, Ohio; Paul S. Wheelock, administrator of the Evangelical Home at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; William Watkins, administrator of the Pacific Evangelical United Brethren Home, Burbank, California; Herb Ryan, Evangelical Manor, Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles Dilgard, administrator-treasurer, Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio.

Bishop Heininger: The Chairman is informed that these brothers have chosen one voice to speak for the time. Who presents the speaker?

J. I. LaFavre: Bishop, members of the Conference, and friends: There is one of our members not present, Rev. O. B. Devine, Administrator of Baker Home, California. I have been drafted in the last few minutes to speak for this group, but I don't know of any group I would rather speak for and be associated with than these administrators.

I want to say to you that the Homes for the children and retired people of our church can make a real strong contribution in The United Methodist Church. I want to say to you that when you go back home, one of the finest things you can do is to encourage your local people to become acquainted with the Homes in their areas within the bounds of the Annual Conference. Probably this will be the Home that they will be associated with, they should be concerned about it, know about it, visit it and support it. There are members of some of our homes for retired people right here—active voting members in this Conference. *Dr. O. T. Deever* is one, and has already been introduced. He is a person who is a member in residence at Friendly Acres at Newton, Kansas. He is active, although he is retired; also, Mr. Frank Grandy (Ohio Sandusky), Haven Hubbard Home in New Carlisle, Indiana, a voting member of this conference. This just illustrates the fact that the people in these Homes are in the mainstream of activity in our lives; they are not always on the shelf.

I want to say, too, that the staffs of these Homes provide a very fine opportunity for Christian service and a person can be just as dedicated and do just as fine a piece of Christian service as can any other avenue of Christian activities. There is a great responsibility in these Homes to keep on making improvements and to keep constructing buildings, to keep up with the demand which we have for homes for children and aged people. There are many persons who come to our homes who do not have resources of their own and their way must be paid by somebody else. There are those who have not sufficient funds because they are on fixed incomes and therefore the amount that

they pay must be supplemented. We want to thank you people for Christmas offerings and for other contributions and bequests for support you have given for our Homes and we hope you will continue to pray for us and our Homes and continue by any avenue that you have, by an offering or by a budget, to support the Homes so that we may continue to be strong in this work of service which is ours to do. Thank you. (Applause) (DCA 100.)

Bishop Heininger: Thank you, Dr. LaFavre. Is there a motion to approve the presentation of the Benevolent Homes? Is it seconded? All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye) Opposed?

The Conference approved the reports of the Benevolent Homes (DCA 100). The reports are in the Appendix, pages 1702 ff.

Report of Special Commission on Unity—Dr. Warren Mentzer

Bishop Heininger: You will recall that we have added to this list No. 20 by your action earlier this morning. There was appointed a special committee—Commission on Unity—to negotiate with various groups. That Commission should report to the General Conference. We are asking *Dr. Warren Mentzer* to present that report at this time.

Warren Mentzer: Our Commission was appointed January 27, 1967, by the General Council of Administration under the authorization of the General Conference. We have reported as we were expected to report to the Executive Committee and to the General Council of Administration. I believe in the action this morning in the approval of the report of the General Council of Administration, which includes a report of the Commission on Unity on pages 4 through 9 (Appendix, page 1597), that we have taken action to approve our report. I wish to express appreciation for this privilege of representing the General Conference in a very serious responsibility and yet in a most unusual privilege, and I trust that the members of the Commission, there were several of us who were appointed—Dr. E. N. Funkhouser, a Layman; Mr. Rolland Osborne, a Layman; *Rev. Marvin Leist*; *Dr. Paul Washburn*; Bishop Sparks, and I serve on this Commission.

We visited these conferences upon two occasions. We are heartened by the fact that there are those who still remain loyal to the church and these persons have been going through much difficulty and many troubles. We are heartbroken by what we have found and experienced. I would pray God that even in this moment when we still have no report of any mass withdrawals of members from any of the churches, that the minds and hearts of the peoples of the Pacific Northwest and Montana Conferences might be changed and that we might experience the unity which as a Commission we sought to represent and express as representatives of this General Conference. (DCA 100, 101.)

Bishop Heininger: Doctor, could I ask you to call the names again of the persons who cooperated on this difficult assignment and have them stand if they are present.

Warren Mentzer: Dr. E. N. Funkhouser, Mr. Rolland Osborne, two laymen; *Rev. Marvin Leist*, *Dr. Paul Washburn*, Bishop Sparks.

Bishop Heininger: Will all of you please remain standing a moment? Members of this Commission, may I as a Bishop of the Church, report that our contact with your labors has indicated that you prepared yourselves in mind and heart through spiritual discipline for this difficult assignment. You have carried forward this assignment as Christian gentlemen and brothers. You have interpreted on behalf of the entire church the desire for reconciliation. You have really been mediating the love of Christ, and when in a moment we approve your report we want to say thanks for the hours of prayer and

listening and interpretation which you have contributed creatively to the on-going life of the church. We have the confidence that the fruitage of your labors will yet be realized, at least in part. Is there a motion to approve this report of this special commission? Is it seconded? All in favor, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Opposed? The report is approved, and thank you very much. (DCA 100, 101.)

Report of Tellers, Ballot for Bishop—U. S. Estilow

Bishop Heininger: I will call upon Dr. Estilow to present a report from the tellers.

Dr. Estilow: This is a report on the ballot that was lifted for Bishop; there were 399 ballots cast, none were void. Therefore, there is needed 200 for election. *Paul Washburn* received 211; *John F. Schaefer*, 27; *Warren F. Mentzer*, 27; *Paul Church*, 23; *Russell Praetorius*, 22; *Gene Sease*, 19; *William K. Messmer*, 13; *Wayne Clymer*, 9; *Kenneth Krueger*, 6; *Craig Brandenburg*, 6; *John Knecht*, 5; *Paul Horn*, 4; *T. E. Jesske*, 3; *John F. Wichels*, 3; *Joseph Yeakel*, 2; *C. R. Findley*, 2; *Harry Kalas*, 2; *Joseph Graham*, 2. The following received one vote each: *George Barth*, *William Obaugh*, *L. Magsig*, *William Wood*, *Norman Klump*, *H. Colpitts*, *John Bouldin*, *Paul Eller*, *Arthur Core*, *Kenneth Hulit*, *Paul Frees*, *Lloyd Nicholds*, *John Bergland*.

Bishop Heininger: You have elected as bishop of the Church, *Paul A. Washburn*. (This declaration of election was greeted with applause from members and visitors of the Conference.) The Chair and I request two of his brethren of the Illinois Conference, namely, *O. F. Landis* and *Sherman Cravens*, to escort the newly elected Bishop to the platform. We have arranged a proper installation of Bishop for the afternoon, but here in the climax of our morning we wish to make proper recognition of this vote and have these brethren bring the newly chosen Bishop to the platform. (Applause.)

Bishop Heininger: You may be seated. It is now my pleasant duty to fall into the pattern of our procedure in Europe. I learned over there at the conferences that when a man is chosen for an important office, after his brothers have expressed themselves with regard to their ballot, he is questioned directly as to whether he is willing to assume the responsibilities of their choice. This, I believe, is a good practice, although we will install him properly this afternoon. So I am going to ask you, Brother Paul, in the light of the judgment of your friends and delegates here, are you prepared under God to assume the responsibilities in obedience to Christ and the church?

Dr. Washburn: I am, God being my helper.

Adjournment

Bishop Heininger: Let us stand to pray. . . . And now may the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Love of God, the Father, the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all this day and ever. Amen. (DCA 101.)

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1968
AFTERNOON SESSION

Bishop J. Gordon Howard, Presiding

Opening

Bishop Howard: Will the house now be in order. You should have in your hands a copy of the program entitled "Service of Memory." This will be used in the next part of our program. Bishop W. Maynard Sparks is in charge of this service, and we now give the floor to him. (DCA 102.)

Service of Memory—Bishop W. Maynard Sparks

Bishop Sparks: The service of memory covers a period of 18 months since the adjournment of the General Conference session in Chicago. This is a very brief service, and we invite you to participate as the program may call upon you.

THE ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by this blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing! Amen.

THE LITANY OF APPRECIATION

Leader: Almighty God, before whom do stand the spirits of the living and the dead, we thy children, whose mortal life is but a hand's breadth, give thanks to thee for all those through whom thou hast blessed our pilgrimage.

Response: Thanks be to thee, O God.

Leader: For all lives that have quickened us, whose influence through the years has been a healing grace.

Response: We praise thee, O Lord.

Leader: For the dear friends and kindred of our homes whose faces we see no more, but whose love is with us for ever.

Response: We lift our thankful hearts.

Leader: For those who have been tender, true and brave in all times and places, for those who have been devoted ministers and faithful shepherds of souls in thy holy Church, and for all who have been one with thee in the communion of Christ's Spirit and in the strength of his love,

Response: We praise thee, O God, and bless thy name.

Leader: That we may behold them in continual remembrance, and ever think of them as with thee in that city whose gates are not shut by day and where there is no night,

Response: We beseech thee to hear us, O God.

Let us stand and remain standing throughout the service.

In the reading of the Record of Remembrance, there are a few names that were submitted too late for the printing. These names will be included in the reading and will be bound in the permanent journal of the work of this day.

And now in the spirit of reverence, let us give heed to the reading of the names of ministers and lay persons who have served in the General Conference sessions of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and some of them in the predecessor denominations.

California	<i>F. R. Witmer</i>	Mrs. H. C. Mallory
Eastern	<i>H. C. Hollingsworth</i>	Walter W. Bechtold
	<i>P. B. Gibble</i>	
	<i>C. E. Willson</i>	
East Germany	<i>E. Walenski</i>	
Erie	<i>Claude C. Grover</i>	
Illinois		George H. Bopp J. Willard Jacobs
Indiana South	<i>Virgil G. Hunt</i>	
	<i>L. A. Huddleston</i>	Lester A. McKinley
Iowa	<i>I. L. Baumgartner</i>	R. A. Thompson J. E. Haehlen
Kansas	<i>T. J. Miller</i>	V. L. Hall Guy Matlack
Michigan	<i>Garfield H. Kellerman, Sr.</i>	
	<i>A. LaVern Spafford, Sr.</i>	
Nebraska		A. E. Olson
Pacific Northwest		Ernest Friesen
Susquehanna	<i>Joseph H. Miller</i>	
Western Pennsylvania	<i>Frank B. Gilchrist</i>	
West Virginia		Harold Nutter
Wisconsin		John Trautmann

General Officers' Wives and Widows

Mrs. George Edward Epp
Mrs. Edna Weekley Ulrich

THE HYMN Tune: *Boylston: Servant of God, Well Done*
 Servant of God, well done!
 Rest from thy loved employ;
 The battle fought, the victory won,
 Enter thy Master's joy.
 Soldier of Christ, well done!
 Praise be thy new employ;
 And while eternal ages run
 Rest in thy Savior's joy!

(James Montgomery, 1771-1854)

THE CLOSING PRAYER

Bishop Sparks: Let us pray. Almighty God, and Father, accept we pray our spirit of gratitude this day for these faithful servants of Christ and the Church for their love and devotion within the families of which they have been a part, and for their service in the annual conferences in the episcopal areas and in the work of the general church, we honor these devoted ones. And because they have lived and loved and served so faithfully, may we take heart and as we go from this day into the larger circle of thy work, grant that we may carry with us the qualities of life that we have found in these ones that we revere this day. Grant, dear Father, that because they have lived and have had eternity within their hearts, so may we have the courage and strength to look out into the future and set the accent on eternity upon everything that we attempt to do, so that those who have preceded us will no have labored in vain. And into thy keeping we pray that they may ever be found until we shall join them in thy house not made by hands but eternal in the heavens. The peace of God keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

Recognition of Retirees—Bishop Hermann W. Kaebnick

Bishop Howard: Next on the program for this afternoon is the recognition of retirees. This service will be in charge of Bishop Hermann W. Kaebnick. We give him the floor at the present time.

Bishop Kaebnick: Bishop Howard, members of the General Conference, if the retirees would come here to the floor, the first one being Bishop Heininger, who is here. Will Dr. *Raymond Veh*, Dr. *Cawley Stine*, Dr. *Paul Price*, and Rev. *Charles Bartsch* come here to the floor so that recognition may be given at the proper time?

It is eminently fitting in this abbreviated session that we should pay grateful tribute to our general church officers who are retiring from active service. To these men, undoubtedly today active service in the church takes on the nature of reluctance to relinquish it, but this range of service is never completed in or by any one of us. It passes on toward its consummation through all of us. There are many servants but only one service—that of the Christ. There's neither novelty nor antiquity, only continuity toward a full fruition. And it is well that in this concluding General Conference session that their valedictory be heard and that their retirement be recognized.

Obviously time does not permit a lengthy tribute, and yet such a tribute could adequately express the intimate, personal affection and esteem which flow warmly from our hearts to them. Only such an expression can do justice to the sentiments of our church toward them. These men who are retiring and who are surrounding me at this moment have been loyal colleagues, untiring and selfless servants of the Christ of the church, lavish givers of themselves to their appointed tasks, persuasive speakers, beloved leaders of generations of youths, true friends, good ministers of Jesus Christ. Alike in their ministry and their assigned areas and in their endless helpfulness to the various boards and agencies in the church with which they have been identified. They have endeared themselves to all and it is with profound regret that we accept today and later on as they will relinquish their active service in accordance with the terms of their retired activity.

We accept their severance of this official active tie with our church, but we know they will always belong to us. Even in their retired relationships what they have put into the life of our Christian fellowship will go on working as witness to the reality and the vitality of their ministry. What they themselves, no doubt, will care for most of all will be true also that they will always remain cherished in our affection. Our goodwill and our prayers for them in retirement will follow them wherever they go and like the Apostle Paul, speaking of his Philippian coworkers, so we are saying of them this afternoon, we thank God upon every remembrance of them.

There's an old saying that "when you took your leave, I found God's footsteps and footprints on my floor." These servants of God have left their footprints on the church, on their families, on the Christian community, on all of the relationships of life and in paying our tribute of esteem and gratitude and affection to each of them, the highest tribute that we can say as we turn to them in affection is to assure them that they have left their footprints on our floor.

The first token of our gratitude is presented to *Harold R. Heininger* in remembrance, grateful remembrance, of your dedicated service as bishop and the term of office in the Evangelical United Brethren Church. I am privileged to present this to you, Bishop. (And after you take this, will you retain your place?) (Applause.) You may remain standing while the others join the bishop.

Presented to *Raymond M. Veh* in grateful remembrance of his dedicated service as editor of the *Evangelical Endeavor*, 1927; *The*

Evangelical Crusader, 1928-46; and *Builders*, 1948-68. It has been noted by others that Dr. Veh undoubtedly has a record of serving the church in the general office capacity for a period extending over 40 years. Dr. Veh, I'm honored to present this to you. (Applause.)

The next one is presented to *Cawley Stine* in grateful remembrance of his dedicated service as general church treasurer, director of Christian social action, and secretary for the Committee on Chaplaincy, 1955-68. Dr. Stine, I am happy to present this to you. (Applause.)

The next one is presented to Dr. Paul Price in grateful remembrance of his dedicated service as director of Church School Administration and leadership, 1955-68. (Applause.)

I am personally deeply embarrassed of the fact that it was not our knowledge and we did not become cognizant of the fact that the next one was retired by the Board of Missions and therefore your speaker did not have occasion to have a plaque cast for him, but this will be done and will be presented to him within the next few weeks. We are happy, however, to give recognition and pay tribute to *Charles G. Bartsch* in grateful remembrance of his dedication and service as regional secretary of the Board of Missions, 1959-68. Your plaque will be sent to you Dr. Bartsch. (Applause.) (DCA 102, 103.)

Response by Bishop H. R. Heininger

Bishop Heininger: Mr. Chairman, in Ecclesiastes we read that for everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven. This might be a time for me to confess as a bishop the sins charged against my administrative responsibilities for 14 years. It might be somewhat therapeutic for me thus to do. I have some sympathy for the historical fact that the man who invented the eraser for a pencil is reported to have been a man who made many mistakes. I think, however, this is the time to sing The Doxology. I have not in mind that the conference should rise and do this as a body under these circumstances, but I feel in my heart a real desire to praise God.

I thank God for the church. I thank God for the church that conveyed through dedicated parents the thought of the contagion that religion has—life to life, mind to mind in the home. I am grateful for the opportunity which this church has given to me as an individual for study and preparation to teach young men how to preach the Gospel. Thirty-two wonderful years in the classroom seeking to interpret the New Testament and Christian doctrine to those who came to Naperville for their training. I am grateful to God for the conception of the church which dawned upon my mind in 1937 through the kindness of a friend who made it possible for me to go to Oxford, England, at a time of the meeting of the Commission on Life and Work. The horizons of my mind were pushed back, the consciousness of the living church of God in the whole world dawned upon my mind as a teacher, and in the subsequent 31 years my ministry has been enlarged by that concept of the living church. I therefore am here to thank the church for the opportunities thrown my way as the bishop of the church and as a member of the various boards and agencies.

I was telling my wife the other day in thinking about this event that 51 years ago, believe it or not, I was a member of a track team. (Laughter.) I ran a mile for the Class of 1917. I recall the relief with which I passed the mace to the next member of the relay, and after these 14 years as an active bishop of the church I think it not a matter of escaping duty but rather the performance of the same. To pass on to another the privilege of this high office as we enter The United Methodist Church. (Applause.) (DCA 103.)

Richard Tholin (Illinois): Mr. Chairman, may I move that we sing The Doxology?

The Conference sang The Doxology.

Response by Dr. Raymond Veh

Dr. Veh: Mr. Chairman, friends, it is said that the funeral oration for Louis XIV of France was given in four words by the Cardinal at that time. He said, "Only God is great." I should like to put my tribute for the life which has been wonderfully enriched by so many of you and by our Church into three words: God is good. He has been good to me, in giving me forty and a half years now of editorial outreach, of good health so that we never met—or missed, I should say—have never missed a deadline in forty and one-half years. (Applause.)

We've had the privilege of having our office alongside of four of the bishops of our church and that has been, indeed, a rare privilege. We've had associations with general officers in the top level, individuals who have been in leadership in our church throughout these four decades. Indeed, it has been a rich privilege, and we must say that God is good. It has been a privilege to reach literally thousands of young people and adults in our publication outreach, in our speaking, so that we have had the privilege of influencing, if a youth generation is four years, ten generations. And that, we feel, is a great outreach and a happy privilege. God is good. We've had the privilege of a good wife who has supported us through these years. Many times we had to be away, and yet she has been faithful. We are grateful. God is good. We are grateful for the privilege of tomorrow when we want to say that we shall continue active in our church outreach and interest, but we hope to do as much speaking and writing as possible, doing the things we want to do, doing some traveling, having the privilege of serving in other ways without meeting deadlines weekly. Through it all, we want to say thank you to you and to the Christian Church, to the Evangelical United Brethren Church, for making this long tenure of service possible. God is good. (Applause.) (DCA 103 and 152.)

Response by Dr. Cawley H. Stine

Dr. Stine: Having been informed that we would not have time for responses such as this; however, realizing also that a preacher is supposed to be able to preach, pray and take up a collection at any time, I shall endeavor to respond. I am indeed most grateful to God for his goodness and his blessings to me; the opportunity to serve. I am grateful to my church for the privilege that has been afforded me. My sincere regret is, and has been, that I have not been able to do much better work than thus I have accomplished. However, we see the sense of the future. We realize the privileges and the opportunities that lie ahead and my hope and prayer is that God's rich blessings and his benediction may continue now upon The United Methodist Church. And so, after 31 years of active responsibilities and duties in the parish, coming to the general church for a period of 14 years, I express to you and to God and to my fellow men my sincere gratitude for this opportunity, and may God bless us all as we look forward into the days which are ahead. (Applause.) (DCA 152.)

Response by Dr. Paul Price

Dr. Price: Members of this General Conference, a couple dozen of you have said in the last hour or two, "Price, we can't believe it." Well, I can't believe it either, but the record of the years is written.

Dr. Charles Kachel, Bishop Epp and a few other persons should be here now because they weren't exactly around when I started. Twenty-five years ago on the 25th of April, in the session of what was then the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church, Charles Kachel reached across the secretary's desk where I was serving next to Paul Wert and said they had just nominated me to be director of Christian Education of the Conference. After a little while I was elected, so it will be 25 years within two or three days that I have been a member of the Board of Christian Education, either as a conference director or as a staff member the last 13 years. Some years before that it was my privilege to serve as minister of Education and Youth in what was then our largest church in Canada—Zion Church—by the way, that is where I met Mable and she is still with me. It has been a happy privilege for me to serve in my own conference as well as in the Canada Conference for a few years and in the work of the general church. The church does not owe me a thing. I owe her my life, my devotion, my service as long as I am privileged to render it. I shall be happy to serve another day wherever and whenever the Lord and the church call me to do the work to which my life was pledged a long time ago.

I cannot help but remember the many good words that my sainted mother and father who came out of very poor circumstances in the Northeastern Pennsylvania community used to say to me when I left for college and when I left for other tasks across the church. Mother's words to me were: "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in him and he shall bring to pass the desires of thy heart." To you my church, and The United Methodist Church, beginning tomorrow, and to all the other agencies and areas of the life and work of this denomination and the church of Christ in the world, I commit the rest of my life, God being my helper. (Applause.) (DCA 152.)

Response by Rev. Charles Bartsch

Rev. Bartsch: Members of the Conference and friends. Forty-three years ago when I entered the ministry I entered with the conviction that wherever the church called and wherever I believed the will of God was to be found there I was to go. I cannot say that this has been particularly an easy way but it has been filled with a great deal of joy and satisfaction, but as I moved along through the years, I have become conscious of the relationships that have sustained me and I am sure every one of you in this great fraternity of those who seek to minister and to be obedient to the will of God.

I think first of all of the local congregation from which I came. I am conscious of the love of those people who saw in me something that seemed to be worthwhile and who placed their confidence in me and the recommendation which was given to me for the ministry. I think of the one who walked by my side, for a good many years now across the way. I have become conscious of eternity, and another who came to take her place and I cherish the loyalty, the companionship and the faithfulness of these great ladies.

Then I think of those with whom I have been associated in my annual conference and in the general church throughout these years. I have come to appreciate that Christian fellowship is more precious than anything else in this world, and how wonderful it is to be a part of the great church of Jesus Christ, and to be a part of the great faith that binds us together and which we hope by the grace of God will grow ever more inclusive as we reach out in love to our Christian brethren here and around the world.

These things are indeed precious and as I come now to the close of my active ministry, I still shall be active in many other relationships

with the church, and I assure you that we shall continue to pray and to remember all of you before the throne of grace. We shall hope to be a part of the church vitally every day until God calls us home. We believe that our interest shall continue and because of the great debt which we owe to our beloved church, we want to be faithful to the end. May the Lord bless you all and grant you a rich day and years ahead in our new United Methodist Church. (Applause.) (DCA 152.)

Bishop Kaebnick: Bishop Howard, before these retirees leave the platform, may we invite the ladies of these who are retiring to stand, please, at this time. Mrs. Heininger, Mrs. Veh, Mrs. Stine, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Bartsch.

Installation of Bishop Paul A. Washburn

Bishop Howard: We thank all of those who have led and participated in the program so far this afternoon. I am sure this was an inspiration. Now we come to the impressive service, the installation of the newly elected Bishop. Bishop Mueller has charge of this. We will turn the meeting over to him at this time.

Bishop R. H. Mueller: It is the privilege of every one of us here this afternoon to share in this installation service where the new Bishop, whom we have elected for our church and, by that act, also have elected him to a position in the New United Methodist Church. By the Plan and Basis of Union the active Bishops of the Evangelical United Brethren Church are received on that basis into the Council of Bishops of The United Methodist Church.

Before we begin the formal ceremony or ritual of installation, it is my happy privilege to invite the family of Dr. Washburn to the platform. I would like to have Mrs. Washburn and Mrs. Ronald Smith, the daughter whom we all got acquainted with as the organist at the Chicago General Conference, and their two grandsons Allen and Phillip, and their daughter and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Eigenbrodt. If you will kindly come to the platform now and take the chairs which we have provided here as a background for this service. I think a man has a right to be surrounded by his immediate family on an important occasion such as this. In addition to that, these people made a great contribution to what Paul has become and they have a right to share in the results. (Applause.)

At the time when Mr. Francis Asbury, and I say *Mr.* Asbury because he was a layman when they started; at the time when he was chosen to be one of the first Bishops of The Methodist Church and by a rapid process of ordination moved from deacon to elder to Bishop in three days, I understand. Well, I have heard two versions of it, one was that they didn't have enough ordained elders present to have the qualified number to lay on the hands in their service of consecration. Now that is a Methodist version I picked up in Pennsylvania. The one that I always followed that came through Paul Holdcraft, our historian in the East, was that Philip William Otterbein and Francis Asbury were close personal friends. The careful study that Manning Potts has made of the personal correspondence that went on between these two men shows how intimate their friendship was. And when it came time for Asbury to be consecrated as Bishop he insisted that Philip William Otterbein should be one of those who would be present for that consecration and who would join in the laying on of hands. Now this ceremony of laying on of hands we do not have in our installation service, but I would like to at least repeat the compliment and even the story and so I have invited the Secretary of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church, Bishop Roy H. Short, of Louisville, Kentucky, to come and share in the installation service. And that ought to make both Asbury and Otterbein glad this afternoon as they are looking over the battlements and ramparts of heaven to

what is going on in Dallas, Texas during these days. So we begin this installation service with prayer . . .

"Almighty God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ, didst give unto thy apostles many good and beneficent gifts, and didst charge them to feed and tend thy flock, grant through thy Holy Spirit, we beseech thee, grace unto all thy ministering servants that they may be able so to minister the doctrine, the sacraments and Christian discipline that thy holy name may be glorified, thy church edified, and thy kingdom extended into all the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Bishop Mueller: Now, *Bishop Short*, I invite you to come to read the Scripture Lesson for this occasion.

Bishop Roy H. Short: Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. We have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways; we refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the likeness of God. For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed every day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. (II Corinthians 4.) (DCA 153.)

Bishop Mueller: Will the secretary of the General Conference please present the candidate for installation.

Dr. Emerson Bragg: Bishop Washburn, will you please stand at your place. Esteemed Bishops, in the name of the General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, I present unto you this holy man of God to be installed as Bishop of The Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you, Dr. Bragg. I would know of nothing more appropriate or fitting just now than for Bishop Heininger who was president of the Seminary during the days when Dr. Washburn attended that institution, and was a member of the congregation which Dr. Washburn served as pastor over a long stretch of years to

come and present the beginning of the charge to the candidate for this office.

Bishop Heininger: Brother Paul, the Evangelical United Brethren Church has expressed its confidence in you, in your character, in your devotion to Christ and his cause and your ability so to superintend and promote the general affairs and interests of the entire Church. The Church has signally honored you by selecting you to the highest office within her gift. The Bishop, as good steward, must be blameless, he must not be arrogant or quick tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain but hospitable, a lover of goodness, master of himself, upright, holy and self-controlled. He must hold firm to the sure word as taught so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to confute those who contradict it.

Our *Discipline* states that the duties of the Bishops of the Evangelical United Brethren Church are to oversee the spiritual and temporal concerns of The Evangelical United Brethren Church in general, to take care that everything is done according to the word of God and the order and Discipline of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. He shall travel throughout all the Annual Conferences in his area and such other parts of the Evangelical United Brethren Church as the General Conference or the Board of Bishops may direct. He is to observe the whole of the church *Discipline*, his official function and according to the word of God watch faithfully over the flock of Christ, feeding them with wholesome doctrine and guiding them with strict discipline.

He is to preside at the sessions of the Annual and General Conferences, to ordain the ministers, and to gather with the conference superintendents assigned annually to fields of labor to the ministers. He is to plan with the conference superintendents for the promotion of the interest of the whole church in his own area and to gather with his colleagues, to review the work of all the areas and departments of the church, to make recommendations to the various annual conferences, boards and institutions of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, to interpret the church *Discipline*, to present to the General Conference a message as to the state of the church and to review its work and achievements and offer helpful and expedient recommendations.

Bishop Mueller: Now Brother Paul, inasmuch as the Holy Scriptures enjoin that no man is to be placed hastily in supervision of the affairs of the church of Christ, and in order that those here may know your mind and purpose concerning this sacred office, will you in the fear of God answer the questions we ask you in the name of Christ and his church?

Will you endeavor to live soberly, righteously and godly as a Bishop in the church so that you may be an example to all others in Christian living? Then answer *I will by the help of God.*

Paul Washburn: I will by the help of God.

Bishop Mueller: Will you instruct those who come under your care out of the Word of God to the edification of the whole church and will you seek to protect the church against all doctrine contrary to the Word of God? If so, then say, *I will do so the Lord being my helper.*

Dr. Washburn: I will do so the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Mueller: Will you give diligence, faithfully to perform all the duties assigned to you as a Bishop in the church of Christ, according to the order and *Discipline* of the Evangelical United Brethren Church? Then answer, *I will by the help of God.*

Dr. Washburn: I will by the help of God.

Bishop Mueller: Will you ever seek in true humility to deal justly and kindly with your brethren in the ministry over whom you are

placed as a Bishop of the Church? Then say, *I will do so by the help and grace of God.*

Dr. Washburn: I will do so by the help and grace of God.

Bishop Mueller: The Almighty who has given you the will to do all these things grant also to you grace and strength to perform them that you may be found blameless through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I am going to invite the other members of the Board of Bishops to come and give this duly installed Bishop the right hand of Christian brotherhood and fellowship as we stand as a body.

And now will the family stand up back there too and join the circle a little closer.

The prayer of dedication is going to be prayed by our Bishop Emeritus George Edward Epp. It couldn't be more fitting or proper that he should be here to do this because of the long friendship between these two men.

Bishop George E. Epp: May we bow in silent prayer (silent prayer).

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, who by the Holy Spirit has appointed various offices and ministries in thy church, graciously behold thy servant now called to the office and the ministry of a Bishop in the church. Replenish him with Thy truth, adorn him with holiness of life, that both by word and deed he may serve thee faithfully in this office and ministry to the glory of thy name and to the edification of thy church and its faithful supervision. Send now upon Thy servant, we beseech, thee, Thy heavenly blessings, and so endow him with the Holy Spirit that he may preach the word, be diligent in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and teaching that he may be to them that believe an example in word, in manner of life, in love, in faith and in purity.

Grant unto this Thy servant we beseech thee such grace that he may attend faithfully the flock of Christ, exercising the oversight, not of constraint, but willingly according to the will of God, nor yet for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind neither as lording over the charge allotted to him but making himself an example to the flock. So that when the Chief Shepherd shall be manifested, thy servant shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away, through Jesus Christ our Lord, and let the Conference answer, AMEN.

And now may grace, mercy and peace be our abiding portion and we will give Thee glory and honor, Lord God Almighty, forever. Amen. (DCA 153, 154.)

Bishop Mueller: I would like to have the privilege now to make a matter record, the presenting to this General Conference of Bishop Roy H. Short. For a number of years he has been the continuing officers of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church, the Secretary of that Council, a very good friend of every one of us and we look forward to fellowship in that Council, very much because he is there, because he exemplifies the spirit of the fellowship of that group of Bishops. Bishop Short. (Applause.)

Greeting by Bishop Short:

Bishop Short: Bishop Mueller and friends, let me say just this. I started out in this ministry a long time ago when I was a boy in college. I was only seventeen when I went to my first charge. I wasn't much of a preacher and it wasn't much of a charge. One of my churches told the District Superintendent it would pay me whatever came in and it brought in \$4.67 that year, but it was a glorious opportunity to preach.

I used to walk my circuits and walking those circuits gave you a chance to dream, but I never had enough imagination to realize all

the things that life might bring in the afterdays. I feel so sorry for any young preacher who's afraid of the road. I don't know any reason to be afraid of the road. One of the interesting things about this blessed itinerant road is the delightful surprises of it. And now here today is another delightful surprise. I can't overstate how deeply I appreciate the privilege of being asked over here by Bishop Mueller to share in this service, as this Brother that I did not know a few years ago, but whom I have come to love and know comes into this office in the gallery of memory. This surprise experience this afternoon will linger for a long, long time, and I thank Bishop Mueller and the rest of you for letting me share. (Applause.) (DCA 155.)

Bishop Howard: We are very glad that Bishop Short could be here. He is the Secretary of the Council of Bishops and has been a great help to the Board of Bishops of The Evangelical United Brethren Church in helping us get oriented into our new relationships. We are glad he could be here with us this afternoon.

Bishop Short: Mr. Chairman, may I say this. The only reason I want to rush off is this. My college is in session, and the last time I missed a meeting they moved me. So I think I'll go back. (Applause.)

Recommendations from General Council of Administration— Paul V. Church

Bishop Howard: Before we come to the next item which is a business item, if Rev. Aaron Shaeffer is in the room and within the hearing of my voice, would he please come to the platform just a minute. I am told he is in a rehearsal so he probably isn't here. We come now to the recommendations from the General Council of Administration. If Dr. Paul V. Church, the Secretary of this Council will bring these recommendations to us. (DCA 155.)

Dr. Paul Church: In our General Council meeting in March we made an effort to process certain matters that might come before the General Conference in order to expedite our work today. The recommendations were sent to the delegates some days ago, and you should have had them in your hands. The overseas delegates did not get them. There may have been certain other persons who were omitted from the list. We have some extra copies and the ushers have them available at the rear of the room if you would hold up your hand if you need a copy, especially if you didn't get them and let's have these people served first. Then if you forgot your copy then we will take care of you afterwards. Will the ushers please care for this particular item for us?

Also, the Coordinating Council has brought over a number of their reports for distribution at our Conference. The Coordinating Council is a body that handles a good many matters which are similar to items which our General Council deals. It's not quite as broad in terms of its scope of responsibilities but it was thought that you would be interested in this report which it is bringing in terms of its work this last quadrennium and these will also be distributed by the ushers during the period of the report of the Council. Turning directly to the report of the Council, the first item on the report is that of the reaffirmation of the travel expense for delegates. (Appendix, page 1578.) The recommendation comes from the General Council. It should be noted that the recommendation is identical to that which we followed in Chicago, except that no allowance is made for the garage charge. The garages at all of the hotels are furnished, that is all of the major hotels where you are staying are furnished, on a complimentary basis, and so we do not have that additional item of expense. (DCA 155.)

I think the General Conference should know that this is a very

costly session for us. We have had to finance finally the last dollars we will need taken off the top of the Christian Service Fund and deducted from the allocation of all of our Boards and Agencies, and it does not seem possible to be more generous than we are in terms of these recommendations. Our Conference pays the expense of all delegates to the meeting. The other expenses of the General Conference we share, paying one-fifth of the expense, while The Methodist Church pays four-fifths. Mr. Chairman, this first item is before you. Do you wish to take them item by item?

Bishop Howard: I believe we will just pause after each paragraph and see if we have any questions and if not we will just go on. We will have just one motion at the end to approve the whole report. Come to the mike if you wish to speak. Any questions here? Don't see any. (DCA 155.)

Dr. Church: The next item deals with the matter of petitions from the Pacific Northwest and the Montana Conferences to the 1966 General Conference. The petitions in the one instance ask for the withdrawal on the part of the churches of the conference, this was Pacific Northwest; the other petition asks for withdrawal on the matter of the Conference as a whole. These petitions were never accepted or denied. They were referred to the General Council of Administration for further consideration in connection with the appointment of the Commission on Unity. Some question was raised, I think this morning, by some as to whether or not the report of the Commission on Unity had been properly adopted. The General Conference of 1966 authorized the Commission on Unity to report to the General Council of Administration and the General Council of Administration was authorized to act in behalf of General Conference regarding the work of the Commission. In the Blue Book this morning was a report of the action of the Council. This report was adopted. The report contained the action taken by the Council in which it received the report of the Commission and instructed the Commission to continue to deal with the problems arising in Montana and Pacific Northwest Conferences within the charter of responsibility given to it by the General Conference and within the orbit of its report to the Council of Administration.

So within those limitations the Committee now continues its work. It is not concluding its work. It now continues and will seek to carry on the reconciling work which it has carried to date, and also will seek to adjudicate any matters arising out of this situation in the best possible way. This is their charter, and we have approved this procedure in approving the report this morning. However, we have not taken any action directly on these petitions, and Item No. 2 is a resolution and I will simply read the part of it on page 2, and the resolution itself resolves that the General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church deny the petition from the Montana and the Pacific Northwest Conferences. The third item we have already taken care of. It was reported this morning in the statement of the Board of Bishops, and it has been acted upon so we can skip it. (DCA 155.)

The next item is one dealing with the transfer of title of the Administrative Offices Building and the two adjoining lots on Central Avenue to an agency of The United Methodist Church and it should be said in The United Methodist Church Boards and Agencies rather than the church at large holds title to property. These titles, of course, are held in trust for the church but the titles are not vested directly in the denomination but rather in a Board and this particular action would authorize our Board of Trustees, or the successor of the Board, to transfer the property at 601 West Riverview Avenue and these two adjoining lots which have been purchased to an agency which

would be located in this building and thus keep it in harmony with the practice of the Church.

The Resolution on page 3 resolves that the Board of Trustees of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, or its legal successor, be and hereby is authorized to convey titles to said properties to the general Church agency designated by the Uniting Conference to hold titles to said properties. (DCA 155-156.)

Shall I proceed, Mr. Chairman?

Bishop Howard: Yes. Please do.

Dr. Church: Item No. 5 is the authority to sell properties and to transfer titles to seven Episcopal Residences therein described and the location of these residences. They are residences now occupied by our Board of Bishops and the titles of these properties now rest in the Board of Trustees of the denomination. Here again the practice in The Methodist Church and in The United Methodist Church is different than ours. Titles of properties with us have been held by the denomination. In The Methodist Church the residence of the Bishop is either purchased by the Bishop himself (this is his privilege), or, if not, the title to the residence is purchased by the Bishop's Area. Or in some cases, the conference in which he resides. An allowance for the purchase of the property in any event is made as a part of the compensation of a Bishop and it would seem wise in view of the fact that we do not have adequate funding for the pensions for our Board of Bishops who will now become members of the pension fund of the Episcopal Plan of The United Methodist Church, it seemed wise that these residences be sold and that the assets be transferred to the Pension Fund of the Episcopal Fund.

The Resolution No. 5 is simply the matter of the authorization to sell. Resolved that the Board of Trustees of The Evangelical United Brethren Church or its legal successor be and is hereby authorized either to sell these episcopal residences and transfer the proceeds of selling said episcopal residences to the Council on World Service and Finance of The United Methodist Church for the purpose indicated above, or to transfer titles to said residences to the Council on World Service and Finance. (DCA 156.)

The next item is the transfer of assets of Episcopal Residence Fund to the Council on World Service and Finance for use in funding episcopal pensions for former Evangelical United Brethren bishops and widows. Let me read the resolution:

WHEREAS, the bishops of The United Methodist Church will receive their pensions from a funded episcopal pension plan;

WHEREAS, the amounts which can be credited to our bishops' accounts and transferred from the Board of Pensions to this Episcopal Pension fund is wholly inadequate to meet the funding requirements for our bishops and bishops' widows pension;

WHEREAS, there are assets in the Episcopal Residence Fund which will be augmented by the sale of the seven episcopal residences;

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to transfer the total assets of the Episcopal Residence Fund, including the funds received from the sale of the seven episcopal residences to the Council on World Service and Finance of The United Methodist Church for the purpose of partially funding the episcopal pensions of the former Evangelical United Brethren bishops and bishops' widows; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any balances in the Episcopal Residence Maintenance funds also be transferred to the Council on World Service and Finance for the same purpose. It is understood that such balances in the last resolution would not be transferred until our bishops vacate these residences. (DCA 157.)

Item No. 7, the authorization to use Christian Service Fund receipts for General Conference expense. This is the item that we referred to a while ago in terms of expense of General Conference.

WHEREAS, the cost of this adjourned session of the General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church, and the General Conference of The United Methodist Church will probably run beyond the amount available in the General Conference Fund even after grants of \$100,000 from other funds have been added to the amount which would regularly be available to the General Conference Fund, May 31, 1968.

RESOLVED, that the General Conference authorize the payment of any expenses over and above the amount in the General Conference Fund through May 31, 1968, from the Christian Service Fund with the understanding that the amount which is spent for this purpose shall be deducted on a pro-rata basis from the payments made to all beneficiaries of the Christian Service Fund, including those which have preferred claims. (DCA 157.)

No. 8 has been dealt with this morning in the report which Bishop Howard brought on the ruling of the Board of Bishops, and has been taken care of. (DCA 157.)

No. 9. During the report period when our two Seminaries were reporting this morning, constitutions of the United Theological Seminary and the Evangelical Theological Seminary were distributed. These proposed constitution changes were before the General Council of Administration for examination. You have them in your hands, (see Appendix, page 1584) for a chance to glance through them for the changes were underlined in the constitutions. They revolve primarily around the same matters we were concerned about with our homes and that is that a way for amendment of constitution be found which would not necessitate General Conference action and this way of amendment is found and also a procedure, a new procedure, for the electing of the trustees for these two institutions.

We have elected all of these trustees at our General Conference and now both of these institutions propose to elect only a part in this way. These are the primary changes in these Constitutions, although there are some other minor changes in them. The resolution here is on page 5, that the General Conference ratify the constitutional changes which have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Theological Seminary and the Board of Trustees of The United Theological Seminary. Now, Mr. Chairman, we have actually four petitions to deal with, and I think that it would be well to deal with those petitions separately to adopt this part of the report first.

Bishop Howard: Have you finished all through 9?

Dr. Church: Yes.

Bishop Howard: You have heard this presentation. You had an opportunity to ask questions as we went along, but maybe before we have a motion to approve these nine recommendations, you have some questions. Is there a motion to approve these nine recommendations from the General Council of Administration?

Delegate (unidentified): Made a motion.

Bishop Howard: It is supported. Is there any discussion? All in favor, indicate by saying Aye. Vote: Aye.) Contrary, no. Motion prevailed. And the recommendations (1-9) are approved. (DCA 157.)

Petition from Ohio Miami Conference Regarding Election of Bishops—Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: Now, Mr. Chairman, there were four petitions which were either addressed to this one day conference or they were peti-

tions which in our judgment ought to be referred to the Joint Commission for some decision on recommendation at least before they would be passed on to the Uniting Conference. The first petition which was addressed both to our General Conference and the Uniting Conference was from the Ohio Miami Conference referred to under No. 10, and the substance of the petition is described in the paragraph.

A petition from the Ohio Miami Conference on a possible method of electing persons from the former E.U.B. Church to fill a vacancy created by the resignation or death of a former E.U.B. bishop before December 31, 1970, was referred to the Joint Commissions on Church Union with the understanding that a recommendation on it will be made to the adjourned session of our General Conference.

The substance of the proposal was that in the event of death or resignation of one of our former bishops before this particular date which was the term of office which they originally were elected that the matter would be referred for decision in the election of a new bishop to the delegates of this body either in called General Session or by mail ballot. The Joint Commissions considered this matter. Has Dr. Washburn returned yet?

Bishop Howard: No.

Dr. Church: He has reported to me the action of the Joint Commissions on them. The action: the procedure was deemed by the Joint Commission to be unconstitutional procedure. Thus the Constitution specifically states that the bishops of The United Methodist Church must be elected by the Jurisdictional Conference, and there is no way of circumventing that Constitution at this particular time. Therefore, the report for the Joint Commission is that the recommendation is not a constitutional one, and our recommendation according to the action here would be that we adopt this decision as our disposition of this particular petition.

Bishop Howard: You make a motion to approve this report. It is moved and seconded. Any comments? All favorable say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Contrary, No. The Ayes have it. The motion prevails. (DCA 158.)

Petition from Susquehanna Conference Regarding Council of Administration—Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: The second petition was from, depending upon memory here, I believe was either Susquehanna or Eastern Conference. It was dealing primarily with the matter of powers of Conference Councils of Administration in the period following the close of our General Conference and the Uniting Conference here and Annual Conference sessions.

In the E.U.B. Church we have depended largely on these Councils of Administrations to help us tidy things up and get ready for an annual conference session and the question raised by this petition was whether or not those conferences, those councils had any authority after our General Conference since they are not included in the new *Discipline*.

The ruling of the Joint Commissions on this particular matter was that a resolution is being brought to the Uniting Conference which would authorize the continuance of agencies and practices until such time as procedures were worked out for going into the new structures and as was pointed out, that these new structure boards cannot be immediately combined, and it is the opinion of the Joint Commissions that when this resolution is adopted by the Uniting Conference that this will in itself authorize the continuance of our Council of Administration up until the time of Annual Conference session if they need to act.

Mr. Chairman, I'm not quite sure whether or not we need to take any action on it. Think that this is simply a report in terms of the facts of the matter on this. (DCA 158.)

Bishop Howard: Well, to be on the safe side, let's approve the report. Is there a motion to approve it? Seconded.

All in favor, say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Opposed, say No. Approved. (DCA 158.)

Petition, Northwest Canada Conference Regarding Name of Conference—Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: The third of these petitions came from the Northwest Canada Conference. It was addressed to the Joint Commissions for decisions and then for such disposition within the General Conferences as they saw fit. The petition changed the request for the continuation of the name under which the Conference now functions, and also asked permission to enter into conversations with other groups looking toward the possibility of a union in Canada with some other group so that the following resolution has been adopted by the Joint Commissions.

The Joint Commissions on Church Union, having received and discussed the proposal to them from the Northwest Canada Conference of the E.U.B. Church, adopted the following resolution:

One, the Joint Commissions having received an earlier petition from the Northwest Canada Conference asking for affiliated relationship with The United Methodist Church, and having responded to it by drafting and presenting to the United Conference a recommendation for the Northwest Canada Conference to use the name The Evangelical Church, Northwest Canada Annual Conference, Affiliated with The United Methodist Church, urges the Northwest Canada Annual Conference to give this relationship a fair trial.

Two, The Joint Commissions give assurance to the Northwest Canada Annual Conference that while historically the Evangelical Church, the United Brethren Church, and the Northwest Canada Conference have taken strong positions that all annual conferences within territorial United States are bound by the application of the system. Both churches have repeatedly considered request and judgments of conferences outside the United States for the establishment of a church or union with another church.

Three, The United Methodist Church having as part of its organization a Commission on Structure of Methodism Overseas. This contained in the report of Joint Commissions on page 152, whose duties are to review and make recommendations regarding request of conference outside the United States, refers the Petition of Northwest Canada Conference to this Commission, with the request that they carefully and sympathetically study with the Northwest Canada Conference their problems and hopes, and bring to the General Conference of 1972 a report and recommendation. Bishop Heininger was requested to convey this resolution of the Joint Commissions to the Northwest Canada Conference.

Mr. Chairman, I would feel that the proper action here would be to adopt this particular recommendation from the Joint Commissions, which would place this matter in the hands of this agency known as COSMOS for further study and reports subject to General Conference. (DCA 158.)

Bishop Howard: The motion is made that we follow this suggestion and approve this recommendation. Is this seconded? Are there any questions or comments? All favorable, please say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) (DCA 158.)

Rev. Jesske is seeking the floor.

Rev. Jesske: Mr. Chairman, just a question or two. Does this mean that the suggestions for the request of the resolution from the North-west Canada Conference need be carried on within this coming quadrennium, that is, we may proceed with organizations with the guidance of COSMOS? Is that what the study means?

Bishop Howard: Yes, it is our opinion that it means they may proceed under the guidance of COSMOS to seek a solution to your problems to do the things that we have outlined in our resolution.

Well, we are not going to commit ourselves what the final result is, but you can make a study under the guidance of COSMOS.

Rev. Jesske: We don't know what the final result is either, Mr. Chairman, but just so that it is clear in our minds that we do the thing that is in the minds of the Mission and the Conference that we may proceed with conversations, and if as we stated in the resolution, if we find favorable response with another denomination, proceed to set up a basis of union with the cooperation of the church which will be presented in 1972, is that what this means?

Bishop Heininger: Brother Jesske, I believe that the instrumentality referred to as COSMOS, the Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas has ways of guiding and directing you in this study, and the Resolution involves your cooperation with their guidance in The United Methodist Church. It makes no commitment at this particular time concerning other actions in terms of mergers or unions without that approval. I don't know whether I have answered your question or not.

Rev. Jesske: Not altogether. It is still vague in my mind what the crucial point is there. If COSMOS, for example, would decide that we were not permitted to set up a basis of union even though we find some favor of response, would that happen?

I'll ask Bishop Mueller if he desires the floor.

Bishop Mueller: May I try to answer his question as one of the chairmen of the Commission on Church Union. Where this matter was the other day, and where this report was formulated, the North-west Canada Conference petitioned earlier for the privilege of becoming an affiliated conference of The United Methodist Church, and the Commissions on Church Union granted that, and that is in the Plan and Basis of Union, and we think you are under obligation to try that out instead of rushing into something else before you have given that a chance. This does not close the door to negotiations through COSMOS for any other alternative, but I think you are under bond of your good word to follow through on Affiliation first, and I think I speak for the Commission on Church Union.

Rev. Jesske: Mr. Chairman, we realize that, but on the other hand we are on Canadian soil, and we have a lot of problems that are Canadian. Our Ontario folks elected our fellowship; the picture is entirely different for a number of reasons than it was three years ago.

Bishop Mueller: The affiliation, Mr. Chairman, was not our idea, it was your suggestion. It is what you asked for, and let's give it a trial and see if it will work.

Bishop Heininger: Brother Jesske, have I made it clear that the instrumentality in The United Methodist Church for discussions of such matters beyond the bounds of the United States is COSMOS? Your group vowed, when I visited you in January, that you wanted

to work within the law and discipline of the church and true loyalty. We have passed on to this instrumentality to The United Methodist Church, therefore, the matter of procedure, and we will have to work with them. In other words, you are in no position to make unilateral agreements without such channels.

Rev. Jesske: Mr. Chairman, may I repeat my question once more? My original question was, that is it the mind of the Committee on Church Union, and the Board of Bishops, that we may, however, experiment and explore the field and do the things that we have asked for if this develops? This is my question; I have got to know. If the answer is no, it's entirely different than if it is yes.

Bishop Mueller: May I ask you a question? Are you going to experiment with affiliation?

Rev. Jesske: We have to for a while, don't we?

Bishop Mueller: Well, I think you are the ones that are pledged to it.

Rev. Jesske: And at this same time, in the day in which we are living if things are moving very fast and there are several groups in our area that unless we act now and explore the field now, in four years it will be too late for us.

Bishop Mueller: You will have COSMOS as your bishop has said. You have COSMOS as the unit of the church through which to do the things you want to do at that point, if the other thing doesn't work.

Rev. Jesske: If COSMOS will cooperate with us and help us in this then we are satisfied.

Bishop Howard: I think I should just say this, we cannot here this afternoon pledge what COSMOS will do. We have asked COSMOS to take your problem into consideration. COSMOS has a very good reputation and very good record for helping Methodist Churches outside the boundaries of the United States working out their problems, and I am sure they will be very helpful to you. We can't take any action here today pledging what COSMOS will do. I think we have gone as far as we can go.

Rev. Jesske: We could, however, could we not recommend that the Northwest Canada Conference be permitted to explore the field. We live up there.

Bishop Howard: By explore you mean unofficial conversations and discussion. I don't see anything wrong with that. I don't think you could commit yourself to anything definite until you work through COSMOS.

Rev. Jesske: I have nothing else to say, but I am not satisfied with the answer.

Bishop Howard: Is there any other discussion?

Bishop Heininger: Let's have the resolution reread.

Dr. Church: The Joint Commissions, having received an earlier petition from the Northwest Canada Conference asking for affiliated relationship with The United Methodist Church, and having responded to it by drafting and presenting to the Uniting Conference a recommendation for the Northwest Canada Conference to use the name the Evangelical Church, Northwest Canada Annual Conference affiliated with The United Methodist Church, urges the Northwest Canada Annual Conference to give this relationship a fair trial.

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ferences outside the United States for the establishment of an autonomous church or union with another church.

Three. The United Methodist Church, having as part of its organization a Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas, whose duty it is to review and make recommendation regarding requests of conferences outside the United States, refers the petition of the Northwest Canada Conference to this Commission (known as COSMOS) with the request that they carefully and sympathetically study with the Northwest Canada Conference their problems, hopes and aspirations and bring to the General Conference of 1972 a report and recommendation. (DCA 159.)

Bishop Howard: We have this before us. We've had some discussion on it. Is there any further discussion? I'll put the motion. . . . All favorable, say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Contrary, no. The Ayes have it. The motion is passed. (DCA 159.)

Petitions from Churches in Erie Conference Requesting Withdrawal—Paul V. Church

Dr. Church: These three petitions were before the Joint Commissions. The fourth one which I have has not come by that route, but has come by a route which I will describe in a moment. Let me read a matter of background, however, in order that we might get the setting for this particular resolution. (May I state that I am reading from the Executive Committee of the January 13th Journal, 1968.) The Conference Council of Administration of Erie Conference referred petitions from 13 Local Conferences representing nine charges, asking permission to withdraw as local churches from the denomination.

Dr. Glenn E. Donaldson, Conference Superintendent of the Erie Conference, reported on the situation, stating that he had personally taken the stand these petitions were not in harmony with the law of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and had encouraged these congregations to withdraw their petitions. A special committee composed of Warren F. Mentzer and Paul Washburn also reported on a meeting which they had with persons from these congregations. The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Erie Conference has referred petitions from thirteen local conferences which petition withdrawal from the denomination because of union with The Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the General Council of Administration has heard a statement from Conference Superintendent Glenn Donaldson in which he informs the Council of the position which he has taken in regard to these petitions, namely, that the law of the church does not permit the withdrawal of the local church from the denomination,

RESOLVED, that we commend Dr. Glenn Donaldson for the position which he has taken in regard to these petitions and support him in it, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Executive Committee of the General Council of Administration deny each of these petitions from the thirteen local Conferences because they are not in harmony with the law of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and directs the Erie Conference to be guided by this decision in dealing with these local churches.

At the March 7 and 8 meeting of the full Council of Administration, the following resolution was adopted: The resolution on local church petitions to withdraw from the denomination was presented by Bishop Howard and adopted, and here is the resolution. It is really a resolution supporting the action of the Executive Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council of Administration affirms that local church petitions for withdrawal from the denomination are contrary to the order and *Discipline* of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and this Council supports the action of its Executive Committee denying all such local church petitions.

A couple of weeks ago I received a petition—it was longer than two weeks ago, a matter of a month or six weeks—I received a petition from the Sawyer Church of the Erie Conference requesting a property settlement and permission not to enter into church union with The Methodist Church. The petition which I have in my hand was submitted by an attorney which the church had secured. The petition has several whereas, and they cite the following facts in their whereas—that the annual conference delegation did not support organic union in the 1966 Conference, that on many occasions the Erie Conference's local churches have objected to it, that the layman's association of the Conference expressed their desire not to enter into union with The Methodist Church, the local church expresses its serious apprehension in a number of points relating to ministerial delegates, the way in which conference superintendents are appointed, election of Bishops for life, matters of the general direction of which the church is moving in terms of further possible unions, the commitment of what it believes that Church to be toward liberal trends, the possible breakup of the Erie Conference, and then comes their resolution:

Therefore, be it resolved: That we as members of the Sawyer Evangelical United Brethren Church declare ourselves at this duly called meeting of the congregation to be in agreement with the actions of the statements above which are in opposition to entering the union, and that we commit ourselves to the proposition that we will not enter the church union and will seek an equitable property settlement with the denomination, and

Be it further resolved, that we petition the Erie Annual Conference that we desire to retain without litigation the property which has been paid for by the congregation and that any borrowed money received from the Erie Conference shall be subject to negotiations and that any existing indebtedness shall be assumed by the congregation, and

Be it further resolved, that these acts be conveyed to the proper committee of the Erie Conference Council of Administration and the Erie Conference Annual Session, 1967, and

Be it further resolved, that if this petition is not granted by the annual conference that it be referred to the General Conference in April, 1968, and

Be it further qualified, that in the event that the Erie Conference should be granted a like petition to the General Conference of April, 1968, and there is no such petition before us that the Sawyer Church wishes to remain part of the Erie Conference.

After consultation with the Board of Bishops regarding this particular petition, and the route by which it has come, the position was taken that it had not followed the regular Constitutional route which requires the Annual Conference or the Conference Council of Administration or the Conference Delegation to pass it on or to reject the petition, to pass it on without recommendation or to pass it on with recommendation. I wrote to the attorney who had mailed me this particular petition informing him of this particular fact and indicating that if the petition was to be presented to the Conference that it must come through the Erie Delegation. I have been informed by Superintendent Donaldson that he has had no further word from the attorney. This letter was addressed to him I would say some three weeks ago. The Delegation, as many as could be assembled, however,

of the Erie Conference, was called together. They were divided in terms of whether or not the petition should be presented. Superintendent Donaldson, however, in conversation with me this morning indicated that they would be willing for the petition to come without any recommendation from the Conference. This is the position of this particular petition, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Howard: Now will you clarify the situation. You presented the Sawyer Church.

Dr. Church: Yes, this was one of the churches from the Erie Conference, one of the thirteen churches from which we had petitions in January which at that time were denied by the Executive Committee of the Conference Council of Administration. It rejected this position, denying it, saying that it was not possible for a church to withdraw as they proposed from the denomination. That position was supported by the Conference Council of Administration meeting in March, and that now the petition comes from the local church to the General Conference without recommendation by its Delegation.

Bishop Howard: It would be proper for us to make a motion, make a motion reaffirming the action of the Council of Administration, denying these petitions.

Dr. Church: That would be proper, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Howard: Is there such a motion? Motion made.

Is it seconded? Seconded.

Is there any discussion? (None.) All in favor, say Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Contrary, No. (DCA 162.)

Statement Regarding Erie Conference—Bishop Howard

Bishop Howard: Now just lest you be uncertain here I want to say that the Erie Conference Council has not approved any of these petitions from local churches. The Council and the Superintendent, Dr. Donaldson, have been consistently loyal to our denomination. They are not in any sense in the same category with some other Conferences that are seeking withdrawal.

Dr. Church: This completes the report, Mr. Chairman. (DCA 162.)

Closing Items—Miscellaneous Business

Bishop Howard: Now we have next on the program reports of Committees, but as I understand it no committees have met, no business was referred, so we have no committees to report. Is that correct?

Dr. Bragg: That's correct, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Howard: Now we come toward the close. Let us hold steady. I would like to make this announcement—that the man who is managing the transportation said that there will be buses going from this theatre back toward the hotel at 4:30 and 4:45, at the front of this theatre, not over in front of the other building, but in front of this theatre, which I think is right out here to the right, 4:30, 4:45.

Now, is there any miscellaneous news before we enter into the closing moments of this general conference session?

Bishop Mueller: Mr. Chairman, I was asked earlier in the day to explain the voting in the Uniting Conference as compared with voting in this Conference, and the voting in the United Conference which will be the last day of our stay here in Dallas.

The Uniting General Conference which begins tomorrow morning is made up of the present Methodist General Conference and the present Evangelical United Brethren General Conference. There are over 900 Methodist members and some 450 EUB members. In other words, we have just put the two bodies that met in Chicago together in the one

uniting conference, and in this body it will be, if matters could be settled this way, half the number of votes as the Methodists have, which is manifestly disproportionate in size; but since the United Conference will be dealing with agreements in the planning of union, only in Part Four, which will be changes in *Discipline* which have already been approved in principle, and which stands unless changed, it can be changed only by the necessary majority of votes in each of the two segments of the Uniting Conference. In other words, you have to have the majority of EUB's and the majority of Methodists voting separately in order to carry a proposition. We call that voting by order by voting by houses, and this procedure has been adopted in order to make it difficult to change Part Four in the first time that we are together. After this first General Conference, Part Four can be changed by the majority voting of the United General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

Now, in order to meet possible legal developments or legal requirements, after we have closed the Uniting Conference, we are planning to have one day of a United Conference whose membership will be according to the formula of the relationship of EUB to Methodist, which is 1 to 14, and in that United Conference, on that one day, there will be only 130 of us with voting rights in that United Conference. That United Conference will only pass ratifying legislation of everything that has been passed by the Uniting Conference in order to give it legal status so that nobody can call anything into question.

Now, when you go to the Jurisdictional Conferences the last week in July, each of our annual conferences will have twice as many voting delegates as they had in the United Conference. In other words, our EUB constituency will have 260 voting members in all of the Jurisdictional Conferences. That is our ratio, twice as much as 14 to 1 ration which has been agreed upon. I don't know if I have made it clear or not. It's perfectly clear to me. If there are questions I will be happy to try to answer them, either here now or in between sessions. If this question was raised I was asked to give the answer to it. (*DCA* 161.)

Bishop Howard: Are there any questions? Do not seem to be any.

Yes, over here, Dr. Hallman of the former Canada Conference. Will you get to the microphone, please. We want to get this down in print. We do not have a court stenographer. We are recording this all on tape, so it is necessary to get everything through the microphone.

Appreciation by Canada Conference—Dr. E. E. Hallman

Dr. Hallman (Canada): It is a question of privilege. I feel perhaps this is the time that a few things should be said. I think we are here today as a delegation through the courtesy of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, through the action of the Board of Bishops who gave us our release from membership to become a part of the United Church of Canada. This is our last session here in this gathering, and we feel that it is only right that we express words of appreciation of the long years of relationship that this Conference has had.

First of all for the Evangelical Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and the very happy associations that we have had over these years. Most of our ministers in the Conference have been trained in our schools, particularly North Central College and Evangelical Theological Seminary. Bishops of this denomination have served our Conference over many years. The relationships have been most happy, and as we come to the end of this road which began way back in 1837, we would certainly want to express the deep appreciation of the people of the Canada Conference for these years of association together as a part of our denomination.

As we move into a new relationship, we are finding this relationship to be most cordial, and provisions of the plan of union have been most gracious and generous. Our people are moving forward in a wonderful spirit. They have appreciated the attitude of the General Conference in affording us this privilege at the Conference. We look forward to being a more vital part of the Christian church in our country, and again as we say our farewell in this session, it is with appreciation of the wonderful association we have had over these years, and our prayers will be with you as you enter into this new relationship in The United Methodist Church. (DCA 161.)

Bishop Howard: Thank you, Dr. Hallman. (Applause.)

Whereas this breaks our relationship with the Canada Conference in an organizational way, I am sure that the spiritual ones are not broken, and we will continue to be in spiritual fellowship with our brethren in The United Church of Canada.

I think I will just pass on to you something that most of you know, but of which we need to be reminded. Some conferences who seek cessation from our denomination say, "Well, you let the Canada Conference join the United Church of Canada. Why can't you let us go and join somebody of our choosing?" The fact is, the Canada Conference has joined The Methodist Church in Canada. There is no separate Methodist Church in Canada. The Methodist Church in Canada many years ago became a part of the United Church, so if the Canada Conference is to join The Methodist Church in Canada it must join the United Church and it has done so. Please keep that in mind. (DCA 161.)

A delegate on the floor from Florida is now coming to the microphone.

Question Regarding Conference of United Church—W. R. Obaugh

Rev. W. R. Obaugh (Florida): Mr. Chairman, I would like to just ask the question for clarification concerning the item of the United Conference in one day which closes the General Sessions. I would like for that to be carried on just a bit further. Is that one day going to be on the fourth of May? Has the date been set?

Bishop Mueller: We don't know yet, depends on how business goes. Our hotel contracts cover the fourth of May.

Rev. Obaugh: I see. My second question then. I believe you said we have 160 voting delegates—130, all right, thank you. Are all delegates supposed to be present even though they have no vote? Or will it be limited only to voting delegates?

Bishop Mueller: I am sure all delegates will be welcome to be present, but voting delegates will be the ones that will be seated on the floor. The rest of us will have to be seated in the visitors section during that session, I suppose. Thank you. (DCA 161.)

Bishop Howard: Are there any announcements?

Remember that at 7:30 tonight there is a session in the auditorium where we were last night, when the Episcopal Address of the United Conference will be given.

Question Regarding Voting by Orders—Harvey Chinn

Rev. Harvey Chinn, California: I discovered in this *Handbook* that they have a rule, No. 13, voting by orders which can separate the votes of laymen and ministers, and if one-third of the laymen asked for a separate vote, and one-third of the ministers asked for separate vote, that they can vote separate by orders. My question is, In the voting procedures the next two weeks, will both of these voting orders,

EUB's and Methodist, laymen and ministers, apply at the same time? Can we get in the position of having four different groups vote, and have more power over the others?

Bishop Mueller: The answer, Mr. Chairman, if I may give it, is no. It will always be explained what the voting process is when it is called for. I think you are referring to certain things on which ministers can vote and certain things on which only laymen can vote. At the same time, in the Uniting General Conference when it comes to changes in Part 4 it will take the majority of vote in each separate house in order to effect those changes. That is the only time that will be called into question. Into use, I mean. (DCA 161.)

Bishop Howard: I do not hear any call for further announcements, so we will proceed with the program.

Closing Service of Consecration—Bishop Milhouse

Bishop Howard: Bishop Paul W. Milhouse will now lead us in a Service of Consecration. At the conclusion, Bishop Mueller will make a declaration and then the Board of Bishops as a unit will adjourn this session of the 41st General Conference.

Bishop Paul W. Milhouse: If Aaron Sheaffer is here I would like for him to come to the platform.

Tomorrow morning we will become United Methodist, and this is an adventure of faith. We believe, we have said we believe, that we can come together as the EUB and Methodist into one United Methodist Church. We have done the voting, we can't go back, and we have even taken a new name, bringing all of our past history and our traditions together. We have set our faces toward the future. Our whole past reputation is at stake, and now we move forward in this daring adventure of bringing all of our property, all of our institutions, all of our people into one church. We have never been one church before.

In 1939 when the Methodists united it was simply a reunion of Methodist bodies which at one time had been together. We have always been separate churches, we were never one. Our beginnings, although similar, and interwoven with each other, were never identical. The Methodist Church came from England, out of the Church of England. They brought with them English traditions and worked among English speaking people. Otterbein came out of the German Reformed Church in Germany, came to America under the Dutch Reformed Church Board of Missions, and worked among the German-speaking people in Pennsylvania and Virginia and Maryland. Albright came out of the German Lutheran background. Now we bring all of our various traditions together in faith and determined purpose that we will be one church.

I not only believe this is an adventure in faith, I believe it can be for us a step for spiritual enrichment and new effectiveness. This will depend a great deal upon our response to the opportunities that come to us. This can mean new spiritual enrichment because there will be some opportunities that come through an enlarged fellowship that we have never had before. The most important thing we bring to this union is ourselves and the people of our congregations, and as we come into this larger fellowship and share our witnesses, our faith, and our experience, and covenant together to give our lives, our bodies and souls, our minds, our skills, energies and resources in the one church, we can find new experiences that will bring new visions and new enrichment.

We have had to take a look again at our faith and restudy our confession of faith. Do we really believe what we say we believe? And a re-examination and rethinking of our faith can open doors for spiritual renewal. It has done it in the past, it can do it again. We have

been forced to take a new look at our social relationships and our social practices in the light of our union. We have been forced to re-examine the organization structure of our church. Organization is the way by which we work together as a group of people toward some goal, and I am glad to know the spirit that seems to prevail as we come to union, that structure must be an instrument, an agency, to be a channel through which we can carry out the mission of the church. As we come into this United Church tomorrow, I hope that every one of us will be responsible members of the Uniting Conference. This means that we must carry our responsibility in giving our best thinking to the issues that come before us. We must be willing to share responsibility in committees and other groups, and what we must do here we must do back home when we go to our congregations, and to our own communities. If we dare to take an attitude that we will simply let somebody else do the work, if we hide behind the idea that we are small in many communities compared to the larger Methodist Churches, we will defeat the purpose of our union.

In many ways we will need to take some new initiative in becoming acquainted with people in The Methodist Church. We will find ourselves meeting in larger groups, with people we don't know, and following procedures that are unfamiliar to us, but we must meet these situations as responsible people of The United Methodist Church, and if we do this, we can share in bringing some new spiritual life into our union. This should be our goal, therefore, in the words of Paul, "Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong, but let all you do be done in love. I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves, body and soul, as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship."

Let us pray.

O God, we bring ourselves to the close of this session of our General Conference, and on the opening of our Uniting Conference, and with sincere hearts, and with faith in the Holy Spirit to lead us into the future on an untrodden path. We come with confidence that the future is in Thy Hands. Grant, O Lord, that we will act responsibly under the guidance of Thy Holy Spirit to every new situation which we face. We pray that thou will not let us become overcome with fear. Help us to be realistic. Guide us, we pray, in making decisions. Every action with Thy Love, and help us to carry untarnished into the new church the great and glorious heritage which we bring as Evangelical United Brethren People. Fire us with zeal and enthusiasm. Help us to walk with steady feet and humility before Thee. We bring ourselves, our church, our people, our institutions and lay them before Thee in The United Methodist Church. Use us to Thy Glory, we pray. Amen.

Now I would like for us to sing, two stanzas of *Rise Up, O Men of God*. Since we only have one hymn book I will read these two verses. I think this will help you be able to sing them together. The first verse goes:

"Rise up, O Men of God,
Have done with lesser things,
Give heart and mind and soul and strength
To serve the King of Kings.

And the second verse,

"Lift high the cross of Christ,
Tread where his feet have trod,
As brothers of the Son of Man,
Rise up, O Men of God."

Let's stand and sing. (Hymn: "Rise Up, O Men of God")

Bishop Howard: You will remain standing. Bishop Mueller will continue our service with the Declaration. (DCA 163.)

Declaration of Continuance of the Evangelical United Brethren in The United Methodist Church—Bishop R. H. Mueller

Bishop Mueller: Because it is the faith of the members of the Board of Bishops that the Evangelical United Brethren Church is not dying, that we are not ending our life here this afternoon, and that with our full strength we are entering into a new union and relationship, in order that we may be more effective in the service of Jesus Christ, even though we realize that there is a necessity of bringing a General Conference Session to a proper legal close, and a resolution of adjournment, we nevertheless declare that it is our high and holy purpose that this church shall go on rendering service through the enlarged United Methodist Church for Christ, and for his church in the generations to come, in the Name of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen. (DCA 163.)

Adjournment

Bishop Howard: Is there a motion to adjourn? All favorable indicate by saying Aye. (Vote: Aye.) Opposed, no.

Rather than the chairman alone declaring this session adjourned. The Board of Bishops as a panel will make this declaration. (Bishops holding hands.)

Repeat after me: "The business of this adjourned meeting having been completed, we the Members of the Board of Bishops of The Evangelical United Brethren Church do now declare the 41st Session of the General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church be adjourned, and under God we now move into The United Methodist Church, in the Name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

In a mood of nostalgia and reverence, with certain regrets, yet with expectation, with sadness at the passing of the old but with the joy of anticipation of greater experiences and broader opportunities, this adjourned session of the Forty-first and final session of the Evangelical United Brethren Church was adjourned.

SPECIAL SESSION

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1968

Bishop R. H. Mueller, Presiding

At the closing session of the Uniting Conference held in Dallas Memorial Auditorium it was announced by Mr. Charles Parlin, Secretary of the Joint Committee on Union, that it was necessary to have a brief meeting of the Evangelical United Brethren General Conference. Bishop James Mathews was presiding officer of the Uniting Conference at this time.

Special Session of the Evangelical United Brethren Church General Conference

Bishop Mathews: All right, we have to vote giving permission to the EUB Church to meet as a General Conference, as I understand it. But we must wait until this is put by Bishop Mueller, I believe proposed by him.

Bishop Mueller: Mr. Chairman, the permission that would come from the vote of the Uniting Conference is on page 368 of the Blue Book, Item No. 6:

"Having completed their respective necessary business, the two General Conferences of 1968 shall unite for a Uniting Conference, all voting members of both General Conferences being voting members of the Uniting Conference; provided that, by vote of the Uniting Conference, it may at any time and from time to time suspend its business in order to permit the two General Conferences to meet separately for the preparation of nominations for the boards and agencies of The United Methodist Church, or other necessary business."

We need to elect some board members that only the EUB General Conference can elect at this time. If you will give us permission, then we will proceed to take this up.

Bishop Mathews: With your permission, this is in accordance with the enabling acts; so if you will give your permission, will you lift the hand? (Show of hands.) Those opposed, the same sign. It is done. (DCA 795.)

Dr. Wertz, do you still want . . . Oh, you have two more.

Bishop Mueller: No, I'm not through.

Bishop Mathews: Oh, I'm sorry.

Election, Board of Publication, Evangelical United Brethren Church

Bishop Mueller: I call on our publisher now to present the matter that is before the Adjourned Session of the Evangelical United Brethren General Conference. Mr. Theuer.

Don Theuer: Thank you, Bishop Mueller. The reason that we could not take this action a week ago Monday was that one petition dealing with tenure on boards was before the Uniting Conference. The Uniting Conference disposed of this petition through the blanket non-con-

currence. This means, then, that our slate of board members which are to be elected by the General Conference are as follows: For a four-year term: Harvey Hahn, Lloyd Nichols; for an eight-year term: Harry Fravert, Horace Smith; for a twelve-year term: L. T. Hicks, Milton Stauffer.

Bishop Mathews: I take it that Bishop Mueller puts this question. Is this correct? All right. I can't preside over the EUB General Conference it seems.

Bishop Mueller: All right. On page 90, in the Blue Book, under Paragraph 853, about half way down:

"The Special Session of the Evangelical United Brethren Conference of 1968 shall elect six members, two each for terms of one, two, and three quadrenniums respectively."

This is to the Board of Publications. It has to be elected by us, and then by the agreement, automatically they become a part of the Board of Publications of The United Methodist Church. You have heard the names presented as the Board of Bishops has prepared them. Will somebody offer a motion that they be elected? Dr. Masters has offered the motion; it is properly seconded. Those who favor this will raise the hand. (Show of hands.) Thank you. Any opposed? They are elected. Thank you, Don. (DCA 795.)

Election, Boards of Trustees of Theological Seminaries

Bishop Mueller: I call now on *Dr. Paul Church*, the Executive Secretary of the Council of Administration, to present the matter of trustees of our two seminaries.

Dr. Church: Mr. Chairman, both Trustee Boards, the United Theological Seminary and Evangelical Theological Seminary, have voted to request the General Conference to continue the present membership of the two Boards of Trustees until their successors are properly elected. A motion would be in order.

Bishop Mueller: Will somebody make a motion consistent with this? It is properly made. Is it seconded? Properly seconded. Those who favor the election of these two Board of Trustees will raise the hand. (Show of hands.) Thank you. Those opposed? They are elected. (DCA 795.)

Adjournment

Bishop Mueller: I now declare that this Adjourned Session of the 41st General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church is adjourned, and this is how you streamline things. (Laughter.) (DCA 795.)

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MORNING SESSION**

Opening Session—Bishop Donald H. Tippett

The 1968 session of the General Conference of The Methodist Church (being the Eighth General Conference since the uniting of the three constituent churches, and the Forty-seventh General Conference since the establishment of Methodism in America in 1784) convened in the Crystal Ball Room of the Baker Hotel, Dallas, Texas, Monday, April 22, 1968 at 8:30 a.m. with Bishop Donald H. Tippett of the San Francisco Area, Western Jurisdiction and President of the Council of Bishops, presiding.

Bishop Tippett called the Conference to order at 8:30 a.m. and presented Dr. Pfautsch, Choir Director of Southern Methodist University. The choir sang three numbers as the opening of the devotional period.

Bishop Tippett then introduced Bishop R. Marvin Stuart, Denver Area, Western Jurisdiction to conduct the balance of the devotional service.

Devotions—Bishop R. Marvin Stuart

Bishop Stuart: Let us bow for a moment of prayer. Most Merciful and Gracious God, who art the strength of all who put their trust in Thee, prepare us now to worship Thee in fear and in truth. Amen.

Hymn No. 1: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" was sung.

Bishop Stuart then called upon Bishop Arthur Moore to read the Scripture and lead in prayer.

Scripture Reading and Prayer—Bishop Arthur Moore

Bishop Moore: The Lesson of the morning is in the Eighth Chapter of the Book of Romans beginning to read at the 9th verse:

"Now if any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many

as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God."

I begin to read again at the 31st verse: "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Will you stand for the prayer, please: "Eternal God, our merciful Heavenly Father, we begin this day and open this Conference with supplication and thanksgiving. This is for us a day both of review and of resolution. Our thoughts turn quickly to the manifold blessings thou hast sent our way, food and shelter, families and freedom and for all these and more we give thanks to thee. We've come to this place from the ends of the earth, we represent many nations and many peoples and we pray thy richest blessings to abide with our people, with thy people whatever their sign or name. We ask thee to perfect and preserve these United States of America. Lead us as a people toward even greater destiny than we have known hitherto. Grant that neither arrogance begotten of prosperity nor conceit bred of successful achievement shall cause us ever to forget our inexpressable debts to thee.

"Endow the President of these United States and his counselors with wisdom and courage and patience as they seek to establish peace in Viet Nam. We give thee thanks for our beloved church. We are surrounded this morning by great clouds of witnesses. We pause before we begin the work of the day to lean thou lovingly upon their names. Just when we thought them gone we discovered them at our side, teaching us to be awake and never to be afraid. And we shall do our work this day with stouter courage and larger hope and with firmer tread because of the lessons these departed ones taught us. We pray now for this United Methodist Church.

"We thank thee for our approaching fellowship with our comrades of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Grant to us in our approaching, Heavenly Father, a more intimate fellowship with our Lord. Never allow us to despair of the world's redemption or to run away from the problems of the earth. Give us a more tenacious hold this day upon the everlasting certainties of our faith and help us with those certainties to initiate a great spiritual offensive. Save us from fear and from futility and from despair. Deliver us from temporizing and shallow makeshift. Sustain us with an eager expectancy of Soul. Let our hearts glow this day and in all the coming days with a faith in the ultimate triumph of our Blessed Lord. Never allow us to mistake the clatter of the ecclesiastical machinery with the winds of heaven. Help us to march to our task as a world church not with crutch and bandage but with the sound of trumpets and marching feet. Send us before long another great spiritual awakening of quickening power and let it begin with us. For Christ's sake. Amen."

Bishop Stuart gave the devotional address (see Appendix, page 987).

Telegram: Bishop Donald H. Tippett

Bishop Tippett: Thank you very much Bishop Stuart. I have a very interesting telegram that I think you will want me to read. It comes from Havana from our newly consecrated Bishop Hermando Rodriguez.

"God Bless the Uniting Conference. Cuban Methodist people are present in spirit and prayer." And he referred to Isaiah 54:2. We will have the roll call, if you please, Mr. Secretary.

Roll Call—J. Wesley Hole, Secretary

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona—W): Bishop Tippett, members of the General Conference: The rules of the General Conference require that as part of the roll call the names of the bishops that have died since last we met, the names of the delegates-elect, the reserve delegates-elect for the 1968 General Conference who are deceased. It is customary for the Conference to stand as these names are read:

Bishop P. C. Balaram
 Bishop A. Raymond Grant
 Bishop Ivan Lee Holt
 Mr. Harry G. Bell
 Dr. Lacy H. Burns
 Mr. Kenneth R. Morgan
 Mr. Alonzo C. Edwards
 Mr. Arthur W. Tobey

Bishop Tippett: Will you remain standing while Bishop Frederick Newell leads us in prayer.

Bishop Frederick B. Newell (Retired N.E.): Let us unite our hearts and minds in reflection and in meditation and in supplication. Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, we stand before thee quietly now to acknowledge thy sovereignty throughout time and in this moment, as the Word reminds us O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth, from everlasting to everlasting thou art God and in this moment as we bow quietly before thee, thou art God our God. We thank thee for the dear departed dead who served thee, loved thee, and now by circumstance have been denied the privilege of joining us here. We praise thee for their lives, for their goodness, for their devotion to their church and the faith and to thee. We thank thee for Thou didst prepare a place for them not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Now grant to us this day—all the days of this Conference and all the days of this new church—sense of the eternal. Teach us never to confuse immediacy with eternity. Fit us for the age in which we live and serve and make us this day wise and just, and in all our actions, thine shall be the glory, world without end. Amen.

J. Wesley Hole: The roll call will be completed as follows:

The secretary of the Council of Bishops will report in writing the attendance of the members of the Council of Bishops. The secretary of the Judicial Council will report in writing the attendance of that body. The chairman of each delegation will be furnished a roll call blank on which he will report the attendance of members of the delegation, noting absentees and substitutions. This will be done tomorrow morning. There are complete instructions in the envelope which will be furnished to each delegation chairman; and when this roll is completed, the blank is to be returned to the secretary's table

or to room 200 in the Theater Building of the Auditorium. This procedure for the roll call will comply with the rules of order of the General Conference.

Quorum Declared Present—Bishop Tippett—J. Wesley Hole

Bishop Tippett: Mr. Secretary, I am required to ask the question before we proceed: Can you assure us that there is a quorum?

J. Wesley Hole: As of the close of registration last night, 821 voting delegates had registered. This is more than a majority of the total number of elected delegates, and therefore I certify that a quorum as required in Paragraph 506 of the 1964 *Discipline* is present.

Report of Commission on Entertainment and Program—J. Otis Young

Bishop Tippett: A report, please, from the Commission on Entertainment and Program, Dr. J. Otis Young.

J. Otis Young (Northeast Ohio—NC): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference. You are aware, probably, by this time that there is no *Daily Christian Advocate* for this morning. The first issue will be placed on your desk tomorrow morning. In the absence of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, it will be necessary for me to read the items that are on the agenda for this conference. I shall go slowly if you desire to take down the major ones. My report this morning will be confined purely to the making of announcements of the agenda. The complete report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program will be made at the first session of the Uniting Conference tomorrow morning.

The first item on the Agenda following my report, will be the Report of the Council from the Council of Secretaries on the vote on union by Bishop Short.

The second item will be the report of the Quadrennial Emphases, Bishop Raines and Dr. Powers in charge; followed by a report on the Advance, Bishop Werner; and then a report from the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation by Dr. Howard Greenwalt and Bishop Donald Tippett.

That will be followed by the presentation of the Quadrennial Report and their reference to the Committees on Legislation. There will be a report from the Judicial Council by the president, Mr. Paul R. Ervin. A report from the Co-ordinating Council by Bishop Mathews and Mr. Wright. There will be a brief report on the World Family Life Movement, Bishop Hazen G. Werner. There will be a report from the Ad Hoc Committee, Dr. Charles Parlin.

There will be a report from the Board of Lay Activities on the Stewardship Creed which was ordered by the 1964 General Conference, Dr. Robert Mayfield. And then we would like for Dr. Parlin to be ready to propose the suitable motion that would adjourn this Conference after we have the announcements and before the closing prayer.

And then I would like to state that it is our feeling, Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, that all business on this agenda can be cared for in this morning session; and if that is true, then there will be no afternoon session, so far as the General Conference of The Methodist Church is concerned. We then shall assemble this evening at 7:30 in the Memorial Auditorium for the hearing of the Episcopal Address. Delegates are requested to take their places as they did last evening, irrespective of where you may be seated when the conference has been given its assignment. But on Tuesday morning when you come in at 8:00 and before the doors are closed at 8:20, those who can find their places—they will be definitely marked at that time—it

will help us in the confusion between the time we close the Service of Unification and before we open the first official conference of The United Methodist Church. Mr. Chairman, I should like to move the adoption of this Agenda.

There is one item I failed to mention here, because we have had to readjust this. I apologize to Dr. Don Cooke. There is to be instruction from the General Conference treasurer, Dr. Cooke. Never overlook the man who has the money. I'm sorry for that.

Bishop Tippett: Will you adopt the Agenda? If you will, show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

Bishop Tippett: I now turn to the report from the Council of Bishops on the vote on Union. Bishop Short, please.

Bishop Roy H. Short (Louisville Area—SE): Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Council of Bishops I submit this formal report on the voting in the annual conferences on the proposed Constitution of the United Methodist Church. Voting Yes—31,061; Voting No—4,198; Abstentions—24. And this means that the required approval has been secured in the respective annual conferences.

Bishop Tippett: Will you receive the report? If you will, show the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is done.

I call on Bishop Raines for a report on the Quadrennial Emphasis, please.

Quadrennial Emphasis Report—Bishop Richard C. Raines— R. Merrill Powers

Bishop Richard C. Raines (Indianapolis Area—NC): Mr. Chairman and members of the General Conference. The Committee on Quadrennial Program is grateful to you and to the Commission on Entertainment and Program for this privilege. Many of you will remember that, beginning in 1944 with the *Crusade for Christ and His Church*, followed in 1948 by the *Advance for Christ and His Church*—which I was privileged to present to the General Conference at Boston; succeeding General Conferences have lifted special phases of the life of the church and designated them a quadrennial program for emphasis. *One Witness in One World* has been the banner under which the quadrennial program has sought to carry out its mandate this quadrennium.

The Commission was saddened and its work badly handicapped by the sudden death of Bishop Vernon Middleton, its chairman, and also by the death of Dr. Elliott Fisher, head of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation. The Commission has asked me to assume the responsibility so ably carried by my beloved colleague, and the Commission turned to Dr. R. Merrill Powers to serve as its associate secretary and program director. Dr. Powers' task has been both difficult and delicate, for the authority given the Commission exalted voluntary participation. He has carried on the work of the Commission across the church with ceaseless encouragement and given counsel and assistance whenever requested and the church is deeply indebted to him for his wisdom and his devotion. Will you welcome him and express to him your gratitude, as he makes a brief report to you of our work. Dr. Powers.

Dr. R. Merrill Powers: Mr. Chairman, Bishop Raines, members of the Commission and the Committee, and of the General Conference, and distinguished guests. It will help us to understand the nature and scope of this quadrennial emphasis on *One Witness in One World*, if we remind ourselves of two aspects of Methodist history and tradition, brought down through the days of John Wesley. First, that The Methodist Church is not a sect, but is truly a member of the body of

Christ. And second, that as such it shares a common responsibility with all other denominations for the moral and spiritual welfare of mankind. It follows that the effectiveness of the church's witness is conditioned by the depth of its spiritual experience and the conditions of the society within which it is set, at any given time.

The plan of this quadrennial program involves a serious study of the nature and the implications of the Christian Gospel, and an equally serious inquiry into the readiness and willingness of Methodists as individuals and in groups to accept the discovery of needs thus made as mandates for witness and action. The words, "Renewal and Relationship," appeared at the very outset of the program. The one to emphasize the spiritual nature of the quest, and the other to indicate its ethical and social characteristics. Bishop Roy H. Short, who wrote the manuscript for the study book *One Witness in One World*, kept these two ideas in the forefront throughout the book. The chapters were designed to promote discussion, to stimulate self-examination, and lead into a spirit of personal resolution as areas of Christian need were explored and plans of remedial action set forth.

This emphasis on self-determination puts a premium on local initiative and tests the creativity of leadership at every level of the church. Freedom and local responsibility have had full opportunity for expression in this program. No new structures have been called for. There were no required reports to be given, nor check sheets to be completed and turned in. It is not proposed to issue any statistical averages, nor final conclusions. The results of this four-year long effort toward identification as the church in mission are long-range. Such program emphases as have been developed by congregations and annual conferences are encouragements to individuals and groups to discover for themselves the meaning of Christian life and the thrill of effective Christian witness and move us as we now face the coming quadrennium.

A more complete and documentary report of this quadrennial commission appears at page 545 in the book of Quadrennial Reports, a copy of which has been mailed to the members of this General Conference or will be placed on their desks later in the week. At this point, and because we are at the very threshold of the new United Methodist Church, and looking forward, I beg your indulgence concerning some observations growing out of our association with this particular emphasis.

First, church-wide programs, however good they may be, designed by boards and agencies of the church, cannot be counted upon by themselves to excite spontaneous acceptance nor enthusiastic cooperation on the part of local churchmen. They need adequate interpretation and administrative co-operation on the part of leadership at every level of the church.

Secondly, Protestant churches today practice a very free interchange of membership—one of the by-products of the ecumenical spirit. Many of our Methodist people today were not born Methodist and lack the tradition and background of earlier generations as stimuli toward program development. However, this is not to say that today's membership may not experience even a deeper loyalty to the Christian movement as they identify with the church in mission in these crucial times.

Thirdly, each generation of Methodists will and should claim the right to determine what sort of quadrennial program is needed. My experience indicates a strong desire on the part of the leadership of our congregations for specific guidelines so that they may know what is expected of them from time to time. At best, any quadrennial program is but a tool by which consecrated churchmen may give expression to their Christian witness. I think it does not militate

against the spirit of freedom if broad outlines can be indicated with which individuals and groups can shape their own program.

Permit me now a word of personal appreciation to my colleagues on the staff of the Commission, to the members of both the Commission and the Quadrennial Committee. One and all have been singularly patient and co-operative, as we have worked together, sometimes in situations difficult beyond our control. I am particularly grateful to Bishops Tippett and Raines for their guidance in planning the work, and to Dr. Greenwalt who has been able to open many a door of opportunity to us across the quadrennium now closed. My sincere appreciation to you, one and all. Respectfully submitted, R. Merrill Powers.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman and delegates, a friend sent me here a little book of children's prayers, or rather children's letters to God. And one of them reads: "Dear God, what is it like when you die? Nobody will tell me. I just want to know. I don't want to do it."

Now the contrary to this letter, this Commission does want to cease its earthly existence, and I would be most grateful if someone who is able to do so, would move that the complete report which was mentioned of the work of the Commission, together with the report just made by Dr. Powers, would be received by the General Conference, and that the Quadrennial Program of 1964-68 should be honorably discharged with appreciation for its efforts.

Bishop Tippett: Is there someone who desires to make that motion?

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC): I make the motion.

Bishop Tippett: Thank you very much. As many as will adopt will show the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is adopted.

Vinson M. Mouser: Mr. Chairman, may I have the privilege now of identifying the members of the Commission?

Bishop Raines making this report. Bishop Ward was vice-chairman; Mrs. Charles W. Mead, secretary; the bishops were Raines, Love, Short, Ward; Mrs. Porter Brown, Dr. Howard Ham, Dr. Robert Mayfield, Mr. Frank Baker, Mr. W. Davis Cotton, Mrs. John Gridley, Dr. Offie Hathaway, Dr. Theodore C. Mayer, Dr. Eugene L. Smith, Bishop Paul Garber and Bishop James Mathews, Bishop W. Angie Smith, Bishop Hazen G. Werner; also Dr. Don A. Cooke, Dr. Kermit L. Long, Dr. Harry C. Spencer, Dr. Lloyd M. Bertholf, Mr. Raymond E. Dewey, Dr. W. P. Handy, Jr., Mr. Taylor McConnell, Mrs. Charles W. Mead, Dr. H. Conwell Snoke, Samuel Raya from Chile, and Samuel Tsopotsa from Rhodesia, Yah Kim Hao from Malaysia, Eric Mitchell from Bombay.

We are very grateful also for the assistance of Dr. Howard Greenwalt. May I have the privilege of asking, these, some of whom are delegates and are here, and others who would not be in the room, to stand that you may identify them and recognize them. You who are members of the committee, whose names I have just read, stand please.

Thank you, and this completes our report.

Report of Advance Committee—Bishop Hazen Werner

Bishop Tippett: The report on the Advance. Bishop Hazen Werner, please.

Bishop Hazen G. Werner (Hong Kong and Taiwan): Mr. President, this is the report of the Advance Committee to the General Conference of 1968. This report, may I say, just in a parenthetical sense comes at the close of my relation to the Advance, the cause of which I have been concerned since 1952. The close of this quadrennium in The Methodist Church will witness twenty years of benevolent giving

through the Advance. The final report of the period 1948 through 1968 reveals that \$132,000,000.00 have been raised by the Advance for the work of the church at home and overseas. Advance giving experienced an incredible rise in 13 millions of dollars in 1948-52 to 48 millions of dollars for the quadrennium, 1964-68.

This remarkable achievement of the Advance, as a committee of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation, moves us to profound gratefulness to the church and to every participant. With every year the roots of the Advance grow deeper into the life of the church, written into the *Discipline* of 1952, and written now into the notable Blue and White Books of the Uniting Conference. But more significantly still, the Advance has been written into the conviction of the church itself. It has earned the right to the confidence of The Methodist Church. The Methodist people believe that the Advance is an investment in an unshakable kingdom. True, in a day of political uncertainty in lands here and there, buildings may be taken over, religious activities curtailed, and visas of missionaries cancelled.

However, if the truth of Christ has been brought in the meantime to the hearts of people in these lands, the work of faith will not die out, but go on; and this is the work of the Advance. Let it be said to our enheartenment that in many of these previously perilous situations, the door now is opening—just a little—making it possible for the compassionate service to mankind to be resumed with increasing freedom. In Angola, for example, church attendance is up, and new congregations have been organized. In the Dominican Republic, where Methodists and EUBs work together, the growth in the number of ministers and members has been exceptional.

Recently from some of the central European countries word has come of greater freedom for the church. I think we need to take a new look at the situations in many places of the earth and realize that the work is opening up again in ways that are perfectly encouraging to all of us. As the bishop of Taiwan and Hong Kong, I realize as never before the value of the Advance.

In Hong Kong the Methodist Church ministers to thousands of the disadvantaged. I stood one morning down in that Resettlement House area in Hong Kong and said to a young Chinese minister, "How many people would be resident within five minutes' walk of where we stand?" And he said, "Well, I would say conservatively, 150,000 people." And then, I turned and said this to him, "Lincoln, what difference does it make that we make Christians of these people?" He said, "Bishop, they are happier, they are more honest, and they are cleaner."

And I've carried that impression; for if you knew how they lived, where they lived, you would understand that something of a strange invincibility was created for their possession, over against conditions that probably will not change, but they in their own lives have a new sense of well being. Fifteen hundred children are being given an education on the rooftops and the flats in resettlement houses, and these children would not receive a day of schooling were it not for the Advance and the church. Now, note likewise through the ministry of MCOR to the refugees in Viet Nam—there are more than 2 million of them—and the uprooted unemployed of the Middle East—there are 1,500,000 of them. Approximately one-third of the resources of MCOR are supplied by Advance Special giving. From our concern here to their hope and healing there, the church moves ahead through the Advance.

In place after place, church extension, for example is made possible through the Advance have put the kingdom ahead 10 years. And yet, the Advance is no picture book enterprise. It faces some quite hard going for the future. The Advance needs to be reshaped to function in a context of change. This is the first necessity. Legislation is needed to

establish more clearly the eligibility of projects as Advance Conference Specials. We become rather casual in our definition and interpretation of Advance down in the annual conferences. The proposal to bend the Advance toward a plan of lump-sum giving will require very careful examination. Such a plan may aid in a broadening sweep of concern, as well as perhaps to secure support for those services and agencies now failing to attract designated gifts. But on the other hand, the nondesignated or generalized giving, the giver loses the satisfying feeling of personal relationship with the mission field. Impersonalized or undesignated giving dulls the incentive, it thins out the element of choice, and weakens communication between the field and the home church.

We have not sufficiently realized the value of the personal nature of the Advance. More than any other instrument in the church, the Advance has won the heart of the church in bringing people together in a spiritual fellowship that knows no distance. Well, let me quote the *Discipline*. It reads: that a General Advance Special is a designated gift to a specific object. With an increasing world population and the shrinking value of the dollar and an nonrelating political timetable, we must find ways of greatly increasing the funding of mission enterprises or resign ourselves to a lesser effect. There are 16 thousand churches, approximately half of the churches in Methodism, that give nothing through the Advance. If each one would give one \$25.00 Advance Special, this would make available an additional \$400,000.00, and think of what this would do for the cause of Christ in the world.

Further, we must work toward a recovered sensitivity of our people. I think there has been a strange kind of desensitizing that perhaps is not as obvious as we might think. Our people are not dusting off their hands of benevolences and their claims. Perhaps they are a little less shaken by needs and a little too preoccupied with themselves to understand these needs. Affluence does not increase compassion. They must once again be made to feel the desire to feed the hungry and enlighten the mind and heal the body and bring persons everywhere into the fair kingdom of our Lord. The Advance must begin to rest upon a more mature accountability—not pity, but love and understanding.

We will no longer be able to say to a church or a person, "Here is a project. Where is your money?" Not just that people are cold and need a blanket, or sick and need a doctor. The present calls for a deeper motivation. The Advance challenges us to a deeper ministry and a deeper dedication to human spiritual needs. A few weeks ago in Hong Kong in our room in the hotel, Mrs. Werner and I had finished our breakfast, and the floor man—a Chinese person—came in and gathered up the dishes. As he did, he turned to me and smilingly said, "You're the head of religion." I said, "No, I will explain to you. I am a bishop in The Methodist Church here in Hong Kong and bishop also of the church in Taiwan."

Then I said to him, "What are you?" I said, "Are you a Lutheran?" He said, "No." I said, "Are you a Catholic?" And he said, "No." I said, "Are you Buddhist?" He said, "No." I said, "What are you?" And he said, "Nothing."

And then I said to him, "Well, why aren't you a Christian?" And he said, "No one ever asked me." "Well," I said, "I'm asking you now." I said, "I'm going to get a Bible for you today down at the office and bring it to you and give it to you."

And of course, it would be essential for him to come to know something about the faith before he could even prepare for Baptism. I brought him a Bible; it had the Old Testament and the New Testament together. I asked him to read the Gospel of John, but he didn't want to. He wanted to start at the very beginning. He started with

Genesis. I saw him out in the hall, again and again as I passed him, reading the Bible. And then he said to Mrs. Werner this astounding thing, "I've read in this book that God made this whole world and everything in it." And then he went on and said, "And God made a man. Then he took a piece of a man and made a lady." Well, I think we realize what amazing opportunities there are in just such instances as this.

We need a new sense of aggression. We need a new sensitivity to the needs—the human spiritual needs of people all about us. It gives me great pleasure to present this report on the Advance to the General Conference. Will someone move its adoption?

Martin H. Singh (Lucknow—OS) moved its adoption.

Bishop Tippett: Thank you. As many as will receive the report will show the hands. Opposed? It is adopted.

Report of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation— Dr. Howard Greenwalt

Bishop Tippett: As chairman of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation, I have asked Dr. Howard Greenwalt to bring the report. Before he comes, I must remind you that he had a very great responsibility suddenly thrust upon him in the death of our very dear mutual friend, Elliott Fisher, on his way to see me. He died suddenly at the New York airport.

Dr. Greenwalt took over with amazing effectiveness. He has done a tremendously fine job. I want you to know how grateful I am to him for his many courtesies and his fine leadership. I wanted him to have the opportunity of presenting the report to you. Dr. Greenwalt, please.

Howard Greenwalt: Bishop Tippett, Council of Bishops, and distinguished delegates, and Methodists, it is a privilege to stand here and give this report for the Commission on Promotion. I had planned on Bishop Tippett giving this report, and when he was in the chair, the lot then fell to me. Bishop Tippett is also my bishop in the annual conference. Some men in positions such as a general agency, have a means of escape between two bishops. I have no such avenues open to me.

The report of our commission is to be found in the Quadrennial Report Book on page 531. I wish that there was sufficient time to go into the details of this report, since it involves the entire church. But I know that there is not time, and I've been around this church long enough to know that some of you will not read the reports. There are several things in the report that I do want to call to your attention. Our Commission stands in a rather unique position in the structure of the church. We represent the whole church and try to tell the whole story of its work in the whole world. Very few other agencies have this privilege. And we are both encouraged and humbled by such responsibility.

The *Discipline* assigns us to the responsibility in these words: "To the end that our people may be informed and may adequately support the work of The Methodist Church." Well, how do you inform over 10 million people? How do you tell the story of a benevolence program that reaches into 48 other nations? That seeks a depth of penetration of American society? How do you move the Methodists to adequately support the work of their church? Well, we use a good many avenues to tell this story. We tell the story of World Service and its 13 agencies. All of you are familiar with the work of these agencies, at least in varying degrees. There are 13 other agencies outside the World Service scope that also have the story of our church. There are special

funds—the One Great Hour of Sharing, the Fellowship of Suffering and Service, the work of TRAFCO and the TV-Radio Ministry Fund, and a host of other claims that need your attention because these are the sole means of support for many of them.

We seek to tell this story through individual leaflets on the World Service agencies. We single out a board and in a specified month we try to lift up something that that board is doing that is vital and relevant and is a matter of concern for every Methodist anywhere he lives. Incidentally, these go out over 3 million a month, and are read in the pew sometimes when the preacher is preaching. One of the objections of some of the ministers to the leaflets being distributed in the church service, is that they are read instead of the words reaching the worshiper through his ears.

The other major means that we seek to tell the story is *The Methodist Story*. This magazine came into being in 1957 as the result of what some of the preachers called “proliferation of materials.” You will recall that in 1948 and in 1952 this General Conference struggled with this matter of all the mailings that the local church receives; and in 1956 the General Conference acted. It said that there shall be fewer publications, fewer communications to the local church and to the pastor, at least they shall be channeled. And they were channeled through *The Methodist Story*.

I would like to ask a rather risky question of this General Conference. I would like to ask all of you who do not receive *The Methodist Story* to hold up your hand—who do not receive it. Thank you very much. That was a long shot, but it was a good one. I hold in my hand the April issue, which is the last issue of *The Methodist Story* to be issued by The Methodist Church. Incidentally, it had a message from the president of the Council of Bishops. It was well worth reading, even if he is my bishop.

I hold also in my hand a new publication. It is the first issue of the new United Methodist Church, and it is called *The Methodist Story-Spotlight*. This will be placed on your desk a little later in the week. *The Methodist Story* is now published in two languages. It is published in Spanish for the Spanish-speaking people of our church. This edition is called *Accion Metodista*. It goes to only about 5,000 people, but it has been greatly appreciated by the pastors of some 300 churches in the mainland United States, and by others in the Caribbean area. The English edition goes now to 28,000 preachers and to 280,000 laymen, making a total of over 300,000 copies that go out each month, except in the month of August. We combine July and August because so many people are on vacation.

To keep us moving together, another one of the assignments given the Commission was the matter of a calendar of meetings. Twice a year we canvass all the leadership of Methodism who have anything to do with the arranging of meetings, and we publish a calendar, indicating who is having a meeting where, and what people are involved. Sometimes this task gets rather discouraging. The current issue of the meetings yet ahead is something like 15 pages, double-spaced, for The Methodist Church and the new United Methodist Church. Of course, that goes through 1971. These meetings are already scheduled. Heaven help us when the rest get on the calendar.

Another function which our office has had is that of creating an organization of mailing to the preachers. Nobody is supposed—now this doesn't always obtain, you understand—but nobody is supposed to write a general letter to a pastor in Methodism without first asking us when they can do it because, in the past, when it was not cleared, a minister would sometimes receive as many as two or three communications in a single mail, and that didn't help his blood pressure any.

Another thing that we seek to do as your representative is to send

men into the field to work with the bishop and the district superintendents, representing all the agencies of the church in a matter of field cultivation and interpretation. At the beginning of each quadrennium there has been, and there will be, a convocation of district superintendents and other leaders. For those of you who have responsibilities related to an annual conference, that meeting will be held November 14-17 at the Conrad Hilton in Chicago. I hope you will keep those dates for that particular time.

Sometimes our office takes quite a little drubbing over the fact that many people think that we are so mercenary, so mundane, so promotion minded. I have a thick skin. I get lots of these letters. They don't bother me very much except at this point: they are a reflection on us all, because our office is not created in a Madison Avenue concept. We are seeking to reflect what you want done. It is necessary to have the funds to do these things with. You have listened to our bishop speak in sermons, thus far, in this conference, and you have heard a number of references that words alone are not enough, and we are well aware of that. And we are dedicated to doing what you tell us to do at the General Conference, and we are doing our utmost to reflect what you want done.

So when a man writes me and says, "What did you send me this letter for? Don't you think I know what my job is?" We are discouraged a little by that, but it doesn't trouble us because there are 28,000 and one or two letters. If we didn't get those, we'd be alarmed. Somebody always is on the other side of anything that is going on, and we expect letters. But when we get a large number of letters from our ministers, we know that something needs attention and we try to give it the attention it needs.

We want you to know that in our office we are not as insensitive to the needs of the Kingdom as we are sometimes accused of being. We are not in business merely to raise money; we are raising money with all of you for a purpose. If there weren't this money available, Bishop Werner wouldn't have been able to buy that Bible for this man in Hong Kong. Or you could go across the world anywhere there are needs. Maybe that was a poor illustration.

Bishop Werner, some of your colleagues over here are coming up with some observations. The bishop said, for the information of his colleagues, he paid for that Bible himself. I would like to call to your attention the fact that if we secure a gift without the giver, our office in The Methodist Church has failed in its task, of serving the Kingdom. I would like also to say to you that we are working on things of the heart as much as anything in the church is. At the present time we have the research and survey department of Dr. Cooke's office, working on a motivation in depth study in Illinois that is typical—we think as typical as we could afford to pay for—of any town in Methodism. It is Decatur, Illinois.

We are trying to find out what it is that makes two different people react differently to the same preacher.

I want you to know that we are not going to tell you everything we find out. We have been puzzled, and I'm sure each of you has, for a long, long time over how it is that two men can stand at the altar of the church, take the pledge of membership, and then one of them will become a part of one-third of that congregation who can be counted upon, who pay 90 percent of the income, who accept assignments on the official board, and who do the work of the Kingdom. The other fellow, what becomes of him? He joins one of the other two thirds of the church, one third of which comes when it is convenient and puts money in when he's got a little extra; or he may join the other third that hardly ever shows up again at church. Now what happens?

The same words were spoken, the same pledge was taken. What is the motivating factor or differential that makes two men join a church side by side, one of them willing to put his life on the line, and the other one isn't. This study will help us, at least to try to get some insight into this question. We had hoped to have it ready for you at General Conference, but we did not succeed. It will be ready in another three or four months.

In conclusion, I would like to say to you that this final report—in it we take great satisfaction because of the size of the task that you have assigned to us in the past. You have given us an assignment, an interpretive assignment that is tremendous. You have asked us to tell the story of our 12 theological seminaries, our 77 colleges, our 20 junior colleges, our 289 hospitals and homes, our 9,000 Methodist Men's groups, our 36,000 Woman's Societies, and Service Guilds, our Sunday schools—37,000 of them.

You will receive in your hands a report indicating that last year we gave—this past year, not '68 but '67—we gave 664 million dollars for all causes, 100 million of which went to expand the Kingdom. This is a sizable task. We thank God that we have been privileged to work with all the bishops, the district superintendents, the pastors, and the 10,289,000 Methodists. We would say to you, "Thanks for this task. We hope we have discharged our stewardship as you wished."

And we are very mindful of the fact that as we go into the new church, it'll be a different church. We have recommended to the Council on World Service and Finance a \$25 million goal for World Service. We have heard some static from that, but we are of the opinion that we are a great church and a great church ought not to do unworthy things. And so we offer ourselves to you not for judgment but for guidance. We hope you will be kind with the judgment part. Thank you very much.

Bishop Tippet: Is there a motion to receive the report? (Moved and seconded from the floor.) It is moved. It is seconded. As many as will receive the report will show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

May I ask that all the members of the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation, and several of the staff members who are here, stand for just a moment that we may salute you for a remarkably fine job during the quadrennium. Thank you very much.

Quadrennial Reports—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Northeast Ohio—NC) Mr. Chairman: The General Conference has placed with the Commission on Entertainment and Program the responsibility of preparing this quadrennial, this report, which has been mailed to all of the delegates. As chairman of the Commission, I should like to move that this report be received and referred to the 14 Legislative Committees.

Bishop Tippet: Did I hear a motion? And it is seconded. As many as will receive and order parts of it sent to the proper Legislative Committees will show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

Co-ordinating Council Report—Bishop James K. Mathews

Bishop James K. Mathews (Boston Area N.E.): Mr. Chairman, members of the General Conference, and friends. I trust that the members of the Co-ordinating Council who know that they will have a part in the presentation of this report are near at hand. I'm not sure there is enough room right on the podium up here for them to be present. The report of the Co-ordinating Council is the printed document which should have been in your places upon your arrival. It is about that which we will speak. This is a kind of wrap-up report by

its very nature. We are ordered to make it directly to the General Conference, according to the *Discipline*.

Our labors have to do with those responsibilities assigned to us by Paragraph 1091-1095 of the *Discipline of The Methodist Church*. You will find on the inside cover the names of the members of the Co-ordinating Council. I shall not read the names; but, as in other cases here this morning, I should like to ask that those who are present stand that we may acknowledge their presence here. Will they please stand, the members of the Co-ordinating Council?

I should like to express appreciation especially to the officers of the Council. The vice-president is Mr. Richard C. Erwin, an attorney from Winston-Salem, N.C.; and to the secretary, Mr. P. Russell Wright of Manhattan, Kans.—Mr. Wright is here; he particularly has rendered a great service to all of Methodism, and I want publicly to acknowledge this debt and to thank him. You will see, of course, the dates of meetings of our Council during the quadrennium now ending. We have a variety of responsibilities, not only those listed especially in the *Discipline*, but those referred to us by the General Conference of 1964 and 1966.

Some of these I may say are rather thankless tasks. There are other responsibilities which we have assumed on our own initiative. Now this report is a kind of summary of our activities. I should say, on page 1, the quadrennial program will not be reported to this General Conference, but arrangements have already been made for a proposal to be made to the General Conference of The United Methodist Church. If you will look, for example, on pages 10, 11 and 12, you will see an indication of the wide range of activities which have consumed our attention during the four years just passed. Now we have been informed by the Ad Hoc Committee that it will be important for us to bring certain resolutions here. We do not believe that they are in the nature of very controversial ones, but in order that references may be made of certain items which must be acted upon by the General Conference of The United Methodist Church, they will be brought by various members as they make reports on sections of this book.

Now, without any further introduction of them than the one I shall give now Francis P. Cunningham of the South Carolina Conference will report briefly and bring one resolution. These are all members of the Council. Paul A. Duffey of the Alabama-West Florida Conference will bring a brief report of a part of this booklet with an appropriate resolution. J. Kenneth Forbes of the Indiana Conference, another section regarding publication. Mr. Hubert E. Orton of the Southern California-Arizona Annual Conference that which has to do with property matters. And then John B. Warman of the Western Pennsylvania Conference will report the section Long-Range Planning and bring a resolution. And then after I have a final word, there will be two concluding resolutions placed before you. Thank you. Mr. Cunningham first.

Francis T. Cunningham (South Carolina SE): Bishop Mathews, Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference. The Co-ordinating Council has had the responsibility for recommending special days for General Conference, but since this matter now involves two churches in the union, we make the following recommendations: The Co-ordinating Council of The Methodist Church recommends that the matter of designating special days for the 1968-72 quadrennium be referred to the appropriate Legislative Committee of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church with the request that all proposed special days be given careful scrutiny before being recommended to the General Conference.

Bishop Tippett: The motion is before you. Do you wish to discuss it? Apparently the house is ready. If you will adopt the resolution you will show the hand. If you are opposed the same sign. And it is adopted.

Paul A. Duffey (Alabama-West Florida—SE): Bishop Mathews, Bishop Tippett, and members of the Conference, I speak now to that section relating to the responsibility of the Co-ordinating Council having to do with overseas delegates, delegates from lands outside the United States to the General Conference here. We were charged with the responsibility of surveying to discover the extent of the involvement of delegates from lands outside of the United States, and the boards and agencies of the general work of the church through each quadrennium. Such a survey was conducted with the assistance and under the direction of Dr. Alan Waltz of the Department of Research. We found that such participation was negligible due to the expense involved and the time related to distance involved in the persons living outside the United States. We found further that there was a feeling that this would be impractical to involve such persons on a continuing and direct relation.

The second part then was to refer this to the Committee on the Structure of Methodist Overseas and in co-operation with them to seek a solution to a more adequate and brotherly sharing of responsibility and program for the entire Methodist work. The second phase had to do with the involvement of the distribution of literature to delegates. We found that many delegates from lands outside the United States did not receive literature before they left to come to the Conference. We therefore have accomplished some measure of success in arranging for duplicate materials to be available to them here under the administration of the Committee on International Representation of the Co-ordinating Council so that no delegate from lands outside the United States should have to do without this literature.

The third level was an opportunity to involve our mutual friendship at the site of the General Conference and we established an international section of the Friendship Lounge with co-operation of the Committee on Program and Entertainment of the General Conference. This was accomplished on a trial-run basis in Chicago and has been duplicated here with an orientation session prior to the opening of the Conference for all delegates from lands outside the United States, this year including our friends from the Evangelical United Brethren Church. This has met with some degree of success and certainly with some enthusiasm on the part of all of us. It is to this then that I direct the attention and ask that this recommendation be adopted: The Co-ordinating Council of The Methodist Church recommends that a program of orientation at the sessions of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church for delegates from lands outside the United States of America be continued as a service to such delegates and to the General Conference and that the prosecution of such plan be assigned to the appropriate committee in The United Methodist Church. Mr. Chairman, I move its adoption.

Bishop Tippett: It is seconded and the motion you will notice carries the matter of continuation and also the matter of reference to proper Legislative Committees. As many as will adopt will show the hand. As many as are opposed? And it is adopted.

James Kenneth Forbes (Indiana—NC): Bishop Mathews, Bishop Tippett, and members of the General Conference, I present the portion of the report of the Committee on Publications Policy which is found on pages 4 through 10 in the report which is before you. During the 1964-68 quadrennium the Committee on Publication Policy of the Co-ordinating Council has endeavored to carry out the directions

of the General Conference of The Methodist Church by eliminating duplications in its periodicals and concentrating promotion of program and editorial discussion into *Together*, *The Methodist Story*, *Christian Advocate*, and *World Outlook*.

Consultations have been held through the quadrennium with all who have been so concerned. As has been indicated in this report, great caution was taken to effect the satisfactory arrangement for the phasing out of the *Central Christian Advocate* into the general subscription of *Together*. Final action was taken when the College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction indicated that the publication was no longer needed.

The General Board of Evangelism presented to us a need for a Newsletter to conference and district secretaries and local church pastors for the main purpose of advertising available evangelistic literature. Upon the discovery that the Newsletter was expanding for publication of position papers and general promotional articles, and to an increased circulation, it was called to the attention of the general secretary at Miami Beach, Florida, on November 17, 1967. He readily recognized the problem and subsequent issues of the Newsletter have been curtailed in both material and breadth of circulation.

The publication of *Concern* by the General of Christian Social Concerns has been under review at each session of the General Conference over a period of 12 years. In 1956 the General Conference, upon suggestion of the Co-ordinating Council, decided that a single promotional journal be established to take the place of all promotional periodicals of general boards and agencies. Shortly thereafter, the Board of Temperance, the Board of World Peace, and the Board of Social and Economic Concerns, gradually expanded their news releases into what finally evolved as *Concern*. During that quadrennium the Co-ordinating Council received protests that the new magazine violated the spirit and letter of the 1956 legislation. No formal appeal was made for review, however, and no recommendation could be made for final disposition at the time of the 1960 General Conference.

The 1960 General Conference referred *Concern* to the judgment of the Co-ordinating Council. Hesitating to arrive at a hasty decision, the Council made a study of the entire field of Methodist magazines. The study suggested the danger of a segmented approach by diverse publications pursuing singular points of view. Observing the limited circulation of *Concern* magazine, the Council reported to the 1964 General Conference that the periodical spoke only to those already concerned and raised the question, if there is anything worth saying should it not be said most eloquently to the whole church in periodicals with larger circulation? With this background, the 1964 General Conference took the action outlined in the report before you.

Moving slowly and thoughtfully through the quadrennium the Council found that it could arrive only at the conclusion that the publication of the periodical should cease. It weighed the matter in the light of the 14,000 circulation of *Concern* as against the 650,000 circulation of *Together*, 325,000 circulation of *The Methodist Story*, and 42,000 circulation of *The Christian Advocate*. The council further concluded that the increased coverage of social issues as pointed out specifically in the section of this report referring to *Together* magazine guarantees the essential message of social concerns reaching the widest possible readership of The United Methodist Church.

It is conceded that the recommendation for the cessation of the publication of *Concern* was approached with great caution because of the tenor of our time. It should be noted, however, that immediate protests to the Co-ordinating Council numbered only 11 communications, 9 of which were expressions of individual opinion.

It is our understanding that in response to requests for expression

of opinion the Board of Christian Social Concerns has received a larger number of communications. In the face of differing opinions as to the best method of presenting the position of The Methodist Church on the social issues, the Council has sought to faithfully discharge the directives of the General Conference. The Council remains of the opinion, however, that the policy established by the General Conference of presenting these views through the general periodicals is the best possible method and a deviation from this principle could only cause proliferation of materials.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) asked a question to which Dr. Forbes answered:

In answer to Dr. Ted Hightower. I don't believe that the position of the Publications Policy Committee is one which wants in any way to designate certain kinds of issues. I think our main concern is that the full round of social issues will reach not a very limited minority in The Methodist Church but have a wide readership coverage throughout the church. It is also our opinion that if there is no journal such as *Concern Magazine*, the pressure automatically comes upon our general publication to increase the circulation in regard to the social issues.

Harold Bosley (New York—NE) asked a question to which Dr. Forbes answered:

Dr. Bosley, I do not believe this would be true. I believe in some sense the Committee on Publication Policy is endeavoring to do the General Conference a favor by resolving an issue which has been before us for 12 years, and in the publication of the magazine which during this whole process of time has more or less been floating under a cloud, both of insecurity and its legality. Anything then that would come before this Uniting Conference in the way of clarifying the will of the Uniting Conference would be apropos.

Everett Jones (Baltimore—NE): Mr. Chairman, to avoid further discussion here, I would move a matter of reference pages 4 and 5 to Legislative Committee No. 1. I move the reference of this section to Legislative Committee No. 1, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Tippett: You have heard the motion. As many as are in favor will show the hand. If you are opposed? It is referred.

Hubert E. Orton (Southern California-Arizona—W): Bishop Mathews, and members of the General Conference: the real estate matters are on page 13 and on page 14 of the Coordinating Council Report. In addition to that I have a motion that I will present after awhile. Plans of the Methodist Corporation to develop its 11 acre site in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with the American University, a Methodist institution, development to include a 3,000-seat auditorium, community center, and athletic facility, use to be on a co-operative basis but building to be financed and paid for by the American University.

This 11-acre site is now free and clear of indebtedness. The balance of the land is to be developed for a Methodist Center which will provide for various Methodist related agencies. The Methodist Corporation estimates that this facility will be self-supporting, but it would need 500,000 to 1 million dollars additional gifts from interested parties as well as a basic loan against the property of \$1,500,000.00. The annual contribution of \$75,000.00 from the Council of World Service and Finance would be necessary for this coming quadrennium. And I would like to move the adoption of this report.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC): I do not exactly understand that upon which we are voting. Are we voting to recommend to the Commission on World Service and Finance that this appropriation be incorporated in the appropriations for the next quadrennium? I think that we need to know exactly what we are voting on at this time.

Bishop James Mathews: Mr. Chairman, I am not a member of the body and could not make the motion, but I think the appropriate motion might be one of reference of this matter to the appropriate body which is a part of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church. It is not one which I think could really appropriately be settled by this General Conference. I can't make that motion.

Raoul C. Calkins moved referral. The motion was seconded and adopted.

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE): Bishop Tippet, Bishop Mathews, brethren. On pages 14 and the top of 15 there are two sections, one entitled Long Range Planning, the other Mission in the Seventies. I have a recommendation to make concerning the second of these. The Co-ordinating Council of The United Methodist Church recommends that The United Methodist Church co-operate with and be a part of Mission in the Seventies and that this matter be referred to the General Conference of The United Methodist Church for appropriate action.

Bishop Tippet: Your motion is valid. Is there a second? It is before you. As many as will adopt and refer, show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

Bishop Mathews: Mr. Chairman, I should like on behalf of the Co-ordinating Council to call the members' attention to that material which is found on page 16 and following. The Co-ordinating Council was brought into being by action of the General Conference of 1952. Here you will have a brief survey or summary of our stewardship during these 16 years. I hope you will find the opportunity to read this material. Especially would I call your attention to the tabulation which is found on page 19, Cost of Operation of the Co-ordinating Council.

We have operated within the budget each year save two and in those instances we have operated well within the quadrennial budget which was allocated for this Council. I would point out however, I would be remiss if I did not, that behind this work and behind these figures on page 19 there lies voluntary service in hundreds and indeed thousands of hours of talented people from every walk of life within the membership of our church. I believe that this has been an incalculable service. We have no staff and have never had in the Co-ordinating Council. We do believe that we have not been in a league but a cross-section of bishops, of other ministers and of laity not only from within these United States but from other parts of the world as well.

And may I point out one other thing in all modesty. We have been the body responsible in consultation with others to put before the General Conference from time to time quadrennial programs, one of these had one of its aspects higher education, the yield from that was in excess of \$150 million. Now we are not taking credit for that entire amount but the Co-ordinating Council did in fulfillment of its responsibility propose such an action to the General Conference. Now you wonder why all this modesty. It is as becomes a body which will, if the proposals before the General Conference of The United Methodist Church, commends themselves to that body, the Co-ordinating Council will go out of existence. I think this will be one of the few instances in which such process of euthanasia has taken place. Its responsibilities will be subsumed as proposed under that of the Program Council.

I should like on behalf of the Co-ordinating Council to thank the boards and agencies of the church who have co-operated thoroughly through the years, even though we had some rather difficult matters to take up with them. I should like to thank the Council of Bishops, the Council of World Service and Finance which has done our office work as it were for us. The predecessor officers and members of the Co-ordinating Council and then I think by the very nature of the case, all of you and those you represent here.

We do come to a conclusion of these 16 years with a sense of pride in difficult tasks which we feel have been at least reasonably well done, and then there are two concluding resolutions so that the responsibilities which are assigned to us and we could not fulfill in this body can be fulfilled in the successor one and Dr. Warman will bring those, Mr. Chairman.

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE): The first recommendation is this: It is moved that the 1968 General Conference of The Methodist Church recommend that the General Conference of The United Methodist Church provide for an appropriate agency to appoint a committee for the 1968-1972 quadrennium to review the adequacy of the procedure contained in the *Discipline* for the election of members of the Judicial Council in an expeditious manner by the General Conference. The agency designated shall record its findings and recommend legislation, if any, to the 1972 General Conference of The United Methodist Church. I move the adoption of this recommendation.

Bishop Tippett: It is before us. As many as will adopt and refer will show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

John B. Warman: And finally, brethren, the Co-ordinating Council recommends that the printed report of the Co-ordinating Council dated April 22, 1968 be accepted by the General Conference as fulfilling the obligation of the Co-ordinating Council to make a report to the General Conference as provided in the 1964 *Discipline*. I move the adoption of this recommendation.

Bishop Tippett: As many as favor the motion will show the hands. Opposed? It is done.

Report of Ad Hoc Committee—Charles Parlin

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE): The Ad Hoc Committee will make no lengthy report at this time. The joint commission will bring to the floor of the Uniting Conference a mass amount of material and we will have to plead with the delegates for co-operation in keeping to the business at hand. You remember at Chicago we adopted two important documents which will be contained in this—which will be called the Blue Book—and all delegates must have this in order to follow the work.

In this is the Constitution of The United Methodist Church and the Enabling Legislation. Those two documents are frozen. They have the constitutional status and can be changed only by the machinery of constitutional amendments. Those are our governing documents. In this Blue Book is also contained, so-called Chapter 4 which is Organization and Administration and is what we Methodists have known as the Disciplinary Part. The rules are that this part of the *Discipline* was adopted by the two General Conferences in Chicago in principle and that means that the provisions in the Blue Book stand unless and until amended by the Uniting Conference. Now there will be amending amendments.

The two General Conferences in Chicago indicated dissatisfaction with certain sections, particularly the section on the ministry, the

section on the local church I mention in particular, and the Joint Commissions were instructed to continue their study and to bring to Dallas the suggestions of the Joint Commissions in the light of the discussions which took place in Chicago. Subcommittees have been working on both of these issues, and in this report, which will be known as the "White Book" comes the work of the Joint Commissions proposing amendment to the legislation in the basic book.

Now in addition to these amendments, which appear in the White Book, there will be current suggestions for amendment arising both from the Joint Commissions made since this report was mailed out on about January 1, because we have been receiving an avalanche of suggestions and many of them are very good. We tried to present the ones that we think worthy of consideration. So that the third working tool of the Conference will be your *Daily Christian Advocate*, which will be in this format. I am holding up as an exhibit the one used in Chicago. Therefore, every delegate to do his work, both in the Legislative Committee and subsequently on the floor of the Uniting Conference, must have three work books. First, the Blue Book which is basic. And this legislation stands unless and until amended. Secondly, the report of the Joint Commissions, the White Book, and thirdly, you must have before you the reports which will appear from time to time in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. This is just a report on procedures which I hope will be helpful for work in the legislative committees and on the floor.

The reports of the Legislative Committees will then come to the floor of the Uniting Conference sorting out this material and recommending, for example in the ministry, that this be the new legislation on the ministry and it will be open to debate on the floor. Our Joint Commissions have been awarded, I think, 30 minutes for tomorrow morning's session. It is our intention that instead of going into a lengthy exposition of the work of the Commission, which I think most delegates of both houses have been familiar with, we would make a very brief introduction through Bishop Wicke, the chairman of our Methodist Commission, and then we might try the adoption of a couple of resolutions not dealing with legislation, but the resolutions which appear in this White Book. This would give us a sort of working run and education on how to use these books in the legislative processes of the Uniting Conference. And with good luck we might get through a couple of these resolutions; so if you want to have a preview of what may come up tomorrow, read the resolutions which appear in the White Book.

World Family Life Committee Report—Bishop Hazen G. Werner

Bishop Hazen G. Werner (Hong Kong and Taiwan): This report will take just a few minutes. This is the report of the World Family Life Committee to the General Conference of The Methodist Church in 1968. To trace the history of the family life movement is really to outline a miracle. In 1962 the delegates to the National Family Life Conference held in Chicago requested to launching of a family life work on a world scale. The General Conference of 1964 took action approving this venture and the World Methodist Council in its executive session named a provisional committee on Family Life and assigned to me the responsibility of chairing that committee.

This world committee moved out into an open sea without compass or precedent, but with firm confidence in the unmistakable necessity of the movement itself. Much could be said concerning the organization and what it has done, but I want to limit my comments largely to what

is the major interest, the major activity of this committee, namely the World Family Life Conference.

We are pleased to report concerning the first World Family Life Conference held in Birmingham and London, in August 1966. The results of these two family-life meetings surpassed our greatest hope. Let me point out several things that have some intangible characteristics to them, but nevertheless I think are highly important, particularly work in this field of Christian Family Life. The first thing is this. People came to Birmingham from 42 countries. Hungary, Brazil, Taiwan, Rhodesia, the Fiji Islands, Cuba, Indonesia and other lands. These persons from across the world, 150 of them, came together as if they had known one another all of their lives, and things happened right there.

I walked into a discussion group of Asians. One man was saying "I am going back to be a better father and a better husband." A Psychiatrist who is a delegate to this Uniting Conference from Scandinavia said, "This is the best thing of this kind that I have ever attended."

What took place in Birmingham became a part of our lives. And it was so unmistakable that God was there in our fellowship and in what we said and also in what we did there. Cutting through ideological, ethnic, racial and cultural differences the minds of the conference probed the needs of the family everywhere and explored the practical ways of establishing better understanding in family relations and how to implement these. This whole matter of getting a better situation, respect of members of the family related to one another—we know how crucial that is just now, and particularly in this land as well as in other countries too.

This matter of getting good family relation reminds me of that small boy who went to the door to answer the doorbell, opened the door and then called back to his mother and said "It is only daddy." And she said, "Well don't say it is only daddy even if it is only daddy." Well to implement these better family relations is of course one of the major interests we have.

The really wonderful phase of this movement came about when after the conference in Birmingham and London, each person started his trek across the world to his home to translate the wisdom concerning Christian family living into action. To carry back to the local scene the Christian proved workable and family relation to be presented in both annual conference and local church levels. And this happened all over the world.

And the interesting thing about this and so characteristic to the National Council held in Chicago—many of you have been there—it is simply just phenomenal the way in which people go back from these conferences and go to work. And get these truths which are workable down before people and accepted by people and implemented in their homes in places far hidden from the eye and really from our understanding. Well, it was apparent at the conference that the family needs and problems are astonishingly alike the world over. This gives our basis for assuming that this is a sound procedure to work on a world basis. No country has a corner on tyrannical fathers, or interfering in-laws, or incorrigible sons. Teen-agers are kicking up the dust in San Jose as in Seoul. The revolt of youth is going on in Spain and Japan, and absentee fathers in Rhodesia, who have to leave their homes to go work in distant mines, reminds one of the growing number of fathers in America who are only home on the week-end. Permissiveness in excess is to be found in the Iban family and among the Ibans as well as in the culture of America.

I think one could say in an overall sense the fact is that the families of the world are being drawn into the same materialistic cultural

context with the effects that one might expect. Much lies ahead of us. A program is in process to hold regional meetings in seven regions to be set up across the globe during this quadrennium. These meetings are to be held in conjunction with National Council of Churches wherever possible. And in these meetings we purpose to prepare able persons to further infiltrate the communities and homes where they live.

It is interesting to see the composition of this committee in the sense of these vice-chairmen who are regional chairmen. Men like S. Tui Lovoni in the Fiji Islands and Leonard Brown in England who has related the work for us along in Europe as well. Eric Mitchell, who is here, was in India with South Asia group, and Mrs. Pang of Korea of the East Asian group, and Carlos Gattinoni of South America. All these persons are doing great work. J. Otis Young is the chairman of the North American section, doing our particular part here in the United States.

Last August the World Methodist Council called for a second World Conference in Family Life to be held near the location and time of the next World Methodist Convocation, namely, Washington, D.C. in 1971. We are engaged now in the preparation of this second World Conference. The general overall theme will be, now please do note this theme—I think this is a highly important area to investigate—*The Family of the Arriving Generation*. And here are the six subjects briefly that will be discussed in this conference:

The impact of a changing society and the growing life.

The responsibilities of parenthood to the growing person.

The growing person and sex education.

Youth and the new morality.

The widening gap between youth and the adult society.

The church's ministry to the growing person.

These are the six subjects. Papers will be read on these themes and discussions, with considerable adequate time, will go on with respect to the important aspects of these themes. We need your help if this gathering is to be as effective as the first one. We are concerned to help restore family solidarity, strengthen the understanding between family members and narrow the gap between growing persons and their parents. In a context of either plenty or want this alienation between children and parents goes on. The most formidable thing on the whole scene, social and universal, is this fact.

"And children," said Friedenberg the sociologist, "are no longer fighting their parents, they are abandoning them." The consequences of this strange revolution of the young, the living together in the flat of New York or in the Haight Street of our great San Francisco, frustrated and bitter and occurring heartache and desolation in homes everywhere. This is not a problem that arises exclusively out of poverty. Let's not fool ourselves about this. One teen-ager said this: "As far as my home and parents are concerned, my father provides everything I need on the outside, but he hasn't given me anything for the inside."

The crisis we face in the world today pretty well can distill itself into a fact that its roots are in the family. Every one of you will agree with this. The family is deteriorating, but you will never face society in any land without the family. This is our predicament. We ought to face this. The family is sick today. Adults are losing control, the parental vocation of moral discipline is in decline. The fact is our own adult life is in bad shape morally. As if the Physician Himself were ill.

And in America prosperity is one of the contributing factors to that illness. But it is equally true that materialism with its moral and spiritual paralysis is creeping over the whole world. Now we as a

committee believe that it is the Christian home that can best rear adequate and sound persons in a difficult world. Materialism is drying up the springs of the spiritual life across the world, and the resultant vacuum at the heart of the modern family rightly appalls us and more than that presses upon us for an answer. Religion will not work in society unless it works in the home. We want to propose and present to you now our claim that the answer is the Christian family and to seek your help and support of this world-wide movement.

Bishop Tippett: If you will adopt the report you will show the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is done. I call now on the Board of Lay Activities for the Stewardship Creed—Dr. Robert Mayfield.

Report on Stewardship Creed—Robert G. Mayfield

Robert G. Mayfield: Mr. Chairman and ladies and gentlemen of the Conference. This report has been prepared in response to a resolution which was passed by the 1964 Pittsburgh General Conference requesting that the Board of Lay Activities prepare a Stewardship Creed to be presented to the 1968 Conference. It is being presented here in report form for you to receive and not to debate its passage. A national seminar was the first step that was taken in order to begin to develop this report. We had in March of 1967 a series of lectures by professors from the seminaries of our church and in this seminar we brought together what we felt was the best thinking in The Methodist Church to help develop this creed.

From these seminar lectures then a committee appointed by the Board of Lay Activities began its work of refining and developing this Stewardship statement. This committee was under the chairmanship of Dr. Lloyd M. Bertholf, of our Board, who is the chairman of our stewardship committee. It was also under the staff direction of Dr. Edwin A. Briggs, a member of our stewardship staff. Now very briefly, the purpose of the statement as originally requested was to provide a working definition of stewardship; to provide a basic outline of stewardship which could serve as a guideline for writers of curricula materials and other literature; to interpret stewardship more broadly than from a narrow viewpoint in which you place it with finance and more concretely than from a viewpoint that classifies all phases of Christian thought as the stewardship of something, with the result that the identity and significance of the concept be not there by law; to encourage the entire membership of the church to incorporate the philosophy of stewardship in their daily lives and in all phases of the church's program. Now with these purposes in mind, the committee counseled with professors from our seminaries and professors and leaders of The Evangelical United Brethren Church. And Mr. Chairman, I am not in a position to make a motion, but if some one will this matter may be received and referred to the Uniting Conference.

Motion made by delegate from floor.

Bishop Tippett: As many as will adopt the motion, show the hands. Opposed the same sign. It is done.

Instructions on Expenses—Don A. Cooke, Treasurer

Dr. Don Cooke: Bishop Tippett and members of the Conference, this brief statement. The Council on World Service and Finance has pre-

pared a blank for giving information as regards the expenses of the delegates. At the rear of the auditorium this morning as you leave the auditorium we have the expense blanks for all delegations made up in alphabetical order according to the name of your Conference, not the name of the chairman of the delegation, but the name of the annual conference. There will be four tables arranged alphabetically and you will see them in the rear of the auditorium. Will the chairman, or someone designated by the chairman pick up this packet of expense blanks. These expense blanks have the names of each delegate on the blank. Now if the reserve delegate is here in the place of the principal delegate and you are entitled to the travel expenses, will you change the name from the name of the principal delegate, which is on that blank and for whom you are making the substitution so that we will have the accurate record.

These expense blanks will cover your travel from your place of residence to Dallas and return. Be sure to estimate the cost of your return travel from your place of residence. One item perhaps needs explanation, although we have put on the back of each blank rules by which these expenses are calculated, one question is not quite clear. It says that 7¢ a mile will be paid to the owner of an automobile if two delegates come in that car. Of course other expenses included.

The question has been asked me by several who have come to the conference, "I drove my own car and no one came with me. How much travel allowance shall I receive?" And the answer that we have come up with in our office is this. If your round trip distance from your home to Dallas exceeds 500 miles, will you calculate that or let us do it in our office on the basis of air travel—coach. Now if it is less than 500 miles, you came in your own car, calculate on the basis of 7¢ a mile. We think that is reasonable.

The per diem which will be voted on by the General Conference, the proposed per diem I believe now stands at \$17.00 per day, and by common consent the per diem will start as of today. Any expenses that you have incurred, if you have had to come several days ahead of time to attend meetings of committees and so on, any expenses up until midnight of last night, beginning with today, which is the opening session of the Conference, will be placed on your travel voucher. Then as soon as the adjournment date has been set we shall pass out blanks for the calculation of the per diem and we hope to have those distributed not later than Friday, May 3. The banks will be closed on Saturday and it may be difficult to get these checks cashed. This further word. We have on deposit in the First National Bank here in Dallas approximately half a million dollars with which to pay these travel expenses, and the bank has assured us that any of these expense checks or per diem checks will be cashed in the main lobby of the First National Bank, which is on Akard Street in the opposite direction from the hotel—from the auditorium. Just two blocks north. The First National Bank will be glad to cash your checks.

If you have any difficulties, if the chairman of the delegation does not pick up the blanks here, and there will be some difficulty because you are not seated by delegations as is usually the case when we distribute these blanks, they will be taken to our office, Room 300 in the auditorium, and any questions you have we will be glad to try to answer. Thank you.

Several questions were asked for clarification which Don Cooke answered.

John Herr (Philadelphia—NE): Mr. Chairman, in view of the fact that there was a Communion Service and committee meetings last

night, I move that the per diem rate be for yesterday as well as for today and subsequent days.

Bishop Tippett: If you are in favor of the motion you will show the hand. If you are opposed. It is carried.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE): I am not sure now how I designate the matter we are amending. We had a letter from Dr. Cooke and how official this is I am not just certain. But in this communication he said that the per diem was to be \$17.00 per day. I would like to move that in place of \$17.00 we insert \$20.00.

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona—W): The report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program, which includes the recommendation for per diem, will be in the *Daily Advocate* for tomorrow morning for action by the first session of the Uniting Conference. There are many items in that report, and if that should be amended I should think that the appropriate time to amend it is when the report is under consideration.

Bishop Tippett: What provision, Dr. Hole, will be made to keep the two budgets separate?

J. Wesley Hole: It is stated in the report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program that by arrangement the expenses of Methodist delegates will be paid by the Council on World Service and Finance and the expenses of the EUB delegates will be paid by their treasurer. That is in the recommendation.

Bishop Tippett: I understand, Dr. Hole, am I correct that there are two different figures to be given for two different denominations?

J. Wesley Hole: The only figure in the recommendation is the per diem of \$17 by the Commission on Entertainment and Program.

Bishop Tippett: Does this apply to both?

J. Wesley Hole: It is my understanding that The Evangelical United Brethren Church has followed a different method of providing expenses for their delegates than the Methodist Church has provided. In our case, the per diem is paid and no supplemental amount is paid by Annual Conferences. In the case of the EUB Church, a lower per diem is paid but it is supplemented by the action of annual conferences. Now I cannot answer specifically what that rate is for them, but it is in the recommendation of the Commission on Entertainment and Program in the *Advocate* tomorrow morning.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE): Mr. Chairman, I am trying to amend our statement of the secretary of the Council on World Service and Finance which I assume is official for that body. And that is the thing I would like to get clear in this General Conference before we go to a Uniting Conference about it.

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE): Mr. Chairman, the question, is it not the case, in view of the fact that each of the former denominations are taking care of the per diem for their General Conferences before coming to the Uniting Conference, that Dr. Hightower's motion is well in order in our General Conference?

J. Otis Young (Northeast Ohio—NC): Speaking as chairman of the Committee on Entertainment and Program, we will make our complete report tomorrow, and I have a feeling that it might be well for us to lift this one item up out of our report today, and indicate to you what our recommendation would have been tomorrow, and let you take whatever action you may wish to take. Our recommendation, then, would be, if I may continue . . . Our recommendation from the Commission on Entertainment and Program was that the per diem be \$17.00.

Pedro S. Angeles (Philippines—OS): With the announcement of the Chairman of the Entertainment Committee I wish to make a substitute motion. I move that this motion with this action be referred to that committee for its study and action because they have yet to report finally on that item. So I move that this motion be referred to the committee, the Entertainment Committee.

J. Otis Young: Mr. Chairman, I would oppose the motion for referral. If we are going to discuss the per diem, I think it is better to do it in our own body than in the presence of the entire delegation tomorrow.

Bishop Tippett: The motion for referral is before you. If you will refer you will show the hand. If you are opposed, you will show the hand. The motion to refer is lost.

Duncan Hunter (North Alabama—SE): I would like to ask the Treasurer to give us an estimate of the additional cost if this motion of Dr. Hightower is passed.

Don A. Cooke (Florida—SE): Mr. Chairman, our secretary here is calculating \$3.00 per day for 14 days. For the group it would amount to \$42,000.

Kenneth Metcalf (North Iowa—NC): There isn't a one of us here that couldn't use more money, I am sure, and we know that the costs here are high, but we came here with the knowledge and recommendation that this would be \$17 a day. I think most of us can make it. The one feeling that we are much concerned about, especially those of us who are chairmen of World Service and Finance Commission of our local Annual Conference is that we try to keep some of these costs down and so I highly recommend that we do not accept this proposal that has been made. Thank you.

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC): I wanted to ask Dr. Cooke if this increase in cost would place any serious strain upon the available funds in the General Administration Fund.

Dr. Don A. Cooke: Judge Mouser, I believe that we have sufficient funds to take care of this increase. However, as you know, at the General Conference in Pittsburgh it cost the Methodist Church approximately \$750,000. We are anticipating that this one will cost about \$800,000 to \$850,000. Of course, we are interested in keeping our expenses at as modest amount as possible, but this is your matter to decide.

Bishop Tippett: Thank you judge. Now are you ready for the question? You are voting on Dr. Hightower's motion to change the suggested \$17 to \$20 per diem as you will adopt this motion, you will show the hand. If you are opposed, show the hands. The Chair believes that the motion is lost. The motion is lost.

\$17 Per Diem Voted—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC): Bishop, I move we adopt the motion for \$17.00.

Bishop Tippett: As many as will adopt the \$17.00 will show the hand. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is adopted.

Personal Privilege—Pedro S. Angeles

Pedro S. Angeles (Philippines—OS): Mr. Chairman, Council of Bishops, distinguished guests; with the previous successive announcement by the Chair of accidents and illness, I'm quite prompted to make this special request and I feel before it may be too late. We are not hopeless. We are just alarmed. Some of us may already know the

sudden illness which befell one of our distinguished Bishops, Dr. Benjamin I. Guansing who is now in Detroit. May I, the lay delegate from the Philippines Annual Conference of the Manila Area, and I hope the Philippine delegate will be with me in my request in appeal to this august body to pray together imploring God's healing power to save and strengthen him to be able to participate in the historical events of our church?

Bishop Tippett: I think that there will be no objection to that. As many as will honor this request, show the hand.

Personal Privilege—Gregorio R. Bailen

Gregorio R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines—OS): Mr. Chairman and members of this General Conference this question of high privilege that I am bringing is in relation to the Ad Hoc Committee report as presented by Dr. Parlin. During the last session in Chicago when we were perfecting the matters on the organizations and provisions for the unification of the EUB and the Methodists, the minutes of the proceedings at the time that Dr. Parlin was being interrogated by the delegates, appears to be erroneously printed and recorded in the printed document showed us this morning and even in the official records of the daily proceedings of this particular session of the Conferences in Chicago of November 1966, as now appearing on page 2766, Volume III, *Journal of the 1964(1966) General Conference*, in the sense that the interrogation by the delegate from the Philippines appears to be my humble self, *but it is not*.

That is why it is my special request that a correction, or at least, the fact should be noted that the one who has been interrogating Dr. Parlin at that time should be E. G. Gacutan and not Gregorio R. Bailen. Mr. Chairman, I intend to speak against, or for some of these things that will come before the Conference of The United Methodist Church. If this is not corrected my stand will be jeopardized, because there are statements in that dialogue between the reporting representative of the Ad Hoc Committee and the representative of the Philippines to the United Church of Christ; especially that the chairman of the National Council of Churches in the Philippines is now in the EUB Conference here and he may be present in the conference. I happen to be his vice-chairman. Hence this special request.

I hope that this General Conference may take notice thereof and govern itself accordingly, in order that I shall not be put out of order at the time that I may speak on the conference floor relative thereto.

Bishop Tippett: You are asking for reprint. I am sure acknowledgement can be made through the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Would that be agreeable? Dr. Hole, you will be happy to do that, will you not? I think it needs no vote, then are you satisfied with that? Thank you very much.

Motion to Adjourn—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Northeast Ohio—NC): Mr. Chairman, I would like to make this motion that we adjourn this session of General Conference of The Methodist Church following the announcements and the closing prayer. I therefore move that to make possible seating of the elected delegates and delegates of the Uniting Conference the Methodist General Conference of 1968 now be adjourned.

Bishop Tippett: The motion is before you that after our announcements and prayer we stand adjourned. This will be the final adjournment, a very solemn occasion, a very historic one.

Several announcements were made.

Bishop Tippett: I have a very interesting announcement to make. Dr. Paul Washburn was elected Bishop on the first ballot.

I am going to do perhaps an unprecedented thing. I think it is an open secret that Dr. J. Wesley Hole will ask to be relieved of the responsibilities of Secretary of the General Conference. He has been our Secretary, this is a matter within our fraternity, it seems. I am sure that a more appropriate way of saluting him will take place before the Conference is over, but I thought we in this delegation might be apprized of the matter. If you would like, salute him and express by that salute your great appreciation for the splendid work he has done as Secretary of our General Conference. I'd like now that I have said this to have a motion so that it can go in our record.

A. A. Wright (Southern California-Arizona—W) made the motion.

Bishop Tippett: Thank you very much. The motion is before us. As many as will extend to Dr. Hole our great appreciation, show the hand, please. (Standing ovation—prolonged applause.)

Bishop Tippett: As many as will adjourn after prayer will show the hand. As many as are opposed the same sign. It is done. Bishop Brashares will you dismiss us—and may the Chair suggest that you include in your prayer a fervent request on the part of all of us for the well-being of Bishop Guansing that will help implement a motion that was made as a matter of privilege. Will you please stand and receive the benediction.

Bishop Brashares (Retired—NC): Our Father, God, as we come to the adjournment of this final curtain of the General Conference of the Churches that has been completely loved by us, we thank thee for the victories that have been won for thy Kingdom in the days past. We thank thee for the fellowships that we have had with one another and our prayers are joined for this person whom we now lift up in our prayers for Thy special blessings and as we go from the Church, as it was to the Church with its broader fellowship, we pray that concern for the daily welfare of every person which characterized the life of our Lord may torture and strengthen us daily to keep before us the spirit of Him who put before everything else the welfare of His people. And may we be so strengthened in the days to come that the future shall far outrun the past and the Church may be renewed, in bearing the Cross until all men shall be greatly blessed to Him who died for us. And so rejoicing as we go forward, we go with great faith and already thank thee to that faith for things that are still to come. Make us worthy of them and now dismiss us from this session with Thy blessing. Amen.

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MORNING SESSION**

Opening Session—Bishop Donald H. Tippett

The Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, on Tuesday, April 23, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. with Bishop Donald H. Tippett of the San Francisco Area, Western Jurisdiction, and President of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church, presiding.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP UNITING THE EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH AND THE METHODIST CHURCH TO FORM THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

**The Order of Worship
uniting
The Evangelical United Brethren Church
and
The Methodist Church
to form
The United Methodist Church**

**presiding
Bishop Donald Harvey Tippett
declaring the union
Bishop Reuben H. Mueller
Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke
eight-thirty o'clock in the morning
April 23, 1968
Dallas Memorial Auditorium
Dallas, Texas**

The Order of Worship

† *Let the people be in silent meditation and prayer upon entering the place of worship.*

† *All are invited to participate audibly in portions of the service printed in boldface type.*

THE PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in E^b major J. S. Bach
Festival Fanfare on "Sine Nomine" . . . Lloyd Pfautsch

THE PROCESSIONAL

For All the Saints William W. How

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

THE INVITATION TO OFFER THE UNION TO GOD

Dearly beloved, we are assembled here to unite The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church and thus to form The United Methodist Church. All here present are exhorted with eyes wide open to the mercies of God, and in the holy intention of love and obedience, to offer this union to God in the confident hope that it is acceptable to him and will be a blessing to his people.

In the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, let us go on to the perfection of our unity in him and in his Church.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day the Lord hath made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy, we are born anew to a living hope through his resurrection from the dead.

THE HYMN † *The people standing*

Spirit of Faith, Come Down Charles Wesley

Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God;
And make to us the Godhead known, and witness with the blood.
'Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see,
Who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.

No man can truly say that Jesus is the Lord,
Unless thou take the veil away, and breathe the living Word.
Then, only then, we feel our interest in His blood,
And cry, with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"

O that the world might know the all atoning Lamb!
Spirit of faith, descend and show the virtue of His name.
The grace which all may find, the saving power, impart;
And testify to all mankind, and speak in every heart.

Inspire the living faith, which whosoe'er receives
The witness in himself he hath, and consciously believes;
That faith that conquers all, and doth the mountain move,
And saves whoe'er on Jesus call, and perfects them in love.
Amen.

THE INVOCATION † *By the minister, the people standing*

Almighty and everlasting God, who has built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone; We pray thee to inspire the Church universal with the spirit of truth, unity and concord; and grant that all who confess thy holy name may abide in thy truth and live in unity and godly love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

† *By the minister, the people seated*

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures move us to acknowledge and confess our sins before almighty God, our heavenly Father, with a humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart, to the end that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of heavenly grace.

THE CONFESSION † *The people seated, bowed, and saying*

Our heavenly Father, who by thy love hast made us, and through thy love hast kept us, and in thy love wouldst make us perfect: We humbly confess that we have not loved thee with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and that we have not loved one another as Christ hath loved us. Thy life is within our souls, but our selfishness hath hindered thee. We have not lived by faith. We have resisted thy Spirit. We have neglected thine inspirations.

Forgive what we have been; help us to amend what we are; and in thy Spirit direct what we shall be, that thou mayest come into the full glory of thy creation, in us and in all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE † *By the minister*

God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, that everyone who has faith in him may not die but have eternal life. St. John 3:16.

But should anyone commit sin, we have one to plead our cause with the Father, Jesus Christ, and he is just. He is himself the remedy for the defilement of our sins, not our sins only but the sins of all the world. 1 John 2:1, 2.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE VERSICLE † *The people standing*

O Lord open our lips.

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

THE PSALTER

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God;

and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth;

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it;

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come let us worship and fall down;

and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is the Lord our God;

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;

let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth;

and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE EPISTLE † *The people seated*

1 Corinthians 12:12-13:13

THE ANTHEM

I Will Extol Thee . . . (Psalm 145:1-10) . . . Daniel Moe

THE GOSPEL † *The people standing*

St. John 17:13-26

THE DOXOLOGY

THE NICENE CREED

WE BELIEVE in one God: the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

and of all things seen and unseen.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of the Father before time began:

God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God,

begotten, not made,

one in essence with the Father,

and through whom all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and was made flesh of the Virgin Mary by the Holy Spirit,

and became man.

He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered and was buried.

On the third day he arose from the dead,

as the Scriptures had foretold.

He ascended into heaven,

where he sits at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge both the living and the dead,

and His Kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the Giver of Life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Together with the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one, holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church:
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins:
We await the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON (see page 995)

Visions and Dreams

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.”
Acts 2:17

THE HYMN † *The people standing*

Jesus, We Look to Thee Charles Wesley

Jesus, we look to thee,
Thy promised presence claim;
Thou in the midst of us shalt be,
Assembled in thy name:

Thy name salvation is,
Which here we come to prove;
Thy name is life and joy and peace
And everlasting love.

We meet, the grace to take
Which thou hast freely given;
We meet on earth for thy dear sake,
That we may meet in heaven.

Present we know thou art,
But O thyself reveal!
Now, Lord, let every bounding heart
The mighty comfort feel.

O might thy quickening voice
The death of sin remove;
And bid our inmost souls rejoice
In hope of perfect love. Amen.

THE SILENCE BEFORE THE OFFERING

O God, most merciful and gracious,
of whose bounty we have all received:
Accept this offering of thy people.
Remember in thy love those who have brought it,
and those for whom it is given,
and so follow it with thy blessing
that it may promote peace and good will among
men,
and advance the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE OFFERING OF THE UNION TO GOD

- † *Then shall the ministers place the Holy Scriptures on the table.*
- † *Then shall the editors of The Evangelical United Brethren Hymnal and of The Methodist Hymnal carry the hymnals to the table and place them side by side.*
- † *Then shall the book editors of The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church carry the books of worship to the table and place them thereon side by side over the hymnals.*
- † *Then shall the publishers of The Evangelical United Brethren Discipline and The Methodist Discipline carry the Disciplines to the table and place them thereon side by side over the hymnals and the books of worship.*
- † *Then shall the secretaries of The Evangelical United Brethren Commission on Church Union and of The Methodist Ad Hoc Committee on EUB Union carry The Plan of Union to the table and place it over the hymnals, the books of worship, and the Disciplines as token that the two churches which lived under two books of law now become one church under one book of law.*
- † *Then shall the chairman of The Evangelical United Brethren Commission on Church Union and the chairman of The Methodist Ad Hoc Committee on EUB Union read The Declaration of Union.*

THE DECLARATION OF UNION

I, REUBEN H. MUELLER, a bishop of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, hereby announce that the Plan of Union with The Methodist Church has been adopted by The Evangelical United Brethren Church in accordance with the procedures prescribed in its constitutional law, namely, by an affirmative vote of more than three fourths of the members of the Chicago General Conference present and voting on November 11, 1966, and by more than a two-thirds affirmative vote of the aggregate number of members of all the annual conferences in North America present and voting thereon.

I, LLOYD C. WICKE, a bishop of The Methodist Church, hereby announce that the Plan of Union with The Evangelical United Brethren Church has been adopted by The Methodist Church in accordance with the procedures prescribed in its constitution, namely, by vote of more than a two-thirds majority of the members of the Chicago General

Conference present and voting on November 11, 1966, and by more than a two-thirds majority of all members of the several annual conferences present and voting thereon.

We now jointly declare that the Plan of Union between The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church has, by its terms and by the terms of the Enabling Legislation, become effective and henceforth The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church shall go forward as a single entity to be known as The United Methodist Church.

† *Then shall Bishop Mueller and Bishop Wicke come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.

Amen.

THE UNION OF THE MEMBERS

† *Then shall two children, representing all the children of the two churches, come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.

Amen.

† *Then shall two youths, representing all the youth of the two churches, come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.

Amen.

† *Then shall two adults, representing all the adults of the two churches, come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.

Amen.

THE UNION OF THE MINISTERS

† *Then shall six ordained ministers, representing all the ordained ministers of the two churches and five continents, come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.

Amen.

† *Then shall two church officers, representing all church officers of the two churches, come, join hands over the Plan of Union, and say*

Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.
Amen.

THE UNION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCES

† *Then shall the members of the General Conferences of The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church and all members of these churches present, stand, join hands, and say*

**Lord of the Church, we are united in thee, in thy Church, and now in The United Methodist Church.
Amen.**

THE HYMN OF UNITY

† *The people still standing*

All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord . . . Charles Wesley

All praise to our redeeming Lord,
Who joins us by his grace,
And bids us, each to each restored,
Together seek his face.

The gift which he on one bestows,
We all delight to prove,
The grace through every vessel flows
In purest streams of love.

He bids us build each other up;
And, gathered into one,
To our high calling's glorious hope,
We hand in hand go on.

We all partake the joy of one;
The common peace we feel:
A peace to sensual minds unknown,
A joy unspeakable.

And if our fellowship below
In Jesus be so sweet,
What height of rapture shall we know
When round his throne we meet!

THE VERSICLE

The Lord be with you.
And with thy Spirit.
Let us pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

† *The minister will offer the prayers with the people responding.*

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We give thee praise and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and tender mercies. We bless thee for the love which

hath created and doth sustain us from day to day. We praise thee for the gift of thy Son, our Saviour, through whom thou hast made known thy will and grace. We thank thee for the Holy Ghost, the Comforter; for thy holy Church, for the Means of Grace, for the lives of all faithful and godly men, and for the hope of the life to come. Help us to treasure in our hearts all that our Lord hath done for us; and enable us to show our thankfulness by lives that are given wholly to thy service;

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who didst pray that thy Church might be one even as thou and the Father are one: Make us who profess one Lord, one faith, and one Baptism, to be of one heart and of one mind. Deliver us from blindness and prejudice, from intolerance and evil-speaking, that, joined in one holy bond of faith and charity, we, whom thou hast reconciled to thyself, may be reconciled to one another, and so make thy praise glorious; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end.

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

We beseech thee, O Lord, to remember thy holy Church on earth; teach us to love thy house above all dwellings; thy Scriptures above all books; thy Sacraments above all gifts; the communion of saints above all company; and grant that, as one family, we may give thanks and adore thy glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

Raise up, we pray thee, faithful servants of Christ to labor in the Gospel.

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

We pray thee especially, heavenly Father, to bless our homes with thy light and joy. Keep our children in the covenant of their baptism, and enable their parents to rear them in a life of faith and godliness.

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

Bless, we pray thee, the schools of the Church, universities and centers of research, all institutions of learning, and those who exercise the care of souls therein.

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

Give to all men the mind of Christ, and dispose our days in thy peace, O God. Take from us all hatred and prejudice, and whatever may hinder unity of spirit and concord. Prosper the labors of those who lead and take

counsel for the nations of the world, that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples;

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

We remember with gratitude those who have loved and served thee in thy Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all thy saints, and bring us at last to the joy of thy heavenly kingdom;

We beseech thee to hear us Lord.

THE COVENANT † *The bishop presiding leading*

We are no longer our own, but thine. Put us to what thou wilt, rank us with whom thou wilt; put us to doing, put us to suffering; let us be employed for thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee; let us be full, let us be empty; let us have all things, let us have nothing; We freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art ours, and we are thine. So be it. And the covenant which we have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

THE HYMN

Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine . . . Charles Wesley

Come, let us use the grace divine,
And all with one accord,
In a perpetual covenant join
Ourselves to Christ the Lord.

Give up ourselves, through Jesus' power,
His name to glorify;
And promise, in this sacred hour
For God to live and die.

The covenant we this moment make
Be ever kept in mind;
We will no more our God forsake,
Or cast his words behind.

We never will throw off this fear
Who hears our solemn vow;
And if thou art well pleased to hear,
Come down and meet us now. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION † *By the bishop presiding*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
Amen.

THE POSTLUDE

The Heaven's Declare
the Glory of God . . . (Psalm 19) . . . Beneditto Marcello

THE PARTICIPANTS

(in the order of their appearing in the procession)

The Marshalls

The Reverend Paul V. Church, Evangelical United Brethren Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Entertainment and Program.

The Reverend J. Otis Young, Methodist Chairman of the Commission on Entertainment and Program.

The Acolytes

Bearing the cross

Mr. George Christian Engelhardt, Connecticut

Bearing the lights

Miss Carolyn M. Hardin, Arkansas

Miss Marlu Liwag Primero, The Philippines

Bearing the Scriptures

Mr. Nobuhiro Imaizumi, Japan

Bearing the flags of the Church and the United States

Mr. Quentin J. Faulkner, New Jersey

Mr. John Felix Munjoma, Rhodesia

The Delegates from Countries where the Uniting Churches Minister Bearing Flags of Their Countries

Algeria	Cuba	Korea	Puerto Rico
Angola	Czechoslovakia	Liberia	Rhodesia
Argentina	Denmark	Malaya	Sarawak
Austria	Dominican	Mexico	Sierra Leone
Belgium	Republic	Mozambique	Singapore
Bolivia	Ecuador	Nepal	South Africa
Brazil	Finland	Nigeria	Southern
Bulgaria	France	Norway	Congo
Burma	Germany	Okinawa	Sweden
Canada	Hong Kong	Pakistan	Switzerland
Central	Hungary	Panama	Taiwan
Congo	India	Peru	Uruguay
Chile	Indonesia	Philippines	Yugoslavia
Costa Rica	Japan	Poland	Zambia

The Councils of Executives and Secretaries**The Judicial Council****The Board and Council of Bishops****The Representatives Placing the Symbols of Union**

Placing the hymnals

The Reverend Paul H. Eller, Editor of The Evangelical United Brethren Hymnal

The Reverend Carlton R. Young, Editor of The Methodist Hymnal

Placing the books of worship

The Reverend Emory Stevens Bucke, Book Editor of The Methodist Church

The Reverend Curtis A. Chambers, Book Editor of The Evangelical United Brethren Church

Placing the Disciplines

Mr. Lovick Pierce, Publisher of The Methodist Church

Mr. Donald A. Theuer, Publisher of The Evangelical United Brethren Church

Placing The Plan of Union

Mr. Charles C. Parlin, Sr., Secretary of The Methodist Ad Hoc Committee on EUB Union

The Representatives Offering the Union to God.

Children

Miss Rhonda Elizabeth Renfro, Methodist child from Dallas, Texas

Master Robert O. Tupper II, Evangelical United Brethren child from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Youth

Miss Jean Boening, Methodist youth from St. Paul, Minnesota

Mr. Lester Kurtz, Evangelical United Brethren youth from Topeka, Kansas

Adults

Mrs. Emma Tousant, Evangelical United Brethren laywoman from Quincy, Massachusetts

Mr. J. P. Zepeda, Methodist laymen from Fort Worth, Texas

Ministers

Evangelical United Brethren: The Reverend B. A. Carew of Sierra Leone, West Africa; The Reverend Merle A. Dunn, Rochester, Minnesota; The Reverend Herbert Eckstein, Berlin, Germany.

Methodist: The Reverend Paul A. Duffey, Dothan, Alabama; The Reverend Eric Mitchell, Bombay, India; The Reverend Roberto E. Rios, Republic of Argentina.

General Officers

Mrs. Porter Brown, General Secretary of The Board of Missions of The Methodist Church

The Reverend Harold H. Hazenfield, Executive Editor, Church School Publications of The Evangelical United Brethren Church

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Mrs. D. Dwight Grove, President of the Women's Society of World Service of The Evangelical United Brethren Church

Mr. Samuel L. Meyer, President of Ohio Northern University

The Ministers Conducting the Order of Worship

The Reverend Paul Washburn, Executive Secretary of The Commission on Church Union of The Evangelical

- United Brethren Church
 Bishop Lance E. Webb, Chairman of The Commission
 on Worship of The Methodist Church
 The Preacher of the Word
 The Reverend Albert C. Outler, Professor of Historical
 Theology at Southern Methodist University
 The Bishops Declaring the Union
 Bishop Reuben H. Mueller, Indianapolis, Indiana
 Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke, New York, New York
 The Bishop Presiding
 Bishop Donald Harvey Tippett, San Francisco, Calif.

THE MUSICIANS PARTICIPATING

- Organist—Mr. Phil Baker, Dallas, Texas
 Director of combined choirs—The Reverend Carlton R.
 Young, Dallas, Texas
 School of Theology choirs represented in the combined choir
 Evangelical Theological Seminary, Naperville, Illinois
 The Reverend Eugene Wenger, Director
 Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, Texas
 The Reverend Carlton R. Young, Director
 Saint Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, Missouri
 The Reverend James Evans, Director
 United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio
 The Reverend Aaron M. Sheaffer, Director
 The Reverend Norman L. Conard
 Coordinator

Some prayers in this service adapted from
 Service Book and Hymnal of The Lutheran Church in America.

Words of Welcome—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope—Governor John Connally

Bishop Tippett presented Bishop Kenneth Pope, one of
 the host bishops, who presented Governor John Connally,
 Governor of the State of Texas.

Bishop W. Kenneth Pope: Fathers and brethren, of the now United
 Methodist Church, I have the high honor of presenting the No. 1
 citizen of the State of Texas, who is here to salute this occasion and
 to express on behalf of the state, a welcome to this body. He has been
 for three times an outstanding governor of this state. A few months
 ago one of the leading newspapers of the state said that he has been
 the most popular governor in this state during this century. He is not
 only the No. 1 citizen of this state, but I don't have to tell you who are
 here who remember him as former Secretary of the Navy, that he has
 been a national figure and is not less so today.

I want to present him, not only in secular citizenship, but I'm very
 happy to present him to you today as a Methodist—a former Methodist,
 pardon me. Governor Connally, I have the privilege of pronouncing
 as the first announced individual in The United Methodist Church and
 I am happy to call you to this occasion to present him to you, my

fellow citizens . . . I wasn't through, but it's all right for you to stand. The occasion is worthy of it.

I want to say this—as a Methodist, he is one with appreciation and sensitivity. The last time I saw him, he arose out of a sick bed to address a group of Methodists who had gathered in the capital city for a special purpose. He is always with an appreciative, sympathetic, and warm hearing when not only leaders of The Methodist Church, but religious leaders anywhere approach him on a matter of state. I could go on. It gives me great high honor to present His Excellency, the Governor of the State of Texas, the Honorable John Connally.

Governor John Connally: Thank you very much. Please be seated. Bishop Pope, members of the Council of Bishops, members of the general congregation of The United Methodist Church, may I express my deep personal appreciation for the opportunity to be here today on such a very significant occasion. I do so as a Methodist; I do so as governor of this state. I need not tell those of you assembled here what an historic and significant occasion this is. You know it better than I, but may I also say to you that those of us in Texas, in this city, appreciate, understand the significance of this great Uniting Conference, and so it is a rare privilege for me to address you this morning.

I would be presumptuous, indeed, if I attempted to speak to you about grave religious matters to come before this Uniting Conference; so if you will permit me to do so, let me take a little different track by saying to you that for all time, for all the years, for all the generations, throughout all of the religious ceremonies and sermons and activities throughout the world, Dallas and Texas will be remembered as the site of this Uniting Conference, and for that we are profoundly grateful. We know who you are, we know why you're here, and I would like to spend a few moments telling you something about where you are.

You know you are in Dallas, of course, and Dallas is in the State of Texas. This state sometimes is a little bit misunderstood. I think we are very much like the blind men in the fable, each of whom had a different part of the elephant and were asked to describe it, and they came up with very different descriptions. That's about the way we are because when you see Dallas, you see a great wonderful city of America, but you don't see all of Texas.

I want to lay aside the thought that perhaps many of you have in your mind about how those of us in Texas constantly extol the virtues and the grandeurs of this state and brag too much about it. We like to think that we are not ever guilty of bragging, but rather, in such a great Uniting Conference as we have here, I think it behooves each of us to stick strictly to the facts and to the truth. And I intend to do precisely that. I want to tell you a little about this land in which you meet because I know that as you go back to your homes throughout the United States and the countries of the world where The United Methodist Church has, and will have, such profound influence, that you will want to carry home with you a few of the facts and a little knowledge and information about where you gathered, because you have contributed much to us, and we want you to leave with a feeling of warmth and fellowship, that your meeting here has been a very meaningful one, not only for us, but for you.

You know, there are many different phases of Texas. Strangely enough, very few people realize the width and the breadth of this great state, but it is not alone large in terms of geography and topography. Very few people realize that Texarkana, Texas, on the eastern boundary of this state, is closer to Chicago, Illinois, than it is to El Paso, Texas, on the western extremity of this state. Very few realize it is almost 900 miles from the northern tip of the Panhandle

to the southern tip of the lower Rio Grande Valley. Some of you have heard many of the tales about the distances, but there are a great many other things that I'm sure you are not familiar with.

You know, in 1963 we created the Texas Tourist Development Agency. You know, you're making changes in the church, but you know this state has made some changes, too. Because it was not until 1961 that we repealed a constitutional amendment permitting us to advertise for tourists. For almost a hundred years there was in our constitution a direct prohibition against the expenditure of any state money whatsoever for the purpose of attracting "immigrants." We had a little uniting conference of our own, and we changed that.

In 1963 we created this Tourist Development Agency because we really were seized by the spirit of generosity and fellowship, that we didn't feel that we should selfishly enjoy the glories and the grandeurs of this state without making them available and known to other people. So we've done that. We attempted to find out what people thought about Texas. We ran polls—you know, that's the thing to do these days, run polls. And I am embarrassed to tell you what people thought about Texas. At least, I'm not going to tell you all of it.

I will say to you that they thought of us as a barren, treeless, arid wasteland, a great flat plain. This is true. This is basically what the people of the United States thought about this land called Texas. How untrue it is, because far from being arid—we have some portions of it around El Paso that are fairly arid with an annual rainfall of about eight inches a year, if they are lucky—but far from being arid. You'd be surprised, those of you from the midwest and up along the Canadian border perhaps will be a little embarrassed when I tell you that, or if I asked which state in this Union has the most inland water. I'm sure you'd say the land of 10,000 lakes, but you'd be wrong. Because Texas has more inland water than any state in the Union, 4,500 square miles of it. Well, again because of the nature of this Conference, I want to make one exception. We have more inland water than any state except Alaska, but we don't count them because 90 percent of theirs is frozen 80 percent of the time.

You know, when they speak of us as arid, very few people realize that we have 80,000 miles of rivers and streams. They think of us as a flat plain, flat area, but how many of you here realize that we have over 90 mountain peaks in this state over a mile high? Very few of you, I'm sure. They think of us a treeless wasteland. That isn't quite so, either. Not counting the mesquite and the scrub brush and the black brush and the white brush of southwest Texas, but talking only and speaking only of the great pine forests, the hardwood forests of east Texas, I know you will be interested in carrying back to your parishioners and your friends throughout the world the fact that Texas has 25 million acres of forest land—pine forest, hardwood forest.

Now, these are big numbers, not in terms of the federal budget, but they are big numbers, and to put it into perspective, which we all lose too often these days, but it put it into perspective, 25 million acres is enough to blanket all of the New England states. Very few people throughout this country felt that Texas had anything that people could enjoy, and I'm sure many of you have that impression. Now I don't want you to leave this Conference for one moment to see Texas, but when it's over I hope you will take a little time from your deliberations and your conferences and your meetings here to travel this state and see something of it, because there is a great deal to do.

Now if you like to hunt, you can certainly do that—in season, because we have some of the finest hunting available in the Western Hemisphere. As a matter of fact, just 20 short years ago we were fifth among the states in the Union in the number of white-tailed deer

population; but because of wise conservation laws and strict enforcement of those laws, today we have 3,500,000 white-tailed deer, comprising approximately 30 percent of all the white-tailed deer in the United States of America. Now I know that you want those figures. We have the largest wild turkey population of any state in the Union, and I know that's of interest to you.

If you are not interested in shooting rifles, if you have no proclivity in this regard, but rather like the shotgun, we have a lot of things to attract you. We are in the central flyway of the United States—no state has better geese and duck shooting than do we. I might also point out that even the birds love us more than most people, because we have the great Aransas Wildlife Refuge, which is the home of the great birds that are now being protected, down on the coast of Texas.

Last year we harvested—not shot at now, there is a vast difference—but we harvested over 14 million mourning doves and 7 million bob-white quail, and if you like to fish, oh you should feel right at home here. In the great thousand miles of Gulf Coast that we have along the Gulf of Mexico, the bays and inlets, we have over 424 species of marine life. But if you don't like salt water, then come to some of the inland lakes, where over 225 species of fresh water fish abound. Those of you who love fish should remember that about one out of every three times you eat it, you are eating fish from Texas, because we produce 30 percent of all the fishery products of the United States of America.

Now if you don't like to hunt and fish, you are transported by looking and watching the beauties and the glories of nature, the birds, come on down to Texas. Spend some time here, because it just so happens that of the approximately 700 species of birds on the North American continent, we have more than 525 species in Texas. And you'll be interested to know that this is 100 more than any other state in the Union.

Now I don't want to neglect—I'm talking about the outdoors, the bounties of nature in this state—and I don't want to neglect a few other things that really are hand made. Because we have some great universities and colleges, a tremendous number of libraries, museums—over 175 of them, some of the great art collections—private collections and museum collections—in the United States. And again, if I asked some of you from California and New York, particularly, which state in the Union has the largest number of major symphony orchestras, I'm sure you'd say immediately, out of provincial pride, California or New York. But you'd sure be wrong. Because New York has two and California has two and Texas has three.

We are profoundly grateful for being chosen as the site for this Uniting Conference. I wish I had the ability and the eloquence and the vocabulary to say to each of you how significant a day this is for Texas and for all United Methodists. Perhaps I can sum it up by simply saying that those of us who profess this faith, those of us who enjoy the bounties and the benevolence of this land which is God-given, do so in the realization that we have a solemn duty and an obligation to try to preserve it, to try to conserve it, to try to expand upon it, in order that all of us might live a more fruitful life and live a more enriched life. May I close with the words which I think reflect my own feeling, words of Tennyson in his unforgettable poem *In Memoriam*, in which he said:

“Our little systems have their day,
They have their day and cease to be.
They are but broken lights of thee,
And Thou, O Lord, art more than they.”

Thank you very much.

Bishop Tippett: Your Excellency, we are grateful beyond measure for this heartwarming welcome. We appreciate it from the depths of our hearts. We know its sincerity, and so we appreciate it all the more. We know that you came, sir, at a great deal of inconvenience to yourself this morning, and for that also we are grateful; but especially for the extension of southern and western hospitality, please accept our grateful thanks. I wish I might respond more fully to this delightful address that the Governor has brought us, but we do have some chores ahead of us today, and we want to get on with them as quickly as possible, and I am asking for your indulgence now. It will help us greatly if you will co-operate with a simple request. Will you please remain in your places while the Recessional takes place, and then will you give us about 40 minutes to make ready for the business session of the morning.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for forty minutes.

Official Opening—Bishop Donald H. Tippett—Carlton R. Young

Bishop Donald H. Tippett, President of the Council of Bishops, the Presiding Officer, called the Conference to order at 10:30 a.m. for the opening session, and announced Hymn No. 336, "And Are We Yet Alive," which was led by the Uniting Conference Director of Music, *Carlton R. Young* (N.E. Ohio—NC).

Prayer—Bishop W. Kenneth Goodson

Bishop W. Kenneth Goodson offered the opening prayer.

Bishop Kenneth Goodson (Birmingham Area): Let us pray: Almighty and ever-living God, we turn to Thee in this Holy moment to thank Thee for all Thy blessings and for all Thy goodness. For joys we have had, what sorrows thy honored us by giving, we come to this holy moment in the life of our church, the important and greatness and the meaning of it causes us to tremble in our boots but the challenge of it and the thrill of it and the excitement of it causes us yet to leap across the days that are ahead. We confess that we have not always loved thee with our own heart, that we have strayed from thy ways and have erred like sheep, yet thou are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us gracious Lord that we should love thee by doing thy will and glorifying thy name would be the single end of each of our lives. We have been moved by this day. Whatever else happens to us today, do not let all of this be confined to the archives of history but wilt Thou keep our beloved new church alive, contemporary, modern, not following the pack but leading the battle. Now as we turn to the deliberations of the General Conference, remind us every now and again whose church this is and in whose hands is the ultimate responsibility, keep ever in our mind whose we are and whom we delight to serve, our prayer we make through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Roll Call—J. Wesley Hole

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona—W), Secretary of the General Conference of The Methodist

Church, announced the procedure by which the chairman of each Annual Conference Delegation, on prepared blanks, had certified that the following delegates were in attendance.

California (EUB)

Ministerial—O. E. Schafer, E. C. Schneider, Harvey N. Chinn, L. H. Gustafson.

Lay—Chris W. Schmidt, O. A. Bosshardt, Percy Grumbein, Jr., J. Melvin Brown.

Canada (EUB)

Ministerial—H. L. Brox, F. H. Faist, E. E. Hallman.

Lay—L. G. Bauman, Harry Breugeman, Norman Draker.

Dakota (EUB)

Ministerial—O. A. Gehring, L. A. Kruckenberg, N. C. Neumann, Robert H. Strutz.

Lay—Loren Clark, Cliff Haugen, Leonard Stengel.

Lay Reserve—Donald Ollman.

Eastern (EUB)

Ministerial—Warren F. Mentzer, Henry W. Zehner, Charles E. Kachel, Ezra H. Ranck, Carl M. Schneider, Thomas W. Guinivan, Warren A. Loesch, Daniel L. Shearer, Walter E. Deibler, Harry W. Zechman, Mark J. Hostetter, H. S. Peiffer, Thomas May, George W. Bashore, Robert M. Daugherty, D. L. Fegley.

Lay—U. S. Estilow, James H. Whitcraft, Lawton W. Shroyer, Paul W. Hoffer, Harold W. Quickel, Fred G. Bollman, Mrs. Emma S. Tousant, Harry V. Masters, William C. Troutman, Albert F. Schuster, Mrs. D. Dwight Grove, A. C. Spangler, William D. Bryson, Frederick H. Barth, Paul M. Leininger, Roy K. Garber.

East Germany (EUB)

Ministerial—D. H. Eckstein, W. Meinhardt.

Erie (EUB)

Ministerial—Glenn E. Donelson, H. Ray Harris, Ivan G. Hunsberger, John F. Olexa.

Lay—Gilbert Ledebur, Mrs. Ruth McGill, G. Eugene Rote.

Lay Reserve—Carl Childs.

Florida (EUB)

Ministerial—William G. Hawk, William R. Obaugh.

Lay—Jay Stark, Jr., Clarence Stein.

Illinois (EUB)

Ministerial—Samuel Batt, John R. Bouldin, Sherman A. Cravens, Warren R. Ebinger, Paul H. Eller, Virgil J. Hague, Wayne C. Hess, O. F. Landis, E. J. Larson, Eugene J. Moore.

Lay—Doit Biggs, Fred C. Durbin, Floyd Fager, Walter P. Getz, L. R. Moore, Walter Muller, Homer Wolfensberger, Wallace Yenerich, Paul Zimmerman.

Ministerial Reserve—Richard Tholin.

Lay Reserve—Mary Jane Boynton.

Indiana North (EUB)

Ministerial—V. A. Carlson, John Chambers, M. W. Chambers, A. Hunter Colpitts, Merrell Geible, A. L. Keller, W. S. Parks, J. O. Penrod, Garth Shepherd.

Lay—C. H. Ade, Glen Beams, Wilkie Bush, Russell Creighton, George Davis, Forest R. Heyde, Clarence Liechty, Orville VanDyke.

Lay Reserve—David Barnhardt.

Indiana South (EUB)

Ministerial—Homer W. Achor, Heedlie M. Cobb, Gene P. Crawford, C. David Hancock, R. P. Hawkins, Robert W. Koenig, K. K. Merryman, A. Glen O'Dell, Philip Stone, Russell Youngblood.

Lay—R. M. Crawford, John Easley, Gordon France, Mrs. John Gooch, Frank Hardy, Justin E. Marshall, Maynard W. Mylin, Mrs. Charles Taylor, Francis M. Wilcoxon.

Lay Reserve—George St. Angelo.

Iowa (EUB)

Ministerial—L. E. Deaver, J. A. Dowd, R. R. MacCannon, P. O. Pfaltzgraff, R. L. Russell, H. A. Varce, A. E. Wilken.

Lay—Harold L. Bergeman, Lloyd Epley, Carl Faust, James Stanton, Milo Lease, Wayne Marty.

Lay Reserve—James Bogenrief.

Kansas (EUB)

Ministerial—LeRoy A. Bott, Walter R. Brant, Paul S. Deever, C. R. Findley, E. R. Ford, Lawrence Kurth, Henry W. Vogel, M. M. Wright.

Lay—Paul B. Adrian, Walter Dreier, Melvin C. Schlender, Homer Stiller, O. K. Webster, Mrs. Ernest Woolworth.

Lay Reserve—Lester Melrose, Walter Mugler.

Kentucky (EUB)

Ministerial—John W. Bischoff.

Lay—Edward Slothour.

Michigan (EUB)

Ministerial—Gerald Fisher, Stanley Forkner, Robert Horton, Garfield Kellermann, Newell Liesemer, John Murbach, Prentice W. Peck, Lawrence Taylor.

Lay—Ray Allen, P. Edison Chamberlain, Willard Haist, John Iwaniuk, John Kennaugh, Ralph Klump, Arden Peterson, Mrs. Frieda Spafford.

Minnesota (EUB)

Ministerial—E. Russell Praetorius, A. B. Utzman, Floyd E. Bosshardt, Delmont K. Gordy, Merle A. Dunn.

Lay—Garland Hubin, Gerald Rufer, Wesley Mellgren, Vern Scholer, Kermit Decker.

Missouri (EUB)

Ministerial—C. H. Crandall.

Lay—Orval McMillan.

Montana (EUB)

Ministerial—Harvey E. Bartram.

Lay—Bruce Packer.

Ministerial Reserve—Lewis E. Magsig.

Lay Reserve—Lester Ollerman.

Nebraska (EUB)

Ministerial—Richard A. Heim, Donald J. Nunnally, D. R. Roker, Harvey J. Schroeder, John F. Wichelt.

Lay—James Hoyt, Mrs. Milton Mundhenke, Odin Poppe, Karl Rasmussen, Clarence Schroeder.

New York (EUB)

Ministerial—Sherman B. Eckel, John D. Rein.

Lay—Clayton Alt, Leslie Straight.

Northwest Canada (EUB)

Ministerial—T. E. Jesske, F. W. Snyder, S. B. Taetz.

Lay—E. E. Deimert, Roy Hehr.

Lay Reserve—W. Schindell.

Ohio East (EUB)

Ministerial—R. E. Appel, A. L. Brandyberry, E. P. Eberly, Paul W. Frees, Kenneth W. Hulit, Melvin A. Moody, Kenneth H. Pohly, George E. Schreckengost, Allen H. Zagray.

Lay—Gene Boyer, Merritt Clymer, Mrs. Jane Frence, Mrs. Pauline Harrold, Melvin Hayes, Luther Limbaugh, Paul Maibach, William S. Wagner, Virgil Zimmerman.

Ohio Miami (EUB)

Ministerial—John Bergland, Emerson D. Bragg, Owen Delp, Carl B. Eschbach, William K. Messmer, Louis O. Odon.

Lay—Harold Boda, Hubert Fellers, Harvey Hammick, J. Jacoby, R. L. Pounds, Sam Upton.

Ministerial Reserve—Walter Miranda.

Lay Reserve—Hazel Dover.

Ohio Sandusky (EUB)

Ministerial—Daniel D. Corl, Joseph R. Graham, Harry L. Adams, R. W. Faulkner, Laurence E. Feaver, J. Paul Jones, Jr., Howard McCracken, John F. Osborn, John C. Searle, Sr., Kenneth Stover.

Lay—Robert E. Cochran, George Gilts, Charles Haldeman, Torrey A. Kaatz, Wayne Leatherman, Ed Nietz.

Lay Reserve—Wayne Luke, Sanford Price, Frank Grandey, Oliver Roberts.

Ohio Southeast (EUB)

Ministerial—Harold Dutt, Clayton F. Lutz, Howard Buckley, Kenneth E. Wrightsel, Carl Butterbaugh, Rex C. Smith, Irvin H. Lane.

Lay—Lyle J. Michael, Walter LaPlante, Mrs. Mary Cabbage, Dale DeLong, David Herbert, Marion Prosch.

Lay Reserve—Lawrence Beardmore.

Oklahoma-Texas (EUB)

Ministerial—Roderick E. Gray, James F. Williamson.

Lay—Irvin Hamburger.

Lay Reserve—Jay Anderson.

Pacific Northwest (EUB)

Ministerial—T. R. Buzzard.

Ministerial Reserve—Dean L. Vermillion, Delbert M. Keller, Lloyd Uecker, Kenneth D. Dooley.

Lay Reserve—Harvey E. Anderson, R. E. Randle, H. R. Praetorius, Mrs. Oscar Carlson, Mrs. Don Warner.

Rocky Mountain (EUB)

Ministerial—Ralph C. Hines, Allen L. Unger, Lloyd C. Nichols.

Lay—Oscar Marks, Romane G. Moeller, Rolland Osborne.

Sierra Leone (EUB)

Ministerial—B. A. Carew.

Lay—S. H. Thomas.

South Germany (EUB)

Ministerial—H. Sticher, J. Gaehr.

Susquehanna (EUB)

Ministerial—Paul E. Horn, Clair C. Kreidler, William F. Woods, Arthur W. Stambach, Gerald D. Kauffman, Woodrow A. Bartges, Roy H. Stetler, Jr., Wilson A. Shearer, Fred W. Mund, Robert H. Stolte, David H. Andrews, Calvin B. Haverstock, Jr., Melvin Geiman, Jr., Ben F. Heiser, Robert L. Close, William J. Lippert, R. Kenneth Heim.

Lay—Chester R. Heidlebaugh, J. Britain Winter, Paul G. Gilmore, Ralph Ritter, Gordon S. Kunkel, E. N. Funkhouser, Harry P. Kissinger, Paul Cressman, Sr., A. W. Mund, R. G. Mowery, E. D. Warner, Russell P. Hummel, Clair Trout, Mrs. Kenneth L. Benfer, W. J. R. Rein, Eugene A. Fuhrman, H. LeRoy Marlow, T. C. Blickenstaff.

Ministerial Reserve—D. Rayborn Higgins.

Switzerland (EUB)

Ministerial—D. Roser.

Lay—E. Gautschi.

Tennessee (EUB)

Ministerial—J. Castro Smith, E. B. Jeffers.

Lay—Charles Ellis, L. D. Lusby.

Virginia (EUB)

Ministerial—Floyd L. Fulk, Howard L. Fulk, John R. Sawyer,
Charles B. Weber, George S. Widmyer.

Lay—Jack C. Allen, Elwood Frye, Carl G. Ritchie, E. C. Tutwiler,
Jr.

Lay Reserve—Raymond Swadley.

West Germany (EUB)

Ministerial—I. Mohr, F. Harriefeld.

West Virginia (EUB)

Ministerial—Bland Brady, Harry Eckels, Clarence Edman, Jack
Higgins.

Lay—Mrs. Floyd Rogers, Roy Blessing.

Ministerial Reserve—Robert E. Dille, James H. Reed.

Lay Reserve—Wilbur Tardy.

Western Pennsylvania (EUB)

Ministerial—George Biggs, Harold R. Burgess, Donald N. Ciampa,
Clyde W. Dietrich, Arthur T. Moffat, John W. Russell, Elmer
A. R. Schultz, Gene E. Sease, James A. Woomer.

Lay—Mrs. G. O. Bishop, Dwight M. Bittner, Harry R. Blanset,
George A. Eschbach, Mrs. Carroll Gray, George Hershberger,
D. W. Hummel, Paul R. McCormick, George W. Nicely, Paul D.
Walter.

Ministerial Reserve—Bruce H. Bishop, Oscar A. Burkel.

Lay Reserve—A. Ford Boucher.

Wisconsin (EUB)

Minister—Gordon R. Bender, Roy E. Bosserman, Solomon G.
Cramer, Milton W. Giese, Willard W. Schulz, Harvey Scheppe,
Herbert E. Zebarth.

Lay—Roy Boettcher, Lawrence Hinz, Donald Lowater, Ora Lueptow,
Rolland Mitchell, Mrs. Walter Rilling.

Lay Reserve—Mrs. Melvin Sprecher.

United Church of Christ of the Philippines

Minister—Onofre Fonceca.

United Church in China

Minister—Peter Wong.

Agra Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial Reserve—Munshi R. Utarid.

Lay—Burty A. Turner.

Alabama-West Florida Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Paul A. Duffey, Charles H. Hildreth, Joel D. McDavid,
John B. Nichols, H. Paul Mathison.

Lay—J. Herbert Orr, Mrs. F. S. Arant, George H. Proctor, Harry
E. McDavid.

Lay Reserve—Thomas West.

Angola Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial Reserve—Zacarias J. Cardoso.

Lay—Loyd Schaad.

Argentina Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Roberto E. Rios.

Lay—Ovidio R. Torres.

Baltimore Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Edward G. Carroll, Merrill W. Drennan, Edward H.
Porter, John B. Jones, Marion S. Michael, William E. Bishop,
William E. Firth, Raymond L. Roderick.

Lay—Everett R. Jones, Mrs. Leighton E. Harrell, W. C. Beatty,
Carroll D. Bristow, Thurman L. Dodson, D. S. Patterson, Hurst
Anderson, Mrs. Edwin A. Ross.

Belgium Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Andre J. Pieters.

Lay—Frederick G. Griffin.

Bengal Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—George E. Somers.
Lay—Miss Kumudini Mozumdar.

Bolivia Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Jorge Pantelis.
Lay—Jaime Mendoza.

Bombay Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Eric A. Mitchell.
Lay—Clement W. Thomas.

California-Nevada Annual Conference (W)

Ministerial—Arthur V. Thurman, Robert W. Moon, D. Clifford Crummey, Kenneth W. Adams, John V. Moore, A. Cecil Williams, Lloyd K. Wake.

Lay—Frank Webber, Donald Winne, George H. Atkinson, Georgia Harkness, Robert E. Burns, Mrs. John W. Carrell, J. Everett Walker.

Central Alabama Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—Joseph E. Lowery.
Lay—Quinton D. Adams.

Central Congo Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Joseph M. Davis.
Lay—Paul Kimbulu.

Central Germany Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Johannes Schauble.
Lay—Walter Pfeiffer.

Central Illinois Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—W. Harold Loys, R. Benjamin Garrison, Joseph H. Albrecht, Jack B. North, Dale E. Pitcher, Frank H. Nestler.

Lay—Lloyd M. Bertholf, Mrs. Charles Galbreath, Miss Charlotte Gurtner, Reid Tombaugh, Richard E. Reeves.
Lay Reserve—Mrs. Lloyd Hanna, Hal Gronlund.

Central Kansas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—Clarence J. Borger, Glenn E. Matthew, Lyman S. Johnson, Charles M. Curtis, Oren F. McClure.

Lay—Mrs. D. E. Watson, Walter J. Hickerson, Thomas W. Rupert.
Lay Reserve—Mrs. Elbert DeForest, Mrs. H. L. Georg.

Central New York Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Lester Schaff, Robert McCune, Warren G. Odom.
Lay—Lester R. Bascom, Mrs. Hollis Hayward.

Lay Reserve—Frederick Sears.

Central Pennsylvania Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Earl N. Rowe, D. Frederick Wertz, Paul E. Myers.
Lay—Robert E. Knupp, Mrs. Abram D. Belt, Richard A. Lank, Ned S. Bly.

Ministerial Reserve—John B. Howes.

Central Texas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—R. Bruce Weaver, Maggart B. Howell, William M. Greenwalt, L. William Stanley, Gaston Foote.

Lay—Morris D. Walker, Roy J. Grogan, Eugene F. Jud, Mrs. R. W. Bickham.

Lay Reserve—Dean F. Davis.

Chile Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Helmut Gnad.
Lay—Arturo Chacon.

Costa Rica Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Samuel Calvo.
Lay—Carlos Fajardo.

Delhi Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Elliot D. Clive.
Lay—Sherwood S. Roberts.

Denmark Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Robert H. Nielsen.

Lay—Henning Bjerno.

Detroit Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Jesse R. DeWitt, John E. Marvin, Orville H. McKay, Woodie W. White, Hoover Rupert, Dwight S. Large, Frederick C. Vosburg.

Lay—Harold Karls, Mrs. Earl W. Price, Prentiss M. Brown, Jr., Mrs. William H. Cansfield, Carl Ammerman, James Crippen, Lionel Thompson.

East Wisconsin Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Marvin A. Schilling, Alvin J. Lindgren, Richard W. Miller.

Lay—Mrs. R. Lee Hundley, Ray Gile, James I. Martin.

Florida Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—William Ferguson.

Lay—Richard V. Moore.

Florida Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—John J. Rooks, George A. Foster, C. Durward McDonnell, Millard C. Cleveland, W. Scott Bozeman, A. A. Hedberg, Robert M. Blackburn, Albert D. Hagler, Ralph B. Huston.

Lay—William A. Meadows, Mrs. Bruce Gray, Edd W. Gentry, John Sargeant, Charles I. Babcock, Jr., Robert T. Mann, Mrs. H. V. Weems, Glenn Gold, Campbell Thornal.

Georgia Annual Conference (C)

Lay—T. R. Wilson.

Ministerial Reserve—Anderson C. Epps.

Gujart Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Raijibhai M. Rathod.

Lay—Rameschandra E. Parmer.

Holston Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Edgar A. Eldridge, Mack B. Stokes, Spurgeon McCartt, Robert L. Wilcox, Sam N. Varnell, Thomas F. Chilcote.

Lay—Holiday H. Smith, L. T. Prigmore, Raymond C. Campbell, Olin Armentrout, Charles A. Hutchins, John E. Steffner, Mrs. Moody Dunbar.

Hyderabad Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Guntupalli Reuben.

Lay—Narsappa John.

Idaho Annual Conference (W)

Ministerial—Earl W. Riddle.

Lay—Erwin H. Schweibert.

Indiana Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—A. James Armstrong, James K. Forbes, Leroy C. Hodapp, Richard E. Hamilton, William N. Borton.

Lay—Edward Susat, Mrs. C. O. Harris, Ernest Jones, Sr., Basil H. Lorch, Jr., Russell Kibler.

Indus River Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—John V. Samuel.

Lay—Mangal D. Taj.

Kansas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—Albert F. Bramble, Clare J. Hayes, Don W. Holter, Roger E. Biddle.

Lay—C. I. Moyer, Floyd H. Coffman, Mrs. Barton Dean, Charles S. Scott.

Kentucky Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Russell R. Patton, Edward L. Tullis, Albert W. Sweazy.

Lay—William E. Savage, Mrs. Earl T. Curry, Howard Jones.

- Liberia Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Charles O. Nance.
 Lay—Harrison Grigsby.
- Little Rock Annual Conference* (SC)
 Ministerial—Otto W. Teague, Connie Ray Hozendorf, Robert E. L. Bearden.
 Lay—S. H. Allman, Dale Booth, Mrs. Edgar F. Dixon.
- Louisiana Annual Conference* (C)
 Ministerial—William T. Handy, Jr.
 Lay—George L. Netterville, Jr.
- Louisiana Annual Conference* (SC)
 Ministerial—Benjamin R. Oliphint, David L. Dykes, Jr., Carl F. Lueg, Sr., George F. Pearce, Jr., Henry A. Rickey.
 Lay—W. Cotton Davis, Thomas H. Matheny, Robert P. Lay, Vinson M. Mouser, Dudley V. Snow.
- Louisville Annual Conference* (SE)
 Minister—George S. Wood, Ted Hightower, Rual T. Perkins, James W. Averitt.
 Lay—Evan C. Evans, Mrs. E. L. Crabtree, Thomas McQuary, Albert T. Hubbard.
- Lucknow Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Ratbhan Singh.
 Lay—Martin H. Singh.
- Madhya Pradesh Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—John V. Hulasi Rae.
 Lay—Prem P. Singh.
- Maine Annual Conference* (NE)
 Ministerial—H. Travers Smith, Lester L. Boobar.
 Lay—Walter E. Upham.
 Lay Reserve—A. Stanley Getchell.
- Malaya Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Kim-Hao Yap.
 Lay—Chee-Khoon Tan.
- Malaysia Chinese Annual Conference.* (OS)
 Ministerial—Chung-Nan Fang.
 Lay Reserve—Chye-Heng Teh.
- Memphis Annual Conference* (SE)
 Ministerial—F. Alton Flatt, Carl M. Robbins, Lloyd W. Ramer, James A. Fisher.
 Lay—Charles L. Yancey, James L. England, Lloyd S. Adams, Jr.
 Lay Reserve—William B. Black.
- Michigan Annual Conference* (NC)
 Ministerial—John W. Tennant, Robert H. Jongeward, James W. Wright, Carlos C. Page.
 Lay—Bernard Shashaguay, Donald E. Holbrook, Mrs. Russell Finch, Dr. Katherine Wilcox.
- Middle Philippines Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Fidel P. Galang.
 Lay—Rodolfo C. Beltran.
- Mindanao Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Josue R. Guzman.
 Lay—Henry B. Inis.
- Minnesota Annual Conference* (NC)
 Ministerial—Charles Sweet, Chester A. Pennington, Delton H. Krueger, Charles B. Purdham, Dennis F. Nyberg.
 Lay—Fran H. Faber, Mrs. John W. Gridley, Fremont C. Fletcher, Mrs. Clarence W. Richardson.
 Ministerial Reserve—Gerald B. Needham.

- Mississippi Annual Conference (C)*
 Ministerial—Alphonso Crump.
 Lay—Fred O. Woodard.
- Mississippi Annual Conference (SE)*
 Ministerial—J. Willard Leggett, Jr., G. Eliot Jones, Seth W. Granberry, R. Inman Moore, Sr.
 Lay—John C. Satterfield, Edwin E. Moorhead, Bert Jordan.
 Lay Reserve—Ralph Hays.
- Missouri East Annual Conference (SC)*
 Wesley H. Hager, Monk Bryan, Floyd V. Brower, Gregory K. Poole, J. J. Johnson, Jr.
 Lay—J. Clinton Hawkins, Mrs. Edward Brandhorst, Leslie Black, Sara Clardy, Oscar G. Schupp.
- Missouri West Annual Conference (SC)*
 Ministerial—Lyman Firestone, Forrest L. Standard, Charles A. McEowen, C. Jarrett Gray, F. Hauser Winter.
 Lay—Mrs. Norton Brown, Mrs. Ernest Mehl, N. Guy Hall, Kenneth Hart, Ernest Mehl.
- Montana Annual Conference (W)*
 Ministerial—George A. Harper.
 Lay—Robert Wix.
- Moradabad Annual Conference (OS)*
 Ministerial—Samuel B. Sherring.
 Lay—Robert C. Singh.
- Nebraska Annual Conference (SC)*
 Ministerial—C. Edwin Murphy, Alva H. Clark, Laurence R. Davis, Emmet T. Streeter, Clarence J. Forsberg.
 Lay—Wilbert K. Flaming, John H. Frey, Mrs. Russell Brown, G. Alan Dunlap, Mrs. Ed. Cobb.
 Lay Reserve—Mrs. Charles Mead.
- New England Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—Lemuel K. Lord, Wilbur C. Ziegler, Walter G. Muelder, Blaine E. Taylor.
 Lay—Edward C. Drake, Mason N. Hartman, Mrs. Emil Hartl, Mrs. Winthrop Anderson.
- New England Southern Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—E. McKinnon White, John Post.
 Lay—Thomas Bell, Mrs. F. Morris Cochran.
- New Hampshire Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—Donald H. McAninch.
 Lay—Forest W. Laraba.
- New Mexico Annual Conference (SC)*
 Ministerial—Ralph H. Seiler, B. C. Goodwin, Jr.
 Lay—Sam Steel.
 Lay Reserve—Wm. C. Patten.
- New York Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—Harold A. Bosley, Douglas F. Verdin, Roy Nichols, Richard A. Thornburg, Walter L. Scranton, William M. James, Burton F. Tarr, H. Burnham Kirkland.
 Lay—Mrs. C. E. Transom, Robert W. Preusch, William T. Staubach, Jr., Ethel R. Johnson, Louis C. Hauser, Mrs. Everett B. Kennedy, Howard H. Darling, William H. Veale.
- North Alabama Annual Conference (SE)*
 Ministerial—Calvin M. Pinkard, R. Laurence Dill, Jr., R. Edwin Kimbrough, Denson N. Franklin, Paul L. Clem, Lorenzo D. Tyson, Duncan Hunter, John E. Rutland.
 Lay—Jesse A. Culp, Mrs. S. V. Capps, Jr., William C. Brannon, Burt Purdy, Frank Dominick, H. Keener Barnes, Edward Montgomery.
 Lay Reserve—Newman M. Yielding.

North Arkansas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—John A. Bayliss, Joel A. Cooper, Ethan W. Dodgen.
Lay—E. Clay Bumpers, I. Nels Barnett, Henry M. Rainwater.

North Carolina Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Nicholas W. Grant, Cecil W. Robbins, William M. Howard, Jr., Chancie D. Barclift, Henry G. Ruark, Leon Russell, Robert E. Cushman, Clarence P. Morris.

Lay—Roy L. Turnage, J. Nelson Gibson, Walter F. Anderson, L. Stacy Weaver, Leo V. Jenkins, Mrs. Sam A. Dunn, Arnold K. King, Paul Hardin, III.

North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—Joseph B. Bethea.
Lay—Clarence M. Winchester.

North Dakota Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—William W. Morrison.
Lay—LeRoy Meier.

North Georgia Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—William R. Cannon, Nat G. Long, William H. Ruff, T. Cecil Myers, Gordon G. Thompson, L. Bevel Jones, Eugene T. Drinkard, W. Earl Strickland.

Lay—William A. Sutton, Mrs. Victor B. Yeargan, David W. Brooks, Paul L. Webb, Jr., Mrs. Ethan L. Taylor, Virgil Y. C. Eady, Bert Lance.

Lay Reserve—Mrs. Arthur Styron.

North India Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—R. D. Joshi.
Lay—Mrs. M. D. Patial.

North Indiana Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Virgil V. Bjork, Donald Barnes, Gerald H. Jones, Evan H. Bergwall, Robert W. Fribley.

Lay—Owen DeWeese, Milton V. Schubert, Jr., Roy R. Roudebush, Leo M. Hauptman.

Lay Reserve—Mrs. Wilbur D. Shown.

North Iowa Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Lawrence D. Havighurst, Wayne E. Shoemaker, Kenneth E. Metcalf, M. Trevor Baskerville, Frank A. Nichols.

Ministerial Reserve—Harvey A. Walker.

Lay—Mrs. A. N. Caines, William P. Applegate, Clarence E. Parker, Mrs. Edward E. Sears, Edgar W. McCracken, Rainsford A. Brown, Sr.

North Mississippi Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—George R. Williams, Jamie G. Houston.

Ministerial Reserve—William F. Appleby.

Lay—Roy Black, Al N. Waltman.

Lay Reserve—Virginia Thomas.

North Texas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—Albert Outler, Bob W. Middlebrooks, Alsie H. Carleton.

Lay—Willis M. Tate, Leo L. Baker, R. L. Dillard, Jr., Mrs. John L. Beard.

Lay Reserve—C. Truett Smith.

North East Germany Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Ernst Scholz.

Lay—Harry Schneiderei.

North East Ohio Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Robert H. Courtney, J. Meade Letts, Sumpter M. Riley, Jr., J. Robert Nelson, Howard J. Wiant, Paul O. Mayer, Thomas L. Cromwell.

Ministerial Reserve: Paul Ward.

- Lay—Mrs. Monroe Cooke, Mrs. Clarence E. Achberger, Alfred B. Bonds, Francis M. Glasgow, Charles R. Layton, Francis Lang, John W. Chittum, Joseph D. Rouhlac.
- Northern New Jersey Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—Eugene L. Smith, Robert Goodwin, Forest M. Fuess.
 Ministerial Reserve: Dean Lanning.
 Lay—Charles C. Parlin, Mrs. Robert M. Taylor, Mrs. Preston M. Harrington, Robert W. Carson.
- Northern New York Annual Conference (NE)*
 Ministerial—Arthur B. Oot, Jr., Carlton G. Van Ornum.
 Lay—W. Glenn Larmonth, DeWitt C. LeFevre.
- Northern Philippines Annual Conference (OS)*
 Ministerial—Benjamin I. Asis.
 Lay—Froilan B. Calata.
- North West Germany Annual Conference (OS)*
 Ministerial—Walther Zeuner.
 Lay—Johann M. Bruns.
- Northwest Indiana Annual Conference (NC)*
 Ministerial—Ralph S. Steele, John D. Wolf, Donald F. McMahan, S. Jameson Jones.
 Lay—John Thomas, Russell Rayburn, Mrs. Fred Wintle.
 Lay Reserve—James Culp.
- Northwest Philippines Annual Conference (OS)*
 Ministerial—Gregorio R. Bailen.
 Lay—Francisco S. Gaspar.
- Northwest Texas Annual Conference (SC)*
 Ministerial—Marvin L. Boyd, J. Howard Crawford, S. Duane Bruce, Charles E. Lutrick, Timothy W. Guthrie.
 Lay—Gordon Bennett, James M. Willson, Jr., Ray H. Nichols, Mrs. J. P. Elms, Harold O. Harriger.
- Norway Annual Conference (OS)*
 Ministerial—Rolf Moster.
 Lay—Einar Teigland.
- Ohio Annual Conference (NC)*
 Ministerial—Raoul C. Calkins, Emerson S. Colaw, Edwin H. Dickey, Paul M. Vandergriff, Claude Garrison, W. Arthur Milne, Lee C. Moorehead, Donald W. Cryer, J. Otis Young, Samuel R. Wright, Sydney C. G. Everson.
 Lay—Miss Marion Brown, Mrs. Everett Goodwin, Paul B. Momberg, Samuel L. Meyer, Mrs. Carl E. Ware, Leonard D. Slutz, Mrs. James M. Leonard, Clenzo B. Fox, Darrell Hotel, Edward H. Laylin, John Bowen.
- Oklahoma Annual Conference (SC)*
 Ministerial—Finis A. Crutchfield, Robert W. Smith, Irving L. Smith, Lloyd A. Peters, J. Chess Lovern, Dorsey J. Kelly, Wayne W. Coffin.
 Lay—James A. Egan, Mrs. Wayne C. Scott, William C. Doenges, Mrs. George Metzler, Robert R. Price, Tal Oden, Dolphus Whitten, Jr.
- Oregon Annual Conference (W)*
 Ministerial—Gene Albertson, James Jenkins, William Walker.
 Lay—Mrs. Russell O. Watson, Harold E. Rose.
 Lay Reserve—Mrs. L. S. Uppinghouse.
- Pacific Northwest Annual Conference (W)*
 Ministerial—Jack M. Tuell, John C. Soltman, Joe A. Harding, William H. Ritchey, Melvin M. Finkbeiner.
 Lay—Mrs. John Eby, Lyle Truax, Robert M. Thorpe, Robert J. Genins
 Lay Reserve—Willard Zellmer.

Peninsula Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Paul E. McCoy, John R. Shockley, R. Jervis Cooke, Howard M. Amoss.
Lay—John F. Kelso, George P. Chandler, James C. Hardcastle, Mrs. William J. Garrett.

Peru Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Ismael Fernandez.
Lay—Carlos Carrasco.

Philadelphia Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—F. Lewis Walley, Harold D. Flood, John D. Herr, George N. Hippel, Walter R. Hazzard.
Lay—John R. Harper, Mrs. Kenneth S. Barto, J. Holland Heck, William C. Jason, Jr., Frank E. Baker.

Philippines Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Clemente M. Zuniga.
Lay—Pedro S. Angeles.

Poland Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Joseph Szczepkowski.
Lay—Ryszard Rode

Puerto Rico Provisional Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Tomas S. Rico.
Lay—Ishmael Cabrera.

Rhodesia Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Jonah B. Kawadza.
Lay—Nathan F. Goto.

Rio Grande Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—Josue Gonzalez.
Lay—J. P. Zepeda.

Rock River Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Merlyn W. Northfelt, Dow Kirkpatrick, Edsel A. Ammons, Harry B. Gibson, Jr., William D. White, Charles S. Jarvis, Roy W. Larson.
Lay—Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer, John R. VanSickle, Mrs. Ralph Hetherlin, Arvarh Strickland, William J. Laskey, Roy Fisher, Mrs. William H. McCallum.

Rocky Mountain Annual Conference (W)

Ministerial—Harvey H. Potthoff, William R. Persons, Donald J. Grooters, Henry H. Baker.
Lay—R. S. Doenges, John McIntyre, Chester M. Alter, Mrs. Wesley Johnson.

Sarawak Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Teck Soi Yu.
Lay—Ping Hua Yao.

South Carolina Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—Warren M. Jenkins, C. J. Smith.
Lay—Robert J. Palmer, R. E. Fields.

South Carolina Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Adlai C. Holler, C. LeGrande Moody, Jr., Francis T. Cunningham, R. Wright Spears, W. W. Fridy, Samuel R. Glenn, Victor R. Hickman, Eben Taylor.
Lay—W. J. Ready, J. E. Jerome, Harry R. Kent, Spencer M. Rice, J. C. Holler, Charles F. Marsh, Roy C. Moore, W. L. Brannon.

South Dakota Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Robert G. Vessey, Harvey H. Sander.
Lay—Ervin Ortman.
Lay Reserve—Warren Kuhler.

South Georgia Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—David A. Duck, Frank L. Robertson, J. Frederick Wilson, C. Wilbourne Hancock, George L. Zorn, G. Ross Freeman.

- Lay—George A. Wright, W. S. Parks, B. I. Thornton, Mrs. J. E. Williams, Zach S. Henderson, Chester Murray.
- South Germany Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Walter Fritz, Johannes Riedinger.
 Lay—Alfred Kalble, Heinz P. Fisher.
- South India Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Kariappa Samuel.
 Lay—D. Sundara Raju.
- South Iowa Annual Conference* (NC)
 Ministerial—Paul M. Hann, Glenn R. Parrott, C. Dendy Garrett, Lester L. Moore.
 Lay—Paul V. Shearer, Mrs. Lester V. Coons, Waldo E. Don Carlos, Max W. Kreager.
- Southeast Africa Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Gideon Jamella.
 Lay Reserve—Mabel P. Michel.
- Southern California-Arizona Annual Conference* (W)
 Ministerial—Richard W. Cain, K. Morgan Edwards, F. Thomas Trotter, L. L. White, Melvin E. Wheatley, Jr., Edwin E. Reeves, Ray W. Ragsdale, Will M. Hildebrand, Thomas K. Farley, Donald R. Locher, Randall C. Phillips, Melvin G. Talbert.
 Lay—J. Wesley Hole, Ernest C. Colwell, Mrs. John B. Hutchinson, Hubert E. Orton, Ernest K. Akamine, Verne Orr, Sr., A. A. Wright, Marion R. Walker, James J. M. Misajon, Lester G. Wahrenbrock, Robert L. Fletcher, Mrs. Byrle Brown.
- Southern Congo Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Kenneth D. Enright.
 Lay—Gedeon Ndala.
- Southern Illinois Annual Conference* (NC)
 Ministerial—William B. Lewis, Joseph C. Evers, Edward L. Hoffman.
 Lay—Everett K. Thompson, Mrs. J. H. Mount, Ernest H. Teagle.
- Southern New Jersey Annual Conference* (NE)
 Ministerial—Charles A. Sayre, George R. Propert, William Guffick, Robert E. Acheson.
 Lay—Robert J. Mumford, Henry L. Backenson, Mrs. Dorothy Nelson.
 Lay Reserve—Walter P. VanSant.
- Southwest Annual Conference* (C)
 Ministerial—Negail R. Riley.
 Lay—Henry W. Johnson.
- Southwest Germany Annual Conference*
 Ministerial—Carl E. Sommer
 Lay—Rudolf Schiele.
- Southwest Texas Annual Conference* (SC)
 Ministerial—John W. Deschner, Claus H. Rohlfs, Ted I. Richardson, Donald E. Redmond, Elmer J. Hierholzer, George M. Ricker.
 Lay—Tom Reavley, James M. Walker, Mrs. Norris McMillan, Glenn L. Lembke, Mrs. C. A. Barr, Claude W. Brown.
- Sweden Annual Conferences* (OS)
 Ministerial—Thorvald E. Kallstad.
 Ministerial Reserve—Sixten E. Lindell.
 Lay—Curt Amark, Carl-Axel Holm.
- Switzerland Annual Conference* (OS)
 Ministerial—Hans Bickel.
 Lay—Ernst Ryser.
- Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conference* (C)
 Ministerial—Major J. Jones
 Lay—Vernon H. Dixon.

Tennessee Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—H. Thornton Fowler, Farris F. Moore, Elbert E. Walkup, W. Bruce Strother.

Lay—Lloyd Stone, George C. Cate, Jr., Mrs. Raymond W. Waller.

Lay Reserve—Joe A. Hundley.

Texas Annual Conference—(C)

Ministerial—Luther B. Felder.

Ministerial Reserve—Robert E. Hayes.

Lay—Thomas W. Cole, Lucious A. Humphrey.

Texas Annual Conference (SC)

Ministerial—Wayne H. McCleskey, John W. Hardt, J. Kenneth Shamblin, E. Leo Allen, Harry V. Rankin, Harold Fagan, Nace Crawford.

Ministerial Reserve—Derwood Blackwell.

Lay—Ray W. Goens, Sam Bramlett, T. E. Acker, Don Strickland, A. D. Moore.

Lay Reserve—Frank Robinson, Mrs. E. M. Faubion, W. E. Greer.

Troy Annual Conference—(NE)

Ministerial—C. Walter Kessler, Charles D. Schwartz, Paul V. Hydon.

Lay—Donald A. Waterfield, Frederick K. Kirchner, Don S. Robb.

Upper Mississippi Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—John H. Graham.

Lay—Isaac P. Presley.

Uruguay Annual Conference (OS)

Ministerial—Jose R. Beltrami.

Lay—Cesar Zoppolo.

Virginia Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Carl J. Sanders, Roland P. Riddick, Harold H. Hughes, Sr., George S. Lightner, Harold H. Fink, R. Kern Eutsler, Theodore E. Landis, Carl H. Douglass, Jr., Edgar A. Potts, Owen T. Kelly, A. Purnell Bailey.

Lay—Jerry G. Bray, W. Roland Walker, A. G. Jefferson, Charles M. Earley, John H. Rixse, Jr., William C. Vaughan, Albert L. White, Jr., William T. Robey, Jr., Joseph W. Pope, Jr., Charles C. Manning, Mrs. Richard Owen III.

Western New York Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Charles S. Aldrich, Donald E. Modisher, Richard W. Harrington.

Lay—Thomas B. Clay, Arthur S. Marrow, George W. Cooke.

Western Texas Annual Conference (C)

Ministerial—Ernest T. Dixon, Jr.

Lay—John T. King.

West Virginia Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Henry R. High, Garrett H. Evans, Ramsey Bridges, James C. Jarvis, Alfred E. Bennett, Truman W. Potter.

Ministerial Reserve—Aldred P. Wallace.

Lay—Mrs. James T. Harvey, William A. Byus, Jr., H. P. Shaffer, Mrs. A. N. Allen, David Peck, Damon Engle, Harry S. Blethen.

West Wisconsin Annual Conference (NC)

Ministerial—Winslow M. Wilson, Robert H. Adams, Jr.

Lay—Clifford Lau, Mrs. Deane Irish.

Western North Carolina Annual Conference (SE)

Ministerial—Charles D. White, J. Clay Madison, Robert G. Tuttle, R. Herman Nicholson, Cecil L. Heckard, Philip L. Shore, Jr., Julian A. Lindsey, Wilson O. Weldon, Charles E. Shannon, Harlan L. Creech, Jr., Emmett K. McLarty, Jr.

Lay—Robert M. Smith, Gordon L. Goodson, Thomas M. Little, Hugh Massie, M. Thomas Lambeth, Charles W. Phillips, Mrs. Leslie E. Barnhardt, J. Frank Scott, Edwin L. Jones, Sr.

Lay Reserve—Phillip N. Sales, E. M. Dudley.

Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—John B. Warman, Harold T. Porter, William B. Grove, Kenneth P. Rutter, James L. Carraway, Arthur M. Crawford, Robert C. Howe.

Lay—Paul C. Reynolds, Mrs. James S. Cain, Franklin Blackstone, Jr., Miss Lois Anthony, David R. Spahr, Paul V. Chaffee, William M. Beatty.

Wyoming Annual Conference (NE)

Ministerial—Edgar F. Singer, J. Rolland Crompton.

Ministerial Reserve—Alfred L. Crayton.

Lay—Walter Hunt, Harry M. Gordon.

Lay Reserve—Ralph L. Newing.

Provisional Annual Conferences

Austria Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Robert F. Gebhart.

Hong Kong Provisional Annual Conference

Lay Reserve—Kenneth B. McIntosh.

Karachi Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Eric N. Daniels.

North Africa Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Hugh G. Johnson.

Panama Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Secundino Morales.

Patagonia Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Miss Mair Davies.

Sarawak Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Joshua Bunsu.

Taiwan Provisional Annual Conference

Ministerial—Theodore F. Cole.

Affiliated Autonomous Churches

Methodist Church of Brazil

Ministerial—Joao Parahyba Daronchda Silva.

Lay—Mrs. Mariana Peterson.

Autonomous Methodist Church of Indonesia

Ministerial—Sitorus Hermanus.

Lay—Karl Hutapea.

United Church of Christ in Japan

Ministerial—Kiyoshi Ii, Otis Bell.

Lay—Shiro Abe, Miss Isako Kawase.

United Church of Christ in Okinawa

Lay—Yoshio Higa.

Methodist Church of Mexico

Ministerial—Joas V. Gomez.

Lay—Mrs. Alfa R. De Del Toro.

Korean Methodist Church

Ministerial—Sahaeng La, Bong Ku Lee.

Lay—Se Whan Chang.

Quorum Present—J. Wesley Hole

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona—W) properly certified to the Presiding Officer, Bishop Donald H. Tippett, that a quorum of delegates elected to the Uniting Conference was present.

Commission on Entertainment and Program—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio—NC) presented the report of the Commission on Entertainment and Program which was adopted. (See *DCA* pages 36, 178-180; Appendix page 1055.)

Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio—NC) stated that it was the duty of the Entertainment Commission to establish the agenda for the first day of Conference, and presented the agenda as found on page 1 of the *DCA*, which was adopted. (See page 1058.)

Rules of Order—John D. Herr

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) was presented to give the report of the Committee on the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order.

Dr. John D. Herr (Philadelphia): Members of the General Conference to The United Methodist Church if you will turn to your Handbook, page 244, and from there on through page 271, you will find the Plan of Organization, and Rules of Order. I would like to deal first with the Rules of Order, they represent what most denominations would do in most cases, except rule 13, the vote by orders found on page 263 which has a footnote which is needed for this session because we cannot take action unilaterally. In case there is a call for us to act by our former denomination in any manner, both bodies must agree. That is the essence of that footnote.

I think the other matters except as they relate to The United Methodist Church would largely conform with what you would find in Roberts Rules of Order.

Now when you turn back to page 245, you have the Plan of Organization, and this may look fairly familiar to the former Methodist delegates who are here. There were six members of the Rules Committee who were former Methodists, and only three who were EUB. We did not make the decision to use the Methodist Plan of Organization, as we have numbered them. Rather in the joint commissions where each had 24 representatives, it was decided to make the Methodist Plan of Organization the basis for the Plan of Organization of The United Methodist Church making the changes that were conceived to be necessary.

Dr. Young has indicated about the opening session with the Roll Call, and so forth. We did add the phrase that the General Conference could be assembled at the date and the place designated according to the action of the General Conference, or the Commission on Entertainment, and probably you who were at Chicago know that arrangements do have to be changed. This simply makes us plan for what we have actually done without having the rule for doing it.

Dr. Young also spoke about the Secretary working under the supervision of the Commission of Entertainment and Program of the General Conference. We spelled out a little more this time than before about the election of the Secretary and the duties of the Secretary. In the former Methodist Church, it seemed as though the election of the nomination of a Secretary was spontaneous. It wasn't as haphazard as it seemed, I assure you, but now the nomination of the Secretary comes from the bishops who know of various men who might be talented along those lines. I would say that the essence of what we tried to do is to be sure that there would be Evangelical United Brethren and

Methodists who would work together on all the committees and commissions. We failed to include the Committee on Presiding Officers, page 246, and I would like for you to write in there about a half dozen lines from the bottom, "Annual Conferences outside the United States," and I would like for you to add, "and four members at large."

When you read these Rules, you will see that the committee of presiding officers is mentioned twice, and we failed to pick this up. It was called to our attention by the Council of Bishops.

In regard to the Commission on Entertainment and Program at the bottom of page 247, the last line, it reads the Secretary of the General Conference and the treasurer of the Council on World Service and Finance, then add these words, "and director of the Convention Bureau ex-officio." He will also be ex-officio and without vote.

Now, I do not think I need to comment much further except to say that we had a very good discussion whether we wanted to spell out whether there should be so many former Methodists on each committee, and so many former EUB's on that committee, and we decided that we would not have a quota system, which is why in case after case you see that there are members at large. Might I say also for the benefit of the former EUB's, that in our own case we want to make sure that the former Central Jurisdiction delegates would also be represented, and we did not want to specify each case and thus make permanent divisions within the United Methodist Church, and it was our feeling, this is the unanimous feeling of all on the committee including the EUB and representative of the former Central Jurisdiction, that we could trust the bishops to bring in nominations which would take care of all these matters.

The question was asked me regarding the addition on page 246 about the Council of Bishops not only presenting nominations but also appointing members for the standing Administrative Committees. That merely refers to the Committee on Fraternal Delegates which is listed on page 251 section 6, which does have to be appointed by the Council of Bishops at their winter meeting prior to the General Conference. In other cases I believe that the bishops nominate to the General Conference, and we carried that through in our recommendations.

Again speaking to this matter of the Committee on Fraternal Delegates, page 251, change in the second line there should be a Committee on Fraternal Delegates of eight to nine. Seven names shall be nominated by the Council of Bishops and elected by the delegates to the same General Conference, and so forth, and one of whom shall be a bishop. There has been a Committee on Fraternal Delegates of the Commission on Entertainment. They contact these fraternal delegates. The Committee on Fraternal Delegates sees that they are made welcome here at the General Conference, and it was the thought of your joint committee that it would be fitting and would be honoring them if they were presented to the conference by a Bishop. If there are any questions I would be pleased to answer them; however, I would call your attention, which I think most of you know, that we may have to suspend certain rules, and they can be amended during the General Conference, and therefore I would like to make a motion that we adopt this as our plan of organization and Rules of Order, and I trust that you will have confidence in your Committee and adopt it and make any necessary changes later.

Bishop Donald H. Tippett: The motion is that we adopt the rules and Plan as outlined and as printed in the *Handbook*. Are you ready for the question? As many as will so adopt will show the hand.

If you are opposed, the same sign.

It is done.

(See page 182.)

Election of Secretary—Charles D. White

Bishop Tippet: We turn now to the matter of the election of a secretary. You understand that under present legislation the Council of Bishops makes a nomination. You may nominate from the floor if that is your desire. If more than one is named, the election must be by ballot. We will hear the nomination from the Council of Bishops.

Bishop Roy Short (Louisville Area): Mr. Chairman, as we have heard, this is a new provision. The Council of Bishops has given considerable attention to this item. A number of names have been presented. This is the recommendation of the Council. The Council of Bishops nominates Dr. Charles D. White of the Western North Carolina Conference as the secretary of the Uniting Conference.

Bishop Tippet: Thank you, Bishop Short. You have heard the nomination. Are there nominations other than this? If not, as many as will elect Brother White will show the hand.

If you are opposed, and Brother White is elected.

Tribute to J. Wesley Hole—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference you have just elected a new secretary. You have honored yourself by the selection of Dr. White as the one for this office. But before he comes to that office, before Dr. Hole vacates the office as the secretary of this Conference—as the chairman of the Commission on Entertainment and Program, as well as a delegate to this Conference, I am sure that you would want me, and maybe others, to speak a word of appreciation to Dr. Hole for the four years of service he has given in this capacity. Dr. Hole has distinguished himself as a member of The Methodist Church. In 1939 he was the youngest delegate to be seated at the Uniting Conference in Kansas City, and at every General Conference since that time he has been elected to head his lay delegation on the first ballot to General Conference. I would like to move at this time that the Conference express its appreciation to this distinguished member of our church for the service that he has rendered.

Bishop Tippet: You have heard the motion. Let the record show that Dr. Hole received a standing ovation. I'm sure, Dr. Hole, that no further word need be said. The Conference has shown its very great appreciation with this standing vote.

Election of Secretarial Staff—Charles D. White

Charles D. White (Western North Carolina): Bishop Tippet, and members of the General Conference, may I say, first of all, thank you for the trust you have placed in me, and then I want to allay your fears by telling you that during the sessions at this Conference, that Dr. Hole is going to be at my right hand. I make the following nominations: First assistant secretary, J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona); deputy secretary, *Emerson D. Bragg* (Ohio-Miami); calendar secretary, *Hobart Hildyard* (Kansas); document secretary, *Allen M. Mayes* (Texas); Journal secretary, *W. Carleton Wilson* (North Carolina); assistant Journal secretary, Mrs. Jean Weaver, (Ohio-Miami); Legislative Committee secretary, George Williams (Southern California-Arizona); petition secretary, *Newell P. Knudson* (California-Nevada); roll call secretary, *Ed Zelly* (Rock River); roll call secretary, *Emerson D. Bragg* (Ohio-Miami); assistant roll call secretaries, Mrs. Kay Knudson (California-Nevada); Mrs. Irma Kellog (Ohio-Miami); chief teller, *Marvin L. Boyd* (Northwest Texas); chief teller B, U. S. Estilow, Jr. (Eastern); Office manager,

Mrs. Evelyn Beatty (Western North Carolina); stenographic pool, Mrs. Elizabeth Hyatt (Southern California-Arizona); Miss Betty Van Dyke (Ohio-Miami).

Bishop Tippett: You have heard the nominations of your new secretary. If you will elect them you will show the hand. If you are opposed.

They are elected.

Privilege Matter—Harold A. Bosley

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) made a motion that the Episcopal Address be adopted with great appreciation and for circulation throughout the church and given to the legislative committees of this Conference for consideration and appropriate action. The motion was adopted.

Words of Welcome—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope

Bishop W. Kenneth Pope (Dallas-Fort Worth Area): Mr. Chairman, I am happy to do this. I am aware of the shortage of time. I have a strong suspicion that there will be no objection to brevity. I want to speak as resident bishop of Dallas—90,000 Methodists hereabouts; 150,000 Methodists in the Dallas-Fort Worth area; and since the governor spoke a little earlier, 810,000 Methodists for the State of Texas. I want a personal privilege first, however. Though I'm speaking as the resident bishop, our other bishop's residency is not in Dallas. He has churches here. He has been made co-host for this occasion and this Conference. I want to give recognition of one whose spirit has been about as fine as anyone I have known anywhere. He is a constant delight to work with. Though while I am speaking for him, I want you to do me the favor of expressing to him your appreciation as I ask Bishop Noah W. Moore to stand. Will you please, Bishop Moore?

I feel that very little in addition needs to be said after the governor's very modest welcome to you this morning a little earlier, but I want you to know how eagerly we have looked forward to your coming. We've had a good time planning for you. We hope everything is all right. We've tried to furnish as perfect a setting for you as we can. We think things have been just about perfectly right. Where they are wrong, they are perfectly wrong, but we hope you will be patient.

There is something that is a little confusing about this gathering. Two words have been used to describe it. One is: The church is born—this is a birthday. I want to tell you that when you plan for a huge body like this, this is the biggest infant I've ever bumped into, and I sure would hate to entertain this body when it grows up. You're a grand group, and I hope that you have a good time while you're in Dallas.

We hope you feel something of the warmth of welcome which we want to extend to you; and we are aware as we extend this welcome to you, you bring to us the distinction of this historic occasion. Who here will ever forget the occasion of earlier in the morning? Secondly, we are honored to have such an occasion in our midst. Again, we are glad to have you with us. May the Lord's blessings be with you. Thank you.

Bishop Tippett: Thank you very much, Bishops Moore and Pope. I have responded four times already to their courtesies, and it's been taped. If you'll accept that as my response now, we'll all appreciate it.

We are very grateful for the hospitality here, and I know I speak your appreciation as I in this very brief word respond to this delight-

ful word of welcome. But we do have business before us. May we turn to the matter of nominations of the Administrative Committees, Council of Bishops—Roy Short.

Nominations—Bishop Roy H. Short

Bishop Roy Short (Louisville Area): Mr. Chairman, I begin with the *Committee on Presiding Officers: Lemuel K. Lord* (New England); Thurman Dodson (Baltimore); *Edward L. Tullis* (Kentucky); D. W. Brooks (North Georgia); *James K. Forbes* (Indiana); Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio); *Laurence Davis* (Nebraska); Thomas W. Rupert (Central Kansas); *Jack M. Tuell* (Pacific Northwest); Ernest Colwell (Southern California-Arizona); *Eric Mitchell* (Bombay); Nathan F. Goto (Rhodesia); *C. J. Smith* (South Carolina); *John F. Wichelt* (Nebraska—EUB); Fred G. Bollman (Eastern—EUB); Richard Moore (Florida).

The Committee on Agenda: Douglas S. Verdin (New York); *Frank Robertson* (South Georgia); *John Marvin* (Detroit); Willis Tate (North Texas); R. S. Doenges (Rocky Mountain); Ernst Ryser (Switzerland); Clarence Winchester (Western North Carolina); *John A. Dowd* (Iowa—EUB); *Paul E. Horn* (Susquehanna—EUB); and the chairman of the Commission on Entertainment and Program; and the chairman of the Committee of Chairmen.

Correlations and Editorial Revision: Alexander Smith (Philadelphia); *John Corry* (Tennessee-Kentucky); Bradshaw Mintener (Baltimore); *Paul Church* (Illinois—EUB); *Emory Bucke* and *Curtis Chambers*, Ex-officio.

Credentials: David Peck (West Virginia); W. Hugh Massie (Western North Carolina); Dennis Nyberg (Minnesota); *L. B. Felder* (Texas); J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada); Richard Moore (Florida); *O. F. Landis* (Illinois—EUB).

Courtesies and Privileges: Mrs. Morris Cochran (New England Southern); *Harry Fisher* (Western Pennsylvania—EUB); *Joel McDavid* (Alabama-West Florida); George Cate (Tennessee); *Harry Gibson* (Rock River); Mrs. Alvin Rau (South Dakota); W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana); Wayne McCleskey (Texas); *Gene Albertson* (Oregon); Mrs. John B. Hutchinson (Southern California-Arizona); Miss Kumudini Mozumdar (Bengal); *John Victor Samuel* (Indus River); *A. W. Crump* (Mississippi); John King (Texas); *A. H. Colpitts* (Indiana North—EUB); *J. Castro Smith* (Tennessee—EUB).

Fraternal Delegates: Richard W. Harrington (Western New York); Roy Black (North Mississippi); *James Armstrong* (Indiana); *Albert Bramble* (Kansas); James J. M. Misajon (Southern California-Arizona); *O. E. Schafer* (California—EUB); *M. J. Jones* (Tennessee-Kentucky); *C. R. Findley* (Kansas—EUB).

Journal: Henry W. Zehner (Eastern—EUB); *E. A. Eldridge* (Holston); *Meade Letts* (North-East Ohio); Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas); Robert J. Genins (Pacific Northwest); *W. T. Handy* (Louisiana); *Jonah Kawadza* (Rhodesia).

Plan of Organization and Rules of Order: John D. Herr (Philadelphia); Robert Fletcher (Southern California-Arizona); Robert J. Palmer (South Carolina); Stacey Weaver (North Carolina); *Dale E. Pitcher* (Central Illinois); *Alva Clark* (Nebraska); *Ernst Scholz* (North East Germany); *Charles E. Kachel* (Eastern—EUB); *Herbert Zebarth* (Wisconsin—EUB); Roland Osborn (Rocky Mountain—EUB); and the Secretary of the General Conference.

Reference: Carroll Beatty (Baltimore); *Robert Goodwin* (Northern New Jersey); *R. Wright Spears* (South Carolina); Jerry Bray (Virginia); Darrell Hottle (Ohio); *Harry Crede* (Central Illinois);

N. Guy Hall (Missouri West); *Marvin Boyd* (Northwest Texas); *John C. Soltman* (Pacific Northwest); Donald Winne (California-Nevada); *H. Eckstein* (East Germany—EUB); Harson Grigsby (Liberia); *L. R. Taylor* (Michigan—EUB); *A. L. Brandyberry* (Ohio East—EUB); *Harry Eckles* (West Virginia—EUB); *J. E. Lowrey* (Central Alabama).

Entertainment and Program: Earl N. Rowe (Central Pennsylvania); William M. Beatty (Western Pennsylvania); A. G. Jefferson (Virginia); *W. Scott Bozeman* (Florida); *Richard Miller* (East Wisconsin); A. B. Bonds (North-East Ohio); Carl Hall (Little Rock); *Irving Smith* (Oklahoma); Franklin Thompson (Pacific Northwest); Marion R. Walker (Southern California-Arizona); *A. C. Epps* (Georgia); Thomas Cole (Texas); *Floyd E. Bosshardt* (Minnesota—EUB); *Gene Sease* (Western Pennsylvania—EUB); the Treasurer and the Secretary of the General Conference.

Bishop Tippett: You have heard the nominations; as many will elect will show the hands. Those who are opposed. They are elected and thank you, Bishop Short.

Ad Hoc Committee and Commissioners—Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke—Charles C. Parlin—Bishop Paul Washburn

Bishop Wicke (New York): Mr. Chairman, my friends, the year 1784 is taken as the real year of the birth of The Methodist Church. We have had a long childhood I take it. Those dates represent the beginning of a rather rapid growth, however, by the turn of the next century, fragmentation has begun. That fragmentation continues, and the years 1828, 1844, 1891 these in good measure mark periods of major fragmentation in the lives of the churches that have gone into this union.

However, the tide began to flow in the other direction in 1922, in 1939, and in 1946, and now today. At the meeting in 1946 the fraternal delegates suggested that the persons in this body represented by these churches should look more closely at each other, looking toward that which is happening in this place. We are met here today under these favoring circumstances and for this we are indebted to our forebearers. I share with you the gratitude and the memory of these wonderful and remarkable people. These commissions have worked with an extraordinary fidelity. We are in their debt, but primarily our indebtedness, I think, is in regard to the services of two men. One, Bishop Paul Washburn, and I trust through your courtesy he will be permitted to serve in the manner and fashion in which he has served us over these last eight years, and the other is Dr. Charles C. Parlin. I wish it were possible for all of you to know and understand something of the labor which these men have provided, a labor whose fidelity has been of the highest order, and I believe this conference should in some manner express its appreciation to these men. Dr. Parlin will now present the report for the Joint Commission.

Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE): Chairman, I think that Bishop Wicke has made the request that Bishop Paul Washburn, in spite of his elevation to the Episcopacy shall for the duration of the United Conference be allowed to function normally in his capacity as Secretary of the EUB Union Commission. I would, therefore, move that this courtesy be extended.

Bishop Tippett: If you are in favor of extending the courtesy will show the hand, if you are opposed. It is extended.

Dr. Parlin: I would like, therefore, to call on Bishop Washburn, Co-secretary to the Commission, to deal with the report.

Bishop Paul Washburn: Mr. Chairman, my task at the moment is to set before us as clearly as I can the materials which will become the basis of our work. All of us understand, I think, that with the action of the morning and the order of worship, when we placed the Blue Book over the *Disciplines* of the Methodist Church and the EUB Church, that this Blue Book became the basis of our work from here on, that the other *Disciplines* are no longer in effect, but now this new body has taken their place.

With respect to the Blue Book, pages 8 to 21, I speak now of this Blue Book, which are the pages upon which the Constitution is printed and are beyond our modification at this session. Pages 365, 367 to 376 at the end of the Blue Book are the pages where you will find the enabling legislation printed. These also are beyond our modification here. These were adopted, these two items, both by our General Conferences in Chicago on November 11, 1966 and subsequently by our annual conferences. Between these two portions, you will find Part IV called Organization and Administration. This is material which now is before us in this conference, having been adopted in principal in our Conference in Chicago.

In addition to this material in the Blue Book, you received from the offices of the Joint Commissions in mid March the report of the Joint Commissions on Church Union. This report comes to you with its many suggested revisions of Part IV, and it is part of the material which we will want to confront in these days. In addition to these, you will find the copy of the *Daily Christian Advocate* which was at your places this morning, beginning on page 28 additional reports from the Joint Commissions, beginning on page 28, Report No. 2, and Report No. 3, on pages 29, 30 and 31, 32 and 33, Report No. 4. These are the items which we now bring to you as our Report of the Joint Commission and Dr. Parlin will pick up the report.

Charles Parlin: We will ask you to turn to the *Daily Christian Advocate* page 28, Report No. 2.

This is a Uniting Conference, the like of which has never been held before. It follows the pattern neither of The Methodist General Conference nor the EUB General Conference. This body is unique and it has the right to make its own rules. It was the recommendation of the Joint Commissions that instead of bringing the report in its totality directly to the floor of the Uniting Conference, that it be assigned out so far as feasible to the Legislative Committees; both churches had a pattern of Legislative Committees to study and bring back reports. There are, however, many items which do not fit the definition of any one of the 14 Legislative Committees, each one of these 14 committees has a specified and limited field of jurisdiction. We found this out in Chicago and jointly the two General Conferences in Chicago created a special joint conference committee, designed to handle those items which did not fit the definition of Legislative Committees. This is the pattern being proposed in report No. 2, namely that the report in its totality as brought to you by the Joint Commissions on Church Union be assigned out to the 14 Legislative Committees as provided in the rules, and that the special joint conference committee which was established at Chicago be continued in its same capacity and namely to handle those items which do not fit the definition of any one of the 14 committees. I would therefore move, Mr. Chairman, the adoption of Report No. 2 and the assignment out of the report of the Joint Commissions on Church Union in accordance with that procedure.

Amendment—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio): I am quite concerned by the statement that we have just heard. It has always been my understanding that anything that came before the General Conference could be and should

be referred to one of the fourteen Legislative Committees. I believe that every petition that has come in has already been assigned to one of those fourteen committees, and I feel that any matter could properly be considered by them and should be, since they are democratically constituted, they cover all of the members of this conference. I am afraid there could be considerable uncertainty and difficulty if we were to try to determine or if someone, and I don't know who, would determine what matters are not clearly within the scope of authority of any of the named committees.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I propose to amend paragraph three of report No. 2 of the Joint Commissions on Church Union to read as follows: That the Secretary of the Uniting Conference and the Committee on Reference be requested to assign the appropriate parts and items of the following to the respective 14 Legislative Committees and to assign to the Joint Conference Committee such matters as the General Conference may hereafter specify. Then there would follow the listing of the five sub-paragraphs as printed in the report. My thought is then there would be no confusion, there would be no doubt, everything would go to the 14 Legislative Committees, as I feel it should, unless there should be some matter that this General Conference felt should be referred to some special committee. The special committee is composed of only six delegates from the former Methodist Church and only six from the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, and I think only if this conference finds something really needs to go to that committee it should be taken from the 14 Legislative Committees.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) spoke in favor of the Slutz amendment. D. S. Patterson (Baltimore—NE) spoke against the amendment. John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) supported the amendment. *John D. Herr* (Philadelphia) spoke against the amendment. *Thomas L. Cromwell* (North-East Ohio—NC) spoke for the amendment.

Ted I. Richardson (Southwest Texas—SC) moved the previous question; it was ordered; the secretary read the amendment, and Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE) spoke for the Commissioners.

A count vote was called for, and the Slutz amendment carried by a vote of 630 for and 545 against.

Resolution No. 7—Charles C. Parlin

Dr. Parlin: Let me test this out with one motion, if you will turn to the White Book, the report, page 162, The Methodist Church, page 162, it is Resolution No. 7. The Methodist Church had a Judicial Council that ceased with the ceremony this morning, on the other hand it was felt highly desirable that there be something comparable to our Judicial Council able to function during the period of this Uniting Conference. Eventually there will be elected, I hope, a Judicial Council which will act for The United Methodist Church. We are concerned about this interim period, and having worked out with the members of the Judicial Council there comes the suggestion to you that we have functioning during this period here in Dallas an interim Judicial Council which will be made up of the nine members who are jointly serving as members, or were serving as members of the Methodist Judicial Council, plus two EUB's to be appointed, and this group of 11 would act as interim Judicial Council. Dr. Paul Ervin

who served as chairman of The Methodist Judicial Council urged me to bring this before the Uniting Conference at this time in order that this could be established as he felt it could be helpful to the work of the Uniting Conference if this group could be established forthwith. I therefore move the adoption of resolution No. 7 as it appears on page 162 in the White Book.

Point of Order—Paul O. Mayer

Paul O. Mayer (North-East Ohio—NC) raised a point of order to the effect that this resolution would go directly to legislative committee Number 12, and the chair sustained the point or order.

Point of Order

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana—NC) raised a point of order that the Slutz amendment was adopted, but the vote on the Parlin motion, as amended, had not been taken. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) and *John H. Rixse* (Virginia—SE) gave interpretations of the motion adopted. *Ted Hightower* (Louisville—SE) asked for information as to what had been done.

Amendment to Suspend Rules—Vinson M. Mouser

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) made a motion that the rules be suspended in order to consider Resolution 7 at this time without reference to a committee. Mr. Parlin accepted this.

Arvarh Strickland (Rock River—NC) made an inquiry as to parliamentary procedure. *John C. Satterfield* (Mississippi—SE) stated that the motion was to suspend the rules in order to consider Resolution 7. The rules were then suspended.

Resolution No. 7—Charles C. Parlin

Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE) made a motion that Resolution No. 7 on page 162 of the White Rock be adopted.

Amendment—Richard W. Cain

Richard W. Cain (Southern California-Arizona): Mr. Chairman, if I am in order I would like to propose an amendment to resolution No. 7. It should be an amendment to paragraph No. 3 with the following addition: provided that such organization shall not take place prior to the adjournment of the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1968. If this is in order I would like to move this amendment.

Bishop Tippett: Is there a second? There is.

Richard W. Cain: Mr. Chairman, I would like to suggest that requesting the interim Judicial Council to continue in session until following the Jurisdictional Conferences might be of assistance to the church. It would also be of great value to those who might be

named to the Judicial Council. If they would be organized prior to the Jurisdictional Conferences, they could not sit in their Jurisdictional Conferences. It is for this reason that I bring this amendment which would provide for the organization of the new Judicial Council following the Jurisdictional Conferences.

Charles Parlin: Mr. Chairman, speaking for the co-secretaries of the commission, we would like to accept this amendment unless some member of the commission has a different view.

Bishop Tippett: Does any member of the commission object? It is accepted.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, I think these proceedings illustrate the wisdom in this matter, especially this matter not being quickly decided in this kind of atmosphere, but rather should go to a committee and be carefully considered. The argument has been made that we have to have an interim body to operate. What are we to say about all the other bodies of this conference and these churches that are in the same state of suspension, The Council of World Service and Finance, and you can name others? The Judicial Council is not the only one in this class and it is not the only one we need. There must be a uniform procedure for us the next few days while these are coming into effect. We are just about to be asked to vote to establish a Judicial Council in a debate that has been rather demoralizing as far as good ideas are concerned and to establish it to stay in existence until after the Jurisdictional Conferences. This is a speed that is unbecoming of a deliberative body. I hope sir that I am in order to move that this be referred to the Committee on Reference to be given to a proper Legislative Committee.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi): Having been a member of several General Conferences, I am familiar, and many of you are familiar with the fact that during the General Conference sessions when there comes before us hard decisions on certain types of legislation, it has been necessary and helpful to have a decision of the Judicial Council during the plenary sessions so we may determine whether or not such action is constitutional. That does not apply to any of the other bodies, boards, commissions, or agencies of the church. Hence, I believe this motion is not only proper but necessary. I do not see how we can fully function unless we have set up now to guide us during the next two weeks a Judicial Council. I hope the motion of Mr. Parlin will prevail as amended.

Richard Gantz (Illinois): I would like to raise the question of the appointment of the two Evangelical United Brethren members of the Judicial Council. According to the proposal for The United Methodist Church of which we are now a part, the members of the Judicial Council under paragraph 1701 are to be elected by the General Conference. I would hope that we would find some way for these two Evangelical United Brethren members to be elected upon nomination of the bishops so that this procedure now found in The United Methodist Church might be followed with these two members. It seems to me that we are going to do this in an orderly way, it would be useful to refer this to committees for proposal as to how this could be done and brought back to us at our next session. Therefore, I would support the reference.

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada): I need to ask a question and then I am ready to make a motion. The question is, nothing can be referred to the Judicial Council at this point except by action of the General Conference, is that correct?

Bishop Tippett: That is correct.

Robert W. Moon: We will not be meeting again until after committees have had a chance to meet, is that correct?

Bishop Tippett: That is correct.

Robert W. Moon: Then I move that this resolution No. 7 be referred to the Committee No. 12 with a request that they bring in a recommendation on it as the very next session of the General Conference.

Bishop Tippett: Well, we have one reference and if Dr. Kirkpatrick accepts it. Dr. Kirkpatrick accepts it. Is it seconded? Yes.

W. C. Beatty (Baltimore): May I report as chairman of the Committee on Reference. I have been thinking that these different parliamentary procedures would take care of themselves, but believing that our committee had the responsibility of referring all of these items to the respective legislative committees. This has already been referred to committee No. 12. I am having another meeting of the Committee on Reference at 4:00 this afternoon, and I would like to make a special effort to have this committee report out and maybe if we can waive publication, tomorrow morning you might vote upon some legislation on this matter.

Bishop Tippett: If the matter has already been referred then it takes care of Dr. Moon's motion doesn't it.

Charles Parlin: Mr. Chairman, in order to simplify matters, we would like to withdraw this motion.

Announcements—J. Wesley Hole, Irving Smith

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona—W) and *Irving Smith* (Oklahoma—SC) made announcements.

Agenda Adjusted—Hoover Rupert

On motion of *Hoover Rupert* (Detroit—NC) the agenda was adjusted so that legislative committees might meet at 3:00 p.m.

Appreciation

Bishop Tippett thanked the Conference for their kindness to him as he presided over the Morning Session.

Benediction—Bishop Noah Moore

Bishop Noah Moore pronounced the benediction and the morning session adjourned.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1968 MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Roy H. Short—Bishop Paul Hardin, Jr.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church, convened in the morning session of the second day, Wednesday, April 24, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas. Bishop Roy H. Short announced that Bishop Paul Hardin, Jr. of the Columbia Area, Southeastern Jurisdiction, would be the presiding officer in place of Bishop Richard Raines, as previously announced.

Devotions—Bishop S. Trowen Nagbe—Birmingham Southern Choir

Bishop S. Trowen Nagbe (Liberia) gave the call to worship. Hymn 38, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," was sung. Bishop Nagbe gave the prayer, and special music was given by the Birmingham Southern Choir.

Bishop Nagbe brought the meditation from Revelation 21:1-2 on the theme, "The New Earth" (see appendix, page 1003).

Hymn 250, "Soldiers of Christ, Arise," was sung and Bishop Nagbe gave the benediction.

Privilege Matter—Charles Earley

Charles Earley (Virginia—SE) made a motion that Dr. Albert Outler's sermon of Tuesday be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. The motion carried.

Privilege Matter—Charles H. Hildreth

Charles H. Hildreth (Alabama-West Florida—SE) wanted the Conference to know that *Paul A. Duffey*, leader of the Alabama-West Florida Delegation, was president of the Board of Trustees of Birmingham-Southern College.

Suspension of Rules—Paul Hardin, III

On motion of Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina—SE) the rules were suspended to hear report No. 1 of the Committee on Judicial Administration.

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 1— Calendar No. 6—Paul Hardin, III

Paul Hardin III: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, I refer you to page 162 of the White Book, Resolution No. 7. This matter

was referred to the Committee on Judicial Administration yesterday. Our Committee, sensing that this Conference wanted an early report on this, has asked you to suspend the rule requiring prior publication. Report No. 1 of the Committee on Judicial Administration: Revised Resolution 7 to read as follows: Viz., delete all; substitute the following:

Resolved, that (1) There be an interim Judicial Council with jurisdiction to act on all matters specified in the *Discipline of The United Methodist Church*; and in addition thereto to have jurisdiction to pass upon the constitutionality of any act or proposed act of the Uniting Conference.

(2) Such Interim Judicial Council shall be composed of eleven (11) members; namely, the nine (9) who were members of the last Judicial Council of The Methodist Church and two (2) members, one minister and one layman, who were members of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, heretofore appointed by the Board of Bishops of the said Evangelical United Brethren Church.

(3) Such Interim Judicial Council is hereby authorized to act up to such time as a Judicial Council for The United Methodist Church shall be elected and organized as provided in Part IV, Chapter 6, of the Plan of Union.

(4) This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Gregorio R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines—OS) spoke against the adoption of the report. *Richard Tholin* (Illinois—EUB) made a motion that the report be referred back to the legislative committee on Judicial Administration with instruction that they return with proper nominations for the Interim Judicial Council for election by the General Conference.

Campbell Thornal (Florida—SE) made a motion that the substitute motion be laid on the table, and it was ordered. A question was raised as to whether the whole matter was on the table. John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) stated that it applied only to the substitute; Bishop Hardin ruled that this was his understanding, but he felt that in order to be in the clear, someone might move reconsideration of the motion to lay on the table. It was reconsidered.

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) spoke for the adoption of the report.

Robert E. Cushman (North Carolina—SE) moved the previous question on all that was before the house. Bishop Hardin ruled this out of order until at least two speakers had been heard on each side. *Robert W. Moon* (California—Nevada—W) asked a question of clarification. Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina—SE) for the committee, spoke words of clarification.

Irving Smith (Oklahoma—SC) moved that the rules be suspended in order to move the previous question on all before us. This was done.

The Tholin motion was defeated; the report No. 1 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1533.)

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, this is report No. 1 for the Committee on Journal. The committee has examined the record of the sessions of The Methodist Church of Monday morning and of The United Methodist Church of Tuesday Morning and we approve the record subject to the minor corrections which the *Journal* Secretary will make.

Bishop Hardin: You have had your report, if you will approve it, show the hands.

Opposed by the same sign.

It is done.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): On page one of your *Daily Christian Advocate* you will find the Agenda for this morning. One item needs to be added to that agenda before you take action. You will notice on there at 11:20 is the introduction of the Commission on Entertainment and Programs, following that and before we come to the report of the Legislative Committee we shall hear a report from Dr. Hurst Anderson relative to the Board of Trustees for Wesley Seminary. Also in the afternoon, the Legislative Committees are meeting at 2:30 and then of course this evening the Special Program here in the auditorium. Mr. Chairman, I would like to move the adoption of this agenda.

Bishop Hardin: The motion is to adopt. If you will do so, show the hands.

Opposed by the same sign.

It is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everette Walker

J. Everette Walker (California-Nevada): Mr. Chairman, the report of the chairman of the delegation constitutes report of the Committee on Credentials for April 23, 1968.

Privilege Matter—A. James Armstrong

A. James Armstrong (Indiana—NC) called attention to articles to the *Christian Advocate* which have direct bearing on approaching legislation.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida) read a telegram from David K. Alexander, Secretary Student Department, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and The Uniting Conference requested the secretary to respond.

Dr. McDavid requested that the secretary send an appropriate message to Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Landrum, whose son, the Reverend D. L. Landrum, Jr., was killed in a plane crash Sunday night, and it was ordered.

Privilege Matter—Lester L. Moore

Lester L. Moore (South Iowa—NC) made a motion that the devotional messages, including the one by Bishop Stuart, be printed in the *DCA*, and it was done.

Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations—Leonard Slutz

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, brethren, I will spend no time on introduction, I am incapable of rhetoric, I don't have a funny story for you, I am going to try to be brief. There is much that I want to say but I have a suspicion that there are others who want to say something this morning too. The report before you is in the green covered booklet that was distributed yesterday.

With your indulgence we are going to withhold temporarily the portion of the report headed "Financial Information and Recommendations" which begins on page 8 and runs through most of page 20. That is an essentially separate problem. We think we can better refine and define the issues if we present the rest of the report to you for your approval first and then follow with the sections relating to financial matters. As we consider the problem of the Central Jurisdiction, of separate Negro Annual Conferences and all the related matters of which we are so conscious, there are two primary considerations; one is structural separation, the other is the lack of understanding, communication and brotherhood.

I started to say that we have been rightly concerned with structural separation but I do believe that the lack of understanding and brotherhood, while less visible, is far more important.

Looking backward to see what has developed during the last quadrennium. While it is impossible to measure mathematically, while we cannot tangibly produce evidence, we are convinced that there has been great growth in understanding, a great increase in communications between the races within our church. We much better know each other, we are working together in many ways that we had not done before. We feel that the same trend is evident in our society, though in the last few months, particularly, there has been evidence of some drawing back to take a second look. We pray that this is but a temporary pause after which we will then move forward together.

So far as the structure of our church is concerned, let me remind you that when we adjourned in Pittsburgh in the General Conference of The Methodist Church, the Central Jurisdiction was virtually intact, there were 17 conferences, there were 5 areas across 4 of our Jurisdictions the few churches of the Central Jurisdiction in the Western. Few churches formerly of the Central Jurisdiction within the boundaries of the Western Jurisdiction had transferred or were in the process of transferring but in the other 4 Jurisdictions we still had the 17 Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction overlapping.

On July 8, 1964, the Lexington Conference by proper vote of that conference and of the two Jurisdictions transferred into the North Central Jurisdiction. A few days earlier on June 24, 1964 the Delaware and Washington Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction had similarly transferred into the Northeastern Jurisdiction. Those conferences were subsequently dissolved and merged with the other conferences of Northeastern in 1965.

In many ways the people of the Lexington and the Delaware and Washington Conferences and those conferences with which they merged deserve credit for the way in which this matter was handled and in the way in which they have gone forward to work together. But I pause for a moment to pay special tribute to those members of the Delaware and Washington Conferences and of the Peninsula and the Baltimore Conferences because they set an example for the entire church of careful planning and of carrying out a program in a most unusual way and I do point out to you that in the Peninsula Conference and in the Baltimore Conference there are today a higher proportion of former Central Jurisdiction members than there will be in any other Conference of Methodism after all the mergers are

completed. And in 1965 the Central Jurisdiction was transferred into the South Central Jurisdiction and one year later, in 1966 that conference was dissolved and merged with the Missouri East and Missouri West Conference. In 1965 there was also a vote of the Louisiana, the Southwest Texas and the West Texas Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and of all the conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction for the transfer of those conferences and I call it to your attention that in the resolution was expressed the determination that after the transfer had been effective they would proceed to the dissolution and merger of those conferences by 1968.

Unfortunately, that transfer did not become effective because the necessary percentage vote of the remainder of the Central Jurisdiction was not attained. Parenthetically, I point out that it has now become effective in 1967 and we sincerely hope that both groups, I say both groups, will proceed in the spirit that they expressed in 1965 so that while the mergers may not be completed perhaps in 1968 due to the delay, that they will be completed in the very near future.

In the deliberations of our Commission, the summer and early fall of 1966 was the crucial period. We were coming up to the Special Session of General Conference to be held in Chicago in November. We were seriously debating whether we should abandon the frequently expressed position of the church to proceed in a voluntary way to bring these two groups together and work out the structural changes that we all desire and all intend to see accomplished. We very seriously considered that we might propose some form of mandatory legislation fixing an absolute and positive terminal date and I may say that as we deliberated there were many factors.

But very possibly the most important was the development that we saw in the states of North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky. We learned that in North Carolina and Virginia, the Conferences from the two Jurisdictions, working with many meetings and much planning had worked out a plan and had voted upon it calling for the immediate transfer and merger of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference with the three conferences in the Southeastern Jurisdiction in those two states, and despite great difficulties, they were obviously determined to proceed and get the job done.

We also saw that in the five conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction in the states of Kentucky and Tennessee they had voted overwhelmingly for the same sort of transfer or merger of the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference which was not then ready to proceed; but we felt that this was most encouraging evidence of a sincere determination of our people to proceed in the voluntary way working with each other, agreeing with each other to do that which we all feel should be done. And I think, largely for that reason, although there were other reasons when we came to the Special Session in 1966 we did not propose mandatory legislation, we came just as close to it as we knew how to be frank with you. We tried in every way we knew to promote, to urge, to persuade, to encourage but not quite compel, and we presented to Special Session a ten point resolution.

We asked that the entire church, every element of it that we could think of, express its determination to eliminate from the structure of The Methodist Church and The United Methodist Church, which we saw before us, every element of structural separation related to race. I pause to read you the paragraph of that resolution which I am sure you are familiar but which we must always remind ourselves concerning. Paragraph 10. "By the adoption of this resolution each annual conference, each Jurisdictional Conference, each General Conference, each College of Bishops, and the Council of Bishops express their determination to do everything possible to bring about the elimination of any structural organization in The United Methodist Church based

on race at the earliest possible date and not later than the close of the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1972.”

They further expressed their earnest determination to do everything possible to develop greater understanding and brotherhood in Methodism as well as in the world. Our report was then attacked from both sides. That we were going too far in establishing a definite, clear, terminal date from which we were to work and which we were resolved to achieve. That attempt was overwhelmingly rejected by the Special Session of the General Conference. On the other hand, repeated proposals were brought forth to make that target date a mandatory legislative date. And again those efforts were rejected by a vote of approximately 93 percent. The Special Session adopted the resolution and approved the report. Then the report went out to be acted upon by the Annual Conferences and the other bodies of the church. The report was adopted—I believe unanimously so far as I have been able to determine by the College of Bishops and by the Council of Bishops. It was voted upon by every annual conference of The Methodist Church and I may say, if it would have been voted by the conferences of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, I am confident the result would have been the same, if not more so.

We asked that the resolution be voted upon by the conferences overseas, not because they have any direct connection with the structural separation that we have had in this country, but because we recognize that racial and other forms of discrimination exists around the world. Not just in the United States, not just related here or anywhere else solely to a matter of race. And so every conference all around the world voted on the resolution. The resolution was approved by more than a two thirds majority in every Jurisdiction and by the Conferences overseas.

What then has been the result of the action that we have taken by the General Conference, by the College of Bishops, Council of Bishops, and the annual conferences in the Jurisdictions? As a result of that action, the Louisiana, the Southwest, the Texas, and the West Texas Conferences have been transferred and are now part of the South Central Jurisdiction. By that action, the North Carolina-Virginia Conference, Central Alabama, the Florida, the Mississippi and the Upper Mississippi Conferences have been transferred into the Southeastern Jurisdiction. There were then left three Conferences in the Central Jurisdiction by reason of their votes because those three Conferences did not approve the resolution by two-thirds. The Georgia Conference did approve the resolution by a substantial majority but not two-thirds so that Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, and South Carolina remained in the Central Jurisdiction.

In 1968 after we had some decisions of the Judicial Council holding that the procedure was proper, and the objections raised were not valid, the North Carolina-Virginia Conference was not only transferred but also dissolved and merged with the North Carolina, the Western North Carolina and the Virginia Conferences. On April 4th, just twenty days ago today, the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference in Special Session reconsidered its previous vote and unanimously voted to (I think it was unanimous) transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to dissolve and merge on May 19—what is that about twenty-five days from now—to merge with the five conferences with which that conference overlapped, the Holston, Tennessee, Memphis, Louisville, and Kentucky. Now, yesterday we celebrated a birthday very appropriately, but we somewhat overlooked a rather historic event that took place, perhaps because it was taking place automatically. But yesterday morning when union was declared the Central Jurisdiction went out of existence. So that yesterday morning, the South Carolina Conference and the Georgia Conference became Con-

ferences of Southeastern Jurisdiction, as we no longer have any vestige of the Central Jurisdiction.

Now I am the first to recognize that by no means we have finished the task that is before us—that we have not yet run the race that we are to run and reach the conclusion. Let us look at what remains to be done. The same resolution is to be submitted to the Southeastern and Southcentral Jurisdictional Conferences when they meet this July. We are confident that it will be overwhelmingly approved there too, and if so, every Episcopal Area of Methodism will be so organized that none is composed entirely of annual conferences formerly part of the Central Jurisdiction.

Every Episcopal Area will have within it members of all races within the geographic bounds of the area. There will still be two objectives of the resolution to be achieved. Perhaps the first and most obvious, but the less important, is that we will still have four separate Negro annual conferences in the Southcentral Jurisdiction and six in Southeastern and the merger of those conferences is urgent. It is one of the most important things that we as Methodists have before us. We are confident that it will be done. The determination has been expressed in both Jurisdictions. We expect it will be completed. I said that is one thing that remains to be done and the second is more difficult. It is going to take longer. It is more vital. It's much harder to grasp. It is not tangible but we must ever remember that structural separation while important, while its elimination is vital, that does not by itself eliminate prejudice and discrimination. That does not by itself achieve understanding, brotherhood and a fully inclusive church. And that is the higher goal toward which we must press on. We have hopes—high hopes—that additional mergers will be voted upon in the 1968 annual conference session and can be brought to the Jurisdictional Conference of 1968 for approval.

I know of two instances where resolutions have been prepared by the conferences working with each other to be submitted in 1968 and the one case calling for the final dissolution one year later so that certain adjustments can be worked out in the interim. We are confident that any mergers that are ready for approval by the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1968 will be approved, and will therefore become effective. But we have a problem, and we bring it to you this way.

We have every hope that additional mergers will be agreed upon and should become effective before another Jurisdictional Conference subsequent to the one in 1968 can meet; so the question is: Can mergers become effective without the approval of a Jurisdictional Conference under our new Constitution, which in this respect is the same as our previous constitution in The (former) Methodist Church? We believe that there are two ways that this can be done. The new Constitution of the United Church and the Enabling Legislation which under the Plan Of Union is also considered to be constitutional. You can have provision under which we feel that conferences are ready to merge, may merge, without going through the Jurisdictional Conference. Those are paragraphs 9B and 9C of the Enabling Legislation. As we read them, they permit overlapping conferences to unite by their own voluntary action.

We believe that that legislation is effective wherever former EUB Conferences and former Methodist Conferences are ready to merge. If they are ready in 1969 and they vote to do it we believe that this legislation makes it possible without going back to a Jurisdictional Conference, and the legislation applies to all overlapping conferences of the Methodist Church—the United Methodist Church—therefore we believe that it is equally applicable to the merger of racially constituted conferences with the overlapping conferences. In order to

eliminate any doubt, however, so that we know just where we stand, we are asking that by the adoption of this report this General Conference—this Uniting Conference—refer the question to the Judicial Council for declaratory decision. That is one reason we were very anxious that there be a Judicial Council in being as soon as possible because we feel we want an answer on this as soon as we can get it. Can overlapping Negro and predominantly white Annual Conferences merge during the quadrennium without subsequent approval of the Jurisdictional Conference?

We pose a secondary question. We think the first one should dispose of it, but if not, would it not be possible for a Jurisdictional Conference to vote on a merger, saying, we are establishing the boundaries of these conferences so as to eliminate any conference based on race, but make that action effective when the conferences themselves vote to do so.

We believe that way the Jurisdictional Conference would be fixing boundaries and yet it would be possible for the effective date to wait the agreement of the Annual Conference. Consequently, we are asking that these two questions be submitted immediately to the Judicial Council so that we may have ruling. We don't think they are going to rule against us, but if they do we want to try to see if we can't devise some other legislation or some other way to accomplish what we believe all of us want to see done.

At this point I would like to ask our very able administrative secretary, Dr. D. Trigg James, to present other portions of this report. I can't say enough for Dr. James and the work that he has done. He has been a member of this Commission and its predecessors for 12 years. He has been the administrative secretary for 8 years, and he has been a power of strength to the Commission throughout. Dr. James.

Trigg James (Holston): Mr. Chairman, members of this General Conference in this Uniting session, I am pleased to come at this time to refer you to sections of the Report beginning on page 20, the full paragraph beginning following F, paragraph entitled F, on page 20. This first paragraph simply reviews much that has been said by our honored and able chairman of the Commission detailing the progress that has been made, but I think that it will not hurt us any to re-emphasize that.

We are grateful for the fact that either through voluntary action on the part of Annual Conferences or through the Enabling Legislation for the Union of the Methodist and The Evangelical United Brethren Church, the Central Jurisdiction as a national structure in the church has been eliminated. You cheered a while ago with that, but I am glad to say it again; however, inclusiveness has not been achieved because of the continued segregated Negro Annual Conferences. It is therefore important that every encouragement be given to the Annual Conferences which overlap to continue their efforts, looking toward merging as soon as possible.

For specific guidance beyond the items in this report, we refer to the booklet *Suggestions for Successful Mergers, Former Central Jurisdiction Annual Conferences with Annual Conferences of Geographical Jurisdictions* prepared originally by the Reverend Richard C. Stazesky and Winston Taylor in connection with the merger of the Delaware and Washington Conferences with the conferences of the Northeastern Jurisdiction, as revised in 1968 by Dr. J. Clay Madison in connection with the merging of the North Carolina-Virginia Conference with the Western North Carolina Conference, the North Carolina and the Virginia Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. This booklet is available from the Service Department, 100 Maryland Avenue, Northeast, Washington, D.C., Zip Code 20002.

For the annual conferences and leaders who desire to have copies of it, 15c a single copy, 10c for 10 or more, per copy.

Now we recognize that what has been said about the necessity of continuing effort to develop understanding—interracial understanding and brotherhood, is an essential thing before us in this coming quadrennium, and our Commission is hopefully submitting to you the fact that by 1972 there will remain no Negro segregated Annual Conferences in The United Methodist Church. We feel, however, that the continuation of the voluntary method of achieving this goal is an essential one. Annual Conferences which together work out a plan of merging together by their leaders will have success in the project, and any overt action from the outside would not aid them, but we do believe that it is an essential and an emergency need at the present time and hopefully we believe that will come about. We believe that in all of our conferences where merger is taking place and where it has not, we need to continue to use every method possible to develop true inclusiveness in The United Methodist Church through all our conferences.

As a means of continuing to work toward this we recognize these nine steps which are recommended on page 21, that they be utilized in every situation possible. There are many more practical suggestions in this booklet to which I have referred. We did not think it was necessary to reprint material that was in another document in this our report. We emphasize the closing paragraph, the first section on page 21 following point 9. That all activities to be engaged in by two racial groups or all racial groups in any situation, that it is important that joint planning take place prior to, and that joint administration take place during such joint enterprises as may be utilized.

We were greatly encouraged throughout the last year and one-half particularly over the progress that has been made, and as we state in this paragraph beginning "Successor Commission," we felt for a time that it would not be necessary, or desirable to recommend a continuing Successor Commission to give guidance to this work. But after considerable debate in the session of the Commission here in Dallas on February 11 and 12, 1968, we were convinced that these matters are of such great concern to the entire church that for at least one more quadrennium they should be the direct responsibility of a separate general church agency. We therefore recommend a Successor Commission composed of four persons from each Jurisdiction to be nominated by the Council of Bishops.

May I pause to make a comment here. We did not specify the personnel of the Commission concerning the racial membership of the Commission because we believe that the Council of Bishops will be so concerned about this matter that they will recommend membership, if you pass this recommendation, that will be truly representative of all our conferences and groups in The United Methodist Church.

Therefore we left to their wisdom and discretion the nominating of the members of the Commission. Although the Commission did not agree upon a name to recommend for the Successor Commission, it was suggested that it be named "Commission on Racial Progress." The Commission should give guidance to such matters as (1) the supervision of the administration of the temporary general aid fund, recommending such adjustments from time to time as may be necessary under the legislation to achieve the intended purposes, (2) to give guidance to the merging of annual conferences.

To give encouragement to local churches which are inclusive or seeking to be included, seeking means of securing former jurisdiction members of opportunities to make their contribution in every phase, and on every level of the church's light and ministry. That should give guidance to co-operation with other Negro denominations men-

tioned in the Episcopal Address and otherwise before this conference.

It is our hope that the subsequent merger of conferences will proceed smoothly, and will be accomplished well before the target date of 1972. It, therefore, may well be that the successor commission will not need to meet more than once a year to review developments and to make recommendations to group; therefore, a budget of \$25,000 for the quadrennium may be sufficient. Thank you.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): I have been asked where the legislation to which I referred could be found. It can be found on page 369 of the Blue Book, paragraphs (b) and (c) which permits overlapping conferences to merge when they are ready to do so. I had a conclusion prepared for you, but as I sat here I sensed that you want to speak, therefore, I will simply move the adoption of the report with the exception of the financial portion which has not yet been presented.

Suspension of Rules

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota—NC) moved that the rules be suspended and that the printing of the report of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations be considered the same as printing in the *DCA*. The rules were suspended.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) asked if the United Methodist Church was presently free from decisions of the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church. Mr. Slutz stated that his opinion was that these were only precedence and would not be binding. Dr. Kirkpatrick then asked if the Interim Judicial Council could rule on anything without it being referred to by this Uniting Conference. Mr. Slutz expressed the idea that it could not. Dr. Kirkpatrick made a motion that this report be delayed until matters therein be cleared with Legislative Committees and the Judicial Council. Dr. Kirkpatrick withdrew his motion after Mr. Slutz stated that he did not feel the adoption of the report would prevent anything else from being presented.

Substitute Motion—Roy Nichols

Roy Nichols (New York—NE): I have substitute in my hands and I am prepared to read it, it isn't too long.

The substitute, beginning on Page 20 of the report, beginning with "continued effort to develop understanding and brotherhood," we would begin our substitute and it would continue through page 22 up to the word conclusion. Much of the substance of this substitute is included in the report already, but this was the only way we could get it for the conference in the order in which we desired it. I read:

"This Commission shall be composed of four persons from each jurisdiction, at least two of whom will be Negroes, to be elected by the Jurisdictional Conferences, and ten members at-large, at least five of whom will be Negroes, to be elected by the Commission.

The Commission will assume general church responsibility for such matters as:

1. The supervision of the administration of the Temporary General Aid Fund, recommending such adjustments from time to time as may be necessary under the legislation, to achieve the intended purpose.

2. Merging of Annual Conferences.

3. Counseling and encouraging local churches which are seeking to become truly inclusive fellowships.

4. Co-operating with other Negro churches, especially those in the Methodist family.

5. Co-ordinate our denominational support and co-operation with various prophetic movements for racial and social justices.

6. Report to the next General Conference on its findings and on the role of minority groups in The United Methodist Church and on the elimination of all segregated structures.

7. Provide a channel of assistance and concern so that Negro members of The United Methodist Church will have equal opportunity for service, representation and voice on every level of the Church's life and ministry.

8. Work directly with the Council of Bishops and the related annual conference agencies to plan convocations of Religion and Race at various levels of the church so as to challenge and inspire local churches as well as annual conferences.

9. Assist in the promotion of the procedures and plans recommended to the General Conference of 1964. All levels of The United Methodist Church, from the local church to the jurisdictional structures, are asked to work with the Commission to establish meaningful programs along the following lines:

I don't have to read these points, they are the same as are printed on page 21 referred to by the chairman of the Study Committee, beginning with this report 1 to 9 and our report (a) to (g), the difference being that instead of simply introducing these as advisory and suggested matters, they would be under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The commission will meet as soon after the 1968 session of The United Methodist Church as possible, elect its own officers; elect an executive director, who will be a member of the Council of Secretaries, and other suitable staff. The Commission may also co-opt at least one staff person from each of the following general boards, Education, Evangelism, Missions, and Christian Social Concerns.

It is further recommended that a budget of at least \$700,000 be provided for the quadrennium.

Am I given a second?

(It is seconded.)

Roy Nichols (Speaking to his motion): Bishop, a substantial group of members of this General Conference feel that this proposal is not revolutionary, but it does bring to the awareness of this General Conference that a number of things have happened with this uniting effort. We are almost the largest Protestant denomination in the country. Secondly, The Methodist Church has within its boundaries the largest number of nonwhite constituents of any Protestant church in this nation. All other denominations have negligible small numbers, most of whom are there because of the diligence of these denominations in cultivating and keeping a nonwhite membership in its constituency. The Methodist Church has the splendid record over the years and has demonstrated in time past massive endeavor, as for instance in the work we have done with the college education of Negroes in the south.

We believe that The Methodist Church, therefore, cannot simply concern itself now united in setting up an agency which is primarily a housekeeping agency within the church. We need a principal commission concerned with the issue of religion and race broadly within the church as it relates to other denominations, and as it relates to the community of our nation.

Bishop, this report submitted by this committee under the direction of Brother Slutz and its members has done a commendable job. We are not here to criticize them, but their report was filed in February of 1968, and many things have happened since that time. The chief exponent of negotiations, of nonviolence, and of love has been struck down. This has brought substantial discouragement to people who have been interested in mediation, and in working cheerfully and conscientiously. Therefore, there seems to be something dramatic done by this church in a leadership roll, not simply in a housekeeping measure as I think generally speaking the recommendation of this committee represents.

I suppose, if one would want to single out in this recommendation, this substitute, the matters that are singular, I would like to call them to your attention.

1. The name of the commission is the Commission on Religion and Race, which corresponds to what is being done in other denominational groups, and also in the National Council.

2. The Commission specifically names the racial composition of its membership, which I think is in order. I think, Bishop, we might just as well recognize that we need to utilize the excellent leadership within The Methodist Church in quantity and in quality. In a commission of this sort that there may be a command position of this voice in that negotiation, so that it represents the substance of the black community in the nation. Secondly, I think the recommendation listed in our substitute proposal under 5, which says "Co-ordinate our denomination support and co-operation with various prophetic movements for racial and social justices." This means that Methodism would not be concerned within the household, but we would try to align and co-operate with other vigorous movements for racial justice and enumeration within the country.

3. I think that the call for staff and budget and the utilization of a secretary who would be a member of the Council of Secretaries would correct their inefficiencies which is now present within The Methodist Church, in that Council whereas now there are no faces other than white faces, and we love our white brethren, but we believe the time has come when there needs to be insertion at the level of significance of policy and of power in the church of the men and women of color. Bishop, we want this General Conference to understand that this is not an effort on the part of the black constituents for power play, it is an effort on the part of black and white members of this General Conference to press The United Methodist Church into the position of leadership nationally and internationally on the subject of race and its concern. We know that if the report on civil disorders has any significance regardless of whether we agree with who was it for, the substance of that report says that we are a nation in trouble.

And Bishop, if we take the significance of our movement and effort for peace in Viet Nam or whatever we are trying to do over there and the image of Western nations across the world, we know that the white man in the Western world is in trouble. Black Americans and black Methodists are westerners basically. We are interested in the thrusts of our church, we are interested in the thrusts of our nation. We believe that Methodism should be a leader and not counter-puncher and that is why we propose this matter.

Paul A. Duffey (Alabama-West Florida—SE) spoke against the substitute. *Mack Stokes* (Holston—SE) raised a point of order on the grounds that copies of the substitute

were not available to follow. Bishop Hardin suggested a recess while copies were being secured.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvene—Bishop Paul Hardin, Jr.

Bishop Hardin called the Conference to order and *Carlton Young* (North East Ohio—NC) led in the singing of Hymn No. 222, "My Hope Is Built."

Order of the Day

Presentation of Fraternal Delegates—Bishop John Wesley Lord

Bishop John Wesley Lord (Washington Area): Mr. Chairman, thank you, Sir. The chairman of the Administrative Committee on Fraternal delegates is the Rev. Richard Harrington of Western New York Conference and I am standing here only at his request. However, I now make a request of him. Will the Rev. Richard Harrington report to the platform at this time?

This committee has been engaged in a good deal of work in securing proper accommodations for the delegates, in securing badges, in seating spaces for them, and attending to a multitude of details to make them feel at home and to meet their every request. I am indebted to the chairman of this committee for his most effective work. It is the custom of this conference to elect one from the group of delegates and that he be asked to make an address not to exceed 15 minutes on behalf of all of those who stand with him. Let me first present the delegates to you, and I shall say just a brief word in presenting the spokesman.

First, may I present Dr. D. T. Swearingin of the Convention of Christian Churches. Dr. Swearingin is executive minister of the Christian Churches of Texas, former president of William Woods College, Fulton, Missouri, former staff member of the International Council of Religious Education, Dr. Swearingin.

The second one I have the privilege to present is Dr. J. Allan Rank of the National Council of Churches of Christ. Dr. Rank is presently executive assistant to Dr. R. H. Edwin Espy, who is the general secretary of the NCC. Now I think this is an historic moment, we are going to have two of these. Yesterday, Dr. Rank was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, today he is a member of The United Methodist Church. I am very happy to present Dr. J. Allan Rank to this Conference.

The next one that I shall present to you has been selected as spokesman and he will speak to us following the other presentations, the Very Reverend Ernest Marshall Howse. He is the former moderator and the present deputy moderator of the United Church of Canada, minister of Louver's Street United Church, Toronto, a representative from the United Church of Canada to the Executive Committee of the World Methodist Council. His first pastorate, now hear this, was in the United States, Beverley Hills California—the First Presbyterian Church of Beverley Hills; but this man is the son of a Methodist minister so we are very happy to present the Very Reverend Ernest Marshall Howse.

Dr. William Benfield, Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Dr. Benfield is the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Charleston, W. Va., and he is chairman of his denomination to the Consultation on Church Union, former chairman of the General Council of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. We are honored to have you with us, representing your communion.

The next one to be presented is Dr. Albert Baily, J. P. of the British Methodist Church. Dr. Baily is a prominent industrialist of the Midlands, he is a former vice-president of the British Methodist Conference and a member of the World Methodist Council. You honor us sir by your presence in our midst.

Dr. Donald Landwer is the co-executive director of the department of financial development of the National Council of Churches and again as late as yesterday morning was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Today we welcome him as a member of The United Methodist Church. Dr. Landwer.

Now we have had regrets from a number of others. Let me just quickly mention their names: Dr. E. E. Morgan of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church; a long telegram of regret, Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw of the World Methodist Council; Bishop Joseph A. Johnson of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church; Dr. James I. McCord of the United Presbyterian Church; Dr. Elmer J. F. Arndt, United Church of Christ; Bishop Robert F. Gibson of the Protestant Episcopal Church, bishop of Virginia; Bishop George W. Baker of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; and Bishop B. Julian Smith of the World Council of Churches.

Now before asking Dr. Howse to address us, it was said yesterday that these fraternal delegates came to take a look at us. Whoever wrote the Epistle to the Romans reminds us in the first chapter that his visitation to the churches was for the purpose of mutual encouragement and mutual strengthening, a sharing of one's state each with the other. We say to these other delegates that we believe that we have something to share with them from this great United Methodist Fellowship and we know that they have much to share with us. So in that spirit I have the honor to present to you Dr. Howse who will speak for the delegates, Dr. Howse.

Dr. Howse (Canada): Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, Robert Benchley once wrote or proposed to write a book entitled *My Ten Years In a Quandary*. This is my ten minutes in a quandary. My task is simple and therefore difficult. I have to speak for others.

Some short while ago this morning a group of your distinguished graduates met in the hotel. They were representatives of churches throughout your country, representatives of Councils of Churches and one as you have already heard Dr. Baily represents a link with the mother church of Methodism from London, England. If I might venture so to speak this early in the morning before, as Dr. Outler reminded us yesterday, we are supposed to be drunk.

I might say that he is a remarkable example of a Baily break. Mr. Chairman, on behalf of these I have to express—it is my pleasure to express to you and to the group assembled here and particularly to the bishops, whose guests we are, our sense of privilege and opportunity at being able to share with you on this historic occasion. I was selected, perhaps partly because I was the "lone ranger" from Canada and partly because in Canada I am a member of a church which has already received the section of the Evangelical United Brethren. We had the reception ceremony last January. That was somewhat different from your past year. For with us it was not a union of two churches, but a gift from the Evangelical United Brethren to us of the Canada Conference. At that time one of our Evangelical United Brethren stated—the Evangelical United Brethren in one day outdid the original Pentecost for in that single day when

they united, they added to their company 1,000,000 members and a total constituency of one-fifth of Canada. We believe that we received as much as they.

Now it is only a short time ago since I was told that I had to come here and speak this morning and in the interval I simply had not had time to prepare a short address. The agenda does not permit me the easy alternative of a long address. I must say only that we are conscious that we are here sharing in a moment of significance to the history of the Uniting Churches and to the history of the Christian church in this land and throughout the world.

We know that history rises upward slowly but irrationally, something, perhaps like the invention of our stock exchange when it is not threatened by the possibility of peace. We are conscious, therefore, we now stand at a peak, at a memorable peak, a peak that we shall keep in our minds that will be to us in the future more than a feast of some Christians. We are pleased that we can have a part in this. Those of you who are younger will remember this for years to come; you will look back to this time and say, "I was there," and after your lifetime of service, you reflect on what has been done after the Union, you will say with pride, "All of this I saw and part of this, I was."

Now as you were told yesterday, although the marriage has taken place, the problems are not all over. They never are. We were reminded in Dr. Outler's brilliant address yesterday that we still have with us the dinosaurs. There are those who have a passionate desire to bequeath to posterity a super abundance of fossils. When Dr. Outler mentioned that, I called to mind something I read long ago. Canada as you know is the home of dinosaurs. Up in one of our provinces, Alberta, you can see whole sections of a recast in concrete, and we are reminded up there not only that the dinosaurs lasted on the earth a hundred times longer than man has so far lasted, but that they failed finally for one reason, the earth changed and they didn't.

There was another reason that was brought to my mind some time ago. In a medical textbook, a long and forbidding textbook, that my son had some years ago I noticed brief reference to the development of our nervous system, and I pointed out this significant thing about the dinosaur. Already he had begun to develop conflicting guidance in his mind. He had a rudimentary system and he had a little bunch of these nerves up in the head. He also had another little bunch by the tail, and that bunch was the bigger of the two. So all along the dinosaur was a house divided against himself. We cannot know, but a brilliant young reporter from the *Toronto Tribune* coming up at that time saw this and he wrote the following lines which I think I can recall and may have a word to us:

"Behold the mighty dinosaur, Famous in pre-historic lore, not only for his size and strength, but for his intellectual length. As you observe from these remains, the creature had two sets of brains, one in his head the usual place, the other in his spinal base. So good reason had priority but also a posteriority. No problem bothered him a bit, he could not make heads or tail of it. If something slipped, his forward mind was checked up by the one behind, and if in error he was caught, he had a saving afterthought. Thus he could think without congestion upon both sides of every question. Oh, gaze upon this model beast, give up ten million years at least."

Now there is time to debate both sides of every question, but there is a time to stop debating every question and do something and a moment of union is one of these times, and this is what we have to do. There are times to evade the issues, there are times to forget the issues and do the work of God in the world, and unless we can do that, all of our debating will be of no use. You have to have these

votes which I saw yesterday with all the details presented. You have to have them, but they are not enough. And if we have all these, all our debating in the end is no more than the squabbles of a couple of rival groups of astrologers in Cape Canaveral.

We have to go out into a modern world with the weight and the intensity of the devotion of the Church working there for God. Until we can do that, we will do nothing of any significance. And in order to do that, we must be willing to think in terms of this day, and think in terms of tomorrow. This is what the Union means.

We have struck our text and we are marching together. I am happy that in this time when you have reached this memorable occasion I have been present with you. This is what on behalf of all people here I like to say we are privileged, we are honored, we are grateful. Mr. Chairman, a long time ago when I went to the university—which is longer than any woman in this audience can recall—I recollect that on one occasion that one of the churches in the city had a distinguished visitor coming from abroad for an anniversary. Probably he came up from Toronto or New York or some other of these centers of evangelical fervor and, of course, all the students of that time had to see the legour and hear the lion roar; this we did and he roared at great length.

The next morning I went into a class and a professor of mine whom I knew said, "Well, did you hear Dr. so-and-so last night?" and I said, "Yes, I heard him." He said, "What did you think of him?" "Well," I said, "To tell the truth, I thought he was a long time coming to an end." The professor looked sorrowfully out the window and he said, "The trouble is he didn't come to an end he just ceased to continue."

I am not sure that there is any end to what I have to say this morning, but the time comes when I must cease to continue.

Introduction of Judicial Council—Paul R. Ervin—Bishop Reuben H. Mueller

Paul R. Ervin (Western North Carolina—SE) President of the Judicial Council, presented members of the Judicial Council from the former Methodist Church—*Murray H. Leiffer* (Southern California—W) Samuel W. Witwer (Rock River—NC), *Ralph M. Houston* (New York—NE), *J. Russell Throckmorton* (Central Kansas—SC), Leon M. Hickman (Western Pennsylvania—NE), *Lester A. Welliver* (Central Pennsylvania—NE), and *A. Wesley Pugh* (North Indiana—NC).

Bishop Reuben H. Mueller presented members of the Judicial Council from the former E.U.B. Church—*William K. Messmer* (Ohio—Miami), and *Torrey A. Kaatz* (Ohio Sandusky).

Mr. Ervin stated that Theodore M. Berry (Ohio—NC), another member, was not present.

Privilege Motion—Robert Knupp

Robert E. Knupp (Central Pennsylvania—NE) made a motion that the contents of the booklet used at the Uniting Ceremonies be printed in the *DCA*. The motion lost.

**Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations Report
(Continued)**

The Secretary brought the house up to date on the parliamentary situation on the report. *Merlyn W. Northfelt* (Rock River—NC) spoke for the Nichols amendment. *J. Chess Lovern* (Oklahoma—SC) spoke against the amendment. *K. Morgan Edwards* (Southern California-Arizona—W) spoke for the amendment.

Substitute Motion—Robert G. Vessey

Robert G. Vessey (South Dakota—NC) made a substitute motion to delete the word "Negro" and substitute the word "Non-white."

Robert Vessey: I'm not going to speak at length. Everyone here with their experience and imagination can know the implications of this amendment. This is a broader problem than is presented in the resolution. I do this in sympathy with what Dr. Nichols said but the problem of race is broader than black and white. It includes the Indians, those of Spanish ancestry, of Oriental. I believe out of the experience of each one of us we can realize the implications, both for our nation and for the world assembly gathered here.

Bishop Hardin: Thank you. Now we are on a substitute for the substitute.

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada): Bishop, I have another amendment, a proposal that would do what this man intends to do, and I think that he would prefer this . . . to do it this way . . . because if we use nonwhite, this does not refer to the Mexicans among us. I want to move that we substitute for the words, "two of whom shall be Negro," "two of whom shall be representatives of minority, racial, or cultural groups."

Bishop Hardin: Well, we have a substitute for the substitute. Unless the man making the substitute for the substitute would accept it, sir, I can't entertain it.

Robert Vessey: Mr. Chairman, I'll accept that.

Bishop Hardin: Very well. Now, do you wish to speak to that, Dr. Moon?

Dr. Moon: Bishop, I think it's clear. I noticed that there was a Mexican standing here. Apparently he was concerned about the same thing, and we are concerned that the Americans in that category be represented adequately here, too.

Thurman L. Dodson (Baltimore—NE) spoke against the substitute calling attention to the fact that the Negroes did not have places of leadership in his Annual Conference committees or on legislative committees of the Uniting Conference.

Point of Order

David A. Duck (South Georgia—SE) raised a point of order that the chairman of the Committee on Membership

and Evangelism was a Negro. Mr. Dodson stated that he stood happily corrected.

Campbell Thornal (Florida—SE) stated that the felt the Constitution of The United Methodist Church meant “regardless of race or status” and not “because of race or status.”

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) spoke against the substitute. Chee-Khoo Tan (Malaya—OS) spoke for the substitute.

Motion to Refer—Leonard Slutz

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC): I was trying before to say that most of what is in this substitute motion we were prepared to accept. Most of the rest of it we were prepared to accept in principle, but it becomes, I think, quite apparent that we cannot here on the floor of this conference iron out the precise and exact details of composition of the commission and the exact amount of its budget, and therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move to refer the report that is before us, the one question to the Judicial Council because I think we all want to know where that stands and the balance of the report that is before us to the Legislative Committee on Conferences. I believe in the Legislative Committees.

Bishop Hardin: The motion is to refer. Second. It is open for discussion, all right. Dr. Nichols.

Roy Nichols (New York): Bishop you will have to tell us if I am in order or not. We wanted to add something to that first paragraph before referral and because of an oversight, it should have been added two Bishops appointed by the Council of Bishops and we would like that to be included in the referral. Will you accept that?

Leonard Slutz: I would have no hesitancy to accept that and we will consider any good suggestions that might be made.

Roy Nichols: I got one right now.

Dr. Slutz: I would suggest that it be presented to the committee if it is referred to the committee.

Nichols: No, it is on the issue of referral, sir.

Bishop, even though this comes from this special Jurisdictional Committee, the substance of the matter before us really has to do with social concerns. I am wondering whether there is any precedence for referring this matter to the Legislative Committee on Social Concern and if there is any precedence that would prevent this from being true whether it could be submitted to both Legislative Committees. Because basically the issue before us is not a mechanical issue of conferences, it is an issue of social concern basically, since the request is for the creation of a Commission on Religion and Race. I would therefore desire keenly that the referral be made to the Committee, the Legislative Committee, on Social Concerns.

Bishop Hardin: The motion that Mr. Slutz made was to refer to the Legislative Committee on Conferences. Now that is the motion which is before us at the moment. I believe it was seconded, was it not? It was seconded.

John King (West Texas): Bishop, members of the conference, friends, I would like to move a substitute to Mr. Slutz' motion as follows. I move that this report as amended with the exception of the financial section be referred to the Committee No. 1 on Christian Social Concerns with the instructions to report to this conference on

this matter as soon as possible and that the proper matter be referred to the Judicial Council.

D. S. Patterson (Baltimore—NE) spoke against the King amendment. *Blaine E. Taylor* (New England—NE) spoke words of interpretation to which *Jack M. Tuell* (Pacific Northwest—W) raised a point of order to the effect that the previous speeches were not on the amendment; the point of order was sustained.

V. M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) spoke against the amendment. *Harold Bosley* (New York—NE) spoke for the amendment.

Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE) moved the previous question on all that was before the house. It was ordered. Leonard Slutz (Ohio—NC) spoke for the Commission. *Lee Moorehead* (Ohio—NC) asked if the previous question was on everything. *Ernest T. Dixon, Jr.* (West Texas—SC) asked if the matter of money was being referred to the Council on World Service and Finance, and was told that the financial aspect was not before us at this time.

The King amendment lost.

The Slutz amendment carried.

Extension of Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

On motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) time was extended ten minutes to hear Report No. 1 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns.

Suspension of Rules—Dow Kirkpatrick

The rules were suspended on motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) to consider a report not in the hands of the delegates 24 hours.

Commission on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 5—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, Calendar No. 5 is Report No. 1 from Christian Social Concerns Legislative Committee. The Committee substitutes the following as an amendment to the original wording of a petition forwarded to us No. 2217.

This is one sentence you will be asked, you don't have a copy of it, it's one sentence from the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, as follows: "We commend the President of the United States for his recent move to enter into negotiations with North Vietnam, and call upon the government of the United States to fulfill its repeatedly expressed offer to send a representative anywhere, any time to make such talks possible."

I think this is properly before us without a motion. It comes from a committee. I would simply say that it was the strong sense of this committee that The United Methodist Church, the Uniting Conference, would do well to make its first legislative act be this kind of commendation of our government for recent peace moves, and put

behind those efforts the moral force of this church, that it fulfill the repeatedly expressed offer to send a representative anywhere, any time and to do it as quickly as possible.

Therefore, we sincerely hope you will approve this. There will be a larger statement on the whole question of Vietnam and war coming in later legislation, but we would like to have this declaration made at the beginning of this Conference.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia): I move that we delete from the proposed resolution the latter clause saying how it shall be done. If I get a second, I will speak to it.

Bishop Hardin: Is there a second? (Second by a delegate).

It is seconded.

John Rixse: The first part of the proposed resolution, I think, is commendatory, and we should take such positions. But we should not attempt to tell someone else, however desirable we think it might be, how to do. That is not the function of the church. I do not think that we should go on record as attempting to do so.

Chee-Khoon Tan (Malaya—OS) spoke against the amendment and the report. Bishop Hardin called attention to the fact that the time voted on had been exhausted. *Lee C. Moorehead* (Ohio—NC) moved on extension of time until this issue was voted on. The motion lost.

Motion to Adjourn—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) made a motion to adjourn.

Froilan B. Calata (Northern Philippines—OS) asked a question about the Judicial Council, and Bishop Hardin stated this had been settled for the time being. Another delegate sought to make a motion, but Bishop Hardin ruled him out of order since a motion to adjourn was pending. The motion to adjourn prevailed.

Announcements—Charles D. White—J. Otis Young

The Secretary of the Uniting Conference and *J. Otis Young* (Ohio—NC) made announcements.

Appreciation

Bishop Hardin expressed his appreciation to Bishops Corson and Short, and to the Conference.

Benediction—Bishop Prince A. Taylor, Jr.

Bishop Prince A. Taylor, Jr. gave the benediction, and the morning session adjourned,

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1968 MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Fred Pierce Corson

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the third day, Thursday, April 25, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Fred Pierce Corson of the Philadelphia Area, Northeastern Jurisdiction, presiding.

Memorial Service—Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland

Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland gave the invocation, and the Conference, under the direction of *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) sang Hymn 151, "Faith of Our Fathers."

The prayer was number 610 in the Hymnal, which was prayed responsively.

The combined choirs of Bethune-Cookman, Claflin, Clark Dillard, Gammon, Huston-Tillotson, Paine, Philander Smith, Rust and Wiley Colleges sang three numbers.

Bishop Copeland: During the past quadrennium there have been those of our episcopal members and also members of the two preceding General Conferences who have gone before us to the church triumphant. Will the congregation please rise and remain standing for the reading of the names by the conference secretary?

Charles White (Conference Secretary): Bishop P. C. Benjamin Balaram, Bishop Dana Dawson, Bishop Charles W. Flint, Bishop A. Raymond Grant, Bishop Marquis La Fayette Harris, Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, Bishop Edward W. Kelly, Bishop W. Vernon Middleton, Bishop Alexander P. Shaw, Bishop Ferdinand Sigg, Bishop Angel Fuster.

Delegates: Harry G. Bell, Lacy H. Burns, Ernest Friesen, Harold C. Hollingsworth, Kenneth R. Morgan, L. A. McKinley; Reserves: Alonzo C. Edwards, Arthur W. Tobey.

J. Henry Chitwood (Judicial Council), William H. Alderson (Entertainment Committee).

Bishop Copeland: Remain standing in silent prayer. Let us enfold in our prayers their loved ones.

(Silent Prayer)

Let us pray for the fields of service they have left behind. Let us pray for the Church which must continue their message and their mission, let us commit ourselves to their unfinished task. In the Name of the Father and of the Son and The Holy Spirit. Amen.

Bishop Copeland gave the Memorial Service address (see appendix, page 1006).

Hymn No. 28, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" was sung, and Bishop Copeland gave the benediction.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has examined the record of the session of Wednesday morning and approve same subject to a few inaudible portions of the tape upon which the staff is still working and minor corrections to be made by the *Journal Secretary*.

Bishop Corson: Those who will adopt the report lift their hands. Those opposed. It is adopted.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Before I ask for the adoption of the report, there are certain corrections I would like to make, the typographical errors, if you will turn to Page 1 of your Agenda, you will notice that 9:30 it speaks about the Crusade Scholarship Fund—Bishop Ellis Finger, making the report, the name should be Dr. Robert Oxnam. Dr. Ellis Finger will be on tomorrow with his report. Then they have failed to include at 10:30 the recess, 10:45 the Hymn, and then at 10:50 is the Church and Government Report, under the direction of Dr. Joe Albrecht.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) as Chairman of the Committee of Chairmen, stated that at 8:30 p.m. it was their desire to consider reports of legislative committees. The agenda was adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everette Walker

J. Everette Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, the members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met, and approved the changes made and the seating of all delegates recorded by the *Journal of the Annual Conference* on April 24. The names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*.

Bishop Corson: Those who will adopt the report lift their hands. Those opposed. It is adopted.

Committee on Courtesies—Joel D. McDavid—Bishop Reuben H. Mueller

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference we have three items on the Committee on Courtesies and Privileges, but first a message from the Lutheran Church in America. The Lutheran Church in America invokes the fullness and power of the Holy Spirit on its beloved Big Sister of The United Methodist Church. Signed Franklin F. Pride.

I move we ask our Secretary to respond with a suitable message.

Bishop Corson: Those who will approve lift their hand. Those opposed. It's done.

Dr. McDavid: The Committee on Courtesies would recommend to the United Conference that we send greetings and prayerful good wishes to Dr. Leon Moore who is Secretary Emeritus of the General Conference of the former Methodist Church. He held this high office as Secretary 1956 to 1964, is now ill. I move that we ask the Secretary to convey our good wishes to him.

Bishop Corson: Those in favor lift their hand, those opposed, it's done.

Dr. McDavid: Our third item Mr. Chairman, is that Bishop Reuben H. Mueller, as a matter of personal privilege, would like to present to the Conference a matter having to do with delegates of this Uniting Conference, also to the General Conference of the former EUB Church, I move that we grant Bishop Mueller this privilege.

Bishop Corson: Those who will grant Bishop Mueller the privilege of presenting this matter lift the hand. Those opposed. And now Brother Mueller.

Bishop Reuben H. Mueller (Indianapolis): Three years ago one of the official delegates of our East Germany Conference, who began his work behind the Iron Curtain, could not get Government permit to travel and come to Chicago. Consequently, one of his orders from West Berlin did come and was seated.

According to our constitutional rules those who were seated in Chicago are members of this adjourned session in Dallas, and therefore the Rev. Mr. Meinhardt of West Germany is the continuing member of one of the two from our East Germany Conference. However, Bishop Wunderlich was successful in getting a travel permit for Superintendent Falk this year, and our Board of Bishops voted that Superintendent Falk should come as an alternate, and if possible we would have him recognized and extend courtesy to him without the right to vote, and ask for the privilege of being seated with his European Delegation. If he is here present I wish that he would stand. Right down here in the front row to my right.

Bishop Corson: Those who will grant this authorization lift their hand. Those opposed. We are happy to welcome you my dear brethren.

Bishop Mueller: Mr. Chairman, on January 10 it was my privilege to be present in the ceremony that transferred our Canada Conference in the Providence of Ontario to the United Church of Canada. It was a very warm, heart-moving experience, and those of us who were present will never forget it. The delegation from our Canada Conference, however, has been officially seated in Chicago, and were invited to come, and did meet at our one day session on Monday. They have, however, no more status in this Uniting Conference. They are here present and I would like to suggest that we extend the courtesy of recognition to them by having them stand and then permitting them to remain with us during the session as observers of the Conference. Thank you very much for this courtesy.

Bishop Corson: Those in favor raise the hand. Those opposed. Granted.

Will the delegation from Canadian Delegation from Ontario please stand?

Presiding Officers—Thurman L. Dodson

Thurman L. Dodson (Baltimore—NE) reported that the Committee on Presiding Officers would report later.

Personal Privilege—William H. Veale

William H. Veale (New York): Mr. Chairman, there is an 88-year-old Methodist bachelor in New York State, now very frail and weak, a housekeeper serves his meager needs. He has become a sort of cantankerous old gentleman in his old age, because the only counsel he has is his own, and sometimes that is not very good. But this fellow was elected, I believe, to more General Conferences than any member here, including our active Bishops.

I am sure he had more resolutions accepted, more words deleted and more sentences changed, and more amendments adopted than any

other delegate. One of the reasons was he demanded the floor more than any body else, but he did his whole work better than any other delegate. When the reports were first received, he studied them line by line, making shorthand notes on anything which he could not fully accept. I'm sure he knew as much about the reports as those who offered them. He had three main objectives, one, restricting what he called the establishment to provide more authority for the local church and the individual members. He voted against union with EUB for he feared they would lose much of their precious tenets through absorption by the establishment. Second, he disliked the whole jurisdictional system, and worked consistently to abolish what he called the diabolical Central Jurisdiction; and third, constant and unrelenting opposition to the liquor traffic. He hopes someone will pick up the torch on those last two items.

All his adult life he was clerk in the New York 12th District Court. No one knows how many boys and girls he helped through high school and college. You may not know this. He was trustee of a Methodist College which went into bankruptcy, owing creditors a large sum of money. Upon his retirement he studied law, was admitted to the bar, and every dollar he earned he paid to those creditors of that bankrupt Methodist school. And he has left it in his will that the balance of all the money due the creditors will be paid them for that bankrupt Methodist School, and he hopes with compound interest. Thus one black smear will be wiped away from The Methodist Church. For good or ill, our General Conferences will never be the same without him. Mr. Chairman, I move, sir, that we send words of greeting and special appreciation to Chester A. Smith, 741 Hudson Avenue, Peeksville, New York.

It was so ordered.

Resolution—Claude Garrison

Claude Garrison (Ohio—NC) presented a resolution which Bishop Corson ruled should be presented later.

Personal Privilege—R. Laurence Dill, Jr.—Alfred B. Bonds—H. Burnham Kirkland

R. Laurence Dill, Jr. (North Alabama—SE) requested that the name of *J. Henry Chitwood* (North Alabama—SE), member of the Judicial Council, be added to the list of those who had died during the quadrennium.

Alfred B. Bonds (North East Ohio—NC) requested that our gratitude and thanks be expressed to Dr. James P. Brawley and those who directed and staged the pageant of Wednesday evening.

H. Burnham Kirkland (New York—NE) asked that the name of *William H. Alderson* (New York—NE) also be included in the list of those in the memorial service and that a message be sent his widow.

Crusade Scholarship Fund—Robert Oxnam—Wilbur Harr—Peter Wong—Bishop James Thomas

Robert Oxnam: Bishops, fathers, and brethren, shortly coming across the platform will be representatives of the Crusade Scholarship program. In a period of engulfing unease, the Crusade Scholarship

program is one investment which has paid off a thousandfold. Dr. Martin Luther King at Drew University some four years ago said, "Through our scientific genius we made of this world a neighborhood, and now through our moral and our ethical commitment we must make it a brotherhood. We must all learn to live together as brothers, or we will all perish together as fools."

For a quarter of a century The Methodist Church has aided students of minority groups here in the United States and students from nearly sixty other lands. Over 1500 scholars have received grants. Representing them are these ladies and gentlemen you see before you this morning on the platform, a valid investment, obviously. Included in this list are ten bishops, one principal of an agricultural school, four principals of teacher training schools, eighteen high school principals, four presidents of colleges or universities, one hospital administrator, eight seminary presidents, forty-seven medical doctors, nine governmental officials, many many nurses, teachers, and ministers, eighteen who have gone out from their own country to other countries as missionaries.

One of my predecessors as chairman of this committee is quoted as having said, "In order to be a bishop you must have been a Crusade Scholar." It is not true, but, my fellow Methodists, this investment of \$4,500,000 now in our world neighborhood, and in our neighborhood, in this country has moved us clearly in the direction of brotherhood. During the past two years, looking forward to The United Methodist Church, we have been trying to consolidate Crusade with the Overseas Student Scholarship program of The Evangelical United Brethren Church. Dr. M. Wilbur Harr, dean of the Evangelical Theological Seminary and professor of missions, has been the chairman of their committee, and is co-chairman now of our Joint Committee. I shall ask Dr. Harr to speak for just a moment on our efforts at coordination. Dr. Harr.

M. Wilbur Harr (Illinois): Two things I wish to say. First, the Crusade Scholarship Committee of the former Methodist Church and the Overseas Student Scholarship Committee of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church have been functioning together as an Ad Hoc committee. The procedure has been to have the membership of both committees meet as a unit, and then regularize joint action by proper validation on the part of the two committees. This has helped committee people to know one another. It has also aided in educating the entire group as to the operation of the two committees.

The second word has to do with the scope of the committee. Very familiar to former Methodists, but not familiar to the former EUB people, has been the Crusade Scholarship Committee program. This committee has been concerned largely in preparing academically for genuine "Christian servanthood." The committee not only prepares groups from overseas, but the National Division has also benefited and been involved.

The Overseas Student Scholarship Committee of the EUB Church has, as formal experience, not involved its National Division. At that point it had limitations. On the other hand, it may have moved more comprehensively in its scope for the overseas people. It has provided help for the following: undergraduate scholarship programs, which are gradually being phased; post-graduate scholarships for overseas students; overseas students in overseas institutions programs; an Americans studying abroad program; a guest lectureship program, which may send instructors on sabbatical to teach in other parts of the world; and a pastoral scholarship program, whereby a pastor may be nominated to the scholarship committee by the church under which he has orders, anywhere in the world, which in turn helps establish a pattern not only of academic renewal, but also a program of practical

relationships in responsible churchmanship. You see before you the incarnating of some of these programs.

Dr. Oxnam: Thank you, Dr. Harr. We have asked two former Crusade scholars, or EUB scholars, to speak for a minute. First, I should like to call upon Dr. Peter Wong, who is general secretary of the Hong Kong Council of Churches of Christ in China. Dr. Wong.

Peter Wong: Mr. Chairman, Bishops, Christian friends, ladies, and gentlemen. This is my 28th year in the ministry. Thirty years ago I came to this country for further study with the help of the Overseas Student Scholarship Fund of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church. Having these two years of good experience in learning and observation I have been able to serve the capacity and to carry out the responsibilities in the position of the General Secretary of our Church in mainland China, and at present in Hong Kong, in the past 25 years.

In our day the overseas churches have to rely more and more on their own leadership and the overseas student scholarship fund can contribute greatly to their training. While I feel grateful for the assistance this Scholarship Fund has given to me, I hope many more leaders of the younger churches around the world will also find this Scholarship Fund more beneficial to them. I thank you.

Dr. Oxnam: Thank you, Dr. Wong. Second, I should like to call upon Bishop James Thomas of The United Methodist Church.

Bishop James Thomas (Iowa): Mr. Chairman, President Oxnam, members of the General Conference. Few of us will deny that the church is at its best when the church is at mission. For those of us who have been Crusade Scholars, the church met us in mission at the point of our deepest need. Speaking as one Crusade Scholar, I would never have been able to finish my graduate studies without a Crusade Scholarship.

But quite beyond the financial aid was the encircling fellowship of the church, the counsel of the church, the continued inspiration of the leadership of the church, fitted me and my colleagues to serve her better and with much more knowledge than we otherwise would have had. Ours was a hunger to be educated, to have the fullest development of our personalities, to serve the church. On behalf of my fellow Crusade Scholars, therefore, I wish to thank the church through this General Conference to let you know how much it has meant to one Crusade Scholar to have the church meet him at a point of need. I am sure that I speak for all of my colleagues when I heartily endorse this Crusade Fellowship program, and pray that in the providence of God it may continue to serve in the future as it has done so well in the past.

Dr. Oxnam: Thank you Bishop Thomas. In the Crusade Scholarship program there are enormous opportunities for the expanding influence of The United Methodist Church here and abroad, a program designed to help the children of God help themselves and their fellows. It is, my fellow Methodists, a program worthy of our united support. As churchmen we sometimes do some things right. This is one of these times. Mr. Bishop, I thank you sir very much.

Announcement—Bishop Roy H. Short

Bishop Roy H. Short announced that Bishop Eugene Frank had been elected President of the Council of Bishops, and Bishop Reuben Mueller President-designate.

Commission on Entertainment and Program—J. Otis Young —J. Wesley Hole

J. Otis Young (Ohio—NC) presented *J. Wesley Hole* (Southern California-Arizona—W), secretary of the Commission on Entertainment and Program to present the members.

J. Wesley Hole (Southern California-Arizona): Bishop Corson and members of the Conference, the Commission on Entertainment and Program is made up basically of a minister and a layman from each of the Jurisdictional Conferences. During this quadrennium we added three members of the former EUB Church who have worked with us in the latter part of the quadrennium in the preparation for this Conference. As I call the names of these members and tell you a bit about them they will step forward a little bit so you can identify them.

From the Evangelical United Brethren Church, Dr. Paul V. Church, executive secretary of the Council of Administration of that church, has been vice-president of our Commission; Dr. Cawley Stine, treasurer of the former EUB Church; Dr. Craig Brandenburg, the executive secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church.

From the Northeastern Jurisdiction the ministerial member of our Commission was Dr. William Alderson, who was here in Dallas in January for the final meeting of our Commission and died while he was here. He was a former chairman of the Commission. To that date we have had the tradition in the Commission of rotating the chairmanship between a ministerial member and a lay member. The lay member from the Northeastern Jurisdiction is Mr. Frank Baker, of the Philadelphia Conference, investment banker, former chairman of the Commission and chairman of the Finance Committee.

North Central Jurisdiction, the ministerial member is Dr. J. Otis Young, of the Ohio Conference, associate publisher of The Methodist Publishing House, presently the chairman of the Commission and also chairman of the Agenda Committee of this Conference. The lay member from North Central is Mr. Henry Loeppert, the Rock River Conference, director of the Georgian Retirement Home in Evanston.

Southeastern Jurisdiction, the ministerial member is Dr. Robert Holmes, of the Florida Conference, executive director of the Board of Conference Foundation and chairman of the sub-committee in our Commission on Fraternal Delegates which functions prior to the election of the administrative committee of this Conference on Fraternal Delegates. The layman from the Southeastern Jurisdiction is Mr. A. G. Jefferson, of the Virginia Conference, a business man in Lynchburg, Virginia, vice-chairman of the Commission and who assumed the responsibilities of the Program Committee when Dr. Scott Allen was elected Bishop.

From the South Central Jurisdiction, Dr. Irving Smith, Oklahoma Conference, pastor of First Methodist Church, Stillwater, who has served as secretary of the Program Committee. The layman of the South Central Jurisdiction, Mr. Carl Hall, of the Little Rock Conference, a manufacturer in Little Rock, who has served as chairman of the committee on badges.

From the former Central Jurisdiction, Dr. A. C. Epps, a ministerial member of the Georgia Conference, pastor in Atlanta, Georgia, elected last fall to take the place of Dr. Allen when he was elected Bishop. Lay member from the former Central Jurisdiction, the Honorable Thurman Dodson, of the Baltimore Conference now, a distinguished attorney in Washington, D. C. and who has served as attorney for the Commission.

From the Western Jurisdiction, Dr. Norman Conard, of the Oregon Conference, director presently of the convention bureau of the Council on World Service and Finance, who has served as chairman of the facilities committee and vice-chairman of the Commission. If you have any requests for a room in which to meet, or if you don't like the condition of the air, why speak to Dr. Conard and he will take care of it for you. The layman from the Western Jurisdiction, Mr. Marion Walker, Southern California-Arizona Conference, rancher from Ventura, Calif., chairman of the committee responsible for the distribution of printed material. If you have materials that you want distributed to the members of the Conference, Mr. Walker is the one to see.

Now we have ex-officio members of the Commission, the treasurer of The Council on World Service and Finance, Dr. Don A. Cooke. He is a very handy man to have around when we have our meetings, because he takes care of our expenses. The secretary of the General Conference is also a member ex-officio of the Commission.

Wesley Theological Seminary—Hurst Anderson—John L. Knight

Hurst Anderson (Baltimore): Bishop Corson and members of the Conference, the trustees of the Wesley Theological Seminary are elected by the General Conference, and rather than presenting these names myself I should like to present to you the new President of the Wesley Theological Seminary. He got his education at Drew and Boston and at Vanderbilt Universities, was president of Nebraska Wesleyan, and he was also president of Baldwin-Wallace College. He has been a minister at Columbus Trinity Church for seven years and First Church, Syracuse, seven years, and is now the president of Wesley Theological Seminary. It is a pleasure to present the Rev. John L. Knight, the president of the Seminary.

John L. Knight: Bishop, members of the Conference, I simply wish to read the list of Clergy: Newell S. Booth, Henry G. Budd, Edward G. Carroll, Hartwell F. Chandler, R. Jervis Cooke, John H. Dawson, Merrill W. Drennan, J. Leas Green, Walter E. Hazzard, James W. Henley, John Bayley Jones, William A. Keese, W. Neal Raver, Roland P. Riddick, Charles A. Sayre, Frank L. Shaffer, Albert P. Shirkey, Prince A. Taylor, F. Norman Van Brunt, W. Ralph Ward, J. Vincent Watchorn, Lloyd C. Wicke. Lay Members. H. H. Aiken, Hurst R. Anderson, W. Carroll Beatty, Renah F. Camalier, George P. Chandler, George W. Culberson, W. Lloyd Fisher, John H. Hessey, Leon E. Hickman, James G. Law, Theodore R. McKeldin, W. Gibbs McKenney, Jr., Frank E. Masland, Jr., Edward J. Massaglia, A. W. Moore, Jr., Karl F. Mech, Bradshaw Mintener, Charles C. Parlin, Sr., Gilbert S. Scarborough, Jr., Walter O. Weber, Ernest S. Wilson, Preston T. Holmes. Honorary Members: Fred G. Holloway, Edward G. Latch, Edgar A. Love, James H. Straughn. And as ex-officio members: John Wesley Lord, John L. Knight.

Hurst Anderson (Baltimore): Mr. Chairman, it's a pleasure to introduce a motion for approval of these trustees of Wesley Theological Seminary.

Bishop Corson: The motion is made and I assume properly seconded. All who will adopt, lift the hand.

Martin H. Singh (Lucknow—OS) asked if any ladies were on the board, and was told there were. The Board of Governors were elected.

Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations—Leonard D. Slutz—George H. Atkinson

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, yesterday, we presented a portion of the report. We did not present the portion on Financial Information and Recommendations which begins on page 8. That which we did present was referred partially to the Judicial Council for a ruling, partially to the Committee on Conferences, the Committee on Conferences worked until about eleven o'clock last night but has not yet completed its deliberation so that today, we bring you only the section beginning on page 8, Financial Information and Recommendations which runs through to about the middle of page 20. I'm asking George Atkinson, the vice-chairman of our Commission, to present this portion of the report. We were very fortunate to have a man who would devote as much time and energy to such a difficult complicated, intricate question. Mr. Atkinson has been in charge of our deliberations on this portion of the report and I present him to you.

George Atkinson (California-Nevada): Members of the Conference, perhaps we should just read or capitulate a little bit. The former EUB members of the Conference are probably not entirely familiar with what has happened. We have many new people from The Methodist side also. As of 12 years ago or 8 years ago, everyone was talking about doing away with the Central Jurisdiction, when we made our report four years ago in 1964, we discovered that besides goodwill and good intent, that there were just as many practical things that should be settled.

When two conferences merge, and we've always used the term merge not just transfer to, we don't believe that the Central Conferences just went into the geographical conferences. We believe that when they merged they came out with a new entity that was stronger than either of the ones that it went into, but nevertheless, whether it is people getting married and having to talk over the particulars, or Conferences merging, there are many things to consider besides just goodwill. You have got the whole matter of appointments, you've got the matter of ministerial qualifications, you've got the matter of institutions and much greater importance, you've got the financial side of it. You've got both pensions for past service, you've got the minimum salaries, and as I say, as you get down to the facts of life, you find that these are very grave questions.

When two conferences merge and one has a pension rate of \$50 or \$55 more a year and the other one has had a back pension rate of \$20 or \$24 or thereabouts, someone has got to pick up that difference, and it is in some cases a large difference.

Now the same thing applies probably even more to salary aid but salary aid is much more difficult to put your finger on. The pension records are all centralized in our office in Evanston. Our Board of pensions people can tell quite accurately what the increased load will be, what the difference will be, and so it isn't that pensions are less important, but they're easier to administer. When you come to salary aid, you have at least ten or fifteen different conferences and each one has their own rules, each one has their own standards of minimum support and so forth. I am not making a big thing of it, but it is a big thing, and we have cases, and you can well appreciate them where everyone is willing but who picks up the difference? Who picks up the tab for this immense jump in the finances in the financial requirements of the merged conference?

So in 1964, the Methodist General Conference enunciated the principle that the entire church would help. Now the entire church can't help forever, and there's no question that when two conferences

merge they get the assets of both, they get the liabilities of both and eventually there's no doubt they should be able to support themselves.

So when we talked about General Conference aid, there was the feeling that well, it's just like government subsidy, that if you once get it started you never get it cut off. So, we very deliberately, the word is *deliberately*, named it the General Aid Fund. Now that is not a very euphonious title but, nevertheless, that is the reason that *temporary* is in there, because it is the intention that in some future time, and that is now being set roughly at twenty years from the date of merger that the new conferences, the merged Conferences, will pick up the entire load themselves. We have gone on the principle the General Conference would help in the meantime. Now we did not say that General Conference would take it all, but the General Conference would help. We got on the general principle that the General Conference would help in the big addition to the load at the time the mergers were made. In dealing with these figures, I must at first say, that they are subject to the approval of the Council on World Service and Finance. The Council on World Service and Finance has a report No. 12 in the *Advocate* this morning on page 116. Don't turn to it now, but it is there and I am not sure that we can entirely agree with them, but we do not want to discuss the amounts, as such, at this time.

We want to explain how we got to this place and then when their report comes in we will have something to say about that. So with that general background, we have been gradually having to work this out. This is new ground, no one has ever been through this before, so we probably started out a little bit timidly in 1964.

In 1966 we were able to improve the thing some, and we feel that, at the moment, we are submitting the best that we know in the light of our experience. The pension discussion starts on page 10, but I don't think you have to read it. There are several pages of detailed examples, but I can tell you quickly the pension benefits are the same as they were in 1966.

That is, the general plan is the same, and for the benefit of those who are new with it, it divides into two parts. We have taken the Central Jurisdiction Conferences, the ex-Central Jurisdiction Conferences, the conferences that were in the Central Jurisdiction and have worked where they have not merged. We are assisting them to get their pensions up to \$40 a year of service. In some cases that is quite a jump, and the principle there has been that the General Conference took 75 percent of the difference, the Conference concerned took 25 percent of the difference, the first year. Then that gradually scales down so that at the end of 20 years they take everything.

What has become the much more important part of the pension division here is what happens to Conferences after they merge, and so you will see that there is a stated plan. This Legislation was drawn by the Board of Pensions and it states just what will occur.

In discussing the pensions there are three points we mentioned which are different or changes from what we have had heretofore. As regards the merged Conferences, this is a development that is interesting. As of four years ago—even two years ago—we were talking pretty much in theory. As we draw to the point where some Conferences have actually merged and others are getting ready to merge, and they get their figures together, and they get their committees working, then they start for the first time to see the enormity of the load.

So, the first thing that has changed here is that, for merging conferences, we are asking General Conference, for the Temporary General Aid Fund to pick up not 75 but 100 percent of the load for the first year, an increased difference because it will just strap some

of these large conferences to take salary aid and pension at the same time. So, the first change here is that we are now proposing that the Aid start at 100 percent that it diminish at 5 percent a year, until at 20 years it runs out. The previous plan was at 15 years.

The second part has to do with a deductible and we are not selling insurance, but the principle is the same. The Board of Pensions found that if you carried out prior legislation right to the last penny that there were many conferences where the load is not really very heavy, but they were getting some aid which frankly, they didn't need. So, they set (the Board of Pensions) 10¢ per church member as a deductible.

So, that if a Conference under the Pension Benefit was supposed, we will say, to get \$12,000 and if they had 100,000 members they simply deducted 100,000 times 10¢ or 10,000 and gave the Conference just \$2,000 so that the money would stretch further for more needy Conferences. Now because of the General situation with the many large Conferences where mergers are now about to take place, our second recommendations on pension is that the deductible be changed to 8¢ a member per year so that on my illustration there would be deducted \$8,000 from the twelve that they would be having come. This is a simple illustration but when you get into Conferences with 250,000 members and a pension load that runs into many thousands of dollars, you can see that the problem is more acute. Nevertheless, this is the way the deductible runs. So the second change we are making from the 1966 legislation is that the deductible only be 8¢ a church member per year.

Now, then, the new point, and this is revolutionary, and this is the important one, and this is the one that affects everybody. Our Commission is recommending that all the conferences, not just the ones in the South and the Southwest and the East Coast, but that all conferences—this is of the former Methodist Church—assume the same load for the first year. Although in our theories we have said that everybody should help on this, my own conference, California-Nevada, has not had to help too much. We do not have very many, and we have taken no churches from the Central Jurisdiction. So we paid what we were asked to, but we haven't helped very much.

Now, the third and important part of this pension legislation is that the apportionment will now be 8¢ per conference member to every conference—that's the place where you start, so that our own conference has had . . . we've been paying \$6,000 or \$7,000 . . . our new load will be \$20,000 a year. We have 250,000 members, and at 8¢ we will pay \$20,000 a year under this apportionment, whereas we have been paying \$6,000 or \$7,000. Now that will affect almost every one of the nonaffected conferences, chiefly in the north and the west. We are proposing, this is as I say, somewhat revolutionary if you want to put it that way, that every conference have an apportionment of eight cents per church member for this quadrennium.

Now then, having done that, we propose giving credit back to the churches . . . to the conferences that do have a load, so if you are in a conference with 100,000 members and you've taken no Central Jurisdiction churches in, so that you have no extra load on pensions, your apportionment would be \$8,000, regardless of what it has been before. If your conference of a 100,000 members has some Central Jurisdiction churches and has taken some increased load, say \$3,000 a year, you would get credit for that \$3,000.00 on the \$8,000. So against your apportionment of \$8,000 you would credit with \$3,000 which you are paying to your members of your conference who were formerly in the Central Jurisdiction, and so your apportionment that you would pay to General Conference would be \$5,000.00.

If on the other hand you are one of the conferences that has taken

many Central Jurisdiction ministers, so that your increased pension load is \$15,000, then you would be apportioned the \$8,000; you would get credit up to the \$8,000, so you would pay nothing to the General Conference, and you would simply pay that same rate to your members, and you would pick up the additional \$7,000. This is as far as apportionment is concerned.

By doing this, we are then able to have the Temporary General Aid Fund, the Pension portion of it, take 100 percent of the increased load for the first year after merger, so that some conferences that have merged will have already . . . they may be down to the second or third year . . . some conferences that have merged this year would pick up that difference this year. Some conferences that don't merge for one or two years yet would pick it up on that year. So that on this same illustration, if you are in a conference with 100,000 members, if your pension load has gone up \$15,000 you would pay \$8,000 yourself in lieu of what the other conferences are paying the General Conference. Then for the first year you would get 100 percent of the additional \$7,000 from the Temporary General Aid Fund. Starting next year you would only get 95 percent of the \$15,000 and the next year after that 90 percent, so that again in 20 years the entire matter runs out.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio—NC) made a motion that the pension portion of the report be adopted. *Robert E. L. Bearden* (Little Rock—SC) asked if membership in the Minister's Reserve Pension Fund was necessary and was told it was not. *R. Jervis Cooke* (Peninsula—NE) supported the report. *Robert W. Preusch* (New York—NE) asked if the report was adopted would it be recommended to the Council on World Service; *Bishop Corson* said that final approval must come this way; *George H. Atkinson* (California-Nevada—W) stated that the reports agree. The section of the report dealing with pensions, minus the financial arrangements, was adopted. (See appendix, page 1757.)

George H. Atkinson (California-Nevada): We turn on page 15 to the salary aid and I don't think you have to turn to that but you may want to turn to page 18. We have an omission in the print that has to go in there. If you want to add this to your report. Page 18, paragraph 1 under salary aid, the second line after the word conferences, this is not a matter of us changing our report; it was simply omitted.

There should be added there "of the former Methodist Church" so that it would then read "The Council on World Service and Finance show a proportion to all the conferences of the former Methodist Church" and it goes on from there.

As far as the salary aid, it is somewhat of a different picture. Our goal is just the same as it has been to assist these conferences in this big bump they get the first, second, and third, and fourth years when they take in the Central Jurisdiction Conferences merging with them. The 24-year declining method is the same. That has already been adopted, however, we have a new method of distributing the money and that is probably the thing that is most important this morning, outside of the amount which we cannot finally discuss.

What we did in 1964 and tried to improve on in 1966 doesn't work very well as far as distribution. We set up a bunch of rules and said that conferences shall help this class of ministers provided he has a certain minimum, provided he has a full-time charge, provided he has

this, provided he doesn't get over \$1,500 and the rules get more and more complicated.

As a result we have had needy conferences, where they needed help but the division of National Missions which was trying to minister this was not able to pay the money because they didn't come under the rules and so as we say in the report on salary aid, we have two options—one is to get more and more rules because with each conference you need an almost separate book. One of our members said, "We will end up with a book as thick as the income tax code" because you just have every situation and they would have to be decided for every conference. So our proposal is to scrap that whole system of distribution and go to just the direct one of simply giving out the money directly to the conferences.

The basic part of our salary aid proposal, other than the financial amount, is that we go back to the 1964 membership of the Central Jurisdiction. It was roughly 330,000 as near as we can find out and, simply on a proportionate basis, give these conferences or their successor conferences, whatever aid the General Conference votes. It is just that simple. So that if a Central Jurisdiction Conference has merged with only one conference, all the aid for its membership at whatever the rate figures out it is roughly \$2.50 to \$3.00 per member would go to the new conference into which it merges.

If one the other hand it is split into several conferences, then each one would get their proportionate share based on the 1964 membership of the Central Jurisdiction. This may cause minor inequities but as compared to trying to ask anyone to administer under the rules we had, they were just too complicated and they didn't work. That is a distinct change not in goal but the change is that we simply will ask the World Service Commission to figure out the correct amount due and pay it.

That leaves each individual conference to run its own business and we think that most of them have minimum salary plans anyway. We think the money will be well administered.

At the top of page 19, there is a subnote there saying that the policy of the General Conference shall be to ask certain things. We think you can pass any amount of legislation and the conferences will still act a little bit independently but we do ask these things, where they get the money. Number 1—that they distribute the funds under their own plan; number 2—that they try to combine circuits and small churches wherever feasible but we can't have General Conference telling individual conferences where they can combine or where they shouldn't.

We are just saying that wherever feasible, and third, they try to have an every-member visitation before they use this money.

These are simply general policies that were carried over from the old rules but they are just stated here in a footnote as the policy of General Conference.

Then you will notice the footnote No. 2, no it is a and small b. We ask that this money not be used to supplement money which would otherwise be coming from the Division of National Missions. Those are just general policies, getting back to the main thing, we are asking that the money be given directly and that each conference handle it according to its own needs as it best can. The only exception here is that in this case there is a three-cent deductible and it works the same as the other deductible. The idea simply is that we will not have enough money no matter how much we appropriate. It will not be enough to help the needy conferences, and so there is no need of spending some of it for the ones that are in very small need which we think would be for the total membership 3¢ per member per year.

The only other thing is that we ask the Council on World Service

and Finance to send this money directly to the conferences. Heretofore, it has been sent to the Division of National Missions, and they have distributed it. We have no quarrel with the Board of National Missions; we think they have done a good job. We know they are interested but in as much as it is just a straight financial or book-keeping transaction, you put it on the computer and the answer comes out, we didn't see that you had to increase this chain of distribution. I want to say that from the standpoint of the Commission on Inter-jurisdictional Relations, we believe that the Division of National Missions has done very well with an almost hopeless job and we are not in any way criticizing them. We simply say that in as much as you are going to give money directly to the conferences, the thing to do is to send them a check and the Division of National Missions will still have the same influence with the conferences that they have now.

I think that because of the 3¢, it gets to be a very complicated formula on page 19. I would suggest you don't bother yourselves with it unless you are a mathematician. If you are and you run through, you will find that it works out alright, but this is in this footnote and the main purpose is that if we have "x" dollars to distribute how do you get it equally or equitably distributed after you have taken out the 3¢. That is what this formula is for and if this legislation is passed, the Council on World Service and Finance will be able to use this formula and come out with the amount that is necessary.

I should say something about the amount. For one thing, I notice that the World Service is recommending a different amount, a lesser amount, and I am not studying that argument now but I am just giving justification for the amount of \$750,000 which we have asked. We believe, as far as we know, as far as we can tell, that this is inadequate but no one is in position to tell what is adequate, as we say. You have got many, many conferences involved; each one has got its own plans; many of these minimum salary needs will not develop until the conferences are held and the appointments are made; they don't know which pastor is going to which charge. It is not like the pension system; it is just a very broad generality. I talked to the head of one of the main conferences involved this morning where there is a major merger taking place or about to take place, a conference which has around 200,000 members and where they are taking in 46,000 members of the former Central Jurisdiction, so that you can see that that is a major increase in their minimum salary load. They feel, on their figures, this is going to increase the load in this one conference \$646,000. Now under the plan as printed, they might get around \$120,000 worth of assistance so they still have got a very major problem. If the plan, as printed, if the amount is \$750,000 and is reduced, they would possibly get, well whatever it is reduced by, the figure published now is around 40 per cent, so they might get \$60,000 from the General Conference assistance toward a \$646,000 load.

I think that that is a very unusual illustration. We just don't know. We know that there are many, many conferences. We have estimates from the various conferences that would show the increase salary load was as high as \$2,200,000. We had a fairly good one, I mean a more accurate one which said that the increase load would be 1.5 million dollars, we felt the General Conference could not take that much and we have suggested \$750,000. As I say, that is subject to the World Service recommendation and that is subject to your final action, but as of this morning, what we would like is not the amount but the general principle of, number 1, sending this money directly to the conferences; number 2 maintaining 3¢ deduction; and number 3, having the World Service Council distribute it directly without going through any other agency.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio—NC) moved the time be extended five minutes and it was done. Mr. Slutz moved the adoption of the report relating to Salary Aid with the amount pending the report of the Council on World Service. Don S. Robb (Troy—NE) felt this a General Church matter. William C. Jason, Jr. (Philadelphia—NE) asked if there was the expectancy of having to police this area. George H. Atkinson (California-Nevada—W) stated this was not intended. *Edward G. Carroll* (Baltimore—NE) spoke in support of the report. *Raoul C. Calkins* (Ohio—NC) moved the previous question, and it was ordered. *H. Paul Mathison* (Alabama-West Florida—SE) wanted to know if the Temporary General Aid Fund would be a separate item the next quadrennium; Bishop Corson replied that this would be in the World Service report. This section of the report was adopted. (See appendix, page 1769.)

Announcements—Carlton Young

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) made an announcement.

Recess

The Conference was in recess fifteen minutes.

Reconvene

Bishop Fred Pierce Corson reconvened the Conference after recess, and *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) led in singing Hymn No. 92, "Amazing Grace."

Presiding Officers—Jack M. Tuell

Jack M. Tuell (Pacific Northwest—W) for the Committee on Presiding Officers, announced that Bishop J. Gordon Howard would preside at the evening service.

Commission on Church-Government Relations—Joseph H. Albrecht

Joseph H. Albrecht (Central Illinois—NC) made a brief statement about the work of his commission, and made a motion that those items in Section B of each of the subjects in Part III of the report be referred for action to the Legislative Committee on Christian Social Concerns and be brought back for action. It was ordered. Dr. Albrecht asked that those who had worked with this Commission stand and be recognized.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Odd Hagen

Bishop Odd Hagen (North Europe Area): Members of this General Conference, I am so pleased to tell you that this General Conference

for the first time in 29 years we have a representative and a delegate from what we used to call the Baltic and Eastern General Conference, in Estonia and behind the borders of the Soviet Union.

I am so happy to present to you Supt. Alexander Kuum. We are so happy to have him, and may I say this, that the church in Estonia in spite of the difficulty it may have had is a growing church, and we have about twice as many members today as we had when the Second World War started. Thank you.

Privilege Matter—Bishop James W. Henley

Bishop James W. Henley (Florida Area): The name Angel Fuster was left from the list of the bishops who have died during this last quadrennium. When the Cuban Conference met to organize its Autonomous Church, they elected out of deep sentiment and deep love this man who has chosen to remain with his church there in midst of great difficulty.

His wife, for a period of time, because of necessity, and his son and daughter, both of his children, were in the States. She joined him in Cuba. They were present at the World Methodist Conference in London, and he was killed in an accident here in the States on his return to Cuba. It was a tremendous loss to those people, and I might testify that he was one of the greatest Christians it has been my privilege to know.

Mr. Chairman, if I may, I would like to request this Conference stand in reverent remembrance of him for just a moment.

Prayer: O God we thank thee for this one who in the midst of difficulty saw clearly his mission and devoted his life. Thank thee for the memory which we cherish of him and for his eternal presence in the life of the church he so loved. Amen.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke

Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke requested that greetings be sent to Bishop Herbert Welch and it was moved and ordered by a standing vote.

Suspension of Rules—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East—EUB) moved the suspension of the rules.

Committee on Conferences—Report 6—Calendar No. 35— Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East—EUB) presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Conferences, and it was adopted. (See *DCA*, page 167, Appendix, page 1287.)

Cosmos—Bishop Richard C. Raines

Bishop Raines: Starting at the top of page 91 in the *DCA*, there is no need to read the mandate of the General Conference of '64. I think there is no need to read the work of the Commission during this quadrennium. You have presumably read that. Then the report itself is divided into three sections. One has to do with simply the renewal of action taken by the last General Conference. The second has to

do with new requests. And the third has to do with proposals for the future.

I begin then with those that are only renewals of actions taken by previous General Conferences.

Bishop Corson: You all have the place now, don't you? All right.

Bishop Raines: I believe that one, which refers to Africa; two, which refers to China; three, which refers to India; four, which refers to the Philippines; five, which refers to Malaysia; and six, which refers to Liberia—these are routine, and we might well approve them as having nothing new or involving any controversy.

Bishop Corson: Any questions on these six? If not, those who will approve, lift the hand. Those opposed? And they are approved.

Bishop Raines: Seven has to do with Latin America Central Conference, and that it be authorized to elect one or more bishops, but not to exceed two. And the problem involved here is that all these churches are asking for autonomy. We do not know at the present time how many of them will be able to achieve autonomy, the first or the second or the third year, so the suggestion here is that we leave to the Central Conference the determination as to whether one or two bishops should be elected. And if only one is elected, we will present to you later episcopal supervision to be provided by the Council of Bishops. I think that we might act on this one separately.

Bishop Corson: Any questions? If not, those who will approve, lift the hand. And those opposed? And they are approved.

Bishop Raines: Now turning to No. 8, Pakistan, paragraph 541 of the *Discipline* of 1964 provides that a two-thirds majority of the General Conference may authorize a Central Conference, and it prescribes the conditions—30 ministerial and 30 lay members on a ratio of one to six. This was lowered in 1964 for Pakistan to 20 and one to four. We find that if we are to give permission to Pakistan to become a Central Conference and elect a bishop and move into unity, that we need to further lower this to 20 ministerial and lay delegates on a ratio of one to three.

Union is proposed for 1970. The reason for union is obvious, I think, if we just remember that we have a very small minority of Christians in a solidly Moslem country, and that they need to get together in union if they are to survive and bear witness.

The second paragraph of No. 8 has to do with the permission which has to be given by this General Conference to any Central Conference to consummate union. They can discuss union, but they need your permission to consummate union. These two paragraphs I suggest that you act upon.

Bishop Corson: Now are there any questions about these two paragraphs? If not, are you ready to vote? Those who will adopt will lift the hand. Those opposed? And they are adopted.

Bishop Raines: Paragraph No. 9 has to do with the Geneva Area; 10 has to do with Germany, and 11 has to do with Scandinavia. It is again repeated and permissive legislation which needs to be in our *1968 Discipline* and involves no change. I suggest that we consider these three together.

Bishop Corson: This simply keeps these three items in force for the next quadrennium. Those who will approve will lift the hand. And those opposed. And they are adopted.

Bishop Raines: No. 12 has to do with the continuing of the various conferences mentioned and No. 13 adds to that list; and after . . . in No. 13, the fourth line, after the words "Annual Conferences," "to continue" should be added. The verb there was left out. I suggest that we act upon these two together.

Bishop Corson: Now are you ready? Any questions? Those who will adopt them, lift the hand. And those opposed? And they are adopted.

Bishop Raines: No. 14 has simply to do with making provisions so that if any Provisional Annual Conference or Central Conference falls below the prescribed number during the quadrennium, they should not cease to be effective. This we have normally passed each General Conference. I suggest that you act upon it.

Bishop Corson: Now do you have a question about this number? If not, those who will approve lift the hand. And those opposed. And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: No. 15 has to do with the request of Taiwan to move, when they have fulfilled the *Discipline*, from a Provisional to an Annual Conference. Since it has to do with a particular country, I suggest that we act upon this individually.

Bishop Corson: Any question now? Are you ready? Those who will adopt, lift the hand. And those opposed. And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: No. 16, Mr. Chairman, has to do with the Congo and the request to separate from a portion of the Congo Central Conference a section which shall be made into a Provisional Annual Conference. COSMOS agrees with this and suggests that you act upon it favorably. Since it is a separate country, I believe we should act upon it individually.

Bishop Corson: Now No. 16. Any questions? If not, those who will adopt will lift the hand. Those opposed? And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: No. 17 has to do with the creation of a Tamil Provisional Conference. We should have inserted that this is in Malaysia. The Mindoro-Palawan Provisional Conference is in the Philippines Central Conference, and the Conference of The United Methodist Church in West Berlin is in the Germany Central Conference. We discovered since our report was printed that in the new Constitution, it is required that Central Conferences shall approve of such actions as are here proposed, and, therefore, we ask you to add, "subject to the approval of the several Central Conferences."

Bishop Corson: Now you have that addition which is proposed by the chairman, which is in accordance with the law. Are you ready? Those who will adopt, lift the hand. And those opposed? And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: Bishop Mueller asked me to say that the EUB General Conference in session approved of this procedure and wanted the approval of that General Conference registered here.

No. 18 is a list of all of the Central Conferences and Annual Conferences, and it is not correct. I suggest that instead of my trying to give you the corrections and have you write them in, that if you are willing, you vote that the list be approved, subject to the errors of omission and those where the names are misspelled and where any legislation or enabling acts needs to change the list, without taking time to go down and make the changes at the present time.

Bishop Corson: Is everybody willing to do that? Then those who will approve the motion as made, lift the hand. Those opposed? And this is done.

Bishop Raines: At the top of the . . . about a third of the way down on page 92, in the column at the left, there is a paragraph which begins: "At the time of union, some annual conferences, etc. . . ." This simply provides that where there is temporary overlapping, it should not be deemed to be a violation of the constitution. I suggest that we act upon this separately.

Bishop Corson: Those who will approve this action, lift the hand. Those opposed? And that is done.

Bishop Raines: Now, Mr. Chairman, we come to section II of the report, which has to do with New Requests. The first one is that the following Annual Conferences be permitted to have autonomy, and to become one autonomous church. A, B, and C and D should be bracketed together. They are asking to become one autonomous church. I would suggest that we act upon this, since it is a significant request.

Bishop Corson: Now do all of you understand that? Those who will adopt this, lift the hand. And those who oppose, lift the hand. And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: Argentina Annual and Patagonia Annual should be bracketed together. They are asking for the privilege of becoming an autonomous church. Then each of the additional ones—Bolivia, Costa Rica, Chile, Panama, Peru, Uruguay—are also requesting for authorization to become autonomous Methodist churches sometime during the quadrennium, when they shall have fulfilled the provisions of the *Discipline*.

Bishop Corson: Any question now? If not, those who will give this privilege, lift the hand. Those opposed? And it is done.

Bishop Raines: We come then, to the larger type COSMOS in A. This is the recommendation for a request for the commission to unite.

The first has to do with Belgium and since they have to do with individual churches, I suggest that we act on the one that has to do with Belgium first and then the others in succession.

Bishop Corson: All right. We are now under A. Are you ready? Those who will approve of this lift the hand. And those opposed? And it is approved.

Bishop Raines: We have a similar request from India which has COSMOS approval and we bring it to you with our recommendation.

R. D. Joshi (North India—OS) called attention to an omission that the words “provided they secure the necessary two-thirds aggregate majority from the Annual and Central Conferences.” Bishop Raines accepted this, and B was approved.

Bishop Raines: Now C has to do with Hong Kong and its desire to unite. We recommend this favorably to you and ask you to act upon it.

Bishop Corson: Any questions? Are you ready? Those who will approve will lift the hand. Those opposed? And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: The same has to do with “D,” has to do with Sierra Leone, and we recommend favorably and ask for your action.

Bishop Corson: Now in reference to “D” is there any question? If not, those who will approve lift the hand. And those opposed? And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: “E” has simply to do with the confirming of what you formerly agreed to and then that Pakistan should have the right to consummate union with other churches in Pakistan. We recommend it favorably to you for your action.

Bishop Corson: Those who will adopt will lift the hand. Those opposed? And it is adopted.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, we come to the proposals for the future and I think it is not now necessary for us to handle No. 1 which was to continue the Committee on the Structure of Methodism

Overseas. That was taken care of temporarily by the action a few moments ago and I am sure will be taken care of by action of the Conference later on. No. 2.—This I think is important enough that with the permission of the group it should be read.

Bishop Corson: Yes. Let's have it read.

Bishop Raines: The Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas petitions the 1968 General Conference to authorize the Commission, in consultation with the Council of Bishops, to hold a series of Jurisdictional Meetings so that Methodists within the United States may have an opportunity to discuss structural issues affecting the total church. The conferences outside the United States have had this privilege during this quadrennium.

Back in the quadrennium preceding 1960, consultations were held in Africa, Latin America, and in Asia, which showed that changes needed to be made in the relationship of the churches so-called overseas and the church in the United States. Thus, in 1964, COSMOS was mandated by the General Conference to hold the consultation which it did hold at Green Lake. Two hundred and fifty Methodists from 39 countries, from the EUB Church and from the World Council, etc., met and discussed and came to some decisions as to what they thought the changes ought to be as we face the tomorrows.

The plan was for us to go then to the Jurisdictions and let the ministers, laymen, and the church in the United States have the same opportunity for discussion, for reading, for reaching some kind of conviction as to whether change was due and if so what kind of change, but we were under the mandate of considering EUB-Methodist union, and the Ad Hoc Committee expressed to us the belief that if we were to press for these Jurisdictional meetings and were to have a discussion throughout The Methodist Church as to whether we would change our structure at the same time we were discussing whether we would unite with the EUB church, we would have such confusion that both might fail, because neither might be understood.

We withheld asking for these Jurisdictional meetings until this quadrennium, but we believe that the churches in the United States have a right to know what brought the Green Lake consultations to come to the conclusions it did, and, therefore, we asked originally for 300 delegates for each of these, but the Council of Bishops warned us that we were to be in a kind of financial stress in this quadrennium and suggested that we cut the number to 100 and that we cut the expense by asking individuals whose organizations or annual conferences might pay their way, at least their travel expense, asking the Women's Society of Christian Service president, the lay leader, the president of the Board of Missions, and the district superintendents.

We agreed to this and we will take care only of hotel and meals, which will be for about 24 to 30-hour period. We propose to send out papers beforehand, position papers so that they can be studied before the people arrive and then can bring before the Jurisdictions in the best possible way—the principles, the problems, and the proposed solution—so that they can be aware of what is facing the church now in proposed structural changes.

It will cost approximately \$25,000 to do this. We began with \$75,000. We could not ask you to act on the \$25,000. That must be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance. But we would ask you to act on the holding of the Jurisdictional meetings and whether or not you accept the next proposal I bring you. It seems to me that the American church, the church in the United States, has a right to be told the facts and has a right to discuss the proposals which came out of Green Lake.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) wanted to know if this money could not be spent better in printing materials. Bishop Raines felt nothing replaced confrontation. Dr. Hightower wanted to know if these would be action or informative sessions. Bishop Raines stated that they would be for information and discussion with any conclusions they cared to make. Dr. Hightower gave an opinion that a wider audience should be reached than at Jurisdictional meetings.

Harry S. Crede (Central Illinois—NC) made a motion that this be done at the Jurisdictional Conferences. Bishop Corson ruled that Jurisdictional Conferences could not be bound this way.

Donald H. McAninch (New Hampshire—NE) wanted to know if this would impair our relationship to COCU; Bishop Raines said the hope was that it would not.

Carl E. Sommer (Southwest Germany—OS) spoke for the report. *Gregorio R. Bailen* (Northwest Philippines—OS) spoke on section 3, and Bishop Corson stated that this was not under consideration.

Charles B. Purdham (Minnesota—NC) made a motion that section 2 be deferred until action is taken on section 3. The motion carried.

Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE) called attention to revision No. 32 which had been referred to the Committee on Interdenominational Relations.

J. Robert Nelson (North East Ohio): I am chairman of Committee No. 11. I can report for the information of the conference that in our committee revision No. 32 in the White Book on COSMOS has been acted upon. The action is a concurrence to the revision with the deletion without prejudice of paragraph 4 dealing with the structure congress of the COSMOS. In other words, Mr. Chairman, it was the opinion of our Legislative Committee that the material dealing with structuring and purpose of COSMOS was in one order and the action dealing with this particular event was a different order. So we have not acted either favorably or unfavorably upon the business which is before us. I believe that answers Dr. Parlin clearly.

Bishop Corson: Would you say, doctor, then in the light of the action of your committee that this is properly before the body now?

Dr. Nelson: I would say so sir.

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) made a motion to reconsider the motion to refer, but Bishop Corson ruled the motion was to defer.

Bishop Raines: I will read then number 3 if this is your will. The Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas requests the General Conference to authorize the World Methodist Structure Congress during the coming quadrennium. This Congress would include representatives from The United Methodist Church in the United States, the Central Conferences, Autonomous Churches in which former Methodists and former EUB's were involved and any other Methodists desiring to participate.

(A) To examine the issues of unity, autonomy and interdependence as they effect the world structure of The United Methodist Church, and (B) to consider the possibility and form of a new world structure that would have powers agreed upon by the constituting regional bodies for reference to the next General Conference. After consideration of the Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas, the Commission would be responsible for developing the formula by which the number and selection of delegates from each participating group would be determined. The number of delegates, which is not listed there and should be, is 175 from the United States and 125 from overseas.

I think I might save some time for the body if I were to ask several individuals to give you the kind of information I believe you will want. For example, 25 Annual Conferences are this year asking for autonomy. That is more than have asked for autonomy in the 100 years preceding. I think you would like to know why, whether this represents rebellion or alienation or what it does represent. I have asked, with your permission, Bishop Barbieri, who would speak about Latin America as typical of this particular problem or opportunity.

Secondly, I think you would like to know what is the attitude of the Autonomous Churches toward closer union with the United States and toward such a World Methodist Congress. Let Brazil and Mexico speak a minute or two. Then the leaders of the missionary movement, I would suggest, speak as to what they think would be a minute or two . . . John Schaefer from the former EUB Church. You would want to know whether the relationships between this proposal and COCU. Bishop James Mathews can in a moment or two indicate his judgment there. I think you would like to know and should know what the relation of this is to the World Methodist Council. Bishop Odd Hagen will speak to that. The matter was brought up in the Ad Hoc Committee and is in the material that they approved and I was going to ask Bishop Paul Washburn to speak briefly concerning this aspect of it.

Bishop Barbieri (Buenos Aires Area, Central Conference): Mr. Chairman, and dear Brethren, delegates. For many delegates it will be rather a great surprise to verify that all eight annual conferences of the Latin America Central Conference are asking for autonomy to be achieved during the next quadrennium. Some of these Annual Conferences will indeed take still two or three years before they may assume that autonomous state, but by the time the next General Conference meets all of them are hoping to become autonomous.

You will ask what the reasons are. I shall, therefore, try to show what is our present and future aim. In the first place, we have come to the conclusion that laws, regulations, and structures have to be created as close as possible to the place where the decisions have to be made.

A *Discipline* written in the United States for the necessities of the whole world is an impossibility. We have now a bulk of laws which in the main are for us obsolete, unnecessary, unnatural. We need simple, elastic structures which may be applied intelligently and with corresponding good results. We do not seek autonomy for autonomy sake; it is an autonomy for a better discharging of the mission in each place. The present General Conference may be a good instrument for the church in the United States, but hardly fit to meet the needs of the whole world, notwithstanding the good intention of serving every need everywhere.

In the second place, our autonomy does not intend to be a mere drifting away from each other, so as to become nationalistic and isolated units. We are in the process of forming at the same time in place of the Central Conference, a regional conference for Latin

America, in which the already autonomous churches of Brazil, Mexico, and Cuba are willing to participate in, under a common broad constitution, in which we try to preserve the fundamental characteristics of the Methodist tradition and genius, but with such an aptitude as to permit each autonomous church to write its own constitution and *Discipline*.

We are convinced that we need to communicate our experience and help each other in common regional tasks as we have already done in few instances. In pursuit of this aim we have already formed a Council of the Latin America Bishops.

In the third and last place, we would like to link this regional conference to a world conference composed mainly of regional conferences. In this set up this present General Conference would become also a Regional Conference which would deal mainly with matters pertaining to this country. At the summit, therefore, we would have a world Conference through which we would seek interdependence, so that all the churches therein involved could learn from each other on an equal basis and receive such mutual assistance and inspiration as necessary, up to the day when we shall belong to a larger fellowship in pursuit of the final aim of coming to be one flock under the leadership of the One Pastor.

Autonomy within interdependence and unity within diversity is our aim. We hope that this General Conference will be willing to approve the holding for a World Methodist Church Congress so as to study the possibility of reaching this larger aim so that each sector of the church in each place may give the the testimony which is proper and needed for the glory of our Christ and the coming of His kingdom.

Bishop Raines: Thank you, Bishop Barbieri. It is obvious, is it not, that whereas Methodism was up to this time a Central Conference Church with a few autonomous churches, we are going to become in this quadrennium many autonomous churches with a few Central Conferences and they are to be disappearing. Therefore it is appropriate, I believe that we ascertain what the autonomous churches that have tried autonomy think in regard to closer relationships to the United States and to Methodists around the world and what their judgment is as to coming back into something of a closer relationship. Bishop Wilbur Smith of Brazil will speak briefly concerning what Brazil feels about this.

Bishop Wilbur Smith (Brazil): Mr. President and brethren and delegates to this General Conference, it is with great pleasure that I express the gratitude of the Methodists of Brazil for the benefits which came to us from the decentralization when autonomy was granted us without our request, but in attendance to the recognized needs of the decentralization of authority down there.

The results in these 38 years are such as a growth of 500 percent and expansion into a territory of Brazil of many times the part occupied until autonomy and the consolidation of the Church as such through the development of a capable leadership. These are all benefits which we, The Methodist Church of Brazil, are grateful to God and to those who made it possible for us to have our autonomy. On the other hand, Methodists in Brazil have not lost their ecumenical stance and have felt for a long time that these benefits have in some measure been off-set by an almost, let's say, an isolation to a certain extent with Methodists of other parts of the world.

We lived our lives for a long time with only connections with The Methodist Church through the Mission Board and with very little relationship to Methodism in other parts of the world. This has not been to us a satisfactory situation, so we go in with great enthusiasm into the proposition of a creation of a regional conference which Bishop Barbieri has just mentioned in the hopes that through this we

may be able to share one with the other many of those things which result from a similar situation, and at the same time we would hate to have a regional Methodist situation that was not very definitely connected with world Methodism as also with the full ecumenical movement. It is to my joy that I can report also that The Methodist Church of Brazil was the first church in Latin America to become officially related as a member of the World Council of Churches. We have maintained that relationship and we are expanding all of our ecumenical responsibilities and opportunities. Thank you.

Extension of Time—Robert E. Hayes

Robert E. Hayes (Texas—SC) moved an extension of time to hear the other speakers.

Bishop Alejandro Ruiz (Mexico): Mr. President, brethren, 38 years ago, The Methodist Church of Mexico was born as an autonomous affiliated church, uniting also in one the two divided American Methodist groups (North and South) working since the year 1873 in our country.

Perhaps the real aim and purpose in autonomy was not fully understood by either church during the first two decades after 1930; resentments of a widespread nationalistic feeling led us to almost total isolation and misunderstanding in our relation with what was called the mother church, and from the rest of the churches around the world.

Today, under national leadership we are developing a new sense of the purpose of the mission of the church, not as an isolated church but as members of the world Methodist movement. John Wesley's statement "Methodists are one people" is clear; but we are aware that avenues toward its realization are not clear, yet.

As a church we have learned that autonomy is not independence, but interdependence; it is not being apart but responsible sharing and participation. Accordingly we are participating in the planning of a Latin American Methodist Regional Conference, but also we have been looking with great hope to enter into a venture of a world Methodist structure which will bring all of us closer in the Constitution and organization of the Church, but mainly in its spiritual nature and its whole mission as one church upon the earth.

Bishop Raines: The Boards of Missions of the new churches are intimately connected with this matter and I ask John Schaefer to speak for them. He is the former general secretary of the former EUB Missionary Society and I will ask him to address us, Dr. Schaefer.

John Schaefer (Illinois): Mr. Chairman and members of Conference, The United Methodist Church was born into a family whose member churches are located in some 50 countries scattered through 6 continents. Some of these member churches are Annual Conferences organically related to and an integral part of this church. Still other members of the family are autonomous Methodist Churches of a relationship which 25 other Annual Conferences are now requesting through COSMOS.

Numbered in our family are eight United Churches and there are others within the family who plan to follow our example of last Tuesday and enter into a united church. All these, our brothers and sister churches, have grown into maturity. They have assumed their places as responsible members of an extended family to which we have the good fortune of belonging.

Relationships within our family are and will be changing continually and as has been reported, 25 Annual Conferences are in the process of receiving autonomy. These requests are viewed as signs of maturity and as evidence that these churches are able and eager to assume full responsibility for their destiny. It is imperative for us to remember that the churches or conferences requesting or anticipating a new relationship do not wish to repudiate their family connections nor do their brothers or sisters harbor the slightest thought of severing the treasured family ties which bind us together one to another and with our Lord, the head of the church.

These exciting developments within the family are forcing all of us to rethink the pattern of our relationships. For example, just how are equal members of the family to be related or how are the United Churches within our family to be related to the autonomous churches? Or, again, how is one Central Conference to be related to another Central Conference or to an autonomous or to a United Church? And how is the newest member of the family, The United Methodist Church now just three days old, to be related to its elder brothers and sisters?

One thing is evident. The churches, once established and nurtured by The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church, who confess a common faith, and serve a common Lord, and have committed themselves to a common mission, are eager to devise a new structure which will provide each member of the family with freedom to make his own decisions and still be undergirded by our family's solidarity which we treasure.

And so COSMOS has proposed, and some of us believe, wisely so, that a family council be called during this coming quadrennium so that the members together as equals shall seek to suggest how churches which belong together because of a common parentage can fashion a workable structure adapted to the rapidly changing circumstances we now confront. We must frame a structure as adequate for the new church in the new world as were the structures which have served us well but which have been fashioned for another day when vastly different family relationships were in the vogue. Thank you.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, and members of General Conference, it is obvious that there is a movement toward holding and solidifying the family relationship. Now the question inevitably raises itself, does this run counter to and is it in opposition to and does it endanger the coming together of all the denominations that are in COCU in this movement? To discuss this briefly, I ask Bishop James Mathews who is the president of COCU to bring us his judgment. Bishop Mathews.

Bishop James Mathews (Boston Area): Mr. Chairman and friends, I have to comment on the bearing on the COSMOS proposals to the participation of The United Methodist Church in the Consultation on Church Union. The question is a proper one. The answer depends on what our intention is in our search for the most appropriate relationships between The United Methodist Church in the United States and our counterparts in other parts of the world. If we press too stoutly for a kind of pan-Wesleyanism this may well contradict the aims of the Consultation. Much will depend upon the meaning that attaches to the phrase "to frame a constitution for the future" which appears in column 1 on page 93 of the *Advocate*.

On the other hand if we understand the intention of COCU, to be the establishment of a purely national church in the United States this should also do violence to the concept of the church universal. The best current definition of Christian unity speaks of the oneness of all in each place, the basic emphasis of the Consultation. But the

definition goes on to stress unity in relationship also to the church in all other places—a basic emphasis of COSMOS. These two emphases must be brought together or at least kept in what I think is called fruitful tension. It is here that United Methodism may well be able to make an important contribution to the COCU discussion.

One of the Consultation's greatest present weaknesses or rather one of its greatest pits of unfinished business is to find an effective way of transcending mere national boundaries as a church. If we are to have a church truly catholic as well as truly evangelical and truly reformed, then this dimension of world wideness must not fall from sight.

If the work of COSMOS is done with great care and in a statesman-like manner perhaps it can help determine the very lines along which COCU will eventually relate itself with the church universal. In addition, of course, to its membership in the World Council of Churches. Possibly, the very proposal being presented to this General Conference for relations of The United Methodist Church with the British Methodist is a concord which acknowledges complete mutuality of ministries and interchange of voting representatives in the highest judiciatories. They form a pattern which will point the way toward the future.

I trust that overseas delegates will not see our search for more visible Christian unity in the United States as being neglectful of them. We would only ask the same freedom of searching for fuller unity here in a worldwide context as many branches of Methodism overseas would desire for themselves. Thank you.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, as you so very well know since you've lead it, we've had in existence and have had for years a World Methodist Council which does bring together on a consulting and fellowship basis all the Methodists of the world who are willing to participate therein. Bishop Odd Hagen is the president of that group today and I would ask him to speak on whether he feels that the proposal we are making in COSMOS runs counter to this or embarrasses it in any way or whether the two go hand-in-hand. Bishop Hagen.

Bishop Odd Hagen (Northern Europe Area): Mr. Chairman, delegates of this Conference, we should remember that COSMOS is a commission of our church today dealing with the problems of the structure of our work overseas. That just gives us a technical term and these questions have to be solved.

Different tendencies are revealed today in Latin America, Europe, in the Far East, and so forth, and they should remember that we representing The United Methodist Church here . . . arm of the only Methodist body in this world. We have British Methodism and all these small autonomous churches which are seeking some kind of help in shaping our world contacts, whatever structure it will finally take.

Well, once all these churches are the members of the World Methodist Council, and I think we can certainly give more attention to and give more support to organization. We are interested in our Methodist heritage and we try to bring the members of the Methodist family together in a world fellowship, but I want to say that we do not try and have no intention to compete with the World Council of Churches and ecumenism. Some of you may think that the World Congress of Methodism as suggested by COSMOS will compete with the World Methodist Council. I do not think it will.

The World Methodist Council and the proposed World Congress will work with the same problems and it may prove to be so that we will find a solution along the line as the World Methodist Council, I do not know. And I would like to suggest here that leading members of the World Methodist Council should be invited to the World Con-

gress and study the problems together with the people called by that conference.

Maybe the World Methodist Council is the answer I do not know. We are just asking the question today and trying to find the answer. But in this General Conference we have to take the responsibility to find the structure for all the work overseas as far as our church is a world church. And I want to say this, my friends, that if we do not try sincerely to find that structure today, the next coming four years will very soon be too late.

Let this congress try to find a solution in understanding with the World Methodist Council and through COSMOS bring a proposal to the next General Conference because as far as these problems are problems of ours the final decision will be taken in a General Conference. And I want to say to you that the church here in America should not be so preoccupied with its own problem that it does forget its children overseas.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, I would ask for the privilege of presenting Bishop Paul Washburn to speak for the Ad Hoc Committee as related to this and since this is his first official appearance before this group, will you not welcome him with your applause.

Bishop Paul Washburn: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference and in the Joint Commissions on Union, we have learned to think of The United Methodist Church as a church which describes its order in a book of *Discipline*. Within the Blue Book which is the beginning of our new *Discipline*, we find phrases on the chapter on conferences like General Conference, Central Conference, Provisional Central Conference, Affiliated Autonomous Churches and other such phrases. These phrases and titles indicate that we think of ourselves as a world connection. That is, that our church is a world church.

During the session this morning we indicated by our action that we know how to change the nature of our world connectionalism in the way we have granted different relationships to certain conferences around the world. All of this language about conferences and this kind of action is permissible within the structure of our church law, which we call the *Discipline*, which should prove that our church law is not inflexible, that it can be modified, that it proves that it has within it the possibility of making decisions that are very far reaching import.

My concern in speaking as a member of the Joint Commissions on Union this morning is to say that as we observe our life under discipline in action here this morning, we observe a very important treasure. Which is, that we want to continue to live as people that know our own orders and how to march under them.

Therefore, I would think that if we want to cope with the problem which is envisioned by a world Methodist structure COSMOS, we would base our participation in such a congress at least in part upon our desire to keep a strong awareness of who we are in the present ecumenical scene as United Methodists, and with a desire to understand as we move along in such a congress what the proposal means in the terms of the nature of our connection. And so I would think that out of orderly process, in the interest of trying to maintain the sense of order which we have done, heretofore, we would want to support such a move as is suggested by COSMOS here today. Thank you.

Announcements—Charles D. White—J. Otis Young

The Secretary and *J. Otis Young* (Ohio—NC) made announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop Fred Pierce Corson

Bishop Corson expressed his appreciation to the Conference for the courtesies extended to him as he presided over his seventh General Conference.

Benediction—Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker

Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, retired, gave the benediction, and the morning session of the Uniting Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1968 EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop J. Gordon Howard

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the third day, Thursday, April 25, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop J. Gordon Howard of Pittsburgh presiding.

Memorial Service for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.—Bishop Donald H. Tippett—J. E. Lowery

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led in the singing of Hymn 462, "Spirit of Life, In This New Dawn," and *Joseph E. Lowery* (Central Alabama—C) led the prayer.

J. E. Lowery (Central Alabama): O Lord and Father of us all, we bow here in loving memory of our friend, our brother, apostle of love, leader of legions whom Thou hast suffered to be removed from us by the cruel and ugly monster of hatred and bigotry. And yet, O Lord, we believe that this nation and this world are better places because he lived.

O Lord, can this nation or world long survive unless we banish bigotry? Help us to transform hatred into love and good will, convert injustice into justice. Forgive all of us, Lord, for our share of the guilt which brought death to our friend and leader.

Forgive some of us for our hatred, our prejudices; for calculated exploitation; for cowardice, for carelessness and negligence; for complacency, selfishness, for shameful silence. Though, O Lord, thy servant's voice has been stilled; yet may it ring out through us. May his voice which cried for love in this wilderness of hate ring through us. May his spirit and commitment to reconciliation among the children of men and with their God ring out through us. May his groanings for peace ring through us until the roaring guns of war shall be silenced.

May his legacy of love for the poor move in us until we may move and silence the anguished cries of hunger.

May his voice which preached so eloquently for justice and brotherhood with the moral authority he alone appropriated ring through us from every pulpit, every board and agency, every commission, and every local church, from every city, every hamlet, village, and countryside. O Lord, in every nation and in every country, until, O God, every man shall sit under his own vine and fig tree and none shall be afraid. Until we shall fall in line behind that mule-drawn wagon in the skies, and we, like he, O Lord, shall be free at last. Free at last, thank God Almighty. Free at last in Jesus' name. Amen.

Bishop Tippett: Yesterday it was decided that we should have this service. Indeed, it would have been a very serious mistake if we had not paused to pay respects to one of America's greatest citizens and leaders. So we set this moment aside to pay tribute to a great man

and Christian leader—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In keeping with Dr. King's own request, we are making this service short.

Better than anyone I have ever known Dr. King's life was an answer to every petition in one of the most meaningful prayers in our possession—that of the patron saint of my city—St. Francis of Assisi.

That often used prayer starts, you will recall, with these words: "Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace . . ."

Beyond peradventure Dr. King was America's most articulate and effective champion of human decency and universal peace. Although he did not want to be remembered as a Nobel-prize winner, we would be recreant if we did not mention the honor, if for no other reason, to remind ourselves that not only in America but across the world he was looked upon as "an instrument of peace." This was not an honorary recognition but an earned one.

Felled by an assassin's bullet, his untimely death left a vacant place against our sky, which (it becomes more apparent hour by hour) no one else can fill.

If there were any doubts during his lifetime that he was our premier advocate of nonviolence and our most consistent champion of civil rights and brotherly love, those doubts have long since been dispelled by his death.

Wherever he found hatred, he sowed love. Where there was doubt, he sowed faith in nonviolent and direct action. "Keep the faith, baby. Keep the faith, brethren!" he kept reiterating.

When confronted by despair, he sowed hope—assuring his followers and reassuring them until "in their hearts they did believe"—they did believe in ultimate victory, and they were assured that "we shall overcome."

He did not so much seek to be consoled as to console. Dr. Dow Kirkpatrick recalls that when Dr. King returned to Atlanta, his hometown in the early years of his freedom movement, he was not welcomed. But when his martyred body was brought back to Atlanta, throngs of America's most distinguished men and women came literally from the ends of the earth to pay him tribute.

Great and humble alike lined the streets, past the state capitol and the city hall (the latter draped from top to bottom in deep mourning bands) and for 4.3 miles to Morehouse College (Dr. King's Alma Mater), to watch a procession, estimated at 100,000 by the Atlanta newspapers.

I walked in that procession as the official representative of The Methodist Church, and I have never been prouder to represent the church than on that march, from the start to the finish, following a mule-drawn wagon (not a hearse) carrying the body of the slain leader. We followed our way on a warm day to Morehouse College.

On that warm ninth of April, before the long trek started, I stood for two hours at the side of Ebenezer Church (Martin Luther's church, as co-pastor with his father, Martin Luther King, Sr.). I stood with a distinguished company which included Dr. Arthur Flemming, a member of this Conference, president of the University of Oregon, one-time member of President Eisenhower's Cabinet and now the president of the National Council of Churches. With him and with us was Dr. Franklin Fry, vice-president of the World Council of Churches, and certainly the best-known Lutheran in America.

Walter Reuther and his wife walked with us, as did Walter Muelder, dean of Boston University School of Theology. Dr. A. Dudley Ward and my immediate colleagues, Bishops Golden and Allen, walked all the way to Morehouse College with me.

Over the loud speaker down at Ebenezer Church we heard Dr.

Harold DeWolf, Dr. King's beloved teacher, pay tribute and Mahalia Jackson sing *Lead Me By the Hand* and *He's Got the Whole World in His Hand*. (We had tickets but the police could not open the way through the thousands crowded for blocks around the church.)

Top politicians were there—Hubert Humphrey, Governor Romney, Governor Rockefeller, Bobby Kennedy and his wife, and Jacqueline Kennedy, Richard Nixon, and Mayor Allen. Many of America's best known athletes and entertainers, including such celebrities as Sidney Poitier and Harry Belafonte. They were there to pay their tribute and to express their sorrow at the departure of their great hero and leader.

Flags were at half mast. Stores were closed. Many of the largest stores carried half-page tributes in Atlanta to Dr. King. I doubt that any other person in America today—any contemporary of ours or anyone in past history—could have drawn so many to his funeral.

Dr. King, like St. Francis of Assisi, sought not so much to be loved as to love. No one in our day was a more convinced believer in love than Martin Luther King, Jr. He never wavered from his basic conviction that evil could and would be overcome by love rather than hate.

How was it that this man of a minority race could hold spell bound the legion of men and women, black and white, who were his followers? I am inclined to believe that perhaps it was because he made them know that they were not helpless victims in the grip of fears and hates and the past. He convinced them that obedience and freedom are inseparable. In Dr. King they found meaning for their lives, and they came after a long long time to dream with him his great dream.

And finally, St. Francis was proved right by Dr. King's tragic death—Francis of Assisi concluded his prayer, you will remember, with these words, "It is in dying that we are born again to eternal life." This is the victory for Dr. King. Indeed he, as the leader of a mighty throng, had overcome.

I have no way of knowing whether Dr. King ever prayed St. Francis' prayer, but this I know beyond peradventure, that better than anyone else I have ever known, he lived that prayer. Let me pray it, not only because it speaks so directly to him, but because it is so appropriate as we come to the conclusion.

"Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is sadness, joy;

Where there is darkness, light.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled,
as to console;

not so much to be understood, as to understand;

not so much to be beloved, as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

It would be most appropriate for us to sing, *We Shall Overcome*.

Conference sang *We Shall Overcome*.

Bishop Tippet: And now may the spirit of Jesus come to abide in our hearts and lives, to guide and control and sustain in all that we do and in all that we say, and in all that we think, this day and forevermore. In the name of the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

Dr. J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, if you will take your *Daily Advocate*, turn to page 1 and insert this item: "The completion of the report from COSMOS under the direction of Bishop Raines" and then following that we come to the Report of the Co-ordinating Council, and the Legislative Committee is not an order of the day, therefore the Co-ordinating Council will complete its report before we turn to hearing the reports from Legislative Committees. With those corrections and with that addition I move the adoption of this agenda.

Bishop Howard: All favorable to adopting the agenda as it has been presented to us will indicate the approval by the uplifted hand. Contrary, like sign. The motion prevails.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, and members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates referred by the chairman of the Annual Conference delegations for the plenary session of the morning of April 25. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Howard: You have heard this motion. All favorable will indicate by a show of the hands. Contrary, the same sign. The motion prevails.

Committee on Courtesies—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) requested that an error in the *DCA* be corrected.

Privilege Matter—F. Lewis Walley

F. Lewis Walley (Philadelphia—NE) made a motion that Bishop Tippet's message and *J. E. Lowery's* prayer be printed in the *DCA*, and it was ordered.

Privilege Matter—William C. Jason, Jr.

William C. Jason, Jr. (Philadelphia—NE) made a motion that the Secretary send greetings to Bishop Newell S. Booth, and the motion carried.

Privilege Matter—A. Purnell Bailey

A. Purnell Bailey (Virginia—SE) reported that more than 7% of the Metropolitan Area of Richmond and of the state of Virginia are United Methodists.

Cosmos Report (Continued)—Bishop Richard C. Raines

Gregorio R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines—OS) proposed an amendment to item C-3 which would read "former Methodists and E.U.B. Churches now within United Churches." Bishop Raines accepted this.

Donald E. Redmond (Southwest Texas—SC) asked if the language of the report was adequate as a mandate to move toward a truly world structure we desire for Methodism. Bishop Raines stated if possible we want it to include all Methodist Churches of the world.

Amendment—William B. Grove

William B. Grove (Western Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, there is a brief amendment in order under No. 3 in the center column which you find under letter "C" following the word "The United Methodist Church." Look down through that paragraph to "A" and I will read it:

"To effect the world structure of The United Methodist Church" and there I would insert this phrase as an amendment "acknowledging the priority of the commitment of The United Methodist Church to the pursuit of unity with Christians of other churches both in the United States and throughout the world."

So that that phrase would follow item "a." If I can have a second I will say a word.

Bishop Howard: Is this motion—amendment—seconded?

Delegate (from the floor): I second it.

Bishop Howard: It is seconded. You may proceed.

Mr. Grove: I am persuaded, Mr. Chairman, that is appropriate for us to take a careful look at our relationship, present and future, with other Methodist bodies throughout the world. It seems to me that this should be done as I think Bishop Mathews implied, within the broader context of our ecumenical intentions, and putting this phrase into the legislation which authorizes the structure congress declares our intention in this way, and I think would be helpful.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, I have no objection to this phrase; I think, however, it might be well for the body to act upon it rather than for me to accept it.

Bishop Howard: It is before you as an amendment. Is there any desire to discuss it? I will put the motion. All favorable indicate by the uplifted hand. Contrary, the same sign. The amendment is carried.

Amendment—Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer (Rock River—NC) presented an amendment at the end of item C-3 to add "with adequate representation of lay men and lay women." Bishop Raines accepted this.

Questions

J. Rolland Crompton (Wyoming—NE) asked if Bishop Raines meant to say that the World Methodist Structure Congress would be given the power to form a new structure. Bishop Raines stated that this Congress should produce a structure to present to the 1972 General Conference.

W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana—SC) asked if this proposition had been cleared with the Council on World Service. Bishop Raines said if the report was adopted, it would be referred to the Council.

Mrs. William H. McCallum (Rock River—NC) spoke for item C-2. Chee-Khoon Tan (Malaya—OS) spoke for the report.

Previous Question—John Iwaniuk

John Iwaniuk (Michigan—EUB) moved the previous question on Item C-3. The previous question was ordered. The vote on item C-3 was taken, and it was adopted.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) wanted to know if a better word than “jurisdiction” could be used in reference to overseas conferences. Bishop Raines stated there would be a search for a better way of stating it.

Motion—Fran H. Faber

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota—NC) made a motion that item C-2 be adopted, and it was done. A motion was also made that items 2 and 3 in their financial aspects be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance, and it carried. (See appendix page 1778.)

Quadrennial Emphasis—Bishop James K. Mathews (DCA, Page 94)

Bishop James K. Mathews presented the report of the Coordinating Council and requested Bishop H. R. Heininger to lead the prayer.

Bishop Heininger (Northwestern Area—EUB): Almighty God, our Father, we pause to acknowledge that our work is begun and continued and ended in Thee. Now we unite in earnest intercession for The United Methodist Church; we are thine. We pray for a sensitive conscience, smitten awareness of the crisis situation we now confront in this troubled world. We pray for consecrated imagination as we try to project a program toward the needs of the future.

Dedicate, we pray thee, our intelligence and make us creative in co-operation as we shape this thrust toward tomorrow. Help us by thy grace to transcend the limitations of our institutionalism and self-centered interested. By thy Spirit, impart the courage we need to be relevant to the times.

Guide us, O Lord, as prophetic minds plan for the release of a potential resident among us, and we shall trust thee for the consequences in the name of Jesus Christ the Living Lord of the Church, we pray in his name. Amen.

Bishop Mathews: We do come to this very important matter of introducing the proposed quadrennial emphasis of The United Methodist Church. We believe that we have here an opportunity to demonstrate what kind of a church this is and what kind of a people we United Methodists are. Hopefully, responsive to our Lord, responsive to the demands of this hour and to the spirit of much which has already been presented before this body.

So far as the former Methodist Church was concerned the responsibility of preparing and making recommendations to this program lay with the Coordinating Council. For more than two years we have met jointly with representatives of the General Council of Administration of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Until his last illness Bishop Raymond Grant was chairman of the subcommittee in charge of this and upon his serious illness, Bishop Ensley and I had to take over this responsibility. For a long time representatives of both churches debated the wisdom of proposing a quadrennial emphasis at this time. Not all of those in the past have been equally successful; some have been outstanding in both churches. They do have and they have had the virtue of coalescing the energies of the whole church in a concerted thrust.

We felt finally that one was particularly needed at this time of the development of a new church for a new world. An examination of the past has also revealed the interesting fact that each of the programs has been more effective when there has been a financial effort associated with them. We believe that this proposed program, "A New Church for a New World," is flexible, that it responds urgently to the task before us, that it is relevant and directed to current crises in our nation and in the world.

We believe it balances the factors of both study and action, urban and rural, concern for the United States and the rest of the world. It has particular appeal, we believe, to the youth upon which it places a demand and an opportunity. The document which appears before you is the work over a long period of time of many minds and many hands.

It comes to you with the support of the Council of Bishops, the Council of Secretaries, the Coordinating Council, the Executive Committee of the General Council of Administration of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and the Council on World Service and Finance.

Now the procedure in the further presentation of the report will be made by members of the Coordinating Council and the Council of Administration. The introduction will be presented by Richard C. Erwin, vice-chairman of the Coordinating Council, layman from North Carolina.

The background will be presented by Miss Lois Miller, a staff member of the Board of Missions of the former EUB Church.

The next section on "The Church and the Word," by Francis P. Cunningham, a minister from the South Carolina Conference.

The next section, the middle of page 95, "The Church and Its Work," by Dr. Paul V. Church of the General Council of Administration of the EUB Church.

The first part of the next section, "The Church and the World," by J. Kenneth Forbes of the Indiana Conference; and the next section, the rest of the report by Roy J. Grogan, a lay delegate from the Central Texas Conference.

Now not all of the report will be read, but some important parts will. The rest will be summarized. Following Mr. Grogan there will be four brief statements, two to three minutes, from Bishop Robert F. Lundy of the Singapore Area; Mr. Ernest Colwell, a layman from the Southern California-Arizona Conference; then he will be followed by John R. Van Sickle of the Rock River Conference, a layman; and finally by Dr. Roy Nichols of the New York Conference.

At the end of that Roy Grogan will move the report for adoption. I trust that this procedure is agreeable to the conference.

Bishop Howard: I'm sure it will be agreeable. We will call on these people in the order named, and we will ask each one to remind us just what part of the report they are speaking to. I call for Mr. Erwin first.

Richard C. Erwin (Western North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, I direct your attention to that portion of our program entitled, "Introduction." As we approach the end of the decade of the 60s, it is apparent that we are living in a new world characterized by accelerated technology, in creased urbanization, and ever-enlarging gap

between the "haves" and "have nots," and a crisis on every hand. The technological age has brought about a compounding concentration of power and a dislocation of persons. The dramatic growth of the world population with its threat of massive hunger dramatizes the widening gap between the rich and the poor.

In the United States the dehumanizing aspects of long-continued racial and economic injustice are seen in agonizing systems related to housing, education, and employment which lock millions of Americans in ghettos, both urban and rural, from which there is no prospect of immediate and complete escape. Yet these victims of intolerance, poverty, and injustice will not be silent any longer as is evidenced by the recently published Kerner Commission Report and by repeated violence in our cities. This crucial situation calls for a far more decisive and constructive response than has yet been provoked.

In the next three paragraphs we call attention to other things and other problems as we discover in our new world. We call attention to the age gap between the young and the old; we called attention to the mass media, to transportation; and further attention is given to nuclear age and the problems created thereby. And then we come down and say, In a structure we are a new church—The United Methodist Church. This union gives us more singleness of purpose, yet greater freedom and increased flexibility to move quickly in a lively, imaginative and daring involvement in God's global mission of reconciliation.

The church must rediscover its God-given role to be that of a prophetic agent to nurture a new moral climate so crucial for making our shrunken world more humane. The new church can become a reliable resource for those persons searching for new ways to cope with the kinds of problems never faced before.

Every person is a child of God, yet social structures, many prejudices, economic orders, and international relations threaten human dignity and freedom. The new church should use its structure and power so that frequently unheard voices of the poor, the black community, the "little man," and the disenfranchised can communicate their anger, their hopes and perspectives.

We must seek to discover new forms of genuine Christian community. New approaches are needed to discover ways in which the Gospel can speak and, more particularly, to act relevantly to individuals and to the masses. The church, through new ministries and bold action, can devise new ways to transform the unbearable circumstances of explosive multitudes in our world by affording them new possibilities for living. Our new church must be a dynamic sign of hope and a symbol of compassion.

Lois Miller (Dayton): Mr. Chairman, I am going to summarize, if I may, the background material which you have before you on page 96.

Quadrennial emphases have been a part of The United Methodist Church flowing from both of our churches since 1944 and 1946. The programs have taken different nomenclatures, but have basically centered around the nature, mission, and renewal, of the church; our witness to one Lord, and the necessity for the church to see what is happening in the world and to see its responsibility for decision-making to fulfill the Christian mandate for discipleship in the world.

Related to the emphases in each quadrennium there has been a financial commitment to educational institutions of higher learning, for overseas relief, through church extension, and leadership development. All together these programs have exalted our Lord, Jesus Christ.

They have been a stimulus for greater unity and cohesiveness in the church. They have strengthened our institutions. They have added a dimension of depth to the lives of church members. They have revealed our almost unlimited potential for doing what must be done.

They have enlarged our sense of mission and involvement in it. They have added a wiser stewardship of our resources and substance and personality.

It is against this backdrop that the proposal for a quadrennial emphasis for The United Methodist Church is defined with a particular focus on the contemporary crisis in the United States. It should involve every person in the church, all laymen and clergy, and every structure. The potential for a creative response to the crisis in this nation is within the realm of possibility now. The results depend upon how much priority we will place on our commitment to reconciliation.

Francis T. Cunningham (South Carolina): I'm speaking briefly to the section on page 95 beginning at the middle of the first column where we get into the heart of the proposed quadrennial emphasis for 1968-72. The general theme being, A New Church for a New World. The Biblical text taken from 2 Corinthians: "If any man is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away, the new has come. All this is from God who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation."

The purpose of the proposed quadrennial emphasis is the renewal of the church through three simultaneous, and please note that word, three simultaneous interrelated responses of significant witness. First, the Church and the Word; second, the Church and its Work; and third, the Church and the World.

History teaches us that the renewal of the church is not something that we can lay our soiled hands on and bring about according to our predetermined patterns. Renewal of the church is dependent rather upon our own openness to the word of God for our own day. The word of God for our day has come time and time again to those who through disciplined study allow the written Word to break open in light, judgment, direction, and deed.

Therefore, the first recommendation in the proposed quadrennial program is that the Sermon on the Mount be the specific area of study with the hope that this would only be a prelude to a fresh study of all the teachings of Jesus, as well as the complete gospel Record. Now we are hoping that this special study would be under the direction of the Council of Bishops with thorough response of the clergy in their teaching role, our teaching role, and in the local church. It would be undergirded by special materials I hold in my hands, but you can't see it very well, but a dummy copy of the Sermon on the Mount as proposed by the American Bible Society to undergird the quadrennial program and the use of the paperback book, *The Sermon on the Mount*, by W. D. Davies.

You would also make use of mass medias, especially television, and would gear in the new curricula materials of the church. Let me close by saying Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, it cannot be too strongly emphasized that this study of the Word is a simultaneous study with the other emphases; namely, The Church and its Work, and The Church and The World. This study is intended to inform, and to incite obedience and concrete action.

Paul V. Church (Dayton): I speak of the section, "The Church and Its Work." I have found little enthusiasm in The United Methodist Church for our traditional quadrennial program. This proposal is not a traditional program. There are no tactics, no program proposals which each local church is expected to carry out. There are no special annual emphases which are to be piled on top of regular program proposals. There are few pious platitudes.

On the positive side, this does call upon local churches to study their work, in order that they might discover the missions to which God is calling them. It does place local church function above structure

and challenges churches to make that structure the servant of function. It does urge local churches to develop their programs in ecumenical cooperation with other agencies and churches in the community. It does pledge General and Annual Conference agencies and boards to be servants of the local church.

The cooperatively produced materials referred to in next to the last paragraph of this particular section should prove to be exciting. I believe that they are a foretaste of other cooperatively produced materials which the local church may call for.

J. Kenneth Forbes (Indiana—NC) read the section entitled "The Church and the World" (DCA page 95.)

Roy J. Grogan (Central Texas—SC) read the sections, "Bishop's Fund for Reconciliation," "United Methodist Voluntary Service," and "Administration."

Bishop Robert F. Lundy (Singapore): Three months ago this morning on the 25th of January, that also was on a Thursday, I happened to be in Saigon on a mission on behalf of the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief, to visit the personnel who are related to The Methodist Church serving there through Vietnam Christian Service.

I was taken out by a young Lutheran woman, Miss Margaret Faulkner, and by a Methodist, Reverend Everett Thompson, to District 2 where I saw a very large refugee camp. It has been there for many years. It sets actually on top of a crumbling old cemetery. All the putrid water, the slime and the stench that was beneath the plankwalks, over which I was taken, and through which you could see, here and there, the remains of tombstones that had long since ceased to be honored as tombstones, pointed out very graphically how near to death people were living and how familiar they were to cemeteries.

And of course, the TET offensive just four days later amply proved this. I had been just three days before in Quang Ngai, a place where many of you may have visited, where I talked with a Catholic chaplain whose church and residence had been bombed out just fifteen kilometers away, and who was trying to work a resettlement of more than 600 people in a refugee camp.

The day before that Thursday, I had been up in Pleiku where two very heroic Methodist nurses were working with people who have shrapnel in their legs and bodies and who were in the midst of an imminent attack expected from the Viet Cong, where the Naval Base Hospital had been attacked just the previous week-end.

The Sunday I arrived in Saigon, I met Bishop Mathews who, along with Bishop Lord, had been there on an Ecumenical Peace Mission. That same evening I met Dr. McLaughlin and many of the chaplains whom you have met here since you've come to General Conference. It seems to me that in terms of ministry to men in the military, in terms of the efforts for peace in our time, and in the service to victims of war, there was epitomized and symbolized, in what is going on in Vietnam on behalf of The Methodist Church and now The United Methodist Church, a ministry to the depth and breath of human need. I therefore am quite concerned, and note the emphasis in this plan upon the phrase, "God's Global Mission of Reconciliation" which heaven knows we need to be engaged in.

I also note with considerable interest and concern that there will be funds used to meet any emergency need growing out of the crisis in the United States, as well as other like emergency needs that are related to the needs of the church either overseas or in the United States. We who live overseas understand the compelling urgency for

you to speak and to act in terms of the contemporary crisis in this country. This bears out that your principal base indeed is the United States as a church, but as an American church you still ought to have it, and you do have a concern for the needs of the world.

There is one phrase here that might seem at first glance a bit jarring; the phrase is "global village." The word "village" sounds strange, but when you think about Karachi, and Bombay, and Calcutta, and Colombo, and Rangoon, and Bangkok, and Singapore, Hong Kong, Djakarta, Tokyo, Seoul, and Taipeh, sprawling large centers of population, with the advancement of industrialization and accelerated urbanization, a ministry to those needs is very compelling.

Though by your vote this morning, we in Malaysia and Singapore, for example, are hoping to have an autonomous church, and we hope this will come into being in August of this year. After four years of preparation for it, we do retain with you a concern for the meaning and purpose of this same new church for a new world.

We in our annual conferences look at the theme and at one of these annual conferences we adapted it in view of our coming autonomy to the theme, *New Life for the New Church*. Perhaps to combine these two would express more than any other way what I want to say. We do need new life for a new church in the new world; for these considerations, we are ready overseas to lend our support to this plan.

Ernest C. Colwell (Southern California-Arizona): I am a teacher and a student. This is my Christian vocation. Therefore, when I speak as I do now in support of this emphasis, I have no authority, I speak from no special knowledge, I am merely testifying as a layman.

Long years ago Jesus Christ mastered me. In that happening the words of Jesus in the gospels spoke directly to me, and ever since I have been in a manner of speaking a gospel Christian.

The words of Paul do not move me as the words of Jesus moved me. Yet, for the last 30 years the words of Paul have dominated Christian study and dialogue. Therefore, the timely proposal that our church concentrate a study on the words of Jesus, and more particularly on the Sermon on the Mount, makes me rejoice.

This is a sermon that can be read more than once. It has a timeless quality and it is relevant today for at least two reasons. First of all, Jesus spoke claims about the nature of God and his will for us with immeasurable innocence and simplicity. He does not reason about it, he does not argue for it, he states the fact.

And in the second place, in this great sermon he talks, as he does elsewhere, in concrete terms and in solid words that are as close to the things themselves as language can be, and still be language.

He does not use abstract terms which can be diluted by successive definitions. The lilies of the field are still the lilies of the field. The sun still rises both on Methodists and on sinners. Salt is still salt. However, if it is true, as many among us and many of our fellow citizens outside the church are convinced, if it is true that this Methodist salt has lost some of its savor, wherewith shall it be salted? Not alone by church union. I believe that this quadrennial emphasis is drawing us back again to serious consideration of the words of our Lord, it has the power to do it.

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River): I am thrilled by the challenge of the proposed quadrennial emphasis for our United Methodist Church. We have heard the full program outlined in careful detail, and while I enthusiastically support every facet of the proposal, I shall take the time of the conference only to underscore the urgent need for the Bishops' Fund for Reconciliation. The sum of \$20,000,000 at first seems staggering; and it is just that! But, measured against the needs of the hour, we can do no less.

About a year ago a tornado struck suddenly at Belvidere, a northern

Illinois community near Rockford where I live. Many children were killed as they were caught in school buses, and the property damage was severe. The people of Belvidere and in neighboring communities responded to the crisis with a great outpouring of funds, including thousands of dollars contributed through churches. We are willing to give sacrificially at a time of a natural disaster. Now, we must be willing to give sacrificially to alleviate the storms spawned by the long neglect and indifference of mankind.

Members of this General Conference, we must not wait for the destructive winds of frustration and despair to destroy our cities. We must act now! Churchmen must lead the way. In taking this action at this General Conference, we can demonstrate to the lawmakers of our nation what must be done if our country is to find an answer to the imperative needs outlined in the report of the Kerner Commission.

In the words of the bishops of our own United Methodist Church, "We dare not depart this place before we resolve that in prayer, personnel, and sacrificial gifts, we shall join men of good will, whatever their name or sign, helping create conditions that will maintain the humane fellowship and strengthen the tools of our redemptive labor."

Roy Nichols (New York): I know there is a good rule of salesmanship that says when you get to the point, when you are ready to sell it and have sold it, then give the man the package and get the money. I am the pastor of a local church and always have been a local minister. The church is located in Central Harlem in New York City. We are struggling to pay our apportionment, and we are burdened under a \$400,000 debt.

So, when I picked up the *Daily Advocate* to see what we were going to consider, I did what most of the preachers did in this group—searched for the price tag, but I discovered in looking for it that there was a lot more there than I had expected to find . . . some exciting new ideas that I think, in spite of all of my self-pity, I want to go back with quickening footsteps and sell this to my people, get my church to do its share in putting this program over as a member and constituent in The United Methodist Church.

I found, for instance, the notion of the Task Force idea—which isn't new, except that it is coupled to the notion of this United Methodist Volunteer Service concept, which will enable us to deploy some of the idealism without our church, generated by our teaching in concrete ways in service projects, directed through the forces of these funds.

I was happy to discover that it didn't create any new machinery that we would have to buy. Principally, the administration of this matter remains in the annual conferences and in the Council of Bishops. And such administration as we have is simply enough to raise the funds and to properly dispense with them.

This means that if we vote favorably on this proposal, since one-half of what we raise remains at home in the annual conference for program purposes as described in the outline of this prescription given to us by the Coordinating Council, we are actually passing an enabling act that will strengthen every segment of the church at the point of program, and this is what most of us are interested in.

I think we can get excited about it because if we follow the outline that has been set for us in the paper and in the presentation of these speakers, and if we do it as has been suggested with good preliminary publicity and then do it in a hurry so that our people will be caught up in the purpose, the job will be done. There will be substantial surrounding of reinforcing publicity that will touch much of the community and our people as well. I think this will help us to do it, and to do it in a different way. I sincerely feel that if we put our

hearts and minds to getting under this load and giving substance to this proposal we can in an exciting new way give this new church the muscles that it needs, the blood transfusion that it needs, and the money that it needs to do some new things.

I therefore, specifically, am calling upon my brother pastors who are burdened with the same debts that I have and who are struggling with the same apportionments that I'm struggling with, and who are having a little trouble paying for heat and light, especially in the winter time, to tighten our belts a little bit and get a little twinkle in our eyes and go back home and sell the best thing that I think has been before a General Conference for us to consider and to implement in a long time.

Roy J. Grogan (Central Texas—SC) moved adoption of the program. *Woodie W. White* (Detroit—NC) asked concerning the composition of the quadrennial emphasis committee; Bishop Mathews stated it would be raised by the Council of Bishops.

Paul O. Mayer (North-East Ohio—NC) requested that all minority groups be included throughout the report. Bishop Mathews said this is the intention.

A. P. Wallace (West Virginia—NE) wanted to know why the voluntary service was limited to the youth, and Bishop Mathews said it was pointed to youth, but he did not think others would be refused.

A. A. Wright (Southern California-Arizona—W) wanted to propose an amendment, but Bishop Howard stated the report was not open yet for amendments. *Robert W. Fribley* (North Indiana—NC) asked if this program would come forth with specifics which gives handles to hold on to. Bishop Mathews said it is rather pointed and clear.

John F. Olexa (Erie—EUB) wanted to know what place evangelism had in the program. Bishop Mathews said evangelism was in it repeatedly, implicitly and explicitly.

Ted I. Richardson (Southwest Texas—SC) asked if there would be coordination of expenditure of the \$20,000,000.00 with other church bodies with like concern, and Bishop Mathews stated it was a cooperative approach.

Extension of Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

On motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) the time was extended thirty minutes.

Suggestion of Change—A. A. Wright

A. A. Wright (Southern California-Arizona): I would prefer to make this as a suggestion if the committee will accept it, since it deals with mechanics. Item one in the center column on page 96 where it says fifty percent to be returned to each, I would suggest that be retained by the episcopal area and further down under B where we refer to Funds for Reconciliation we would add the word Fund for Reconciliation on deposit with Council of World Service and Finance, and add the same word under administration, where it refers to the Fund for Reconciliation. This is merely a mechanical thing.

Bishop Mathews: Mr. Chairman, if there is no objection, I would accept all three of those suggestions.

Motion to Refer—*Sydney C. G. Everson*

Sydney C. G. Everson (Ohio—NC) made a motion that at the end of the fifth paragraph of the section, "The Church and Its Work"—the following be added, "When the new *Discipline* of the United Methodist Church has been perfected, the section on the Local Church shall be printed in inexpensive pamphlet form for wide distribution among the local congregations of our church." Bishop Mathews felt this was out of place here and should be referred to a proper committee upon which Dr. Everson moved that it be referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests and it was done.

Amendment—*Lee C. Moorehead*

Lee Moorehead (Ohio): I would like to move that on page 96 in the middle column under section "B" the phrasing, reading "from 18 to 30" be amended to read "for which persons from the age of 18 and over may offer themselves for periods of direct service . . ." and then also to bring that into harmony with the end by adding following the term young people, the words "and adults."

I think too, with one of the previous speakers that this is one of the most exciting and important parts in this entire report and this proposal, and I certainly want to see our young people challenged and I would not want to see the edge of that thrust in any way dulled, whatsoever.

On the other hand I feel also that there is a tremendous opportunity for us here as pastors to challenge the people in our churches who may be just over 30 and to close somewhat, this terrible generation gap about which we hear so much. There are many people, for example, in the church which I serve who would be in a position to do exactly what is called for here under this voluntary service program and task force.

For example, in the congregation that I am the pastor of there are two persons who upon their retirement from Ohio Wesleyan University did exactly this. One was the university physician and upon his retirement he worked for two years in India in the Peace Corps. The other man was the dean of the university and he went on a similar service project to the Philippines. I would like to see that this challenge, very definitely is laid down to be people of all ages so that people in our church will really understand regardless of their age that in the crisis in which we live they have an opportunity for direct service.

Hoover Rupert (Detroit—NC) spoke against the amendment; *A. P. Wallace* (West Virginia—NE) spoke for the amendment. *George N. Hippel* (Philadelphia—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Previous Question—*Dow Kirkpatrick*

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) moved the previous question on all that was before the house, and it was ordered.

Questions

John H. Rixse (Virginia—SE) asked if the \$20,000,000 would be an apportionment of a voluntary contribution. Bishop Mathews stated the effort would be to raise it in a great campaign to which the people might respond in a favorable fashion.

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey—NE) asked if the Council on World Service had studied this request, to which Bishop Mathews stated it had.

Wallace Fridy (South Carolina—SE) asked if those over 30 years of age with special gifts might be eligible for service, and Bishop Mathews replied that he would be disposed to accept it but that he was not sure if it would be allowed here.

Hubert Fellers (Ohio-Miami—EUB) wanted to make a substitute motion, but Bishop Howard ruled that the previous question had been called.

The vote was taken on the Moorehead amendment, and it lost.

Wallace Fridy (South Carolina—SE) desired to make an amendment, but Bishop Howard ruled that the house was under the previous question.

Alva H. Clark (Nebraska—SC) wanted to know if the amount under consideration was for \$25,000,000 or \$20,000,000 and was told that \$20,000,000 was correct.

Point of Order—John J. Rooks—Harry C. Parham

John J. Rooks (Florida—SE) questioned if the call for the previous question was not out of order since two speeches had not been made for and against the report. *Harry C. Parham* (Florida—SE) also raised a point of order that the report had not been considered section by section and the call for the previous question was out of order.

Motion to Reconsider—William Walker

William Walker (Oregon—W) moved reconsideration on the previous question. Bishop Howard stated that his intention was to consider the report column by column but that the previous question was called for and voted. *Harry C. Parham* (Florida—SE) felt that the previous question did not involve the whole report. Bishop Howard ruled that the previous question was properly before the house.

Clarification—James Crippen

James Crippen (Detroit—NC) a member of the Council on World Service, made a statement of clarification as follows:

Mr. Crippen: Mr. Chairman, the amount of \$20,000,000 of this campaign has not been formally before the Council on World Service

and Finance. It is true that the Council on World Service and Finance has been appraised of this asking, and we have participated in some of the meetings with the Coordinating Council in terms of this entire matter.

Let me ask you to turn, if you will, to page 62 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, column 3 which is the quadrennial emphasis and was written before the \$20,000,000 goal was established by the Coordinating Council. The emphasis of that report, that is item 3, is merely to indicate that the Council on World Service and Finance approves the theme, first of all. Secondly, we realize that there will be some type of a financial goal and we have written into our budget an item of \$50,000 not knowing what kind of an emphasis goal there would be.

Therefore, the item that Bishop Mathews has referred to does not apply to the \$20,000,000 that is now before the House. The \$25,000,000 that it does refer to, let me speak to that, you will hear more about that in the morning when we make our report and perhaps this is an opportune time to say it.

The Council on World Service and Finance is planning to present to you an asking of \$25,000,000 which is an increase in our quadrennial goal from some \$18,000,000 plus \$2,000,000 from the EUB Church, or a combined total of \$20,000,000 up to \$25,000,000 and in our request tomorrow morning we will bring that report to you. That \$25,000,000 does not in anyway, shape or form, relate to the \$20,000,000 that is now before you in emphasis. Before I leave the microphone, Bishop Mathew, I would like to ask you again as the gentleman asked you before whether the \$20,000,000 was to be an apportionment or an asking. I think you evaded the question and I think he is entitled to an answer, Sir. Perhaps you did not understand him.

Bishop Mathews: If I have misstated the intent of page 62, I would certainly regret that. We thought, as the Coordinating Council, we had fulfilled all the obligations. We went before the executive committee of the Council on World Service and Finance, we went before the full committee, perhaps my error was in making any reference to this report. Perhaps that should have waited explication from someone who officially represents that council.

Bishop Ward and I certainly had the distinct impression that the technicality had been met. If it has not, then I should be happy, when the Conference has expressed its will concerning this quadrennial emphasis, to make or to have someone who is on the Council and can make a motion to refer it under Rule 7 of the procedures of the Conference. In that way the Council on World Service and Finance can review this further, but with regard to what was said I do not think I am in a position to say administratively how this would be handled.

If you ask me whether the \$20,000,000 in this Fund for Reconciliation is to be an apportionment to the churches, I have no expert knowledge with regard to that. We do ask that a special committee be raised and the relationship to the Council of Bishops, details be planned. In the Crusade for Christ when \$25,000,000 was proposed the question was asked, "Well surely you are not going to make this an apportionment to the churches. We would like to rise to the whole amount and then of course when it comes down to the fine print, what would you suggest?" I cannot answer that question.

Motion to Reconsider—William Walker

William Walker (Oregon—W) stated he had made a motion to reconsider the vote on the previous question.

Motion to Adjourn—Campbell Thornal

Campbell Thornal (Florida—SE) made a motion to adjourn.

Point of Order—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East—EUB) raised a point of order that the house could not adjourn with the point of the previous question before it. Bishop Howard sustained the point of order. The vote to reconsider lost.

The report was then adopted. (See appendix page 1790.)

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the Announcements.

Benediction—Bishop Howard

Bishop J. Gordon Howard thanked the Conference, and pronounced the benediction, and the evening session adjourned.

FOURTH DAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Charles F. Golden

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the fourth day, Friday, April 26, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Charles F. Golden of the Atlantic Coast Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop Francis E. Kearns

Bishop Francis E. Kearns of the Ohio East Area led the call to worship, after which Hymn 4, "Sing Praise to God" was sung, followed by the Call to Confession, the Unison Prayer of Confession, The Words of Assurance, and the Psalter, which was Psalm 107, read responsively.

Music was furnished by the West Virginia Wesleyan Choir. The Scripture Lesson was John 17:11-21, after which Bishop Kearns spoke on "Discipleship in Today's World" (see appendix, page 1011).

Bishop Kearns led a prayer, Hymn No. 200, "The Voice of God is Calling" was sung and a responsive benediction was used.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley: Mr. Chairman, this Committee has examined the record of the sessions of yesterday morning and yesterday evening, and we approve same subject to minor corrections which the Journal Secretary will make.

Privilege Matter—Gregorio R. Bailen

G. R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines): Mr. Chairman, and members of the General Conference, Bailen of the Philippines, I call the attention of the editor, or editors, of the *Daily Christian Advocate* to display a more proper and ethical practice of journalistic concern.

On Page 191, column one, of today's issue of the *Daily Christian Advocate* indicates after "Philippines" as follows: "Note—Mr. Bailen's speech will be translated and printed in a later issue of the *Daily Christian Advocate*," but the same speech is printed in this same issue of today's *Daily Christian Advocate* on page 208.

This kind of press release is pure and simply a journalistic fraud—a clever attempt to becloud the true and fundamental issue involved. I have spoken in English, and there was nothing to translate in my speech, I suppose. The gentleman of the Conference yesterday, and the brother who proposed the substitute motion yesterday at the proceedings states I do not find any reason why the editors of the *Daily Christian Advocate* noted that my speech would be translated. I did not speak in the Filipino language or Spanish.

I suggest that the editors be advised to be more careful and to practice ethical journalism, and that they should take due notice thereof, and govern themselves accordingly.

Bishop Golden: I am sure the Committee on the Journal will be happy to take this under advisement and make such corrections. Is that the wish of your committee.

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Yes, it will, if the gentleman will speak to the Journal Secretary it might help us, though I am not sure he understood.

Bishop Golden: There are some problems in getting through on these, but I am sure this is a matter that can be corrected if this is communicated to the Committee on the Journal. Will you be kind enough to do so, sir?

Privilege Matter—Vernon H. Dixon

V. H. Dixon (Tennessee-Kentucky): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, on page 194, third column, under paragraph 10, 10th line under changes press, there is beginning on April 4 just 20 days ago, the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference, in special session reconsidered its previous vote and unanimously voted to, I think it was unanimous, (to transfer into the Southeastern jurisdiction).

Mr. Chairman, I would like to correct the language because the action of the special session of the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference voted to reaffirm a previous action it had taken to merge and transfer with the Southeastern Jurisdiction Conference. The only thing that was in question was whether or not the motion was in proper form, and I think probably this needs to be cleared up.

Bishop Golden: May I ask is the statement correct that is in the Journal?

Dr. Dixon: The statement is incorrect.

Secretary White: Mr. Chairman,

Bishop Golden: Yes.

Secretary White: May I speak to this? What is published in the *Daily Christian Advocate* are the words of the man who was speaking, and we are printing what he said. Now, if he wants to clarify this, he may do so, but this is the record as it was given.

Bishop Golden: I believe this is the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which is not always the exact words of the Journal. I believe this could be taken care of also if you will communicate that the Chairman of the Committee on the Journal. Thank you.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young: Chairman, members of the Conference, if you will turn to page 1 of your *Daily Christian Advocate*, I have two or three corrections to make, of changes that have been made on the agenda before you give approval for this morning session. Item which comes at 11:00 has been stricken from the agenda, item which comes at 10:50 has been lifted up and will become a part of the Report on Courtesies and Privileges, and I would want you to know that if you approve this agenda, you are making 11:30 an Order of the Day. With those corrections I would like to move the adoption of the agenda, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Golden: All right, the agenda is before you. If you will adopt it will you indicate it by a show of hands? Those opposed. It is done. Thank you.

J. Otis Young: Mr. Chairman, we have received many requests relative to the sessions tomorrow. Some wish an afternoon session, and many do not wish an afternoon session. Your Agenda Committee would like to make this suggestion and see whether it meets with your approval, that we have a morning session, but extend our time of adjournment to 1:00, and then be free for the afternoon. I would like to make that as a motion.

Bishop Golden: Is there discussion?

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I feel that we have a great log-jam of very important work. We came here from great distances and at considerable expense to do that work, and I don't believe we should adjourn at 1:00 on Saturday and not come back to work again until Monday morning.

Bishop Golden: All right. Now you have before you the motion of the Committee. Are you ready to vote?

Substitute Motion—*John R. VanSickle*

John R. VanSickle (Rock River—NC) made a substitute motion that there be a plenary session Saturday morning and at 2:30 Saturday afternoon. *Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE)* spoke against the substitute. *J. Kenneth Forbes (Indiana—NC)* spoke for the substitute. The Secretary was asked to read the substitute. *Lester L. Moore (South Iowa—NC)* asked if this meant that legislative committees would meet Saturday afternoon; Bishop Golden stated it did not.

The substitute motion prevailed and became the main motion and the report was adopted.

Committee on Credentials—*J. Everett Walker*

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop and members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials met and approves the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the chairman of the Conference Delegations for plenary session of the night of April 25. The delegates' names will appear in the proper order in the *Journal*, and I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Golden: The report is before you. Is there discussion? If you will approve it, will you indicate it by a show of hands? Those opposed. It is done.

Committee on Courtesies—*Joel D. McDavid*

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) read telegrams from the Red River Valley Center of the Lutheran Church of America and from Reverend Roger Mercurio of the Passionist Seminary in Louisville; the Secretary was requested to respond.

Dr. McDavid requested that Bishop Nolan B. Harmon's Communion sermon be printed in the *DCA*, and it was ordered. He also requested that the Secretary send greetings to Bishop and Mrs. Costen J. Harrell.

Personal Privilege—*Bishop Onofre Fonceca*

Dr. McDavid: Bishop Golden, and members of the Conference, we have present among us Bishop Fonceca of the United Church of

Christ in the Philippines who would like the privilege of the floor for a very special matter. I move that we grant this privilege.

Bishop Golden: Will you support this request to grant the privilege, if you will do so will you indicate it by a show of hands. Those opposed? Thank you.

Bishop Fonceca (Philippines): Mr. Chairman, and Members of the General Conference. My standing on a matter of high privilege is based upon a trinity of reasons:

First, I wish to record, on behalf of myself and my colleague, who sits over there, Bishop Sobrepeña, our gratitude to The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church, for agreeing to invite us to represent our church, because of its historic connection to the former Evangelical United Church, this memorable uniting conference.

Secondly, Brother Bishop, I wish to remind you and the General Conference that you have, at the edges and periphery of your assembly, silent but very deeply interested delegates, bearing your badges and wearing your medals, from several and various United Churches in many lands. The United Church of Christ of Japan, the United Church of South India, the United Church of Christ of Canada, the United Church of Christ of Hong Kong—and not to forget my own church—the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

I would like very much for you, Brother Bishop, and this assembly to know that we, at least I, myself and my colleague have been heartily applauding your pace-setting, world-shaking decisions.

Thirdly, I wish, Brother Bishop, to have inserted in the proceedings of this most unforgettable Conference—I almost said my most unforgettable character, being familiar with the Reader's Digest—my three impressions on the COSMOS report which was unanimously approved last night. My impressions are premised on the fact that the approval of the Report was a well-deserved response of this conference to the labors of COSMOS, particularly the Green Lake Meeting which I had the privilege of attending, and I believe the Galveston meeting which I also attended.

My first impression, Mr. Bishop, is that the first part of the Report, under section A, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 11, and section B, paragraph 1, letters a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k and l may well be the Autonomy Act of 1968, of The United Methodist Church, for it gives force and effect to the quest for National and Regional identity, and enables Central Conferences to elect their own bishops and then to permit those who seek autonomous status to have it! How I wish that this part of the report of COSMOS had for its preamble the Galveston Declaration which runs, and I quote:

"No longer is the church in one place able to decide strategy for churches elsewhere. The seat of decision must be located in the place where mission is being fulfilled. The reality of growing self-determination calls for a new style of relations between churches and the Board of Missions. The 'mother-daughter' era has come to an end. We see in the movement toward self-hood a gift of God."

My second impression, ladies and gentlemen, is that the report, particularly that under section A, paragraph 8 and section B, paragraph 2, Items a, b, c, d, and e, may well be the 1968 authorization for Church Union, of the United Methodist Church. It relates to Belgium, Northern India, Hong Kong, Sierra Leone and Pakistan, covering three continents: Europe, Africa and Asia. This is, indeed, a very important and history-making document, and it should be made to stand out, and a separate act by itself! The Act of Authorization for Church Union.

My third impression, that the Report of COSMOS under section C on proposals for the future, particularly relating to World Methodist

Structure Congress, has our most enthusiastic endorsement. It makes us feel no little sense of elation that the plan for that congress embraces the United Churches in which former Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches were involved. What makes us very happy is that The Methodist Church, being now a United Church herself has not failed to recognize that historic connection and ecclesiastical ties are never lost in the consummation of church union. On the other hand, they are and should be, cherished and confirmed.

To us in United Churches, independence is not the end. We seek to maintain our historic connections with our former benefactors.

Finally, while I am on my feet, Brother Bishop, let me say, we have lived in the United Church country for well nigh 40 years, and for you, sir, and for the brethren of the new United Methodist Church, we say with all the fervor we can muster, the land, which we have passed through to search it, is an exceedingly good land. If the Lord delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it to us, a land which floweth with milk and honey."

Introduction—Bishop Sobrepena

Bishop Sobrepena of the United Church of the Philippines was also introduced.

Presentation of Wives of Bishops—Bishop Roy H. Short

Dr. McDavid: We have one more matter. This is one of the high and very pleasant moments of this conference, for seated in the balcony to your left, watching with much interest the deliberations of this conference and watching with very special affection many of the men on the platform are some very attractive ladies. They perhaps share in empathetic anxiety with the one whose husband is presiding over this Conference at any given moment.

These are the lovely and gracious first ladies of Methodism as represented in this General Conference, the wives of our bishops. They bless us with their presence and honor us now as they are presented to the Conference. We would ask Bishop Short, secretary of the Council of Bishops, to introduce them, and in the interest of conserving time may I suggest you hold applause until all have been presented and then we can offer appropriate greeting.

Bishop Roy Short introduced each of the wives as she stood in the balcony.

Bishop Golden: Let me thank you, Bishop Short, for this magnificent job so well done. We are in the midst of a certain kind of transition that also calls for getting familiar with new faces and this is all to the good. I suffer with Bishop Short because I can hardly see up there, to say nothing of determining who is up there. And we want to thank you.

Dr. McDavid: We are grateful to Bishop Short. We think he ought to have some sort of medal for bravery and for accomplishment as well. We have one other matter. Three of our bishops could not be here, three others who have not been mentioned—Bishop James C. Baker, Bishop Herbert Welch, Bishop J. Ralph McGee. These men are ill and I would like to move, sir, that we ask our secretary to send greetings and good wishes to each of them.

Bishop Golden: All right. If you will order this, will you indicate it by a show of hands? Those opposed? It is done.

Privilege Matter—Bishop James K. Mathews

Bishop James Mathews (Boston Area): Mr. Chairman, just a brief announcement, and then the suggestion of a motion, which I of course cannot make myself. We realize that the quadrennial program proposals came to the end of a long hard day. I did not wish to take further time in order to thank those who took part in the presentation, and of course to thank all of you. I do so most heartily and gladly at this moment.

One could have wished that the presentation might have come at a time when all of us were fresher so that we might have marched, as a new church, into one of the most magnificent and far-reaching programs I feel that has ever been approved by the General Conference or the General Assembly of any church in this country.

There was proposed a great voluntary offering of substance and personality as a deep and mighty expression of concern about the crisis in our nation and in the world. It was not an apportionment; it was not to be handed down; but we trust a rising up of the whole church in response with a vigorous witness and service to our day. It proposed a pace-setting offering by the bishops and other ministers to be followed by participation of every church and every member.

The first pace-setting check has already come in this morning from one of our bishops and his wife amounting to \$5,000.00. That sets a high standard for us all. It would be appropriate, Mr. Chairman, for some member to move that the program be referred, under Rule 7 of the Plan of Organization, to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Golden: Will someone be kind enough to make that motion? It is supported. If you will approve it, will you indicate by a show of hands. Those opposed? It is done. Thank you.

Privilege Motion—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin): This is a privileged motion. I move that the Uniting Conference respectfully request the Council of Bishops to set up the necessary procedures for a pledge service to be held at an appropriate time during this Uniting Conference session, to receptive sacrificial, pace-setting pledges for the Bishops' Fund for Reconciliation. If I can have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Golden: May I ask before you get a second if that would come appropriately under any of the committees that are meeting? I am trying to determine whether or not it should be referred there. Are there any committees to which this could be appropriately referred?

Mr. Schilling: I will await the judgment of the chair.

Bishop Golden: All right. Is there a second? All right, will you speak?

Mr. Schilling: We are all moved, last night by the imaginative, relevant, and far-reaching opportunity for mission open to The United Methodist Church in the quadrennial emphasis, *A New Church for a New World*. We responded by the lifted hand in approval of this emphasis, but having voted the program is not enough. The report stresses urgency and action. I believe it imperative that we act here and now at the Uniting Conference to demonstrate the sincerity and depth of our concern.

The lifted hand must now also be the open extended hand in an offering of our own sacrificial, pace-setting pledge. In so doing, we will be setting an example to the whole church, as well as be respond-

ing to the urgency of this hour to get the Fund for Reconciliation under way. I trust everyone will support this motion.

Bishop Golden: Would you be kind enough now to move reference of that to this committee? I believe it would be appropriate there and should come up there. If you would be kind enough to do it, we should be happy to entertain it.

Mr. Schilling: I am not certain as to which committee, Bishop.

Bishop Golden: It is to the same committee that brought in the report on the quadrennial report.

Mr. Schilling: The Co-ordinating Council? I move referral of this motion to the Co-ordinating Council.

Bishop Golden: If you will refer, will you indicate it by a show of hands. Those opposed? It is referred.

Motion to Amend Rules—William H. Veale—John C. Satterfield

William Veale (New York): Mr. Chairman, I move that Rule 8 be amended to read as follows: "A member may speak once on a question, not exceeding five minutes, unless granted extension by the presiding chairman." If I could have a second, I should like to speak to it.

Bishop Golden: Is it seconded? You may speak.

William Veale: I am speaking both as a delegate and as a matter of the press. We have 100 reporters out there from secular newspapers. The Methodist General Conference gets more coverage than any other conference. Now, in the full session at Pittsburgh, one religious editor said "at a Methodist Conference few speak too much, say too little, and repeat themselves too often." I agree.

And what happens at the end of the conference, under the present rule? The three-minute rule is invoked, and very important legislation is passed without proper debate and discussion. I submit that this motion will prevent that, yet allow all that need be said on every important issue to be debated fully. I hope you will adopt this.

Bishop Golden: I recognize Brother Satterfield.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi): Under Rule 40 of the Rules of the General Conference, I move that this be referred to the Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order, with that committee being requested to report not later than the following day.

Such rule provides "the Plan of Organization and the Rules of Order may be amended or changed by two-thirds vote of the conference, provided the change or amendment has originated in the Committee on the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order, or has been presented to the conference in writing and referred to this committee, which committee shall report thereon not later than the following day." I move it be so referred.

Bishop Golden: Your point is well taken and it is in order. If you will support it, will you indicate it by a show of hands? Those opposed. It is done.

Motion—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) requested the floor to make a motion in regard to the quadrennial emphasis, and Bishop Golden ruled it would be in order when this program was under consideration.

Scarritt College—Bishop H. Ellis Finger, Jr.—D. D. Holt—George Cate, Jr.

Bishop H. Ellis Finger, Jr. (Nashville Area): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, this Conference has already celebrated two birthdays, one on Tuesday, one on Wednesday. In good theological tradition there ought to be at least one more.

Scarritt College is a willing and appropriate candidate for this third position. There are trustees and alumni, who could speak eloquently, in this conference among the delegates; but it seems to the trustees that we ask the president of the college to speak to this significant 75th anniversary, and one lay member of the board. They will speak briefly about this college, which belongs to the General Conference of The Methodist Church. First, President Holt, and then Mr. George Cate, a lay delegate to this General Conference. Mr. Chairman, I present President Holt of Scarritt College.

Bishop Golden: Thank you. We are glad to receive Dr. Holt . . . Dr. D. D. Holt.

D. D. Holt (Scarritt College): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, I always give preference to the laymen, and I am going to ask George Cate, who is a member of the Board of Trustees and is chairman of the Nashville Committee on Development for the 75th anniversary, to speak. And if there is any time left, I will do it at that close. Mr. George Cate, member of the Board of Trustees of Scarritt College.

Bishop Golden: All right. Mr. Cate.

George C. Cate, Jr. (Tennessee): Mr. Chairman, members of the Uniting Conference: I appear here in three capacities: one, as a lifelong resident of Nashville, Tennessee, where Scarritt College has existed longer than I have lived there; secondly, as a member of the Board of Trustees, reporting to you, the shareholders; and thirdly, in my capacity as a delegate to this General Conference and a co-owner with you of Scarritt College.

I acknowledge to you my inability to present to you a factual report without expressing to you my enthusiasm for the work of Scarritt College, for the service of its alumni, for the ability of its faculty, for the program of its administration, and for the support which you and Methodists throughout the world have given to it. I am very much in the same position as the secretary of a church conference, of a small church is central Kentucky, a couple of generations ago, who recorded minutes of the church conference, and I have paraphrased those minutes as follows:

"A church conference was held on this date for the purpose of conducting a trial of four church members: Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jones, who were charged with dancing in public. After much discussion, debate and testimony, Mr. and Mrs. Smith confessed, but Mr. and Mrs. Jones lied out of it."

May I call to your attention the two leaflets which were placed on your desk this morning. One, a leaflet describing Scarritt College; secondly, an excerpt, a copy of a full-page advertisement which appeared in the March 29, 1968 edition for the southeastern United States of *Time* magazine. I hope that you will refer to those and take them home with you. Without any way reflecting upon the literacy of the members of this conference, I would read briefly a portion of the leaflet to let you know just what Scarritt is.

Scarritt College for Christian Workers (and this is the full name) is owned by the General Conference of (and you might insert here, "The United Methodist Church"). It is the only United Methodist graduate school specifically designed to prepare lay men and lay

women for church-related vocations. It is coeducational; It is international; it is interracial; and it is interfaith. A liberal arts graduate school and senior college.

Located in Nashville in the university community, it is a part of a joint program of the universities there. Its campus is contiguous to our United Methodist General Board of Education and Evangelism; it is in the same city with the Publishing House and with TRAFCO, and engages in mutual programs of exchange and support with those Methodist organizations.

May I say to you with personal conviction that we owe a rich debt of gratitude to those who have served Scarritt College through the 75 years of its existence. At this commencement it will celebrate its 75th anniversary. At that time four new buildings are to be dedicated, debt free, at a cost of approximately one and three-quarters million dollars. These buildings were built without government funds. One of them, the new library, was built wholly with funds provided by the women of The Methodist Church. Its endowment has increased sharply in the past two quadrenniums. One-half of its faculty have earned doctorate degrees, and three more are candidates for that degree. Its alumni are serving around the world, in all 50 states and in some 60 countries, and they are serving with distinction.

Its plans for the future include a projection of some 600 students, a faculty of approximately 32, and a doubled campus size as a result of a current program in Nashville of a university-urban renewal area, in which Scarritt will acquire through its own funds additional acreage. The government will provide additional funds for services and extension of facilities of another nature in the immediate area.

I would be remiss if I did not give a great deal of credit for the success of Scarritt College, and particularly for its dramatic advancement in the past two quadrenniums, to Dr. D. D. Holt, who became acting president in 1959, and was elected by the board as full president in 1960. And to the two most recent chairmen of the board—the immediate past chairman, Bishop Roy Short, and the present chairman, Bishop Ellis Finger. And finally, to this Conference, and to the Commission on World Service and Finance, through which Scarritt College receives funds, both for operating budget and for capital improvements. This is your college, and we hope that you will acquaint yourself with information about it, and become more fully advised of what it does for you.

As a member of the Board of Trustees, may I assure you that Scarritt College in this new world and serving this new church, would seek to provide for its students, temporarily, the outer space, rarified sort of atmosphere of academic achievement, but with the continued desire and determination to pass through the heat of re-entry into a world of poverty, war, and misery, providing for that world the healing power of Jesus Christ.

D. D. Holt (President of Scarritt College): Now, I want you to relax because I am going to regard very strictly the time limit. Scarritt College was conceived in the heart of a very good woman, and in a holy act of light and prayer, really, when she prayed, "O God help us to build a college so we can train missionaries to do a better work."

The first cash contribution to Scarritt College was a silver dollar, which was given by a 13-year-old girl. She had waited on the table where Belle Harris Bennett was a guest, and had been given the silver dollar by her auntie, who in turn gave it to Miss Bennett to build this college.

The second cash contribution was given by a shut-in. Miss Bennett told the story to this shut-in and she reached under the pillow and pulled out something wrapped in tissue paper and said, "Here is a

five dollar gold piece. I've been waiting for the Lord to tell me what to do and now He has told me."

Since that time 75 years ago Scarritt College has been supported largely by small gifts. Only four gifts of more than \$100,000 have come to Scarritt College, and two of these through bequests. Now I should like just in these closing three or four minutes to say something of what I think the future for Scarritt College holds. The future is now in reality, for I have the feeling that what gets the mind of this generation of students will dominate tomorrow's world. Therefore, somebody has said that the most fertile field for the missionary cause now is the college campus. I suspect this is true, for they not only will determine what tomorrow will be, but will determine the destiny of the world, probably.

We in this education business have to take some sort of stand toward education, and we have to take the stand in some realistic sort of fashion today. We can let the state train our students if we want to, the federal and state government through taxes. We can do the job piece-meal and meagerly, or we can ignore them, and they will pass out of existence through default, or we prefer to take our stance in faith, at least in this particular institution, because we feel that this is at the heart of the training of lay people for this church.

We have students, as Mr. Cate has said, in every state of the Union, in 60 countries of the world, on every continent of the earth, and it was a marvelous thing. I have on the wall of my office a map of the world, and I could watch the astronaut when he was in orbit and could see where our students were—graduates are all over the world. There wasn't a single time in the orbit of this astronaut when he couldn't look down on a Scarritt graduate, and I doubt if this can be said of many educational institutions in the world.

We are approaching this in the faith that there will be a tomorrow and that this tomorrow will be a good tomorrow, and that the church will have a part in it, and that lay persons will need to be trained, and that Scarritt College will have a part in that training. And it is in that kind of faith that we project our program for the next 25 years and we hope that we all may live to see some of that come true. We, therefore, as has been suggested, are planning to double the size of the campus, to increase the permanent endowment to 10 million dollars, and if we cannot do this we need not expect to survive in the competitive sort of thing in tomorrow's world.

This is just as true with all the rest of the Methodist educational institutions, and I would like to say that as strongly as I could today. Then to increase the permanent endowment and to increase the enrollment to 600, to increase the faculty proportionately, to add the doctoral degree, to change with the changing times to meet the needs for a trained lay leadership for the church and the world; and this is our purpose and our task, and we have no other, and we accept it gladly, and we appreciate your cooperation in it.

Privilege Matter—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope

Bishop W. Kenneth Pope (Dallas-Fort Worth Area): Brethren, I call your attention to the cross at the back of the platform and I submit to you that this cross is rather ingenious. Service, unity, and joy with our modern world on the lower right hand corner. A local architect and artist who lives in Dallas designed this cross. He was able to be here this morning and I am asking for the privilege of expressing your appreciation to him for this contribution to this occasion. Mr. John Hall Brown.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvening

The Conference reconvened with the singing of Hymn No. 93, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Trustees of Drew University—Robert B. Goodwin—Benjamin Garrison

Robert B. Goodwin (Northern New Jersey): I have been requested to present this report. The following have been approved as trustees by the Board of Trustees of Drew University. The Class of 1972, Layman: Arthur A. Palmer, Jr., Clergyman: John A. McElroy, Class of 1976, Laymen: Harold M. Perry, Robert A. Tucker, William P. Tuggle, III, Clergyman: William F. B. Rodda; the Class of 1980, Laymen: A. Vernon Carnahan, Guy George Gabrielson, Charles C. Parlin; Clergymen: Ralph E. Davis, William R. Guffick, Bishop Prince A. Taylor, Jr. I move that these men be elected by the General Conference.

Benjamin Garrison (Central Illinois: I move to substitute for the names before the house the following, before I read them I should note that some of these duplicate the names which are before us and I will indicate which are now and which are not:

Laymen: Dr. Joseph Brant of Summitt, New Jersey, vice-president Colgate-Palmolive-Peet; Mr. Kenneth Connors, manager of Leads and Northrop Advertising Agency, Philadelphia, and a member of the Germantown Methodist Church; Robert Diefendorf, presently a trustee; Guy G. Gabrielson, presently a trustee; N. J. MacDonald, presently a trustee; Edwin W. Orr, Jr., presently a trustee and Professor Paul Ramsey of Princeton University; Clergymen: Dr. Leroy Hodapp of Indianapolis; Bishop James S. Thomas; Dr. Robert Raines, senior minister of the First Methodist Church, Germantown; Rev. William Rodda, presently on the slate, and Dr. Arthur P. Whitney of the American Bible Society. If I may receive a second, I will indicate why this motion is before you.

Bishop Golden: Will you permit the chair to make an observation. This seems to be two sets of proposed trustees, is that correct.

Dr. Garrison: Yes, sir, in part, sir. There are two different slates but there is a great deal of duplication between the two.

Bishop Golden: All right. May the chair inquire as to the legitimacy of the sources of these being presented. The first represented, I believe, the board of trustees, is that correct?

Dr. Garrison: You may inquire, sir. The charter makes quite clear that the General Conference must elect these trustees. There is, however, no reference in the charter as to the sources of these names. In addition, the charter states that the acts of said trustees shall be subject at all times and subordinate to the direction and instructions of the General Conference. May I proceed?

Bishop Golden: Yes, let's see where you are going.

Dr. Garrison: All right, I hope to discover myself. The Constitution, as I indicated, provides that these trustees shall be elected by the General Conference. It is a constitution that is 100 years old and was probably antiquated when it was born, but for the first time in a century, maybe the wisdom of the fathers is being indicated. I refer to

the crisis at Drew University about which all of you know, if you will read *Time* magazine or *Christian Century* or *Christian Advocate*.

One does not have to be a special pleader, alumnus, trustee or faculty member of Drew to have deep concern here for what is happening to the theological life of the church. The chief executive of Drew University announced on Wednesday evening the appointment of Professor James M. Ault of Union Theological Seminary as the Dean of Drew, an appointment in which we all rejoice, those of us who know his professional talents. What the chief executive officer did not announce was that on the day before Professor Carrigan of the pastoral theology department had resigned. He did not announce that as of three weeks ago only one student in next fall's class had made a room deposit and that only 15 to 20 students had even been accepted for next fall's junior class.

Motion of Reference—Benjamin Garrison

Bishop Golden: Mr. Garrison, will you let the chair interrupt you to see if we cannot suggest a method by which this might be expedited with greater satisfaction. I believe there is a committee, to either have the Committee on Higher Education . . . isn't that the committee? I think this matter might be best referred to the proper committee.

Dr. Garrison: I would welcome reference to the legislative Committee on Education.

Bishop Golden: Will you do this? I think then that it might be more easily resolved there, so that it could be brought back to this body with specific recommendations, or whatever might be necessary.

Dr. Garrison: I move reference, sir.

Bishop Golden: All right. Thank you. Is it supported? As many as will support the motion on reference, will you indicate it by a show of hands?

Those opposed? It is done. Thank you.

Printing of Articles—Emerson S. Colaw—Blaine E. Taylor

Emerson S. Colaw (Ohio—NC) made a motion that the objective, impartial analysis of the issues pertaining to Drew University as prepared by Myron Wicke, General Secretary of the Division of Higher Education, be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. The motion carried.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) made a motion that the article by Professor Howard Key to which Professor Wicke replied also be printed. This motion carried.

Council on World Service and Finance—Bishop Paul E. Martin—Don A. Cooke

Bishop Paul E. Martin (Houston): Mr. Chairman, members of the General Conference. It is the privilege of the Council on World Service and Finance to present its report. In a moment I am going to present the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council, but I would like to make these brief remarks. I know of no group in which there is finer cooperation, in which there is more thorough discussion of all the issues before it, than the Council on World Service and Finance.

Over and over again we have 100% of its membership at each meeting. The members do their homework—great documents are sent to them before the meetings of the Council. They survey the various

boards and agencies of the Council, and you can be sure that although they are always courteous to each person who makes a presentation, no presentation is accepted until finally it is carefully considered.

I want also to say that we have been privileged to have during this last year members of The Evangelical United Brethren Church to meet with the members of The Methodist Church on this Council. We have appreciated their wisdom, their counsel, and their advice.

I am now very happy to present to you Dr. Don Cooke, who has been our very able and inspiring secretary-treasurer.

Bishop Golden: Dr. Cooke.

Dr. Don Cooke (General Secretary, World Service and Finance): Mr. Chairman, Bishop Martin, and members of the Conference.

May I say just briefly that in the past eight years it has been my high privilege to serve as the General Secretary-Treasurer of the Council on World Service and Finance. I express deep appreciation to Bishop Martin and Bishop Corson, and to all members of the Council. It has also been my privilege in this responsibility to work rather closely with the Council of Bishops and the Council of Secretaries—and my sincere thanks to them for their wonderful spirit of cooperation in all of the work assigned to us. I would not forget to say a great big thank you to the members of our staff, without whose cooperation and loyalty and devotion to their work, the work of the Council could not have been carried on.

Our report this morning is divided into four sections. We have four major committees in the Council, and to one of these four committees every member of the Council is assigned and serves for the quadrennium. These reports have not been produced haphazardly. A great deal of thought and time and energy have gone into producing them. Bishop Martin will introduce the chairmen of these four committees, and these chairmen will make the report for the Council.

Bishop Martin: Mr. Chairman, I would like to suggest, if it meets with your approval, that we hear from each one of these, representing certain sections, and that a vote be taken on those sections after we have heard from the individual. Because, if you go through this entire report, you are going to forget some of the phases otherwise. Then at the close of the report, we have a motion approving the entire report.

Bishop Golden: All right. If you will approve this procedure, will you indicate it by a show of hands? Those opposed? It is adopted.

Report No. 1—Monroe Vivian—James Crippin

Bishop Martin: For the first section, Dr. Monroe Vivian will report on World Service and Benevolence Specials Committee of the Council.

Dr. Monroe Vivian: Mr. Chairman, Bishop Martin, members of the General Conference. The church certainly is to be congratulated and commended on the response that it has made to the World Service program during this last quadrennium. As you will remember, there was quite an increase of the various askings of the church, and I think when the quadrennium is finished, you will find that more than 97% of all of the askings have been paid.

In our connectional church a general program is possible only as the World Service agencies provide program help and leadership on the general level, which makes possible a coordinated annual conference and local church program. The general agencies of the church exist for the benefit of the local church. The World Service is the life blood of the church, without which the general agencies could not exist. The World Service agencies are almost completely dependent upon the World Service askings for their program.

The several World Service agencies have prepared statements of their anticipated needs for the new quadrennium. These askings total

more than \$75,000,000. When supplemental sources of income are taken into consideration, the net askings from World Service alone will run more than \$33,000,000. These boards have given careful analysis to their needs, the fields in which they desire to carry on the program that the General Conference has directed them to handle, and the entire church would benefit if it were able to meet all the needs of all the boards which have been proposed.

World Service apportionments must be made, as nearly as possible in such amounts as will enable each World Service agency to render the service for it, by the General Conference. At the same time, the apportionment must be within the limits of a defensible plan of apportionments to the annual conferences. Your Council on World Service has given careful and earnest consideration to all of the factors that are involved, remembering that we are entering into a new area with The United Methodist Church—the challenge to our people to go forward in Christ's name.

Bishop Martin: Mr. Jim Crippen, a valued member of our committee and an honored delegate from the Detroit Conference, has been asked to present this portion of our report. Mr. Crippen.

James Crippen (Detroit): Bishops and delegates, if you will turn in your *Daily Christian Advocate* to page 61, the issue of April 24th. It is that page that we will be dealing with in the next few moments. While you are turning to it, let me say that it is my hope that you will adopt the goal which we recommend of \$25,000,000. I had a nightmare about that last night and I dreamed that you adopted it, and when I got home from the airport my local chairman of Finance was waiting for me at the airport with his resignation in his hand. On the assumption that we have to meet some of these people when we get home, it's my job to try to give you a little ammunition which will attempt to justify how we reached this suggested goal of \$25,000,000.

If you will look in the left hand column, report No. 1 right down in the middle, you will find some very small figures in very small type but they are very large figures. Dr. Vivian has already reported to you the response of the church generally to the quadrennial asking four years ago and this column or tabulation of figures will show what the church has done.

You will find that in the first year of the quadrennium we raised some \$16,900,000 or about 94 percent of the suggested goal. In the second year we came up to about 98 percent and in the third year about 97 percent and, of course, the fourth year is not complete. We appreciate what the church has done and this is a tremendous job and it has been a tremendous response in terms of giving by the whole church and particularly those Conferences that had such tremendous increase in their apportionments for their various reasons which will be discussed a little later.

Let me say to you first of all, that our goal this quadrennium is \$25,000,000. How do we get \$25,000,000? You recall that as Methodists four years ago our goal was \$18,000,000, and we've come pretty close to raising it. The EUB Church has been raising approximately \$3,000,000 a year. They do this in one single apportionment instead of several.

At the top of the second column on that page, you will see that in the calendar year 1967 the EUB Church raised three million, one hundred sixty-four thousand odd dollars. This is a total amount that they raised for their several causes, and if you break that down in terms of how much there is of it is comparable to our World Service you would find that about \$2,000,000 of the three is allocated to what Methodists would consider to be World Service. Therefore, these combined denominations last year raised approximately \$20,000,000.

It is with that in mind that we then considered the needs of the agencies.

We said to these agencies of the General Church, "first of all tell us how much do you need to carry on the kind of program that you are now doing? Never mind what you are going to do in terms of new program. What do you need to do just the job you have now? Then, secondly, give us a breakdown for the future." We found that in order to continue the program for the next four years that we are presently doing, it will take approximately \$25,000,000, and we consider this the minimum needs of World Service of the church.

I'd like to raise up to your attention the third column on the right hand side, the subparagraph D, near the top, it's the second paragraph, and let me just say to you without you reading it, I think you will immediately sense what that paragraph says.

We call your attention to the fact that many churches are just paying the apportionments. They are stopping when they reach the apportionment level and any surpluses that come in they're channeling in to their own particular interests which are always good causes; but the goal of \$25,000,000 is on the supposition of the minimum needs, and it does not provide any opportunity for any increase in program. We'll only be able to meet these increased program needs which are, of course, our services to the church if we continue to pay World Service as it's apportioned rather than stopping when we get to the apportioned amount.

If you will slip with me quickly down to the lower right hand column on that page, you will note that this is the budget in fact, and I'll not spend much time with it. It is set up in the usual fashion, the three general categories. First, Prior Claims which merely means that the money allocated there is the budgetary amount, and it is only paid up to that budgetary amount. The second group being, Fixed Claims, which merely means that those sums of money which appear there are paid out in twelve monthly installments, regularly and then finally, the On Ratio Distribution which is the most familiar part of World Service of all of it, and this is some \$22,000,000.

I think the only thing that needs to be called to your attention is that there is a change of names of one of our agencies. You will notice half-way down in the On Ratio Distribution list there is listed the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries and this is the old Board of Hospital and Homes which has a new name by virtue of the Committee on Joint Union's suggestion.

If you will turn with me over to page 62, you will find on the left hand column, down about a quarter of the way, again these same agencies recited, and opposite each agency a percentage of the amount of the total budget which they will receive. For example, The American Bible Society will receive .81 percent of the total budget of World Service and so on down. This I would refer to you as being illustrative of really how the percentages are distributed among the agencies.

Then going over into the middle column there are a series of Special Recommendations. The first listed under Economics, I suggest you not read it but just let me paraphrase it for you. To say this, so many of the agencies of the church said we have new programs, programs that we cannot pass by, and we need money for them.

We did not feel we could give them the money to carry out these new programs, and so we are suggesting to these agencies that they go back and take a look at their present programs and to take out some of the things that are not as effective as perhaps they might be. We are suggesting that they allocate 10 percent of their budget in present program into new program material.

We are suggesting now at the bottom of that second column, if you will skip over number two World Service on Apportionment and down

to the paragraph entitled No. 1. Let me just say to you this is a suggestion that the bishops and district superintendents, pastors and you lay leaders lift up World Service as the Life Blood of the Church. No. 2 suggests that the bishops of the annual conference sound the spiritual note for World Service. No. 3 that church publications emphasize this.

The right hand side column of that page, No. 4 merely suggests that the local council of World Service and Finance in your annual conference play a greater part in dramatizing World Service. No. 5 suggests that each of the agencies of our church in distribution of materials to you make a point of the fact that you are receiving these because of the money you give for World Service. No. 12 is a request to the General Conference that we order the promotion of World Service as one of the chief emphases of the quadrennium.

In the middle of that column is a paragraph entitled III, Quadrennial Emphasis. This is the paragraph that seemed to cause a little difficulty last night. Let me just see if I can't clarify it for you. The Council on World Service and Finance suggested to the Coordinating Council that one of the emphases of the quadrennial emphasis should be 100 percent subscription to World Service. We suggested to them that that ought to be one of the major emphases of the quadrennium and in fact this was in their report last night.

As a part of our suggestion, we used our goal of \$25,000,000 and suggested that this emphasis should be underwritten 100 percent. Unfortunately the paragraph was misinterpreted as being endorsements, specifically of the \$20,000,000 that you approved last night. This \$20,000,000 has now been referred to us by morning action.

If you will continue down the page, Item IV, Higher Education, there is no change.

Finally, the concluding paragraph on that page indicates that beginning in January of next year we will go to a calendar fiscal year and that these budget amounts will begin as of January 1, 1969. There is an error, Bishop, on page 63 in the left hand column at the top indicating that the fiscal year will begin January 31. This is incorrect and will begin on January 1.

Bishop Martin: This is an editorial change and omission on the first page under Resolution, Mr. Chairman, the third column of the first page, under the first one Resolve that we recommend that the combined quadrennial asking for World Service be fixed at \$25,000,000. Add the word "annually."

Bishop Golden: By common consent will you make this inclusion?

All right I hear no contrary voice. All right the report number 1 is before you.

Motion to Recommit—John B. Warman

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania): I move that report number 1 of the Council on World Service and Finance be recommitted to the council with instructions to trim the total asking by 10 percent, report back to this General Conference and if there is a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Golden: All right. Is it supported? It is.

Dr. Warman: This is a day to revalue priority. We cannot meet the urgent needs of our day while carrying along a host of projects that were helpful yesterday but are living by habit today. Our present need is desperate. We cannot have both guns and butter either in the nation or in the church. Crisis and comfort are not compatible. Just as people must sacrifice, so must boards and agencies.

Bishop Golden: All right. Let's have one to speak against the motion to recommit. I understand this is a motion to recommit. All right.

All right if you will, please. Let's first hear from the representative of the Council.

James Crippen (Detroit): Members of the Conference, I don't think we would have objection to this motion except to say that this means that we should study it a great deal more than we already have and this is, of course, many hours we have spent. I don't think we wish to take a position one way or the other on the motion except to say to you that the \$25,000,000 goal which we are suggesting really is an effort to keep the program agencies of the church right where they are today without an increase in terms of programs for the church.

William C. Jason, Jr. (Philadelphia—NE) wanted to know if this report was adopted, would any other legislation coming before the General Conference have to be financed and funded within this ceiling. Bishop Martin stated that new needs or agencies could be considered if passed by the General Conference.

Don S. Robb (Troy—NE) spoke against the motion to recommit. **Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE)** asked if this 10 percent reduction would be on all causes or just on what was now being presented. **John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE)** stated this would be left up to the Council.

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) wanted to know under which section would a Commission on Religion and Race come if approved. James Crippen (Detroit—NC) stated it would be in the administration fund.

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) expressed the desire that all the financial askings be before the Conference in one picture.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) spoke against the motion to recommit.

Harold Fagan (Texas—SC) made a motion to table the amendment and when reminded by Bishop Golden that this would table the whole report moved the previous question. The previous question was ordered.

The vote on the Warman motion to recommit was taken and lost. Report No. 1 of the Council on World Service and Finance was adopted. (See *DCA*, page 61; appendix 1813.)

Order of the Day

Address by Roman Catholic Archbishop

Bishop Golden requested Bishop Fred Pierce Corson and Bishop Gerald F. Ensley to escort the Most Reverend John Joseph Carberry to the platform and for his introduction to be made by Bishop Eugene M. Frank.

Bishop Eugene Frank (St. Louis): Thank you very much. My fathers and brethren. Bishop Tippet, the immediate past-president of the Council of Bishops, had appointed a very proper delegation to

receive our very noted guest this morning—Bishop Corson, Bishop Ensley, and Bishop Mueller, who is now the president designate of the Council of Bishops.

I need not tell you after this reception that one of the outstanding prelates of the Roman Catholic Church has paid us a great honor this morning in coming to us, and we pause to receive our guest with great appreciation. He has been for these years the Roman Catholic Bishop of Columbus, Ohio—before his very recent appointment to the St. Louis archdiocese. He is a native of Brooklyn, New York, and he was ordained to the priesthood in 1929.

He is a member of the administrative committee of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and is chairman of its Ecumenism and Interreligious Affairs Committee. He is also a member of the Bishops' Welfare Emergency Relief Committee, and the committees on the Distribution of the Clergy and Pastoral Research and Practice.

He is a member of the administrative board of the United States Catholic Conference and assistant chairman of its social action department. While in Columbus he joined with leaders of other faiths in instituting Project Equality, a national program to place the churches' purchasing power behind firms practicing equality in hiring.

We Methodists can reach out to this noted guest this morning with unusual joy and unusual warmth. He is a man who is a Christian—has had a personal relationship and encounter with God, and of all the men I have been privileged to know in the Roman Catholic Church, we can receive him this morning as a man who understands the words of John Wesley when he said that he felt his heart strangely warmed.

I am honored this morning to present to you this noted guest, a prelate of the Roman Catholic Church, and to welcome him as a fellow Christian whose heart has also been strangely warmed, Archbishop Carberry, of St. Louis (Applause with a standing ovation).

Archbishop John Joseph Carberry (St. Louis): Reverend Bishop, clerical and lay delegates of the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church, the president of the Council of Bishops, and my colleague in St. Louis, Bishop Eugene Frank, and my dear brothers and sisters in Christ! I must tell you, departing from manuscript, that it is a great compliment and a great joy for me to be here with you, and to thank you from the very bottom of my heart for the fraternal, warm, cordial welcome that you have given to me. This is something that has never been experienced in my life to meet such a great group as this, and I am profoundly humble, and profoundly grateful, and my thought is to ask Almighty God to be with all of us, to bless us and strengthen us.

In the four years that have elapsed since the last General Conference of The Methodist Church, momentous strides towards Christian Unity have been made in the world and in our own beloved country. The Union, effected this very week, between The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren, is a singular evidence of the vitality of the ecumenical movement in our midst.

I am very happy, therefore, to be with you as you celebrate this singular event, and I extend to you my prayerful and sincere congratulations and good wishes. The interval since your last General Conference has witnessed a remarkable growth in our Catholic ecumenical endeavors as well. The U. S. Catholic Bishops' Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, on which I serve as Chairman, is now in its fourth year. Because of this I do not stand therefore before you as a stranger.

The magnificent spirit and the name of the President of the Council of your Bishops are most familiar to me. My fellow St. Louisan, Bishop Eugene Frank, honored me by his presence at my installation

as Archbishop of St. Louis. And then again a few days later when that great tragedy struck our country in the death of the venerable Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I offered a memorial mass for his reposal and Dr. Frank honored us by being present at it.

Incidentally, Bishop Frank and I have more in common than our residence in St. Louis and our ecumenical commitment. He was elected a Bishop in the same year in which I was consecrated a Bishop in the Roman Catholic Church. I offer him my warmest congratulations and the support of my humble and sincere prayers as he takes up his new duties. In a special way it has been a joy today to meet Dr. Bishop Reuben Mueller of The Evangelical United Brethren. We served together at a meeting in Columbus. We recited prayers for unity together and he was at the time the President of the National Council of Churches and I was in a working group. So it has been a great joy to see him here today.

I would be remiss if I did not offer to Bishop James Mathews a similar word of congratulations and prayer on his recent election as Chairman of the Consultation on Church Union. I am well aware of the talent and commitment he brings to this hopeful and delicate undertaking. And in a very special way our beloved good Bishop Gerald Ensley from Columbus, Ohio, who has honored me by being a guest at the residence in Columbus on more than one occasion. It is a real joy, Bishop Ensley, to have you and Bishop Fred Corson meet me and bring me to meet the entire body. Dr. Albert Outler has a special place of recognition and warm affection in the hearts of the American Catholic Bishops from his brotherly spirit which we learned to admire during the sessions of Vatican Council II. In a special way, he spoke in Columbus in 1967 at the Pastors' Convocation and he honored us by giving the sermon in St. Joseph's Catholic Cathedral for church unity on that particular occasion.

Dearly beloved, as you know, a major undertaking of the United States Catholic Bishop's Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs has been the establishment of bilateral conversations between Catholics and Lutherans; with the Orthodox; with the Anglicans; with the North American Reformed Alliance; with the Christian Church; with Baptists, and with the former Methodist Church, as well as the setting up a secretariat or working group for dialogue with the Jews, and also a working group with the National Council of Churches. These have really been sources of inspiration to me personally. They have given a growth in mutual help and friendship. They've developed openness with one another and an ever increasing respect for one another.

Really and truly, I thank Almighty God for this tremendous, wonderful experience, in new life, you might say, between us. We are living in a different world, and this spirit of understanding and mutual love has replaced a sort of a coldness, if you will, or even a distrust or a lack of knowledge of each other which may have characterized our relationships in the past. Really, I never could think that all of this could have happened, but it has been God's grace to us, and we Catholics come late into this, but I want to assure you that we come with a heart filled with joy and gratitude to Almighty God that has shown us the tremendous common bonds of Christianity with Christians with one another.

I should like to explain that the United States Catholic Bishops' Committee views these bilateral talks as a true contribution to the total ecumenical picture. We believe that each of these dialogues has a unique contribution to make towards the clarification of those issues which will help us or hinder us along the progress to Christian unity.

Just a few days ago in St. Louis, I was visiting with Bishop Joseph Brunini, who is our representative for the bilateral conversations,

and he said that he was going to send a telegram to the convention of prayerful good wishes, and I said, "Now I will be only too happy on Friday, God willing, to express to the convention your great personal, your sincere and your humble good wishes for God's blessing on its undertaking."

In the case of the Methodist-Catholic consultations, it was confirmed at the outset that the Catholics and the Methodists have certain mutual concerns, which we feel must be a part of the ecumenical dimension and that there really and truly, thank God, is no deep-seated bitterness between us.

Taking its origin as it did within the Anglican tradition, the Methodist movement did not have a characteristic and specific critical issue with the Church of Rome. In fact, it has been said frequently that had Methodism arisen within the Catholic tradition, it might well have issued in the establishment of a religious order. Methodism at times has been compared to the Franciscan Movement, as its founder, John Wesley, has been compared to the little poor man of Assisi, Saint Francis himself; and E. B. Pusey reflected this same notion at the Church Congress in 1862 at Oxford when he remarked:

"The Church of England should be large enough to contain every soul who would, with devoted heart, labor for her. We mourn now that Wesley was not led to form an order with the Church . . . we mourn here the loss of a deep devoted fealty, of strong intellectual energy, clear-sighted faith, of ardent piety, lost to us."

The great Catholic historian Henri Daniel-Rops assessed the founder of the Methodist movement in this way:

"In England the revivalist who attempted to drag the High Churchmen from their routine and the Puritans from their attitude of hypocrisy bore a famous name—John Wesley. No Catholic can speak of him without affection or remember his apostolate without admiration. True enough, he naturally detested popery, considered himself far removed from Catholic theology and often publicly denounced the ostentation and practices of Rome.

"The fact remains, however," says Daniel-Rops, "that he was heir to a long line of truly devout souls, whose direct influence is apparent at many points of his thought. But we are impressed above all by his unceasing testimony to the word of God, by his Pascalian conscience in face of great problems and by his friendship for the poor, the lowly and the downcast."

This is taken from *The Church of the 18th Century*, by Daniel-Rops. There was in fact a strongly Catholic influence in Wesley's spirituality. He read John of Avila, he read Thomas à Kempis, Blaise Pascal, and he was profoundly influenced by the writings of Father Saint-Jure, the Founder of the Company of the Blessed Sacrament. He was deeply impressed by the nobility and the spirituality of the Cardinal-Archbishop of Cambrai, Francois de la Mothe-Fenelon. On April 29, 1790, in a letter to his nephew Samuel, John Wesley wrote:

". . . you want the greatest thing of all—religion. I do not mean external religion, but the religion of the heart; the religion which Kempis, Pascal and Fenelon enjoyed; that of life of God in the soul of man, the walking with God and having fellowship with the Father and the Son."

While John Wesley did not attempt presentation of a systematic theology, his voluminous writings reveal a theology of grace, a sense of the Holy Spirit, and a concern for Christian holiness that has much in common with Catholicism. His eucharistic piety is well known. He admonished his people to be regular in their reception of Holy Communion. It is noteworthy that the Eucharist is a central theme, a renewal theme in most traditions today, and is one of the focal points of ecumenical dialogue.

Thoughtful Catholics have been heartened by the Methodist participation in the conciliar movement and the Consultation on Church Union, recognizing that Methodism brings with it a deep concern for the things of the spirit, as Bishop Frank has said, the role of the Holy Spirit in the Church, the spiritual life and the holiness among the members of the Church and an awareness of Grace.

Methodism shares with Catholicism the concern that the ecumenical movement involve more than meshing of church machinery; that it concern itself profoundly with the life-style of the Christian. Christians are well aware of the concern they must have for the city of man. There are very strong parallels between the Methodist "Social Creed" and the Vatican Council's Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. These are well known and need not be restated. It is, however, our mutual concern that we impart a distinctly Christian quality to our service of the community; and this distinctive quality, I believe, is the redemptive work of the Holy Spirit.

Among the many letters of John Wesley there is one entitled "To a Roman Catholic" which expresses his sense of the Holy Spirit's work in us. And it reads, quote:

"I believe the infinite and eternal Spirit of God, equal with the Father and the Son, to be not only perfectly holy in Himself, but the immediate cause of all holiness in us; enlightening our understandings, rectifying our wills and affections, renewing our natures, uniting our persons to Christ, assuring us of the adoption of sons, leading us in our actions, purifying and sanctifying our souls and bodies, to a full and eternal enjoyment of God."

Dearly beloved, it is such a sense of the Holy Spirit working in us that is reflected in Catholic devotion to the Holy Spirit. Every session of Vatican Council II was begun with the communal recitation of Isidore of Seville's Prayer to the Holy Spirit for light and guidance. Most Catholic assemblies begin their deliberations with a similar invocation.

In my own personal spiritual life, if you will permit me to refer to it, I have found the Holy Spirit to be a source of comfort, of strength, of light and of guidance. To Him I turn daily, and at times hourly, for grace in the manifold problems which confront all of us, but especially church leaders today.

There comes to my mind something which is known as the Secret of Sanctity of Cardinal Mercier which may be known to many of you and it is my frequent meditation. He gave a retreat on one occasion and he proposed to those who were there this Secret of Sanctity which reads as follows:

He said:

"Every day, for five minutes, restrain your imagination and close your eyes and ears to all earthly impressions so as to be able to withdraw into the sanctuary of your baptized soul, the temple of the Holy Ghost. Then address the Holy Spirit in these terms:

"O Holy Spirit! Soul of my soul, I adore thee. Enlighten, guide, strengthen and console me. Tell me what I ought to do. Command me to do it. I promise to be submissive in everything That thou shalt ask of me. I promise to accept whatever thou permittest to befall me. Only show me what is thy will!"

One of the blessings of the ecumenical movement, dearly beloved, and friends and sisters in Christ, is the fact we Catholics can meet with our Christian brothers and sisters and we can express thoughts which in days gone by we would never have mentioned.

I am aware of the traditional Methodist understanding of personal understanding which Bishop Frank mentioned, of how understanding you are of the way that God can lead souls to himself in different manners. In the light of this understanding as a help to holiness, again

referring to myself personally, I would humbly mention my own personal devotion to Mary, which is a Catholic devotion not widely understood.

Methodists generally recognize that Mary is the most favored of women. In his letter "To a Roman Catholic" John Wesley described her unique status in these words:

"I believe that He was made man, joining the human nature with the divine in one person; being conceived by the singular operation of the Holy Ghost and born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who, as well after as before she brought him forth continued a pure and unspotted Virgin."

Mary's role as the "God-bearer" is the foundation for her unique position in Catholic devotion. The Vatican Council's Constitution on the Church reminds us that Mary is a type of the redeemed—"She stands out among the poor and humble of the Lord who confidently await and receive salvation from Him." This same document describes the nature of this devotion and its function in leading to more intimate union with God, and it reads, quote:

"As it has always existed in the Church, this cult is altogether special. Still, it differs essentially from the cult of adoration which is offered to the Incarnate Word, as well as to the Father and Holy Spirit. Yet devotion to Mary is most favorable to this supreme cult. The Church has endorsed many forms of piety towards the Mother of God, provided that these are within the limits of sound and orthodox doctrine. These forms have varied according to the circumstances of time and place and have reflected the diversity of native characteristics and temperament among the faithful. While honoring Christ's Mother, these devotions cause her Son to be rightly known, loved and glorified, and all His commands observed."

For myself, again, I have felt very strongly the value of the devotion to the Holy Spirit and to the Blessed Virgin in my own spiritual life.

And then there is another final thought which I would like to present concerning the universal call to holiness, which I believe corresponds very much to the call of holiness in The Methodist Church. Some people have the idea that holiness is a circle which is limited to very few individuals, and it is this idea which I believe you Methodists and we Roman Catholics make much broader and say that holiness is a call to all.

By doctrine and act the Church today must insist on the universality of the call of all to Christian holiness. Declarations of this principle are not lacking. In 1923 on the occasion of the third century of the anniversary of the death of St. Francis de Sales, Pope Pius XI recalled the essentials of Christian thought on this subject. He said:

"St. Francis de Sales appears by a special Providence of God, to have been given to the Church to refute, by the example of his life and the authority of his doctrine, a misconception already in vogue in his time and still widespread in ours—namely, that true sanctity, conformable to the teaching of the Church, surpasses the bound of human effort and, at the very least, is so difficult to attain that it can in no way concern the ordinary Christian, but is relegated to a small number of persons endowed with a rare energy and an exceptional loftiness of soul; and that, in addition, this holiness involves so many annoying and distressing vexations that it is absolutely incompatible with the every day situations of men and women living in the world . . . Understand that holiness is not a privilege accorded to some and refused to others, but it is the common destiny and the common duty of all. In truth, 'does not the will of God make it a duty to aspire after holiness?' The will of God, says St. Paul, is your sanctification."

There is a remarkable similarity between this and John Wesley's

"A Plain Account of Christian Perfection." These are his words:

"'You shall therefore be perfect, as your Father who is in heaven is perfect.' And who says you shall not; or at least, not till your soul is separated from the body? This is the doctrine of St. Paul, the doctrine of St. James, of St. Peter, and St. John and not otherwise Mr. Wesley's, as it is the doctrine of everyone who preaches the pure and the whole gospel . . . In one view, (and this is to my mind most beautiful) it is purity of intention, dedicating all the life to God. It is the giving God all our heart (he says); it is one desire and design ruling all our tempers. It is the devoting, not a part, but all, our body and soul and substance to God. In another view, it is all that the mind which was in Christ, enabling us to walk as Christ walked. It is the circumcision of the heart from all vileness, all inward and outward pollution. It is a renewal of the heart in the whole image of God, the fullness of Him that created it. And yet another, it is the loving God with all our heart, and our neighbor as ourselves. This is the whole and sole perfection, which I have believed and taught for these forty years."

The Second Vatican Council, the entire fifth chapter of the Constitution on the Church to the theme, "The Universal Call to Holiness," and in part it says this:

"The followers of Christ are called by God, not according to their accomplishments, but according to his own purpose and grace. They are justified in the Lord Jesus, and through Baptism sought in faith they truly become sons of God and sharers in the divine nature. In this way they are really made holy. Then, too, by God's gifts they must hold on to and complete in their lives this holiness which they have received. They are warned by the Apostle to live lives 'as become saints' (Ephesians 5:3), and to put on 'as Christ's chosen ones, holy and beloved, a heart of mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, patience' (Colossians 3:12), and to possess the fruits of the Spirit unto holiness (Galatians 5:22, Romans 6:22).

"Thus it is evident to everyone that all the faithful of Christ of whatever rank or status are called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of Charity."

Our responsibility for each in following this call to holiness was the basis of the famous quotation of John Wesley:

"If a single soul falls into the abyss, whom I might have saved from the eternal flames, what excuse shall I make before God? That he did not belong to my parish? That is why I regard the whole world as my parish."

Both of our traditions, therefore, respond readily to the Vatican Council's declaration on the Decree on Ecumenism:

"Change of heart and holiness of life, along with public and private prayer for the unity of Christians, should be regarded as the soul of the whole ecumenical movement, and can rightly be called 'spiritual ecumenism.'"

In the process of renewal, common to all of Christendom today, as each of us draws nearer to Christ our center we inevitably draw closer to one another.

Hopefully, The United Methodist Church, together with the Catholic Church can help to make spiritual ecumenism a living reality in the lives of all Christians. Through retreats, programs of spiritual formation, through preaching and teaching as well as by example, the importance of a change of heart and holiness of life can be imparted. This is a very positive contribution.

And now dearly beloved, brothers and sisters in Christ, these are my concluding words and I want to assure you that I appreciate from the bottom of my heart your kindness and your goodness in giving me this attention. Too often we hear the complaint that religion today

is irrelevant. We are told that youth reject the institutional church. There is the possibility that these can become self-fulfilling prophecies if that which makes religion something more than the observation of the golden rule or a set of social principles is neglected. Nothing requires reaffirmation at this time more than an expression of the confidence we have in the power and the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the need for holiness of life among Christians.

Religion, understood in its essential meaning of dependence upon God, and the recognition of this dependence is deeply relevant to the life of each individual in the world today.

Religion has not failed. Rather it is the fact that many men of all walks of life have turned away from God, either deliberately or absorbed in the world, and now walk the thorny, dark road of life alone. Nothing can bring greater distress, suffering, and sorrow, despair and desolation than to attempt to struggle through the battle of life without the grace of God and the guidance of His revelation.

While it is true, and all of us humbly acknowledge it, there may be and are great barriers of theological thought between us; nevertheless, we are locking arms and uniting day by day in the many areas—the immense areas—in which we share these marvelous common beliefs.

It is ours in the days ahead to make religion have still more positive meaning; to promote a sense of dependence upon God, as you do through confidence in prayer, uprightness and holiness of life, and respect for human rights, human dignity and assistance to the poor.

Therefore, most humbly, Methodists and Catholics, may we ever seek to strive together to maintain these great dimensions in our prayers and our labors for Christian unity. God bless you, God be with us all, and thank you very much. (Applause.)

Response—Bishop Fred Pierce Corson

Bishop Fred P. Corson (Philadelphia): Your Excellency, Archbishop Carberry and Fathers and Brethren, I am highly privileged to be invited to respond to these gracious and encouraging and enlightening words of our colleague Archbishop Carberry; and to assure him that we are highly honored by his presence here today, and have been inspired and heartened by his words and by his personality and the message which he had brought to us concerning the true ecumenicity.

We have been conscious, as he spoke, that true ecumenicity is a matter of the Holy Spirit, and that it must begin in the hearts of men. When I had the privilege of being with Pope John of Blessed Memory, among other things he said to me, "How long do you think it will take before the unity which was broken can be restored in the church?" A question, of course, I could not answer, but I said, "I hope that it would not take us as long to become reconciled as we have been apart," and then Pope John said to me, putting his hand on his heart, and pointing to mine, he said, "Yes, Bishop, but for you and me it has already taken place."

And I am sure all of us have caught that spirit this morning in these words which have been spoken by our beloved Archbishop Carberry, and that we know that for us this oneness in Christ has already taken place, and so, your Excellency, we pray God's blessing upon you, especially as you undertake your new assignment in a very strategic time and a very strategic place in the life of the church.

We would remind ourselves with gratitude in the presence of the Archbishop who comes and speaks to us for his church that when the doors of the church were closed to John Wesley and he was refused their pulpits, in order to speak his message which was given to him by the Holy Spirit, it was the doors of the Catholic Church in many places, and especially around Dublin that were open to him.

May I also remind you that this is an occasion when we should

remember with pride that at a time when the Roman Catholic Church in England was suffering severe persecution and disastrous discrimination, it was John Wesley of all the Protestant leaders who wrote that very famous letter to a Catholic in Dublin, setting forth his doctrine, that if your heart is as my heart, then give me your hand, and reminding his people as well as those of the Roman Catholic Church that we were brothers in love, and that we should conduct ourselves in the spirit of Christ one toward another, and John Wesley suffered for that letter.

It did not take the course of many of our resolutions where we relieve our hearts and minds, but have no price to pay for what we have said. He suffered continued persecution because at that time he spoke a word for his fellow Christian.

We rejoice in this hour because it reminds us also of the leadership of our blessed Pope John. He said, and we believe, that it was the guidance of the Holy Spirit that lead him when he was not consciously thinking of it, nor was the world expecting it to call the second Vatican Council, and out of it came the slogan for the ecumenical mission of the church today. In his words we must "purge and reform and renew the church." And, it also gives us, your Excellency, an opportunity to send our greetings through you to Pope Paul VI, and to remind ourselves of the very difficult task which is confronting him in his leadership of his own people his influence upon the world in this day of ecumenicity.

I am sure that I am not violating any privileged information which I happened to have when I tell you that the second Vatican Council after Pope John conceived it was brought together by two cardinals, Cardinal Seunens of Belgium, and Cardinal Montini. Our Holy Father called these two Cardinals, young Cardinals, and asked them to put together what they believed to be the agenda for the second Vatican Council, and then it was submitted to the Cardinals, but it was Cardinal Seunens and Cardinal Montini who became the floor managers for Pope John, guiding the deliberations and the decisions of the Second Vatican Council.

There can be no question, my dear brethren, of the loyalty and the commitment of Pope Paul to the ecumenical movement as conceived and directed by the Second Vatican Council. He is a master of strategy; he has many interests and varieties in his church that he must be concerned with, just as we are, and where he moves cautiously, it is always forward and always with the assurance that having taken the church with him his church will not retreat.

He said to me, because he is very much concerned about our opinion, and our cooperation and understanding, and I have never been with him, but what he has asked me to ask our Methodist people to pray for him. He said to me, "It is true, there are many doors that I have not yet opened," but he said, "It is equally true none of the doors that have been opened have I closed."

And I remember so well the moving words that have carried me on in this ecumenical movement, spoken to us who were observers there when we took our departure from his Holiness at the conclusion of one of the sessions, he said to us, "Let us go forward, let us go forward together, and let us go forward with God."

We listened this morning to one of our colleagues and a disciple and a leader of the Roman Catholic Church who has voiced in words that apply to us his deep sentiment in the heart of Pope Paul. And now, your Excellency, this General Conference of The United Methodist Church is an historic moment in the ecumenical movement of the world, for it marks the coming together of two great bodies out of the Wesley and Methodist tradition in a unity which we are confident will bring us joy, and increase our service, and be pleasing, in the sight of God.

And, in commemoration of God, and in commemoration of this event, we have ordered a medal which will always remind us first of our Fathers and our debt to them, and of our common heritage about which you spoke eloquently and appreciatively today, and of a milestone in the ecumenical movement which must begin with the denomination before it can have its full consummation in the church universal and our complete oneness in God.

On behalf of this General Conference I am asking you, my colleague, if you will present this to his Holiness, Pope Paul VI and assure him of our prayers and take him our greetings and thank him for his leadership in the ecumenical movement, and then for you, sir, with whom we live and move, and hope to increasingly have our being, we would like for you to accept this medal on behalf of our church. (Applause.)

Prayers—Archbishop Carberry—Bishop F. Gerald Ensley

Bishop Frank: Will you remain standing just a moment even though the hour is quite late? Bishop Golden, one of the great influences and powers that binds us together as Christians is our belief that God listens to us in prayer. It seems appropriate at this time that we would pray for each other, and as you remain standing I am going to ask his Excellency Archbishop Carberry to give us his Blessing and in return Bishop Ensley, a very dear friend and colleague from Columbus, Ohio, will pray for our church universal, will you remain standing and your Excellency will you give us your blessing?

Archbishop Carberry: Dear Lord, who watches over all of us, guides us, blesses us and strengthens us, and who is watching at this magnificent gathering which shall be remembered over the years, may we as His children place ourselves in his hands and ask him to shower upon us the blessings of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit and as they remain with us and all of our own forever and ever.

Bishop Ensley: Eternal God our Heavenly Father, we thank thee from grateful hearts for this hour of fellowship which we have faith to believe is a foretaste of things to come. We commend unto thy Fatherly care and goodness this thy servant our Brother, Archbishop Carberry. Strengthen him and guide him with good health, and do unto him with all those qualities good and true from on high, confront him in every good work, watch between him and us while we are absent one from the other and hasten the day when we shall be more truly one, and may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit attend us all evermore. Amen.

Personal Privilege

Bishop Frank presented Father Shean, the Escort of Archbishop Carberry.

Appreciation

Bishop Golden thanked the members of the Conference for the courtesy shown him during the session over which he presided.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Benediction—Bishop Shot K. Mondol

Bishop Shot K. Mondol pronounced the benediction, and the morning session adjourned.

FOURTH DAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1968

EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop James W. Henley

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the fourth day, Friday, April 26, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop James W. Henley, Florida Area, presiding.

Devotions—Carlton R. Young—Bishop Paul V. Galloway

Carlton R. Young (North-East Ohio—NC) led in the singing of Hymn No. 48, "How Firm A Foundation," and Bishop Paul V. Galloway gave the prayer.

Bishop Galloway (Arkansas Area): Our Heavenly Father, we turn to thee because we need thee. We turn to thee because we love thee; we turn to thee that our minds may be opened to thee, that our will and our spirits may be led by thee, that our lives may be filled with thy presence, thy character. We come not only praying for this gathering here and for ourselves but for so many whom we carry in our thoughts and in our lives and keep in our hearts. Bless our loved ones this night, give rest, sustenance, strength and newness and around Thy world O God, help us to love as Thou doest love, speak to us that we may not only hear but that we may love Thy voice so much that we shall never forsake Thee nor leave Thee, through Christ. Amen.

The Conference sang two stanzas of Hymn No. 17, "How Great Thou Art."

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Please turn to the first page in your *Advocate*. We have some changes for this evening. We have two items, first will be a report from Dr. Herr, Plan of Organization and Rules of Order that will be followed by returning to the Council on World Service Report and directions from Bishop Martin.

Your Committee on Agenda has established 8:15 as the Order of The Day, realizing that the Council on World Service and Finance probably will not be through when we reach that hour. It is up to this group to determine whether you shall continue or whatever you wish to do. The Adjournment is at 9:45 this evening. Mr. Chairman, I would like to move the adoption of this report as read.

Bishop Henley: If you will adopt the report of the Committee on Agenda as read you will lift your hands. Opposed? And it is adopted.

J. Otis Young: Now, may I ask, we are establishing two orders of the day for tomorrow at 9:30 a.m., order of the day for the calendar reports at 9:30 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. order of the day for calendar reports. Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of these two orders of the day.

Bishop Henley: If you will adopt the orders of the day as mentioned, you will lift your hands.

Opposed?

It is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the conference, the committee on credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the chairmen of the annual conference delegations for the plenary session of the morning of April 26. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the Journal. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Henley: If you will approve the report as made you will lift your hands. Opposed? It is adopted.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) requested that greetings be sent to Bishop James H. Straughn, Nat G. Long, and Mrs. Kenneth Pope.

Privilege Matters

J. R. DeWitt (Detroit—NC) requested that a telegram be sent to Bishop and Mrs. Marshall R. Reed.

Ray K. Goens (Texas—SC) expressed the appreciation of Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Landrum for the telegram of sympathy they received from the Conference.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) asked that it be recorded that Edward H. Laylin's mother's death had taken him from the Conference.

Wesley H. Hager (Missouri East—SC) made a motion that the Conference express its appreciation to Archbishop Carberry for his address and that it be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Charles M. Earley (Virginia—SE) requested that Bishop Corson's response be included. Dr. Hager included this in his motion, and it carried.

Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order— John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): The Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order considered the motion by Mr. Veale to amend the rules to limit speeches to five minutes, and we felt that the time had come to so amend the rules. So, we favored the five minute limitation on speeches for the duration of this General Conference unless an extension is granted by the presiding Chairman. Now, if the members of the conference will turn to their *handbooks* page 262, rule 8, the last sentence, this 10 minute limit may be reduced by majority vote of the conference at any time and for any period of duration that is linked up with speaking more than once. I move that this be made a five minute limit and that need only be amended by a simple majority, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Henley: Dr. Herr has referred you to rule 8 on page 262 and has reported from the committee on Plan of Organization and

Rules of Order to the effect that the speeches from the floor, be limited to five minutes. Is this correct. Dr. Herr?

Dr. Herr: That is right.

Bishop Henley: This comes from an authorized committee of the Conference. It is in order. Are there any questions? If you will approve lift your hands. Opposed? And it is done.

Dr. Herr: Mr. Chairman, that is for the length of the duration of the Conference unless otherwise ordered.

Mr. Chairman, if the members will turn to Rule 26, this has to do with the length of speech, too, although it is linked with exceptions to majority rule. And under Point 3, where it says "a two-thirds vote shall be required to sustain a motion, etc." in the seventh line on page 267, we would delete the words, "for any motion whose adoption would limit debate." If we would delete those words, then we could move that we have a five-minute limit. This is simply deleting these words here. This will take a two-thirds majority of the Conference, and it is before us very properly.

Bishop Henley: The recommendation is that in line 7, on page 267, the words are "for any motion that would limit debate." Do you understand?

If you will approve, you will lift your hand. Opposed? And it is done.

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 7— Bishop Paul E. Martin—James Crippen

Bishop Paul Martin (Houston): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, I would not presume to speak to this Conference on the arrangement of its time, but I think it would be unfortunate if this report was halted again tonight at 9:30. I wish you would consider that action and go on and try to finish this report on the Council on World Service and Finance. However, you can see to that when the time comes. Now we come to page 69, Mr. Chairman, Report No. 7, and it is presented by Mr. James Crippen.

James Crippen (Detroit): Bishop and members of the Conference, the reason that we are taking this out of order, the chair indicated that we consider No. 2. But the way the work of the Council on World Service and Finance is assigned, is that various subcommittees have responsibilities for various reports, and the subcommittee in which I am involved, which took the report No. 1 that we handled this morning, also has Report No. 7; and with your indulgence, we will take that report at this time.

Before I say anything about No. 7, though, let me say just a word or two about what happened this morning in terms of amounts. Several times this afternoon laymen, such as myself I guess, have said to me: "Jim, why don't we get a picture of all of the askings that we are going to get?"

Men have asked me this afternoon if we couldn't have a complete picture of all of the financial askings of the Council on World Service and Finance in one package. If you will allow us to proceed with our report, we would like to have you adopt it in a seriatim fashion, but when we are finally finished with it, we will then give you a summary of all of the totals and give you an opportunity to put them down. Then you can see what the total financial askings of the church will be.

If you will turn to Page 69 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* of April 24, Report No. 7 is very brief, and I shall not spend much time on it, and I do not propose to read it. Those of you in The Methodist Church prior to union will recall that we had several special days, and those

of you in the EUB Church had days of special emphasis. We are drawing up for your attention four special days this year, and one further one that does not appear in the report—action that was taken after the report went to press.

The first of the special days is the One Great Hour of Sharing. I think I need say little about that. The second is the Fellowship of Suffering and Service. Let me say that it is suggested that, as in the past, the ratio of distribution of those receipts will be 50% to MCOB and 50% to the Commission on Chaplains and Camp Activities.

Incidentally, it is our recommendation that some thought be given to a change of name of the Commission on Chaplains and Camp Activities. I think there is a general misunderstanding in the church about camp activities. Many people feel that this is a type of camping that refers to youth, and this is not the case when we talk about camp activities here, we are talking about military type camps or installations near military camps.

The third special emphasis day will be called Christian Education Sunday, which those of you who were formerly in The Methodist Church will recognize as Rally Day. Fourth, Race Relations Sunday. Let me stop by just saying to you that this name, Race Relations Sunday, is perhaps a misnomer. Actually, this money that is raised on this special day goes for the benefit of our Negro schools specifically, and it is part of our recommendation that study be given to a change in name that might more properly reflect the purpose of this special emphasis.

Finally, if the chair will permit me, I would like to make an amendment to our report to add a fifth special day, which is the Methodist Student Day, which is not a new one, but was left out of the report. And I will read it to you—it is very brief. It says:

“United Methodist Student Day shall be observed annually in every local church, preferably the second Sunday of June, or as designated by the Annual Conference, or the Commission on Education of the local church. An offering shall be received for the support of The United Methodist Scholarships and The United Methodist Student Loan Fund.”

That completes Report No. 7, and I move its adoption.

Bishop Henley: Thank you, Mr. Crippen. The report is before you. Are there questions to Mr. Crippen concerning the report? Do I hear a motion for its adoption? Is it seconded?

If you will approve, lift the hand. Opposed, like sign. And it is done. Thank you. Report No. 7 is adopted.

(See *DCA*, page 69; appendix, page 1840.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 2— Bishop Paul E. Martin—Ronald G. Weber

Bishop Martin: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Ronald G. Weber will present the next sections of the report.

Ronald G. Weber (North-East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, Bishop Martin, members of the Conference, ladies and gentlemen, the report is report No. 2 and is shown on page 63 of your *Christian Advocate*, April 24 edition. I want to comment briefly on the report before it is considered by this body.

According to the plan of Union, it is the responsibility of the Council on World Service and Finance after careful study to prepare an equitable schedule of apportionments by which the total World Service budget shall be distributed to the Annual Conferences, and

the Council shall present this schedule to the General Conference for its action and determination. This is the essence of the G2 Report.

I want to assure you at the outset that the *Discipline* admonition for careful study has been resolutely followed by the Council of World Service and Finance. There was much to study. Two strong denominations had united in order to be a more effective witness for Christ, and each denomination in the past has used a different formula for determining the schedule of apportionments for distributing its World Service Fund, Christian Service Fund, to the various Annual Conferences.

Our Conferences have changed in many ways. Some are larger, others smaller; some are more affluent, others less so; some are in thriving areas, others in areas which are considered by some to be distressed; some have given more generously from what they have to these World Service causes than others, and so on.

In preparing the report which is presented for your action tonight, the Council considered many plans and many formulas, some based on factors formerly used in The Methodist Church, some on factors formerly used in The Evangelical United Brethren Church. Members of both of these former denominations were members of the Council and took part in the deliberations and the judgments. Many of you in this Conference will remember that in Pittsburgh in 1964 we came to the decimal system for apportionments in the entirety of the decimal system. It is the considered judgment of the Council on World Service and Finance that the recommendation that we made to you tonight for apportionments, in other words, a continuation of the straight decimal system, is the most fair and the most equitable plan that we could present for your consideration. Therefore, Mr. Chairman, we do present this report at this time and I move for its adoption.

Motion To Amend—Roland P. Riddick

Roland P. Riddick (Virginia): I move to amend Report No. II of the Council of World Service and Finance, page 63 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, second column, near the middle of the page by changing the colon to a comma and adding, "provided that no Annual Conference will receive more than a 25% increase in the World Service Fund apportionment for the quadrennium 1968-72." The amended sentence will read "that the World Service apportionment be distributed to the several Annual Conferences on a decimal derived from the following factors, provided that no annual conference will receive more than a 25% increase in the World Service apportionment for the quadrennium 1968-72." If you get a second, I would like to say a word.

Bishop Henley: Is there a second?

Bishop Martin: There is a second.

Dr. Riddick: Mr. Chairman, we appreciate so very much the excellent service of our World Council that I hesitate to oppose them at any point. I really want to support this report. I have always been for World Service, for full acceptance of the entire asking. That has been my record through the years, and I want this United Methodist Church of ours to move out in a great way. Certainly, we must move out in our giving, in our stewardship but my feeling tonight is that we do it on a more equitable basis.

I represent Virginia Conference. We've taken pride in accepting the full asking of the church during my whole ministry and we paid it, taken pride in doing it and want to do it this year. But this report and these askings place upon us a well nigh impossible task. We came to this Conference expecting the askings to be increased by 20 to

25 per cent and we did some preparation—took a great deal of doing to bring it to that point where we could possibly accept the 25 per cent increase. But now to think in terms for our Conference of the 35.9 per cent is just well nigh impossible. That means an increase annually of \$219,000 for our Conference. It shudders us to think of the reaction we will get when we get back to Virginia saying that this is what the Conference is asking us to do. So I appeal to you to hear us. It's very important.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke against the amendment. *Edwin L. Jones* (Western North Carolina—SE) opposed the amendment. *Robert M. Blackburn* (Florida—SE) spoke for the amendment. *Ted Hightower* (Louisville—SE) made an amendment to the Riddick amendment substituting 33 1/3% for 25%, but he failed to get a second.

Question of Clarification—Marvin L. Boyd

Marvin L. Boyd (Northwest Texas): This is a question for information concerning either or both of these motions. If I understood the mover of the first motion, he moved that in the middle of column 2 on page 63, that the amendment be added after the colon following the word "factors"; then he made his provision, "provided that no conference would receive an increase of more than 25 per cent." Is that correct?

Bishop Henley: That is my understanding.

Dr. Boyd: Now my point is this. It seems to me that if that were adopted, or if *Dr. Hightower's* substitute were adopted, in either case then the amount which would be reduced from the various conferences which would under that formula receive more than 25 per cent, would thereby reduce the total of \$25,000,000 by that amount. Then if that is not the case, what's going to happen to the rest of the money? Is it going to be lost? Are you going to go back and reapportion it to conferences that received less than 25 per cent or 33 1/3 per cent, as the case may be under the formula? I think that needs to be clarified. Maybe *Bishop Martin* of the Commission can answer that question.

Bishop Henley: We will ask the Council on World Service and Finance. Do you have the answer to this?

Ronald G. Weber (North East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, the gentleman is correct in his understanding of what either of the two amendments would do. With your permission, sir, I should like to have *Dr. Harold Buckingham*, a veteran member of the Council, speak to this very point.

Bishop Henley: Mr. Buckingham, sir.

Harold Buckingham: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Members of the General Conference, this discussion which we are having here tonight sounds very much like what we have had in the Council, not only over the past four years, but over the past twelve years during which I have been a member of this Council, and during this period of time we have tried many different kinds of decimal formulas, trying to come to the most equitable way of dealing with this situation.

In 1952 the World Service did go on the decimal for the first time, but it was an adjusted decimal, and this is what you are talking about now in connection with this amendment. You say we will fix the decimal and then we will adjust it by putting a 25 per cent ceiling on it. Well, just as soon as you do that, as has already been stated from

the floor, you cannot get your \$25,000,000, and you cannot deal fairly with a lot of other conferences.

Now, Mr. Chairman, in Pittsburgh in 1964, after having wrestled with this as a Council for many years, we brought it before the General Conference, and there were large percentages of increases in various conferences, but the General Conference accepted it, and we went on the decimal without any adjustment; and there were people who said to us at that time, if they didn't say it on the floor, they said it to us personally and in the Council, if we go on the full decimal like this with all of this percentage of increase—you cannot get it from my conference. Now, after four years, if you will look at the report, you will see that something like 97 per cent of the apportionment has come in, or will come in, by the end of this quadrennium.

Motion to Defer—James A. Crippen

Upon motion of James A. Crippen (Detroit—NC), the order of the day was deferred to enable the Council on World Service and Finance to complete its report.

Continuing Statement—Harold Buckingham

Harold Buckingham: On page 63, let me give you an illustration now of how this works out. We feel in the Council, we are very deeply convinced that this is the fairest way of working this out. The Eastern Conference—I worked this out without a machine, and I am not sure it is exactly right—but that represents there for the Eastern Conference an increase of something like 24½ per cent.

Now to give you something else to go by, let me say that in column 1 on page 62, about half way down, it says that the minimum asking of \$2.26 per member is still less than 2/3 of a cent per day per member. That's our asking.

Now this Eastern Conference, with its percentage of increase, would be 16¢ more than that \$2.26. If you take the Florida Conference, which has a sizable increase of something like 43 per cent plus, it represents a 39¢ per year per member increase, over the \$2.26. If you take the Rock River Conference with a sizable increase, it represents a 21¢ per member per year increase. Now the motion which came from the Virginia Conference is pertinent to this Southern California-Arizona Conference, because here we have an increase of about 39½ per cent, but that represents something like 34¢ per member per year more than the \$2.26.

So really, what we are talking about, if you put it on a member basis, we are dealing only with one factor there. You see it is not a tremendously large amount. Let's come back again to this. If we were to adopt this amendment, it would mean that it would be something like a 25 per cent increase across the board that would be our alternative; and even then we would not quite reach the \$25,000,000.

Now, what would this do? This would disregard all increases and all decreases in conference memberships; it would disregard all increases and decreases in the last four years in nonbuilding and benevolence giving. It would disregard during the last four years the total conference World Service giving. These are the three items. It would disregard the fact that many conference boundaries have been changed, integrated with former Central Jurisdictional Conferences, and otherwise, and it would lighten the askings of growing and richer conferences and place extra burdens on the weaker conferences.

All these things have gone into our considerations, my dear friends, and this is the most equitable arrangement that we can have, as far as the Council can see, and if you adopt this, it is my own personal feeling, and I think that of the members of the Council, that during

these four years we will find that our conferences will come up to these askings, and we will meet these minimum requirements of our boards and our agencies.

Previous Question—F. Lewis Walley

F. Lewis Walley (Philadelphia—NE) moved the previous question, and it was ordered.

Point of Order—Harold H. Hughes

Harold H. Hughes (Virginia—SE) raised a point of order that a vote should be taken on the Hightower amendment; Bishop Henley stated it was not seconded.

Amendment Loses

The vote was taken on the Riddick amendment, and it lost.

Point of Order—Henry A. Rickey

As a vote was about to be taken on the report, *Henry A. Rickey* (Louisiana—SC) raised a point of order that the previous question was only on the amendment; Bishop Henley sustained the point of order.

Amendment—Henry A. Rickey

Henry A. Rickey (Louisiana): Mr. Chairman, I wish to make an amendment. I wish to move to amend this same section on the same page to change the decimal. Instead of the three points to make two points; 50 percent based on membership and 50 percent based on nonbuilding, nonbenevolent giving. If I may have a second, I would like to speak very briefly.

Bishop Henley: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Henry Rickey: The third point which we have, which considers previous World Service giving, penalizes a conference which has done well in World Service giving. In our own conference we were very proud of our record.

Louisiana, four years ago, was given a 53.6 percent increase in World Service. We accepted it and paid it in full every year of the quadrennium. This year we are assigned a 37 percent increase and the only reason we can discover in our record for that much increase is we have done well on World Service giving. We think that third factor should be eliminated from consideration.

Will M. Hildebrand (Southern California-Arizona—W) spoke against the amendment. The vote was taken, and the amendment lost.

Previous Question—Charles E. Kachel

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) moved the previous question on all that was before the house; it was ordered.

Report No. 2 was adopted (see *DCA* page 63; appendix page 1821).

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 3—
Bishop Paul E. Martin—Robert W. Preusch

Bishop Martin: Mr. Chairman, the Council is happy to present Mr. Robert W. Preusch who will give to you leadership in some of the other sections.

Bishop Henley: Thank you Bishop Martin. Dr. Preusch.

Robert W. Preusch (New York): Bishop Henley, Bishops of The United Methodist Church, fellow delegates. The item we have before us now is the episcopal fund, found on page 63 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Before we review this, let me give you a correction that you will have to make in your report. If you will turn over to page 65 in the column at the left, under number 2. If you will go down there has to be a correction made at the bottom of the first paragraph the words "this is based on the pension being 60 per cent of the . . ." and before the word salary you must insert the phrase ". . . salary at time of retirement or the . . ." and then you continue, "salary of the active bishop in the same area."

Bishop Henley: That is not an amendment but simply a clarification.

Mr. Preusch: That is right. And then after the word ". . . area" you will insert the words ". . . whichever is higher."

Bishop Henley: I think we better get an expression on this. This report is in your hands, if you will approve these corrections, you will lift your hands? Opposed like sign.

Mr. Preusch: The Episcopal Fund as we have in the Methodist Church is for the purpose of supporting the bishops to the extent of salary and their expenses. In addition it provides support for retired bishops, widows of bishops and also minor children of deceased bishops. The way we arrive at this fund is we are authorized to apportion to each conference a factor of 2½ percent of the salaries of the pastor of each conference. We have been raising this fund by apportioning 2 percent and we would hope to hold it at 2 percent so this would be one item that the only increase we would have to show would be in direct proportion to the increases in the salary in your own conference.

In addition to the salary and expense support, I think I should mention, that the Council on World Service also has grant in aid. This is a fund that is available as necessary to take care of needs not provided for in the *Discipline* for hardship cases, particularly in the Central Conferences. Now, in setting the salary, if you would go back to the beginning of the report, the lower right hand corner of page 63, the last quadrennium the bishop salary was \$17,500. It is established now on a scale that begins at \$19,000 for the next 19 months and then increases \$1,000 per year to December 31, 1972.

This factor was established for several reasons. It is easier for a bishop to plan his own living, just as it is for ourselves, if we have a more regularized rate of increase rather than every fourth year a major change. It also has been used as a standard to establish salaries for our general secretaries and many of the other employed secretaries in the church and this makes it possible for those agencies to work under the same formula.

If you follow on down, you will note that we have used the same principle in determining the pensions and the pensions are established at 25 percent of salary plus the \$2,000 housing allowance.

If you turn over to the next page, page 64, we indicate the retirement benefits available to a widow at 20 percent without housing allowance. As you proceed down we come to the area of episcopal residence and we are providing an amount of \$3,600 for the first 19 months of the new quadrennium and it increases as you see according to the schedule to \$4,200 during the last year of the quadrennium.

Below that under item 6, expense allowance, the Bishops are entitled to \$6,000 expense allowance. However, if they account for expenses beyond that, the secretarial help, office expenses, that amount may go as high as \$9,500 during the next 19 months and increase up to \$11,000 in 1972 in accordance with the schedule shown. As it proceeds down, you will see the expense allowance for office equipment, travel expenses and so on.

The next column we indicate salary, and compensation methods provided for bishops of the Central Conference and how that is established and how the pensions are provided for Jurisdictional bishops and pensions for Central Conference bishops. If you come on down to the end, you will see that the apportionment formula that I have mentioned indicated and Mr. Chairman with that I would move the adoption of this report.

J. Melvin Brawn (California—EUB) stated that he felt compensation for retired bishops was too low. Mr. Preusch called attention to housing allowances.

Mrs. John B. Hutchinson (Southern California-Arizona—W) wanted to know why a widow must have been married fifteen years. Mr. Preusch replied that this was disciplinary. Mrs. Hutchinson attempted to make an amendment, but Bishop Henley stated he had recognized someone else.

Amendment—William P. Appelgate

William P. Appelgate (North Iowa): I would like to make an amendment to this. I move that the Bishop's salary of \$19,000 be set for two years with \$20,000 for the following two years. If I get a second to that I will speak to it.

Bishop Henley: Is there a second? It has been seconded. The amendment is before you.

Mr. Appelgate: I have a great admiration for Bishops, but I feel that approximately 20 percent increase as is scheduled in this report is somewhat out of line in regard to our situation this day. In connection with the rate of inflation, and I would move these up at a little slower rate because if we move all of our Bishops up at this fast a rate on salary within all our general church, all of our executive secretaries and all of our other departmental heads will feel, "Well, I ought to have a 20 percent raise in the next four years." I believe in giving to my church but I'm pretty much of a poor man and mine isn't going up any 20 percent in the next four years I am quite sure. I thank you.

Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern—EUB) spoke against the amendment. *John B. Warman* (Western Pennsylvania—NE) spoke for the amendment. Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke against the amendment.

Previous Question—John Thomas

John Thomas (Northwest Indiana—NC) moved the previous question on all that was before the house, and it was ordered.

Robert W. Preusch, speaking for the Council, stated he felt Mrs. Hutchinson should have an answer to her question, and stated that if a bishop had been married fifteen years,

his widow would be entitled to full pension, regardless of the years he had been bishop. Mrs. Hutchinson stated she still did not approve the principle.

The Applegate amendment lost.

Report No. 3 of the Council on World Service and Finance was adopted. (See *DCA* page 63, appendix page 1823.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 4— Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: The next report you should look to is Report No. 4 on page 65. This is the General Administration Fund. The items in this fund are those items basically allocated through the *Discipline* and they are items of an administrative nature: the General Conference Expense, the expenses of the Jurisdiction and other expenses of administration as outlined in the center column, items 1 through 19.

I think I should point out at this time that Item No. 15, Committee on Structure of Methodism Overseas, is included in our report as \$12,500. Last night we had amount referred to us that would require a substantial increase in this item. However, the Council has not yet handled that reference so that I can bring in no other report but the one before you. We will subsequently bring in a recommendation in regard to that matter, so by adopting this report you will not defeat that item.

Bishop Henley: And that item will be brought back.

Mr. Preusch: Should we recommend favorably on that referral we would probably find funds available out of the contingency reserve; however, that remains to be brought back to the Council on World Service.

Bishop Henley: Mr. Pruesch, let me suggest this, that where there are a number of items such as these and the conference has been pretty busy in session, it might be helpful if there are any new items or if there are any appreciable changes in amounts that you could call out for us.

Mr. Preusch: There is no appreciable change in this particular budget from the last quadrennium—it is up approximately 10 percent. The last quadrennium we apportioned for this amount \$1,104,492. That would be consolidating the Methodist and EUB comparable items. It is now \$1,283,132, and there are no items of very substantial change in that I think really needs special attention.

They are outlined in the paragraphs that you are looking at, and I would move the adoption of this report, Mr. Chairman.

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) asked if this budget was adopted and later on the Conference wanted to correct the item for the Commission on Religion and Race, would a two-thirds vote be necessary to reconsider this part. Bishop Henley stated it would need a majority vote.

Richard Tholin (Illinois—EUB) asked what was the asking from COCU and was told that it was \$25,000.00.

Amendment—Richard Tholin

Mr. Tholin: I would like to move that we amend the figure allocated the Consultation on Church Union to \$25,000, then I would like, if there is a second, to speak to the motion.

Bishop Henley: You have heard the amendment which has been moved and seconded, that the funds allocated for Consultation on Church Union would be \$25,000.

Mr. Tholin: Consultation on Church Union would be \$25,000. Mr. Chairman, I hesitate to raise this small item; in such a large budget. I know the difficulties of adopting budgets and finding proper balance for them. However, there come moments in history when a little bit of money makes a very significant difference in the commitment of an organization to a moment when something significant is going to happen; and the Consultation on Church Union to which we are committed is such a moment, and it seems to me that we ought to give as a representation of our commitment to that movement, the asking which comes from that organization.

Last night we changed this budget to increase the askings from COSMOS for the study of that program throughout our connection from \$12,500 to \$25,000. I do not think it would be at all out of order to symbolize the kind of commitment which we have to the ecumenical movement and to this particular creative thrust to match that \$25,000 given to the budget of Consultation on Church Union in order to develop a definite plan for church union. Thank you, sir.

Amendment to the Amendment—Paul M. Vandegriff

Paul M. Vandegriff (Ohio—NC) stated he wanted to make an amendment to the amendment and started giving his reasons. A point of order was raised from the floor, and Bishop Henley requested Dr. Vandegriff to make his amendment.

Dr. Vandegriff: All right, the amendment I would like to make is that we simply move that we resubmit the entire item No. 10, Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, and subheading COCU, to the Council of World Service and Finance for the purpose of their consideration of more adequate funding of the original request for expanded staff, a fuller program in the area of Ecumenical Affairs, and our full payment of the COCU apportionment.

Bishop Henley: All right, we have an amendment proposed to the amendment. Is there a second?
It is seconded.

Alvin J. Lindgren (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke against the Vandegriff amendment. **Sydney C. G. Everson** (Ohio—NC) spoke for the Vandegriff amendment and wanted to know if Dr. Vandegriff would include referral of the entire report No. 4 to which he agreed.

Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) asked if this budget was adopted if it would preclude other items being considered later; Bishop Henley stated it would not.

Point of Order—Charles E. Kachel

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) raised a point of order as to whether a motion to refer was undebatable. Bishop Henley stated it was not undebatable.

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) called attention to rule 27 in regard to non-debatable factors in reconsideration.

Clarification—Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: While we are checking the procedures, I would like to review a little bit the World Service's procedure with you, so you will see the situation. I know that there is a matter that is going to be referred to us that will come in this budget. I know of at least five, and I know of matters that when they are added up will more than double the budget that you had before you of \$1,283,000. Now, we also have matters referred to us up until the moment Conference adjourns. So some where along the line we have to report to you some of the efforts of our labors.

We met for three days last January, and we received askings, including the one that we are discussing and all the others outlined here, 1 through 19. The total request is \$1,832,642. I think we are charged with the responsibility of taking a hard look and trying to work around, and we have reduced a lot of askings. Now everybody has a program that they are interested in, but we have to try to bring it into some sort of perspective. So in doing that and in working it over and in reviewing the requests, we have given full time and effort to each one and come to the conclusion that the budget before you of \$1,283,132 represents a fair and equitable distribution.

This is after the matters have been presented to us by representatives of various agencies. Now if we refer this back to the Council on World Service, I think we can go back and forth with this procedure until the last moment of the session of General Conference, and we wouldn't know what kind of a budget was before us.

So I would like very much to urge that we stay with this and act on it, knowing that it can be added to and modified until we finally adjourn the session of General Conference.

Motion to Lay on the Table—R. Laurence Dill, Jr.

R. Laurence Dill, Jr. (North Alabama—SE) made a motion to lay on the table the amendment to recommit the entire report.

Point of Order—Earl W. Riddle

Earl W. Riddle (Idaho—W) made a point of order that no motion which adheres to another motion or has another motion adhering to it can be laid on the table by itself. Dr. Dill withdrew his motion.

Statement for Clarification—Earl W. Riddle—Robert W. Preusch

Earl Riddle (Idaho): I think, sir, that the difficulty that is facing many of us as delegates is not the fact that we are not in sympathy with the entire budget which is here, but this morning the presiding officer ruled that a motion was out of order which did deal with this section. The thing that bothers me at this time is that this same procedure which is now attempting to be placed in our hands and before us is not now being recognized, and that is simply to get before us all of the financial responsibilities which we are going to have to take back to our conferences.

It seems to me that this is the place which we were referred to this morning and which is not now being attempted—or being attempted to be pass. That is, that we can receive at the same time the matter of religion and race, the matter of some of these others, the Worship Commission and some of the others that have been indicated, but as yet they are not before us, and I do not think it very wise to adopt a budget which will then have to be reconsidered and perhaps cause us a great deal more difficulty in a future time.

Bishop Henley: I think, sir, that you had better hold just one moment and let the representative to the Council reply to this gentleman here.

Mr. Preusch: Will, I would reply the same as I did just a moment ago, and that is, I think it would help the entire conference if we could get a starting point before the Conference. We can change this budget up until the time we adjourn and requests for change will come in until the time we adjourn. So just when is the moment we strike, knowing that something isn't going to come in ten minutes later or one day later, I don't know.

Therefore, it has been historically the pattern to bring this report in early to be presented so that everyone would have it and to accept changes, and they are referred to the Council on World Service, and very rarely do we go through a session of General Conference without amending the budget many times. So that I don't think anything is being precluded and we are merely getting our report adopted as it now stands.

Previous Question—G. Eliot Jones

G. Eliot Jones (Mississippi—SE) moved the previous question on all before the house, and it passed.

Amendments Fail—Report Adopted

The Vandegriff amendment to the Tholin amendment lost.

The Tholin amendment lost.

After a request for a call for the division of the question by *William Walker* (Oregon—W) which was not sustained, report No. 4 of the Council on World Service and Finance was adopted. (See appendix page 1829.)

Motion—John H. Rixse

John H. Rixse (Virginia—SE) attempted to make a motion concerning future reports of the Council, and Bishop Henley ruled it out of order at the present.

Motion to Approve—Dow Kirkpatrick

After asking how much longer this report would take and being informed that it was impossible to ascertain, *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) made a motion that all the other sections of the report of the Council be approved.

Amendment—J. Robert Nelson

Robert Nelson (North East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move an amendment to that motion, with respect to report No. 5. There is going to appear before us a report from Legislative Committee No. 11 having to do with paragraph 796, the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund, and I believe it would be more responsible if this body would delay action upon this until it has heard that report. I so move.

Carl M. Schneider (Eastern—EUB) requested that there be more details given on reports of this magnitude. J. C. Holler (South Carolina—SE) asked if this motion included report No. 12 and was told it did not.

Motion to Lay on the Table—Hoover Rupert

Hoover Rupert (Detroit—NC) made a motion to lay the Kirkpatrick motion on the table. Raoul C. Calkins asked if this would not lay the whole report on the table. Bishop Henley ruled that it would.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) was asked to give the intention of his motion, and he gave it. Paul V. Shearer (South Iowa—NC) asked what reports would be included and was told all except No. 5. *Hoover Rupert* (Detroit—NC) withdrew his motion to table.

Amendment Passes

The vote was taken, and the Nelson amendment carried.

Motion—Mrs. D. Dwight Grove

Mrs. D. Dwight Grove (Eastern) : I would move, Mr. Chairman, that this section of Report 10 which refers to paragraph 756 of page 145 of the Blue Book be lifted from this total motion.

Bishop Henley: Is there a second? Is there discussion? Yes.

Mrs. Grove: The reason for this is that you will notice that down after the paragraph begins at the bottom of the page which says "be amended by deleting the number 10 and that also deleting the words," and we turn the page, "except official records for use in the local church school and form used by the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions." We are looking forward in the new church to new forms and to new experimentation on time of reporting, manner of reporting, and having an interesting time together, and we feel that if we were locked in in this part we would not have this freedom to proceed.

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer (Rock River) : I became aware of this portion early this evening and I consulted with the treasurer of the Woman's Division and she informs me that these forms would relate only to the forms that deal with World Service and would not really limit the forms to which Mrs. Grove refers so correctly in any way. So I do not view it as a problem. I think this is correct. It would not limit the forms the Woman's Division anticipates using, and only refers to World Service and Finance forms.

Mrs. Grove withdrew her motion.

Motion—John C. Satterfield

John Satterfield (Mississippi) : I move that we withdraw from the present consideration of the Conference on page 72 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* that portion entitled "Department of Research" extending, beginning at the bottom of paragraph 1, I mean column 1, all of column 2, down to the heading "General Administration Fund" and the same be referred to the Legislative Committee on Conferences, and if there is a second to the motion I will explain very briefly why I make the motion.

Bishop Henley: It is seconded. Mr. Satterfield, you are moving that action on this be deferred, or—

Mr. Satterfield: That this portion be referred for action to the Legislative Committee on Conferences.

Bishop Henley: All right, you have the motion and a second.

Mr. Satterfield. The reason is that this afternoon the Committee on Conferences through two of its subcommittees named subcommittees

1 and 4 sat two and one half hours discussing these very provisions which appear in the White Book under Revision No. 17. Therefore, there would be a conflict if this is now adopted by the Conference and the Legislative Committee later brings in its recommendation.

I therefore think you would save the time of the conference if this is referred for consideration in connection with the Revision No. 17 which deals with the identical provisions of the what is so called White Book, or the revisions to the so called Blue Book.

Bishop Henley: All right, you have Mr. Satterfield's motion and you have heard his comments. Are you ready for the question? If you will approve his motion you will let it be known by saying aye.

Delegation: Aye.

Bishop Henley: Opposed? And it is adopted.

Extension of Time—Robert E. Hayes

Robert Hayes (Texas): According to our time schedule it is time for adjournment. I move, Mr. Chairman, that we would extend the time of this session until the World Service finishes its report this evening, we hope. According to the time it is two minutes until time to adjourn by my watch.

Bishop Henley: There is a motion that the time for adjournment be—wait, just a minute—we have 9:45 here for adjournment. We are 15 minutes before that, but we can vote here that the time for adjournment be extended for the completion of this voting. If you will approve you will lift your hand. Opposed?

The time was extended.

Motion—Leroy C. Hodapp

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana—NC) asked if report No. 11 was being included in the motion to adopt and was told that it was. He then made a motion that Report No. 11 be considered separately.

Substitute Motion—Charles B. Purdham

Charles Purdham (Minnesota): I would like to move a substitute motion if one is in order.

Bishop Henley: If it is a substitute directly to this motion.

Mr. Purdham: My motion is that we receive the balance of the Report on the Council of World Service and Finance, but defer final action on it until we have heard from the Legislative Committees. If I receive a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Henley: Is there a second?

Mr. Purdham: There are so many items—

Bishop Henley: Wait, I am sorry, I did not hear a second. Is there a second? Yes there is, thank you.

Mr. Purdham: There are so many items that have been dealt with and will be dealt with in the Legislative Committees that are included in the present report, and we don't have the benefit of the thinking of these Legislative Committees as yet. The main argument that has been advanced so far for adopting the report is so that we have an overall picture.

We have that overall picture in essence as we have seen it, and if we receive it, it is in our awareness, and it seems to me that the final action on it can well be taken after we have heard from the Legislative Committees.

Harry M. Gordon (Wyoming—NE) spoke against the substitute. Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho—W) expressed the view that the Conference should follow things in order and take time to discuss them and act on them in turn.

The Purdham substitute motion failed.

The Hodapp motion failed.

Amendment—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John Rixse, Jr. (Virginia): If I may, the motion I tried to put before, I would like to make it as an amendment to the Report of the World Service Commission, and it would be an amendment to the Report No. 9, and would be entered in as a new item, No. 13, on page 710, middle column. I think this resolution I read before would fit at that particular point.

I move that the Council on World Service and Finance be directed to hereafter include in its initial report to General Conference a total recapitulation of all planned and anticipated askings so that the General Conference will have before it the total picture before it is asked to vote on World Service, the Episcopal Fund, General Administration Fund, or any other voluntary asking or apportionment. That would be the line which would be added as Item 13.

The Council accepted this amendment.

Discussion on Report No. 11—John Bowen

John Bowen (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, would a question be in order with respect to report Number 11? On page 74.

Bishop Henley: That is the one that was deferred, is it not? Number 11? The question will be in order.

Mr. Bowen: On page 74 at the bottom of the page at the right column, there is a reference to the fact that data was gathered by the Council on World Service and Finance by means of a questionnaire. The next sentence says that "although it is not a World Service agency, The Methodist Publishing House was invited to participate, which it willingly agreed to."

I read this entire report. I was most interested in some of the summaries, but I do not see a statement in here with respect to the stated policy of The Methodist Publishing House. Now my question is, did in fact The Methodist Publishing House participate to the extent of returning a questionnaire?

Bishop Henley: I'll let the Council answer.

Mr. Preusch: Dr. Waltz who made the survey is here and he is violently shaking his head, "yes." He is sitting right at the side, and the answer would be "yes, they did."

Mr. Bowen: My next question is, Sir, is there a reason for not including in this report the stated policy of The Methodist Publishing House, since in the report there is a summary of the stated policies of the various boards and agencies by classification of service?

Bishop Henley: Dr. Ragsdale.

Ray Ragsdale (Southern California-Arizona): I think primarily because the survey was to cover the agencies this was a voluntary inclusion on the part of the Publishing House, and perhaps that is the reason it was not included, but if you want the entire report it is available for those interested from the Department of Research of the Council at 1200 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois.

Mr. Bowen: Mr. Chairman, may I ask what was the stated policy of The Methodist Publishing House?

Bishop Henley: Dr. Cooke.

Don Cooke: Mr. Chairman, Dr. Waltz is here and would you permit Dr. Waltz to make a statement?

Bishop Henley: Dr. Waltz will you make a statement, please sir?

Dr. Cooke: Dr. Waltz is the director of our Division of Research and he made this report at the command of the General Conference of 1964. Dr. Alan Waltz, director of our Department of Research.

Point of Order—Blaine E. Taylor

Blaine E. Taylor (New England): The Legislative Committee on Publishing has thoroughly discussed this and we will bring in our report on this information and have it all at its regular time. I feel that that is the time it should come and not take the time of the Conference at this time for it.

Bishop Henley: May I ask if that is a satisfactory explanation?

Mr. Bowen: It is not satisfactory. I recognize the mandate of the last General Conference referring to General Board and Agencies receiving World Service Funds, but because of the fact that the Council on World Service and Finance took the liberty to suggest in this report that there was voluntary participation on the part of The Methodist Publishing House, then I feel that this report ought to state what the statement of policy was, and since here is an answer to the question, I think this General Conference ought to have this answer, and I frankly don't care from whom the answer is given.

Dr. Alan Waltz (Council on World Service): May I say on this that the study was completed in late 1965 and I am having to recall from memory; so I can't hold the file folder for you tonight. The stated policy, as I recollect, from The Methodist Publishing House, was that they are basically following a policy of nondiscrimination in the employment, hiring, and advancement of their personnel, and the reason why in writing this summary statement that they were not specifically singled out is that they were included under the general heading of general boards and agencies.

Mr. Bowen: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Motion—Thomas L. Cromwell

The Council accepted a motion by *Thomas L. Cromwell* (North East Ohio—NC) that in the future in presenting the various budgets that in addition to the new proposed budgets there be also printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate* the current budgets in parallel columns.

Report Adopted

The report of the Council on World Service and Finance with the exception of reports No. 5 and 12 and the section referred to the Committee on Conferences was adopted. (See *DCA* pages 61 f; appendix page 1813.)

Presentation of Secretary-Treasurer Designate—R. Bryan Brawner

Bishop Martin: You have received this in a fine way. You have given a mark of confidence to these fine persons on there. I want one privilege matter before I am seated. Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, I would like to present to this conference Mr. R. Bryan

Brawner, who has been elected as secretary-treasurer designate of the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Henley: This is a matter of courtesy. Introduce him. I am sure we want to hear him.

Bryan Brawner: Thank you Bishop Martin, Bishop Henley, and members of this General Conference. I perceive that this is no time for a speech. I do want to express a personal word of gratitude to Bishop Martin and Bishop Corson for their work on the Commission of the Council of World Service and Finance, and to Dr. Cooke and members of the staff, and to the members of the Commission who have made my service on it for the last four years such a pleasure. We look forward to an area of greater service, and I appreciate and will need the prayers and the patience of every member of The Methodist Church of which we are a part. Thank you very much.

Appreciation

Bishop Henley expressed appreciation to the Conference for their kindness to him while presiding over the Evening Session.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made announcements.

Hymn

“Blest Be the Tie that Binds” was sung.

Benediction—Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke

Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke pronounced the benediction, and the evening session adjourned.

FIFTH DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Eugene M. Frank

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of the United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the fifth day, Saturday, April 27, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Eugene M. Frank of the Missouri Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop John Owen Smith

Bishop John Owen Smith of the Atlanta Area led the opening prayer, and the Conference sang Hymn No. 409, "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim." The Responsive Reading, No. 639, "Good Tidings," was used. Special music was by the University of Evansville Choir. Bishop Smith read John 3:1-11 and brought the devotional message (see appendix page 1016).

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has examined the record of the EUB session of Monday Morning and has approved same subject to the minor corrections which the Journal Secretary will make.

Bishop Frank: Thank you sir, if you will accept the Committee on the *Journal* report, will you lift the hands? Any opposed? And it is received.

Committee on Agenda—Willis M. Tate

Willis M. Tate (North Texas): Bishop Frank and members of the General Conference, you will notice on the front page of the *Christian Advocate* the agenda for the day. On your order we have an afternoon session today and you will notice that all of the sessions today are allocated to the calendar or the report of the Legislative Committees.

May I remind you that every petition sent to this General Conference must not only be acted on in the Committee but also reported out and acted on by the General Conference. As far as I know we have not had a report or acted on any of the petitions in the general session. We have a lot of work to do.

There is a report of the affiliated autonomous churches at 10:50 for 10 minutes, a matter of special privileges at 11:45 but outside of that the sessions today will be on the Legislative Committees. Bishop I move the adoption of the Agenda.

Bishop Frank: The motion is before you, is it seconded? It is, if there is no question, if you will approve the agenda for the day will you lift the hands. Any opposed? And it is approved.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the

changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the Chairman of the Annual Conference delegation for the plenary session of the night of April 26. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Frank: You have heard the motion, is there a second. It is seconded, if you will receive and approve the report of your committee on credentials, will you lift the hands? Any opposed? And it is approved.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) requested that a telegram be sent to Mrs. Nolan B. Harmon.

Dr. McDavid: We have a matter to present to the Conference from the Legislative Committee No. 11, on Interdenominational Relations and Activities. I read to you this letter which they request should be presented to the Conference:

"At the recent annual plenary session of the Consultation on Church Union held at Dayton, Ohio, the Consultation directed me to express to you their great joy at the consummated union of The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church. We in the Consultation feel a particular kinship with the new United Methodist Church. The two bodies which go to make it up have been valued colleagues, companions, and friends across the years of Consultation on Union.

"In a very real sense, what you now do is a harbinger of what we hope the Consultation will bring forth. We are not only grateful to you for your warm and constructive contributions in the past but we also look forward to your continued participation with us. Your union is showing the way for many others. May we express the hope that in this union, you will find not only unity but real renewal for the life of the church. We wish for you gracious mercy and continued grace of Jesus Christ our common Lord."

This is signed by David Colwell, Chairman. This goes as a matter of information.

Dr. McDavid presented Bishop Cyrus B. Dawsey, retired Bishop of the Methodist Church of Brazil.

Dr. McDavid: This is the 100th Anniversary of Methodism in Brazil. Bishop Wilbur K. Smith, a bishop of the Methodist Church of Brazil is on the platform. I believe we would like to hear from him concerning the centennial celebration and with the permission of the conference, I would like to invite him to speak to us about this important matter.

Bishop Frank: This will require a postponement of the order of the day, we are within 30 seconds of the order of the day at 9:30. Will the conference consent to the postponement of that order for a few moments? If you will so order, will you lift the hands? Any opposed? And we will postpone this for a few moments.

Bishop Wilbur K. Smith: Dear brethren in Christ, we thank God for the wonderful grace of salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. To Him and to the Father and to the Holy Spirit be glory, honor and praise forevermore. May the kingdom come and God's will be done on earth as in Heaven.

A look at the world we live in is enough to make us very pessimistic and downhearted. The physical violence of war has become increasingly fiendish and excludes no one from its danger, sufferings and

privations. It kills not only the body but the most elemental sentiments of human love and compassion. The ever widening gap between those whose abundant material possessions are such as to induce a life of over self-indulgence and those whose material resources are never sufficient to provide for even the bare necessities of a normal life and which result in tragic suffering whenever the accident of illness or loss of employment involves some member of the family is indeed unchristian and sinful.

And to this, of course, we must add the 20th-century phenomena of population growth at the unprecedented and frightening rate of doubling itself every 50 years. When we become aware of the fact that by far the larger portion of this increase (90 percent increase every 25 years in Latin America) takes place in those lands and among those people who are unable to provide for their own needs under the present conditions of the national and international economic and political structures, then we have reason to dread what lies ahead for this world.

However, all is not dark and menacing in the 20th-century world, even from a purely human perspective. The rapid progress of technological skills offers an insight into the expandable possibilities for the production and distribution of food and other basic necessities on the one hand and sensible ways of curbing the excessive population growth without the use of inhuman measures, such as massive destruction of life by atomic explosions, or by forced sterilization of large segments of humanity.

We choose to take a more optimistic position in the face of these facts. We choose to believe that the Lord of creation, who made man in His own image and likeness and gave him dominion over the earthly creation and a command to dress it and keep it and rule over it and later gave to his chosen people the laws which should regulate all things to insure that none should become totally disfranchised but rather should enjoy the dignity of children of God, regardless of their situation, even should they be strangers and foreigners, is still, as always, also the Lord of history.

We do believe that this is our Father's world and that we, his children, are called upon to exercise our God-given powers of intelligence and righteousness, to bring judgment upon all things in the present world which create or perpetuate the conditions of injustice which condemn two-thirds of the people now existing to subhuman living conditions and premature death.

We cannot believe it is the Father's will that even one person should have to live and die as do the millions which make up much more than half the world's present population. And if it is not His will, then surely there is a way to change the situation. Ours is the duty of discovering what can and should be done in all the areas involved, whether it be in production, transportation or distribution, even if this calls for involvement in the changing of the present inadequate social economic and political structures.

Biblically, the people of God have never been called upon to be defenders of the "status-quo" which provided for special privileges for favored groups. Tragically the Christian church has too often in its history failed to exercise its prophetic mission and made alliance with the power groups of "laissez-faire" society.

We do hope and trust that we, the people called Methodist, once again may be servants of God as was John Wesley and those who with him made over England. How our hearts thrill at the wisdom and the courage which led to such writings as Wesley's "Thoughts on the present Scarcity of Provision" and "Thoughts upon Slavery."

With what great care did he investigate the entire scope of the slave trade, beginning with the conditions of the Africans in their native

habitat, to the methods and proceedings of their capture and right on through to the manner of their treatment as forced laborers. With what a deeply human sentiment did he make his appeal to all who in any way were involved in slavery and with what profound reasoning did he confound the arguments of those who would seek to justify the trade and with what courage and conviction did he proclaim: "Consequently, it is not their fault but yours. You must answer for it before God and man." And again, "Is there a God? You know there is. Is He a just God? Then there must be a state of retribution, a state wherein the just God will reward every man according to his works. Then what reward will He render to you? O think be times! before you drop into eternity! Think now. 'He shall have judgment without mercy that showed no mercy.'" Or yet again, stressing the challenged humanity of the slave, "'The blood of thy brother,' (for whether thou wilt believe it or no, such he is in the sight of Him that made him) 'crieth against thee from the earth, from the ship, and from the waters."

Brethren, will we in our day and time be as wise, as exacting in our knowledge of the conditions of the people in the world, as demanding of justice, as true to the mission we have from our God? In the extremely more complex world in which we live, who alone can know all the facts and all the possible laws and methods which can be used for the solution of the world's needs. Surely ours is the privilege of making us of any number of technicians in every field of human activity whose technical advice coupled with our Christian understanding of God's will for the world can point the ways to produce the changes which are necessary.

We, the Methodist people of Brazil, are awakening to our God-given responsibility and beginning to learn from God and to dare for God. We humbly confess our smallness in numbers and human resources. We know not how far our powers can take us in saving our people and the people of the world from their afflictions, but we are to trust that our Lord will transform our weakness into strength, and that in the future, as in the past and present, He will supply all our needs according to His riches in glory, through the wealth that he has dispensed to us directly and through the generosity which he has inspired in you.

We wish that in this stage in our history, we celebrate, as we celebrate the centennial of continuous Methodist missions in Brazil, we might say, "Thank you, brethren, for all that you have given us in every way during this time; now we will no longer need your assistance." This we wish we might say to you at this time, but due to the immensity of the task which lies before us and our situation as an undeveloped nation and church, we are required to say, "Thank you for all the help you have sent us."

We count on your continued Christian generosity, now in a different relationship, not as "you" and "I" but as "we." We would like to be partners in a world mission in which there would be no such thing as "our" task as distinct from "your" task, but one truly world Church with one and one only mission to include every creature in the scope of our service, regardless of who or what he is, of where or how he lives. For instance, it has been declared that "there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision or uncircumcision, barbarian or Scythian, bond nor free, but Christ is all and in all," who dares, as a Christian, to rise against the dividing walls of separation?

So we rejoice with the breaking down of the ecclesiastical bar of separation between The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church and yearn for the time when our spiritual maturity will do away with every ecclesiastical barrier of separation

between God's people and between all people of the world whom God so loved that He sent His only begotten Son to save.

There is real motive for rejoicing in the spirit which guided early Methodism—not a fanaticism as some would have branded it, because fanaticism always goes off on a tangent. But a dynamic which kept in perfect balance the evangelical experience of a changed life and a warm heart, the Catholic humility which accepted as true brothers all whose heart was right with God, and the social and evangelistic passion which went out in behalf of all who were in need regardless of the nature of this need.

The early Methodists had nothing to lose, nothing but their lives, that is, and these were offered up to God so they were free to do and to say what God wanted them to say and do. They were as leaven and salt in English society, they were light shining in the darkness of 18th century corruption. May it never be said that 20th century Methodists bowed their knees to the Baals of wealth and prestige, to the fear of losing position in the power structures of this day. Can it truthfully be said that our bishops are prone to be arbitrary in the exercise of their powers? That our ministers figure in terms of financial or social advantages? That they are jealous of positions? That our laymen are sensitive and retaliatory when their personal or social sins are laid bare? Or dare we deny that these are sins all too prevalent among us? Where should repentance begin? Should it not be with us whoever we are; bishops, ministers, laymen?

We of the Methodist Church of Brazil come to you in all humility acknowledging our own tremendous shortcomings and, on the other hand, our great debt to you for over-looking and forgiving us these, even as you continue to share with us your bounties. We owe you much and have naught with which to pay you except our love, a love which moves us to speak to you with all candor.

We wish to see The Methodist Church, not the United Methodist Church alone, but the Methodist Church in all the world "increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." To this end we pray and with this purpose we come to you with open hearts, to learn from you in the proceedings of this General Conference and to share with you all that which by the Grace of God we have obtained from experience and insight in a land so different from your own and yet so similar in many ways. You are only beginning to experience some of the tensions which arise in societies where there is too great a disparity in economic and social conditions. The ferment in the masses and the downtrodden has not yet exploded in our countries as in some parts of the world but we are aware that unless we, joining hands with other men of good will, obtain some changes in the economic and political structure in our countries and in the contingent international structures, changes will not be much longer delayed but, doubtless, will come in a way detrimental to mankind. It is high time that the Church practice violence—nonphysical violence but real prophetic violence, for "from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

May you, brethren of this General Conference, and may we with you be graced with the courage and power which becometh the disciples of Jesus Christ, the Lord of Lords and King of Kings to whom belongs the kingdom, and the glory and the power forever more. Amen.

Privilege Matter—Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer

Mrs. Alvin Pfeiffer (Rock River): May I say a word first before I make a motion. Last evening a number of persons, both men and women, expressed concern over the statement that I made last evening regarding the paragraph which had to do with the official forms and records in Report No. 11 on World Service and Finance.

I have checked with Bishop Martin and with Dr. Thurman Morris, the chairman of the Committee on Official Forms and Records, and both of them have assured me that that statement was correct, and we have agreed that it should be a matter of record that the reports referred to in Report No. 11 relative to the Women's Division and to the Society are two: the former quarterly conference reports that would be its successor and the pastor's report for the annual conference. I would like to have this be a matter of record, Bishop Frank. Thank you.

Bishop Frank: Thank you very much. It is in the minutes now of the Conference session and therefore is a part of the record. We are grateful to you for making this statement.

Suspension of Rules—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Those of you who are in the General Conference for the first time have expressed the feeling that some of your time may have been wasted during this week, or that you may have wasted it yourself. I simply call your attention to the fact that a tremendous amount of worthy material has been dealt with in various ways in the three and a half days since we ended the ceremonies and got to work.

For example, I think almost all, if not all, the General Conference Commissions that bring reports directly to the Conference have been handled. These are crucial significant matters, and you have handled them well. Secondly, in the legislative committees you have had hours and hours to debate issues in a smaller group. This is time well spent. Now we are having a session of the legislative committees, and are beginning to bring into the process of the printing of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, significant debates which we want to be prepared the first of the week to give relaxed time to before we come to the last minute rush.

Therefore, we are grateful we can begin this day's work and look forward to the morning and the afternoon to cover any significant items. I will try a motion, however, to facilitate the afternoon session. It may be that, if we move with dispatch this morning, we will come to the point where it will be wise in the afternoon session to consider some of the reports that are printed for the first time in today's *Advocate*. For that purpose we will need to suspend the rules.

There is another possibility that we might come to the place in the afternoon session where we could well use our time debating resolutions that you will be interested in, which have cleared committees, but which have not yet been printed in the *Advocate*. For example, I can say on behalf of Christian Social Concerns, that we have ready resolutions of The Methodist Church on war in Vietnam. There is a resolution on Operation Equality and Race.

I have checked with the stenographic pool, and though it would be a strain on them, it would be a service they would be glad to try to render if you order it now. We could have two or three of such resolutions mimeographed and on your desk in the afternoon session, but in order for you to be willing to consider a resolution in that form, the rules would also have to be suspended; therefore, with this explanation, Mr. Chairman, I would like to try the motion that the rules be suspended in the afternoon session of Saturday, April 27, to allow debate on legislative committee reports which are in the *Daily Christian Advocate* for April 27, and reports which will be in the hands of the delegates in mimeograph form.

Amendment—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): I would move to amend the motion by deleting the portion referring to matters that have not yet been printed.

I think if I may have a second I would like to explain.

Bishop Frank: It is seconded.

Dr. Slutz: I think it would be quite unfortunate if we attempted to debate matters that have not yet been in the *Christian Advocate*. I think it is perfectly proper to hear matters that have been printed and are before us even though they have not been before us for a full day; but if we should exhaust all of those matters, I think our time could be much better spent in committees than it could trying to debate things we cannot read, that we do not have before us fully, that we have not had a chance to consider, and therefore I would like to delete the portion of the motion relating to considering matters that have not yet appeared in the *Christian Advocate*.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) opposed the amendment. Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke for the amendment. A. James Armstrong (Indiana—NC) opposed the amendment. Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) supported the amendment.

Substitute Motion—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville): What we are discussing here is very important, and I don't think it ought to be settled on the basis of a technicality. Could I offer a substitute for the amendment which would say that we ask this committee or secretarial pool, or who ever does it, to provide us with these mimeographed copies of these resolutions so that we may have them over tomorrow, and not face the same problem on Monday when we come here without them. We need to have these things to study between now and the time we vote on them, so I would like to move that instead of saying we won't vote on them, to ask them to prepare them, present them in mimeograph form and then let us study them over the week-end and consider them next week.

Delegate: Mr. Chairman, they will be in the *Daily Christian Advocate* on Monday.

Dr. Hightower: This is the point, we won't have them until Monday and then we want to discuss them on Monday, and I was hoping we could have them for study over the weekend.

Bishop Frank: All right, you have a substitute motion. Is it seconded? It is seconded. The substitute for the amendment would make it necessary for the stenographic pool to mimeograph the statements so that you would have them over the weekend.

Everett R. Jones (Baltimore—NE) asked which reports Dr. Hightower wished mimeographed, and Dr. Hightower stated the ones Dr. Kirkpatrick had suggested. Roy Nichols (New York—NE) made the statement that he felt the substitute motion was unnecessary.

Previous Question—Irving L. Smith

Irving L. Smith (Oklahoma—SC) moved the previous question on the substitute and the amendment and it was ordered.

Substitute Motion Passes

The Hightower motion carried.

The Kirkpatrick motion to suspend the rules passed.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 1—
Calendar No. 5—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick: Will you turn to page 164 in the *Daily Christian Advocate* to Calendar No. 5, page 164. This is the first report of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, and is the one that was brought before you earlier this week, but ran into an adjournment.

Those voting for this 63; against 4; not voting 4; and the wording of the text as it is there.

We commend the President of the United States for his recent move to enter into negotiations with North Vietnam and call upon the government of the United States to fulfill its repeatedly expressed offer to send a representative anywhere any time to make such talks as possible.

Bishop Frank: Just a moment, for clarification. The Chair has been informed that when we adjourned at the time this matter was before us there was an amendment which was left undecided, and we will ask the secretary now to tell us what that amendment was.

Secretary Charles White: The amendment was made by John H. Rixse, Jr. of the Virginia Conference, to delete the last clause stating the how and where negotiations will be conducted.

Amendment—John C. Satterfield

John Satterfield (Mississippi): I move to amend that Report No. 1 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns by striking out the last 27 words, being all the words, after "North Vietnam." If I have a second I would like to discuss this.

Bishop Frank: You have a second.

Mr. Satterfield: Mr. Chairman, the facts which I state to this conference have been compiled by the chairman of the Preparedness Committee, of the Senate Committee on the American Armed Services, and the chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate, and of the entire security subcommittee thereof this morning and yesterday.

You will note that this is, in fact, a condemnation of the government of the United States in that it has necessarily placed upon a failure to fulfill the statements and obligations which have been made by the government of the United States. This is an absolutely false assumption which is untrue and does not exist.

In truth, and in fact, the statements made with reference to meeting any time, or any place, refers to a reasonable time and a reasonable place, and Secretary of State Rusk has so stated that it was intended to report and did mean a place at which both those of North Vietnam and of our country might have with them as advisors, representatives in connection with Communist China, from Communist Russia, or any country desired. That we might have with us as advisors, representatives of South Vietnam, South Korea, or any countries which we may desire. The President of the United States has appointed Ambassador Averill Harriman, as his representative to assist in finding the time and place.

Day before yesterday our Ambassador in Laos had a 30 minute conference dealing with North Vietnam in the capital of that country attempting to arrive at a conclusion in the present problem. The only two cities which have been suggested by Ho Chi Minh, the dictator of communist led North Vietnam, have been the capital of Cambodia (which I can hardly pronounce) . . . and Warsaw and went so far as to insist neither of these countries will recognize any travel permit, passport or admission of any places from South Vietnam or from South Korea. They are not admitted into either country under any circumstances.

Both of these countries have maintained and exercised during the last several years, and as of this date, the complete censorship of the press. There would be no free press, and the only press which would be available to the world would be the Communist press, or such releases as the Communists would make available to the world on behalf of these free nations.

Therefore, we as representatives of 11 million Methodists, in my opinion, should not take the position, which is the position that has been released, and is being pressed by capitals of several countries other than the United States, not in the free world. In response to the argument of the delegate the other day, in connection with the fact that we should withdraw unequivocally from Vietnam, may I simply call your attention to the fact that Ho Chi Minh, now the dictator and communist leader of North Vietnam since 1967 and 1968, under his orders civilian leaders of South Vietnam 11,000 have been murdered and their bodies have been found; 40,000 more have disappeared.

We do not know whether they had their throats cut, or were shot through the heart. They may have been tortured, but 40,000 of them have disappeared and their bodies have not been found. Before the invasion of the country there was a blood bath in Vietnam under Ho Chi Minh.

May I assure you that in the opinion of those in a better position than myself to know, if this should occur, a blood bath will follow which has never occurred in any country of the world.

I, therefore, hope that this Conference will adopt this amendment to commend the President of the United States for his efforts and will recognize that we cannot do that thing which will injure our country and freedom throughout the world, and may I say in closing I assure you there is no possible way to prevent the Communists from taking over the continents of southeast Asia, the world, and the United States of America, unless we are willing to fight on the field of battle and protect them and us from the loss of our relatives. Thank you.

John H. Rixse (Virginia—SE) agreed that the Satterfield amendment was essentially the same as his.

A. D. Moore (Texas—SC) spoke for the amendment; *Harold A. Bosley* (New York—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Previous Question—M. Trevor Baskerville

M. Trevor Baskerville (North Iowa—NC) moved the previous question on report No. 1 and the previous question was ordered. A delegate rose to speak on the amendment, but Bishop Frank ruled him out of order.

Point of Order—William H. Veale

William H. Veale (New York—NE) raised the point of order that Mr. Satterfield had spoken longer than five minutes. Bishop Frank stated that he had kept time and that Mr. Satterfield was on time.

Count Vote on Amendment

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke for the committee, and after a close show of hands vote, Bishop Frank called for a count vote on the amendment.

Joe A. Hundley (Tennessee—SE) wanted to know if this was the Rixse amendment or the Satterfield amendment, and Bishop Frank stated that Judge Satterfield yielded to Mr. Rixse.

While the vote was being taken, *Eugene L. Smith* suggested that the Program and Entertainment Committee consider renting electronic voting equipment for the next General Conference.

The count vote showed 557 for the amendment and 604 against it, and the amendment lost.

Report Adopted

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) asked if the previous question was on the entire report or the amendment. Bishop Frank stated that it was on the entire report. A delegate wanted to make a motion, but Bishop Frank ruled him out of order.

Melvin Hayes (Ohio East—EUB) called for a count vote on Report No. 1 but the house did not sustain it.

Report No. 1 of Christian Social Concerns was adopted. (See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1224.)

Motion—John C. Satterfield

John Satterfield (Mississippi): I request that when reports are made in the Methodist Press and otherwise concerning the results—of a vote on the amendment that the count vote be contained in such reports—and if it is in order I move that a request of this body.

Bishop Frank: All right, the motion is before you. Is it seconded? Those of you who will so order, will lift your hand. Those opposed? And the motion is adopted.

Privilege Matter—Erwin H. Schwiebert

Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho): I think the vote that we have just taken indicates that we ought not be too hasty with the motion calling for the previous question on any debate on a substantive issue. I think if we would perhaps use it more quickly on a procedural matter to save time on merely procedural questions that might be wise, but I believe the fullest possible debate on substantive issues which puts our entire church on record on a matter of such importance should claim from us the fullest debate before action.

I just like to make that plea under personal privilege that we be careful about closing debate until we have viewed all angles of the problem. Now we are in the awkward position of having a proposition which we have adopted, if the vote is recorded without clarifying that it is the vote only on the proposed amendment, it will seem that we are divided in supporting the President, which is not true.

We were divided on how far we should go instructing the President to carry out what we should like to see happen. And so we are in an awkward position whichever way we go now. This could have been pointed out with a little further time for debate instead of being in too big a hurry to close it.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvening

The Conference reconvened after recess with the singing of Hymn No. 297, "The Church's One Foundation," and Bishop Frank led a brief prayer.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 17—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, on page 165 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 17—Report No. 2 on Christian Social Concerns. This refers to page 150 in the White Book, where there is a call for a study commission on social principles during the quadrennium. Page 165 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 17, concurring with the request, Revision No. 30 on page 150 of the White Book—the vote in the committee was 76 for, 5 against, and 1 not voting. We are ready to vote on 17.

Bishop Frank: All right. No. 17, page 165. If you are ready . . . if you will adopt the report, will you lift the hand? Any opposed? And it is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1224.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 11—Paul Hardin III

Paul Hardin III (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, members of the conference, I refer you please to page 165 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. We shall be taking up Calendar items 11 through 16. Calendar item 11, report No. 2, first. Please turn also in your White Book to page 154, Revision No. 33, page 154 of the White Book; and you will need the Blue Book, too, page 328 in the Blue Book, Chapter 6, Judicial Administration. Taking first Report No. 2, paragraph 1: Amend the heading of Revision 33, page 154 in your White Book, to read: "that the first paragraph of Paragraph 1701 be eliminated."

Now, in Revision No. 33, there was an inadvertent error. That heading now says that 1701 be eliminated. If you will notice in your Blue Book, there are two paragraphs to paragraph 1701, and the effect of the first paragraph of our Report No. 2 is to reinstate that second section of paragraph 1701, which is on page 329 of your Blue Book. That is the paragraph dealing with the mode of nominating and electing, and that needs to be put back. Now that is the first item in Report No. 2.

The second item in Report No. 2 asks us to delete the fourth and fifth sentences from paragraph 1701, this time looking at page 154 of your White Book, Revision No. 33. We are asking you to eliminate the middle sentences of paragraph 1701 there for this reason: the remainder of that paragraph and the one following it, which we have just reinstated, deal with the composition and the election of the Judicial Council permanently on a regular basis. These are matters that go into our *Discipline*.

The middle sentences, which we are asking you to delete, deal with the election of the first Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church, a unique matter which won't occur again, a rather difficult matter. And our committee would like this Conference to deal with that by separate resolution, which will be our next report, Report No. 3.

So, Mr. Chairman, I submit first Report No. 2, and move its adoption.

Bishop Frank: Report No. 2 is before you, and the motion is to adopt. Are you ready? If you will adopt Report No. 2, lift the hand. Down. Opposed? Report No. 2 is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1533.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 3— Calendar No. 12—Paul Hardin III

Mr. Hardin: Turn, please, to Report No. 3. This is a separate resolution governing the election of the first Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church. Our Committee, feeling that this was a matter of some urgency, put this in the *Daily Christian Advocate* quite some days ago. Since then one or two matters have come to our attention which require mechanical changes. In fact, one of them may not be entirely mechanical. But our committee has met, and let me explain a few minor changes to you.

Look at Paragraph 2, which begins at the bottom of the first column and goes into the second column, on page 165 of your *Daily Christian Advocate*. "One additional member who shall be a layman"—strike the word "layman," and substitute the word "minister." The explanation for that is this: When our committee first put this together, we had been misinformed by inadvertence that the three carry-over members of the former Methodist Judicial Council were two ministers and a layman. It turns out that there are two laymen and a minister. And our committee, not wanting to upset the balance of power, wanted to change that for you. So substitute the word "minister" for the word "layman" in the very top line of column 2.

Now further to correct this situation, look at paragraph 4, the second from the last line of paragraph 4, which begins, "the third layman." Please scratch the words, "the third layman," and add the following at that point: "Subject to the preceding sentence, the last minister."

Now I would like to read that sentence as it will now read: "The first former Evangelical United Brethren minister and the first former Evangelical United Brethren layman elected shall serve until 1976. Subject to the preceding sentence, the last minister elected shall serve for the term expiring in 1972."

Now, ladies and gentlemen, what our committee has suggested, part of the agreement of the Plan of Union was that at least two members of the Judicial Council, elected for full eight-year terms, would be former members of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and our committee has tried to take care of that by paragraph 2 and particularly by paragraph 4, and paragraph 3.

Now one further change in paragraph 4. Our committee asks you to scratch the first sentence of paragraph 4, which reads, "For the purpose of this election only, there shall be 24 nominees." Let me explain to you. Under the *Discipline*, the Blue Book section which we have just adopted in Report No. 2, it is provided that the Council of Bishops shall nominate three candidates for every one permanent member of the Judicial Council to be elected at a General Conference. Six must be elected this time, and this meant that the Judicial Council . . . that the Council of Bishops would make 18 nominees. In an exceptional situation this year we are having to elect all 12 alternates, in addition to six full members. And our committee at first felt that the Conference might like four nominees from the Council of Bishops than 18, so we put this sentence in.

I have since then consulted with the secretary of the Council of Bishops. Our committee now has some sympathy with the predicament in which we put the bishops. They have met, made 18 nomina-

tions, have prepared the biographical sketches which will be presented to you on nomination day; and it would create some hardship on the Council of Bishops to ask them to make six further nominees. This is one of the awkward problems of creating the law by which you form the Judicial Council, and trying to form the Judicial Council all at one time.

So the Committee recommends now that we defer to the plight of the bishops here and eliminate that sentence. There will be 18 nominees from the Council of Bishops, and of course the floor will be open at an appropriate time for further nominees. With those changes, then, Mr. Chairman, and subject of course to any questions, which I will be glad to answer if I can, I move the adoption of Report No. 3.

Bishop Frank: All right. Report No. 3 is before you, as corrected by the chairman. Are you ready? If you will adopt Report No. 3 as corrected, will you lift the hand? Down. Any opposed? And it is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1534.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 4— Calendar No. 13—Paul Hardin III

Mr. Hardin: Thank you. Now there are several further items that won't take but a moment. They require a little or no explanation. Report No. 4 is an action on Revision No. 33 on page 154 of the White Book. In our Report No. 4 we concur in the recommendation that paragraph 1702 in the Blue Book would be amended to read, "There shall be six alternates for the ministerial members and six alternates for the lay members." The number in the Blue Book is five; the Ad Hoc Committee recommended a change to six, and the Committee on Judicial Administration concurs. I move the adoption of that concurrence.

Bishop Frank: Report No. 4 is before you. Are you ready? If you will adopt Report No. 4, will you lift the hand? Down. Any opposed? And it is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1534.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 5— Calendar No. 14—Paul Hardin III

Mr. Hardin: Thank you. Going on to No. 5, the committee concurs in the recommendation that paragraph 1721.4 be amended as follows: Delete (turn to 1721.4 in your Blue Book—it appears on page 333). Point 4 now reads, "Disseminating doctrines contrary to the Articles of Religion or other established standards of doctrine of the church." The committee concurs in the recommendation to delete the words "Articles of Religion or other." This is because from now on, of course, the Articles of Religion refer only to what was formerly Methodist Doctrine, and the Confession of Faith refers to what was formerly EUB Doctrine. Now all of us it is assumed under "established standards of doctrine of the church." We move the adoption of that amendment.

Bishop Frank: This is before you.

Robert E. Cushman (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, I do not understand what is being proposed to us. The chairman of the committee has not, to my satisfaction, identified the place which is being amended.

Mr. Hardin: I will be glad to do that, Dr. Cushman. If you will turn to page 333 in your Blue Book, the amendment is to paragraph 1721, subsection 4 (or section 4), which now reads as follows, and I will read 1721 as well.

"A bishop, traveling elder, or local preacher shall be liable to accusation and trial upon any one or more of the following charges:

4. Disseminating doctrines contrary to the Articles of Religion or other established standards of doctrine of the church."

The proposal of the Ad Hoc Committee, concurred in by our committee, is to eliminate the words "Articles of Religion or other," the explanation being that the remainder of that phrase, "established standards of doctrine of the church," includes what we have referred to in The Methodist Church as the Articles of Religion and what has been referred to in the other church as the Confession of Faith.

Dr. Cushman: I am sure that it is desirable not to have unnecessary fat in a legal document. On the other hand, I believe that the Articles of Religion must be maintained by this church under the Restrictive Rules. I therefore do not think it necessary to eliminate this phrase and would propose a substitute motion to the effect that the phrase, "the Articles of Religion," be retained.

Bishop Frank: All right. Is this seconded? All right, it is seconded.

Mr. Hardin: If there is no other discussion, I could just speak to that briefly. The committee, of course, will defer to the wishes of this Conference, obviously. I feel, though, that if Dr. Cushman's amendment were adopted, it would also be necessary to go back and add there also the Confession of Faith, which is the name of The Evangelical United Brethren equivalent to our Articles of Religion in the old Methodist Church.

Furthermore, it would create some problems elsewhere, Dr. Cushman, where these same phrases occur; and we are coming in later with a recommendation that we use a uniform language. Of course, this does not affect Part II of the *Discipline*. Part II of the Plan of Union, in which indeed the Articles of Religion are retained, as well as the Confession of Faith.

Dr. Cushman: Mr. Chairman, I must confess that this whole proposal has struck me by surprise, and I am frankly a little concerned. However, I would like to withdraw my original motion and propose that this matter be taken up or be referred to such committee as may discuss or investigate during the next quadrennium the creed of The United Methodist Church.

Bishop Frank: Now, Dr. Cushman, would this . . . be, then, you are withdrawing your motion to amend the present report, and then your motion would be to refer this to the Creedal Commission?

Mr. Hardin: I am sure the committee will agree to that, Mr. Chairman.

Dr. Cushman: Yes, sir, that would be my proposal.

Mr. Hardin: This does not mean to refer our entire report here, does it?

Dr. Cushman: No, what I would like to point out, Mr. Chairman, if I may, is that the first Restrictive Rule of The Methodist Church would prohibit the elimination of this phrase. However, there is a legal question which I would be far from being competent to understand, now that we are The United Methodist Church, as to what is the status of the Restrictive Rules, and I assume that the Judicial Council is constituted for that purpose. Therefore, you understand me correctly to refer . . .

Bishop Frank: But, as the chair understands it, Dr. Cushman, you are not making any change at this time in the present report. All right, thank you very much.

Mr. Hardin: Thank you.

Bishop Frank: Any other question? If you will adopt the report, then, as presented, will you lift the hand? Thank you. And opposed? And it is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1535.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 6— Calendar No. 15—Paul Hardin III

Mr. Hardin: Thank you. Now the next report, Report No. 6. The committee concurs in recommending the proposed revision of Paragraph 1722. Paragraph 1722 appears at the top of page 334 in the Blue Book. The revision is made by simply striking the last two words, "such court," and substituting the words, "that case." We concur in this recommendation and move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Frank: Any question at this point? Report No. 6. Are you ready? If you will adopt Report No. 6, you will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? And it is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1535.)

Committee on Judicial Administration—Report No. 7— Calendar No. 16—Paul Hardin III

Mr. Hardin: Report No. 7 will raise again the point which troubled Dr. Cushman, and which of course I can understand. That refers to the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee that we revise paragraph 1807. Paragraph 1807, which appears on page 347 of the Blue Book.

That paragraph now reads: "If a local preacher shall disseminate publicly or privately doctrines which are contrary to the Articles of Religion of The United Methodist Church or to our other present existing and established standards of doctrine, the same procedure shall be observed as prescribed in Paragraph 1803 and 1804."

The amendment recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee, in which we concur, is to strike the words, "which are" in line 2; to strike also the words, "Articles of Religion of The United Methodist Church or to our other present existing and"—strike those words. And then it goes on to read "established standards of," strike the word "doctrine" and add the word "church." I shall now read that as it would read. I think that would be valuable.

It would now read, and I will do it slowly: "If a local preacher shall disseminate publicly or privately doctrines contrary to the established standards of the church, the same procedure shall be observed as prescribed in paragraphs 1803-4." This, of course, is the same thing. Our committee concurs in the view that the phrase, "established standards of the church," subsumes and includes both what was the Articles of Religion, and still is retained in The United Methodist Church, as the Articles of Religion of The Methodist Church and the Confession of Faith formerly of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, still retained with The United Methodist Church. We are just using one phrase to cover the two documents.

Albert Outler (North Texas): I want to ask a question as to whether or not there should be an adjective, doctrinal, before the word "standards," because if you say "established standards of the church," you have an ambiguous reference.

Mr. Hardin: I am quite sure, if I hear no objections, that the committee would accept that, Dr. Outler. The whole sentence, I felt, was

clear—"If a local preacher shall disseminate publicly or privately doctrines contrary to the established standards"—you see, is there. But if you want to add "doctrinal standards," I feel quite certain the committee would concur.

Jameson Jones (Northwest Indiana): It appears to me that the committee is making the same mistake now that the General Conference made in 1808. This phrase, "present existing standards of doctrine," was written into the Constitution in 1808, but the content of that phrase was not then defined. The committee now is making assumptions as to what this phrase refers to.

Now Bishop Harmon in his book *Understanding The Methodist Church*, indicates that this phrase was intended to refer to Wesley's sermons and to Wesley's notes on the New Testament. Therefore, I think this phrase is a very loose phrase, without defining content, and that we simply have no way of clearly judging any man under this phrase.

Therefore, it seems to me that Dr. Cushman's basic statement was correct, and that rather than writing this phrase in now, we should refer all these changes to the Commission on Creed so that four years from now we can write into the *Discipline* exactly what we assume that this phrase means. Therefore, I believe a motion to refer to the Commission on Creed is really the wisest motion, and I would wish to make it now with reference to this item.

Bishop Frank: Well, thank you. I believe, if it would be all right with you, we do need to deal with this, but won't we have to deal with it after we have adopted this report? I would entertain this motion immediately after we have adopted this report, for record.

Dr. Outler: It is, it seems to me, very wise to refer such matters to a study commission on doctrine and doctrinal standards, but it is not quite the case that in the interim we shall be as vague and ambiguous as Dr. Jones suggests.

In the Blue Book, in the Preface to Part II, there is a statement of the historical background on which both the Articles of Religion, the standard sermons of John Wesley—44, not 53, the notes on the New Testament, and the Confession of Faith are explained in a way that was acceptable to the Conference in Chicago and will serve for the interim until the theological study committee can be more precise, if they can.

Bishop Frank: All right, the report is before you. Yes, over here. Microphone 7. Kessler, Troy Conference.

C. Walter Kessler (Troy): On page 27 of the Blue Book you will find there are three classifications for the ministry, and one of these is to be known as lay pastor. This, I think, replaces the words, local preacher. If this is the proper moment, I move to amend the report to change the wording from "local preachers" to "lay pastors." In the White Book—I'm sorry, page 27.

Bishop Frank: There is a committee on correlation. If the brother who just made the speech would accept this, there is a Committee on Correlation that will see that all such matters are adjusted in proper terminology, etc. Would you accept this? All right, thank you. Now back to the report as it is before you. Are you ready? If you will adopt this report, will you lift the hand?

Down. Any opposed? It is adopted.

(See DCA page 165; appendix page 1535.)

Motion to Refer—Robert E. Cushman

Robert Cushman (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, sir, I don't know if I move an appropriate motion. I will try. I move, Sir, that the

matter of doctrinal standards and the use of language contained in the reports of the committee on Judicial matters together with any other discussion or any other report that shall appear before this Uniting Conference, be referred to a study committee, hopefully to be appointed by this General Conference, for the forthcoming quadrennium.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) stated that the Committee on Conferences would bring in a recommendation that such a committee be appointed.

Point of Order—W. Jene Miller

W. Jene Miller (Oklahoma) raised the point of order that reports already adopted could not be referred. Bishop Frank stated that the Cushman motion had to do with all matters of doctrine and creed.

Statement of Explanation—Albert C. Outler

Albert Outler (North Texas): Would it be in order Mr. Chairman, to refer to a report No. 5 of the Joint Commissions on Church Union on page 235 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, the current one today? There is the description of the title and mandate of a theological study commission on doctrine and doctrinal standards and in the direction given to that study committee.

It seems to me that these matters and all other pertinent questions respecting the status, use, function and administration of doctrine and doctrinal standards in The United Methodist Church would become proper matters for that study commission by mandate of the conference if this is adopted. Therefore, it seems to me that we can both take this amendment, if it is in order, but we can also be assured that if the amendment is not in order that the substance to which it is addressed is covered prospectively in this proposal of the Joint Commission on Church Union.

Bishop Frank: All right you have this explanation before you now, are you ready? If you will adopt Dr. Cushman's motion for the referral of the Language of Doctrinal matters and so forth, will you lift the hands. Opposed. And it is adopted.

Order of the Day

Presentation of Representatives From Affiliated Autonomous Churches—Bishop W. Kenneth Goodson—Bishop J. Gordon Howard

Bishop Goodson (Birmingham Area): Bishop Frank, and members of the General Conference. One of the real joys that all of us have when we come to a meeting of the General Conference is seeing the gathering of the people of God from all parts of the world.

I have been in attendance as a delegate or visitor to every General Conference in my life as a Methodist preacher, except San Francisco in 1952, and it is such a high moment to me, that time in the church or in the deliberations when one stood and watched the gathering of the people and remembered that they should come from the East and from the North and the South and the West and they shall gather in Thy name.

There is present in our body a group of delegates who represent autonomous affiliated churches, who come with us General Conference after General Conference, and some of them said to us, "Why now

do you ask us to come up when we have been here all these years and all the years we will be here?" We bring them now only to point out again the fellowship that is available within our fellowship for those of our brethren and sisters who are members of the autonomous churches, and it is my joy now, representing the Council of Bishops, to present to you delegates to this General Conference who are members of the autonomous and affiliated churches.

May I begin with The Methodist Church in Brazil. They were given their autonomy by the General Conference meeting in Dallas, Texas in 1930. As I read the names of all of our delegates will you hold hold your appreciation for them all until I have finished and then together we will salute them all. From The Methodist Church in Brazil, celebrating the 38th anniversary of their autonomy in the city in which it was determined The Rev. Parahyba de Silva, General Secretary of Social Action, and Mrs. Marianna Peterson, a Missionary in Christian Education work who is attached to Granberry College.

From the Autonomous church in Cuba there is no representative but you would want to know Bishop Ruis was present recently for the organization of the new Methodist Church of Cuba and represented us there.

The Methodist Church of Indonesia, we are pleased to have The Rev. Hermanus Sitorus. The Methodist Church in Indonesia is the fastest growing church in the world today. These are the words of Dr. Visser 't Hooft; and we are thrilled to have the representatives from The Methodist Church of Indonesia, brother Sitorus, and Mr. Karl Hutaepa; he is a government official in the Department of Education.

From the United Church of Christ in Japan, a church that is probably gaining selfhood and churchmanship faster than maybe any of our churches around the world, it is as advanced as anywhere in the world today in theological education and in its growing sense of missions, we are pleased to have the vice-moderator of the church, The Rev. Kiyoshi Ii. We are also pleased to have the Rev. Otis Bell who is from the general committee on evangelism in the United Church of Japan. Mr. Shiro Abe who is the director of social center and many of you will remember his father, Bishop Abe, of The Methodist Church of Japan, and then The Rev. Miss Iseko Kawase who is the pastor in Kamakura, a city near Yokohama. We salute our friends from Japan.

Then we turn to the Church in Korea, a church that has doubled its membership since the year 1950. We are pleased to have Mr. La Saheng, who is the general secretary of the Board of Education of The Methodist Church in Korea; Mr. Lee Bongku who is a church school principal and Mrs. Kim Soochin who is a girls' school principal from The Church of Korea.

Then we turn to The Methodist Church of Mexico where probably at this moment they are in a period of reconciliation, that is unparalleled in their history. All of us would be interested in knowing that The Methodist Church in Mexico is taking it upon themselves in a creative and exciting task, preparing themselves for a spiritual ministry to the athletes who will soon be gathering there for the Olympic games. We are pleased to have The Rev. Joas Gómez who is the superintendent of the Puebla District and Mrs. Alfa Del Toro who is the director of the office of education of the State of Nuevo Leon, Methodist School Director also.

Then we are pleased to have representatives from The United Church of Christ in Okinawa, the church with a going relationship with The United of Christ of Japan. Coming out of the war The United Church of Christ in Okinawa not only has rendered and is rendering a significant ministry to their own people in Okinawa but has rendered a memorable ministry to United States military and civilian personnel on that lovely island. We are pleased to greet Mr.

Yoshio Higa who is a professor of Chemistry at the University of the Ryukyus. I am sure that you would like to join with me in standing and saluting these our friends who remind us that the world is our parish.

Bishop Howard: Mr. Chairman and Christian friends. It is a high honor to introduce to this Uniting General Conference five fraternal representatives from affiliated autonomous united churches which have been related traditionally to The Evangelical United Brethren Church. You already met one of our members, Dr. Peter Wong, General Secretary of The United Church of Christ in Hong Kong. He spoke to us the other day regarding our overseas scholarship program. He has already returned to Hong Kong and is not present with us this morning.

Yesterday this conference graciously listened to Bishop O. G. Fonceca, a Bishop of The United Church of Christ in the Philippines. I'll ask Bishop Fonceca to step forward so you can identify him. He has long been honored by The Evangelical United Brethren Church for his faithful and effective service as a pastor, a conference superintendent and now a bishop. Now will Bishop Sobprenea please step forward? He is also from the Philippines. He is currently the general secretary for The United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

Dr. Sobprenea is well known for his 25 years of effective service as a pastor of The United Church of his country, serving in Manila and then as a bishop and now he is the general secretary of The United Church of Christ in the Philippines. He is an ecumenist associated closely with the National Council of Churches in the Philippines and the East Asia Christian Conference.

Now let us turn to Latin America. Will Rev. Julio Lira step forward? One of the earliest movements of The Evangelical United Brethren Church in Latin America was in the Dominican Republic when we helped to establish The Evangelical United Brethren Church in that country. We welcome this pastor, Rev. Nestor Julio Lira, to this Uniting General Conference.

In 1946 The Evangelical United Brethren Church joined with three other North American denominations in founding the United and Indian Mission in Ecuador. From that experiment in social, agricultural, and educational development has come an Ecuadorian foundation and The United Evangelical Church in Ecuador. We welcome this pastor Rev. Alfonso Vasquez who is the president of this church in Ecuador.

Puerto Rico has been defined as an overseas area. The United Evangelical Church in Puerto Rico has been defined as a special overseas mission conference. We are pleased to introduce the representative from the Puerto Rican church Rev. Ismael Diaz. Mr. Chairman I am very pleased on behalf of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church to introduce these good people to you this morning.

Extension of Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

On motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) time was extended thirty minutes to hear Report No. 1 of the Committee on Education.

Committee on Education—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 40— D. Fred Wertz—Bishop Fred Holloway—Dean Joe Quillian

Fred Wertz (Central Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, reported on page 225 is calendar item 40, Report No. 1 from the Committee on Education. On the 7th of May 1964, the General Conference authorized a study of the financial requirements of the Theological Seminaries

of the church to determine the needs of, and the ways and means of, providing for their adequate support.

The results of the study and necessary recommendations resulting from the study were to be reported to the 1968 Session of the General Conference through the Standing Committee on Education and the Council on World Service and Finance. It is in response to this directive that the Committee on Education brings to you the report which is Calendar No. 40.

The report is based upon a series of statements concerning the significance of the training of ministers in The United Methodist Church, and resolves that there should be a Ministerial Educational fund, to be supported by all annual conferences and local churches. The recommendation you will find about one-third of the way down in column number two, on page 225. The fund is to begin with the 1970 fiscal year, and to be based on an apportionment to each local church in the amount of 2% of its current total budget, exclusive of the items identified here.

It is further resolved that 25% of such monies raised shall be administered by the Conference Board of the Ministry in its program of ministerial education, and that 75% of the monies raised shall be administered by the Department of Ministry of the General Board of Education.

The remaining details of the program with regard to additional breakdown and safeguard of support for theological institutions during the quadrennium while this ministerial fund is being developed are presented for you in the report. Now I should like to ask the privilege to request the Chairman of the Study Committee, Bishop Fred Holloway, if he might be given the opportunity to speak to this report.

Bishop Frank: If you will grant Bishop Holloway this privilege, will you lift the hand? Down. Any opposed? Bishop Holloway.

Bishop Fred Holloway (West Virginia area): I shall speak to you briefly, and then request the opportunity of presenting Dean Quillian of Perkins School of Theology to represent various points to you growing out of his deep concern of theological education. May I say that the structure of this committee authorized by the last session of The Methodist General Conference is based on representation free from the division of higher education, free from representing Theological Schools, and free from the Council on World Service and Finance.

We were assisted greatly in this study by the professional staff of the Council on World Service and Finance. The report we make to you is based upon the findings of this specific study, so that what is being presented to you today grows out of a period of long and arduous study. We would like to emphasize the fact that we recognize in the whole issue of an adequate ministry, the need of recruitment and processing, and the need of granting adequate financial aid to young men preparing for the ministry.

If you will look through the report you will be interested to know that 25% of the amount of money received will be remitted to the annual conference Boards of Ministry for this particular purpose. This is a sum that, if we get it in full, will reach approximately, or almost \$2,000,000, because we recognize that one of our great responsibilities now is seeing to it that an adequate number of young men are turned toward the ministry and given aid that is necessary in order for them to complete their preparation.

The support of the theological schools actually is 50%, to be distributed by the Department of Theological Education on the basis of a formula making sure that in the formula all equities will be corrected by the distribution of additional funds which will be in their

hands, so that no theological school will suffer anything except the anxiety of knowing that your money would be remitted, for each one will receive more money than they have during the past quadrennium.

I think, Mr. Chairman, a brief moment to stress what seems to me to be the unquestioned importance of what we propose here. So many live issues have been coming before this General Conference, and many more will come, but it seems to me that one of the greatest issues we face is that of the procurement and preparation of an adequate ministry for the future. Those of you who attended the college banquet earlier this week will recall that Chancellor Tolley of Syracuse University reported the fact that 43% of all persons graduating from high school last year entered college. When you begin to reflect on the educational advancement that will be made in our citizenry in the next few years, we must realize that if the ministry is not comfortably prepared to meet this issue, the church will suffer a tremendous loss. Those of us of more advanced years may be content with the concept of God, and Christ, the Bible and Christian ethics that we have been holding through the years; but we need to prepare the ministry who will have the capacity to meet the questions of the young people now in college and universities who will be the leading citizens in the years to come.

They must have the capacity to answer intelligently the questions which will be raised concerning God and Christ and the Bible and the Christian ethics. I for one, believe our theological schools are well prepared to do this, and I believe that the hope for the future will be high, if we see to it now that we are preparing an adequate number of men with an adequate education to give the leadership in the ministry of this great church that this current age demands, I commend to you the report of this committee, and request, Mr. Chairman, the indulgence of this conference as we hear from Dean Quillian.

Dean Joe Quillian (Perkins School of Theology): Mr. President, members of the Conference. I speak as a member of Bishop Holloway's Committee, and as representative of the Association of United Methodist Seminaries serving currently as Chairman of that group.

My purpose is simply to lay ready to your hands the cost factors involved in this plan to be of use to you in your deliberation. I have six points; the first, the essentials of an adequate nationwide or general plan for support of the United Methodist Ministerial Education.

- a) Funds that are sufficient in amount and reasonably dependable in income.
- b) A structure that will provide for the participation of all annual conferences and churches.
- c) Provisions that variably incorporate plans of support now in operation.
- d) Provisions for adjusting inequities of support from the church to the seminaries.
- e) Council on World Service and Finance responsibility for allocation to the annual conferences, and initial receipt and disbursement of the funds.

The plan that is proposed to you has been worked out very carefully so as to include all of these essentials. Now, I would like briefly to describe to you the legislative situation with regard to this proposal as it appears to all of the seminaries. We, of course, are not assuming in the least to tell you what to do, because you have the prerogative and responsibility to do what seems to be wise and right to do. However, we do want to be clear on this point with you, for I think you would want to have this in hand. It seems that all of the members of the United Methodist Association of Theological Schools that a plan very nearly as proposed is the only kind of general plan

that will suffice or work. This includes apportionments rather than asking. Otherwise, the preferable course of action would be:

- a) Regretfully to forego a nationwide plan.
- b) Ask for a further increase in the World Service allocation for Ministerial education.
- c) Then for the several seminaries to seek additional support directly from the annual conferences and jurisdictions most closely related to them.

The third point has to do with the relationship of the Council on World Service and Finance to this proposal.

In addition to the relationship of the Council, as Bishop Holloway has indicated to you, since coming to Dallas the matter has been considered directly by the Council, and the Council passed what strikes me as a very carefully and perceptively worded resolution. It is in this fashion:

"In the light of the contemplated Quadrennial Program of 1968-1972, the Council on World Service and Finance suggest that the financial plan for theological education be deferred until January 1, 1970, based on voluntary askings to each local church in the suggested amount of 2 percent of its current budget, excluding payments to World Service, Conference Benevolences, Advanced Specials, new buildings and the servicing of debts."

Now, with regard to this matter in relationship of the Council these seem to be the pertinent aspects. The proposed 2 percent plan is a different sort of request than the many requests for superb causes of the church that come to you through the Council on World Service and Finance. This proposal is not a part of the Quadrennial program, nor is it of the nature of a benevolence program. Rather, it is intended to be a permanent arrangement for the firm and direct support of ministerial recruitment and education.

In fact, it seems highly desirable on every count to remove the support of ministerial education as soon as possible from its being a benevolence. All of us here, of course, are very much aware of the demands on the Council on World Service and Finance, especially at this General Conference, and we are deeply appreciative of the Council's work for us all.

I believe that we are accurate in saying that we fully understand why the Council has reservations about out and out endorsing this plan as if it were an integral part of the World Service Program, but also accurate in supposing the Council's advisory form of a suggestion indicates the Council's genuine supportive interest in principle. At the same time we believe that the Council is cordial to the idea of the General Conference giving due consideration to this plan. I think it would be appropriate for me to say also all of us greatly appreciate the Methodist laymen who at last have the privilege of carrying the loads that we planned here.

Two of the great wonders I know, I think, are the grace of God and the patience and understanding of the Methodist laymen. The Methodist laymen are among those who most perceptively press the seminaries to do a better job for them. They don't just simply say that we are quite ready to support anything that may help us get better preaching, but they push us in some depth on this, saying, "Won't you do a better job training ministers who will help us work effectively as a general ministry of the church?"

Now the fourth point that may very well be the crucial one here, is that there is actually little, if any, difference in the amount of support for current operation of the seminaries that is proposed in the 2 percent plan, and the amount that must be sought by the seminaries through any possible alternative approaches.

The 14 seminaries are now receiving from jurisdictional plans, from

annual conferences, and directly from local churches approximately 3.5 million dollars for current operations. The amount of income from the 2 percent plan, including an estimated \$1,000,000 from the former EUB churches, would be about 6.5 million dollars. This does not include an amount, of course, that would be returned to the Boards of the Ministry of our Annual Conferences for their work.

The present plans in operation certainly would increase by as much as a million dollars during the next year or 18 months. Therefore, we are talking about a potential difference of approximately \$2,000,000, supposing that the plan would be fully subscribed. This amount also would have to be sought by the seminaries before the next four years are past. Furthermore, there would be the matter of a more expensive way to come about this money, for the seminaries would have to do it through promotional programs at considerable expense, probably in excess of \$100,000 a year.

A further point, especially addressed to the members from the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions. In these jurisdictions strong jurisdictional plans already are in operation. They are set up on a 1 percent plan in which they include World Service and Advanced Specials. The proposed 2 percent plan excludes World Service and Advanced Specials. Therefore, the additional funds that would be necessary fully to implement the 2 percent plan in the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions would not be anything like double.

Now, the fifth point, the timeliness of adoption of this plan now is apparent. Four years from now the seminaries will have had to develop annual conference and jurisdictional support to the extent that it will be difficult if not impossible to make a transition into a national plan at that time or thereafter. The result of possibility of seminaries that are largely annual conference or regional institutions is something that all of us certainly wish to avoid.

All of the seminaries ought to relate effectively to the whole church whatever may be the points of closeness to their home conferences and jurisdictions. The church certainly also wishes to have even more effective access through the General Conference to the whole system of Methodist seminaries. In brief, it really seems to me that this is a plan by which everybody gains and nobody loses. As I have listened to my explanation, I feel rather inclined that I will support a resolution that would propose to defer the second coming than to oppose this plan.

Finally, I might say that the United Methodist seminaries very much desire to be genuinely Methodist Seminaries. We hope that our Uniting Conference can mark the time that The United Methodist Church claims her Seminaries in a realistic manner that incorporates realistic support. We pledge ourselves to our best services in the training of the ministers of the church for the sake of the whole ministry of the church in the world, in the time that is given for all of us to work and witness.

W. Jene Miller (Oklahoma) stated that he thought the time should be extended; Bishop Frank reported that it had been.

Questions of Clarification—Robert L. Wilcox

Robert L. Wilcox (Holston): I have two questions, sir, that I would like to pose for clarification. In the center of page 225, Roman numeral II, section A, concerning the remitting of funds back to Annual Conferences.

I am aware that this national Ministerial Education Fund does not begin until 1970, but is there a guarantee that a conference will not

be reduced in its receipts over the preceding quadrenniums? Does this continue through 1972, the end of the quadrennium?

Dr. Wertz: Yes, sir, it does.

Dr. Wilcox: All right, my second question, please sir. What is the formula of the penalty for a conference that happens to fall below the average achieved in the preceding quadrennium?

Dr. Wertz: My answer to the first part of your question you understand was based on the provision which is included at the end of subparagraph A to the effect that the giving from that Conference for ministerial education does not fall below the level achieved in the preceding quadrennium.

Dr. Wilcox: Yes, sir, I understand that but in the event that a conference should fall slightly below, by what formula do you arrive at how great the penalty be against that Conference?

Bishop Frank: I shall ask Dr. Trott to speak specifically to this, if he will.

Norman Trott: The formula has not been developed precisely at this time. I would assume that the adjustment would be in relationship to the percentage of participation.

Dr. Wilcox: Thank you, sir. That was also my supposition, but I wanted to hear from you.

D. W. Brooks (North Georgia) spoke for the report.

Amendment—Clarence E. Parker

C. E. Parker (North Iowa): I would like to propose a substitute section, starting in the middle of the page 225, second column. Be it further resolved that the General Conference recommend that: and under 1, delete the first four lines making No. 2, No. 1. 25 percent of the total monies received by an Annual Conference treasurer be retained by the Annual Conference which raised it. And the balance of that section as it now stands. No. 2: 75 percent of the total monies received by the Annual Conference treasurer be sent to the Council on World Service and Finance for distribution by the Department of Ministry as follows: and the balance retained as is.

Bishop Holloway accepted this.

Motion to Delete—Georgia Harkness

Georgia Harkness (California): I wish to speak to section V. First, I wish to ask a question perhaps; then I wish to make a motion to delete. It reads: When the Ministerial Education Fund is established, this fund be regarded by Annual Conferences as a priority to be met before any additional benevolences, grants, or funds are allocated to a theological school or school of religion in a conference's region. I read this, though you all can read it, to call your attention to the seriousness of this provision.

My question is: Does this mean that all the payments must be made in such areas as the California-Nevada Conference, the Oregon Conference, the Pacific-Northwest Conference before any allocation can be made to such an interdenominational school as the Pacific School of Religion? I ask this question because large numbers of Methodist ministerial candidates attend an interdenominational school it would be a very serious matter if no allocation of funds could be made until everything is squared away in the Ministerial Education Fund. My question, Is my interpretation correct?

Dr. Wertz: Dr. Harkness, I think the answer to your question is correct, and I shall ask a member of the committee to speak to this, if I may.

Bishop Frank: Dr. Quillian.

Joe Quillian (North Texas): I don't have too much to add except, simply, yes, it is correct. I understand Dr. Harkness' concern, having attended two non-Methodist seminaries in seminary and graduate work myself. It is very clearly designed as a priority plan for the support of Methodist theological education.

Bishop Frank: All right, Dr. Harkness.

Dr. Harkness: My motion, then, is that this be deleted, and if I get a second, I should like to speak further to it.

Bishop Frank: Is there a second? There is a second, Dr. Harkness.

Dr. Harkness: Well, naturally I am concerned about the Pacific School of Religion in which I served some 11 years, teaching many ministerial students, some of whom are here in this room. I am also concerned for other areas that are very probably in a similar situation.

We are moving toward ecumenism in every other area. Ecumenism is in the air. And yet it seems to be a directly opposite move to ecumenism to say that no Methodist funds shall go to help with the theological education of Methodist students in an interdenominational seminary until all of the other allocations are met. I hope that this section 5 may be deleted.

Walter G. Muelder (New England) spoke against the deletion. *Dean Lanning* (Northern New Jersey—NE) wanted to amend the report, but Bishop Frank stated only Section V was before the house at the moment. *Ted Hightower* spoke for deletion. *Marvin L. Boyd* (Northwest Texas—SC) asked a question.

Previous Question—Benjamin R. Oliphint

Benjamin R. Oliphint (Louisiana—SC) called for the previous question on all before the house.

Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE) asked if a motion to adjourn were in order. Bishop Frank stated that he wanted to put the motion on the previous question. Mr. Blackstone asked if the motion to adjourn did not have precedence over a motion for the previous question. Bishop Frank stated that he would recognize him to make this motion.

The call for the previous question did not prevail.

Motion to Adjourn—Franklin Blackstone, Jr.

Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE) made a motion for adjournment and that this matter be the first item of business after reconvening.

The motion carried.

Appreciation—Bishop Eugene M. Frank

Bishop Frank expressed appreciation for serving in the capacity as presiding officer.

Announcements—Charles D. White—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope—Irving Smith, Truman Potter

The Secretary, Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, *Irving L. Smith* (Oklahoma—SC), and *Truman W. Potter* (West Virginia—NC) made announcements.

Benediction—Bishop Noah W. Moore

Bishop Noah W. Moore gave the benediction, and the morning session adjourned.

FIFTH DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1968

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop Odd Hagen

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the fifth day, Saturday, April 27, 1968, at 2:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Odd Hagen, Northern Europe Area, presiding.

Hymn No. 521, "Children of the Heavenly Father" was sung.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida) requested that greetings be sent to Chancellor Daniel R. Marsh.

Privilege Motion—Charles C. Parlin

Dr. Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): This privilege motion concerning the status of two persons who came elected as delegates from former EUB annual conferences. Whereas this Uniting Conference has authorized and elected an interim Judicial Council, and whereas two members of this interim Judicial Council came to Dallas as properly elected delegates representing an Annual Conference, and whereas the interim Judicial Council is to serve during the Uniting Conference only, therefore be it resolved that the Judicial Council be asked to establish the relationship of these delegates to the General Conference and the Jurisdictional Conference when their period of service has ended. If I have a second I would like to make a brief comment.

Bishop Hagen: Is there a second? You may speak Mr. Parlin.

Dr. Parlin: This affects two men, Mr. William K. Messmer and Mr. Torrey A. Kaatz both of whom are serving temporarily. This is designed to clarify what I hope will be the decision of the Council that these men will be eligible to appointments on commissions and agencies of the church following their interim term on the Judicial Council. The motion, Sir, is for reference to the Judicial Council for a ruling.

Bishop Hagen: You have heard the motion for a reference to the Judicial Council. Do we need any discussion. All in favor of the motion, raise their hands. It is approved. Thank you.

Privilege Motion—Edwin H. Schwiebert

Edwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho—W) moved that greetings be sent Bishop and Mrs. A. Raymond Grant.

Committee on Agenda—Willis M. Tate

Willis M. Tate (North Texas): I report for the Agenda Committee, Bishop. The agenda for this afternoon, the order of the day is 2:45 to continue on the calendar. However, the Agenda Committee recommends that before that time, during this business session, that we hear and perfect the nominations for the Judicial Council so that the ballot may be prepared for voting next week. I move, Sir, that we

hear at this time and perfect the ballot for the nominations for the Judicial Council.

Bishop Hagen: Thank you. There is a motion that we should change the agenda and start the nominations for the Judicial Council. Is there any discussion? All in favor of the same, please lift your hands. Against. And it is approved.

Nominations for Judicial Council—Bishop Roy H. Short

The Secretary of the Council of Bishops, Bishop Roy H. Short, nominated the following for the Judicial Council:

From the former Evangelical United Brethren Church—Clerical: *William K. Messmer* (Ohio-Miami), *Warren F. Mentzer* (Eastern), *I. Lynd Esch* (California). Lay: *Torrey A. Kaatz* (Ohio-Sandusky), *Leonard Sorg* (Kansas), *Richard Eschelmann* (Eastern).

From the former Methodist Church: Lay—*Theodore Berry* (Ohio—NC), *Ragnor Horn* (Norway—OS), *J. Carlisle Holler* (South Carolina—SE). Clerical: *Ralph M. Houston* (New York—NE), *A. Sterling Ward* (Missouri—West—SC), *Jack M. Tuell* (Pacific Northwest—W), *Joe R. Phillips, Jr.* (Little Rock—SC), *Lyman S. Johnson* (Central Kansas—SC), *Hoover Rupert* (Detroit—NC), *Charles B. Copher* (Georgia—SE), *Alva H. Clark* (Nebraska—SC), *John D. Herr* (Philadelphia—NE).

Question—*Charles E. Kachel*

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) asked concerning the spelling of one of the names nominated.

Additional Nominations

Lester L. Moore (South Iowa—NC) nominated *Paul V. Shearer* (South Iowa—NC).

Everett R. Jones (Baltimore—NE) nominated *Merrill W. Drennan* (Baltimore—NE).

Questions—*Rodolfo C. Beltran*—*John R. VanSickle*

Rodolfo C. Beltran (Middle Philippines—OS) asked if he could make an amendment in regard to the age of the candidates. Bishop Hagan stated that this was out of order since nominations were now being made.

John R. VanSickle (Rock River—NC) asked for the names of those who remained on the Judicial Council. Bishop Short stated they were *Leon M. Hickman* (Western Pennsylvania—NE), *Murray H. Leiffer* (Southern California-Arizona—W), *Samuel W. Witmer* (Rock River—NC).

Continuing Of Nominations

Charles S. Scott (Kansas—SC) nominated *Floyd H. Coffman* (Kansas).

Benjamin R. Oliphint (Louisiana—SC) nominated *W. D. Cotton* (Louisiana—SC).

Thomas B. Clay (Western New York—NE) nominated *George W. Cooke* (Western New York—NE).

Robert H. Courtney (North East Ohio—NC) nominated *J. Meade Letts* (North East Ohio—NC).

Vernon H. Dixon (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) nominated *John Bowen* (Ohio—NC).

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota—NC) nominated *Fremont C. Fletcher* (Minnesota—NC).

Francisco S. Gasper (Northwest Philippines—OS) nominated *Samuel Bautista* (Philippines—OS).

Rodolfo C. Beltran (Middle Philippines—OS) nominated *Fidel Galang* (Middle Philippines—OS).

Withdrawal—*John Bowen*

John Bowen (Ohio—NC) asked that his name be withdrawn.

Questions—*Joseph R. Graham*

Joseph R. Graham (Ohio Sandusky—EUB) asked if a Judicial Council member could be seated in General and Jurisdictional Conferences. *Bishop Short* answered that he could not. *Dr. Graham* asked if consent to serve had been secured from nominees. *Bishop Short* indicated that it had from those nominated by the Bishops. *Dr. Graham* then asked if a Judicial Council member could serve as a district superintendent and was told that he could. *Bishop Short* stated that any nominee could withdraw.

Nominations

Joseph R. Graham (Ohio-Sandusky—EUB) nominated *Wayne Leatherman* (Ohio-Sandusky—EUB).

Russell Kibler (Indiana—NC) nominated *Basil H. Lorch* (Indiana—NC).

Point Of Order—*A. P. Wallace*

A. P. Wallace (West Virginia—NE) raised a point of order that speakers on the floor should stand at their seats until recognized. *Bishop Hagen* sustained this.

Motion To Close Nominations—*Clarence Stein*

Clarence Stein (Florida—EUB) made a motion that the nominations be closed.

Question—*Charles A. Sayre*—*Roy Nichols*

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey—NE) asked on voting, if the Conference should vote by former denominations. *Bishop Short* stated there was no such provision but

that each nominee would be designated and that a certain number of former EUB members must be elected.

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) expressed the concern that nominees should consent to run.

Withdrawals—

Jack M. Tuell (Pacific Northwest—W) asked to withdraw his name.

John Bowen (Ohio—NC) stated that although he had done so before, he wished formally to withdraw his name.

Torrey A. Kaatz (Ohio-Sandusky—EUB) requested his name to be withdrawn.

William K. Messmer (Ohio-Miami—EUB) withdrew his name.

Motion to Rescind—George C. Cate

On motion of *George C. Cate* (Tennessee—SE), the Conference voted to rescind the action which closed the nominations and reopened them.

Nominations—

Lyle Truax (Pacific Northwest—W) nominated *Melvin M. Finkbeiner* (Pacific Northwest—W).

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada—W) nominated *Kenneth W. Adams* (California-Nevada—W).

Question—C. W. Fetter

C. W. Fetter (Ohio-Miami—EUB) wanted to know if the former EUB Church had the required number of nominees. Bishop Short stated he felt one clergyman was probably short.

Motion—C. W. Fetter

C. W. Fetter (Ohio-Miami—EUB) made a motion that the Council of Bishops request the former EUB bishops to nominate someone in the place of Dr. Messmer.

Amendment—Warren F. Mentzer

Warren F. Mentzer (Eastern—EUB) made an amendment that there be two nominees since he wished to withdraw his name.

Bishop Reuben H. Mueller stated that the former EUB bishops would see immediately what they could do about this.

Nominations

Walter Muller (Illinois—NE) nominated *Mrs. Dwight Grove* (Eastern—EUB).

George C. Cate, Jr. (Tennessee—SE) nominated *Farris F. Moore* (Tennessee—SE).

Question—Adlai C. Holler

Adlai C. Holler (South Carolina—SE) asked if the nominations by the EUB bishops might be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate* without being brought back to the Conference. The person making the motion agreed to this.

Substitute Motion—Charles C. Parlin

Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE) made a substitute motion that the nominations be closed except for the right of the former EUB bishops to revise and print in the *Daily Christian Advocate* the list of the three clergy and three lay nominees for the Judicial Council.

Point of Order—Daniel D. Corl

Daniel D. Corl (Ohio Sandusky—EUB) raised a point of order that he wanted to make a nomination. Bishop Hagen ruled that the Conference had a motion before it.

Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern—EUB) stated that he felt in the future a clearer procedure might be followed in nominating and in withdrawal of names.

Substitute Motion Passes

The Secretary read the Parlin substitute, and it passed.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) wanted to be sure that enough former EUB members had been nominated.

Committee on Education—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 40—**Fred D. Wertz**

Bishop Hagen: We are back to the report on page 225, Report No. 40—well the Report No. 1 from the Committee on Education. My understanding is the whole report is before us. As far as I remember, we have one amendment, and that was to delete paragraphs in that report.

Fred Wertz (Central Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, may I say a word about the state of the report as we understand it at this moment? There was a suggestion made from the floor with regard to the second column on page 225. It was a suggestion which was adopted by the committee—accepted by the committee. It was to delete the first paragraph, paragraph No. 1, under the “Be it further resolved that the General Conference recommend that” in the middle of paragraph 2. Then the subsequent paragraphs were to be renumbered, the second one becoming the first, and reading as follows:

“Of the total money received, twenty-five per cent be retained by the annual conference which raised it.”

And under subsection 2 in the same paragraph, “that seventy-five percent be remitted to the Council on World Service and Finance to be sent to the Department of the Ministry for distribution, as follows”:

Previous Question—Joe A. Harding

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) moved the previous question on the Harkness motion to delete Section V.

Point of Order—Robert W. Preusch

As Bishop Hagen put the vote on the previous question, Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) stated that two speakers had not spoken for and against the amendment and that he wanted to make a motion. Bishop Hagen sustained the point of order.

Point of Order—M. Trevor Baskerville

When Mr. Preusch started to make his motion, *M. Trevor Baskerville* (North Iowa—NC) asked if two speeches for and against had not been made. The Secretary said this was true. Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) asked if the speeches were on the whole report or on the amendment; the Secretary stated that they were on the amendment.

Point of Order—Samuel Batt

Samuel Batt (Illinois—EUB) raised a point of order that someone wanted to speak on the main report. Bishop Hagen ruled the previous question was only on the amendment.

Question—George A. Harper

George A. Harper (Montana—W) asked if he could not speak in favor of the Harkness amendment. Bishop Hagen ruled the Conference was under the call for the previous question.

Appeal of Ruling—Joseph H. Albrecht

Joseph H. Albrecht (Central Illinois—NC) appealed the Bishop's ruling on the right for Mr. Harper to speak.

C. L. Moody, Jr. (South Carolina—SE) said he understood Dr. Harkness spoke for her amendment.

Clarence E. Parker (North Iowa—NC) asked if the numberings of the sections had not been changed and that Section V was actually IV; the Secretary stated this was correct.

Chair Sustained

The Conference sustained the chair's ruling on not allowing Mr. Harper to speak.

Amendment Lost

Bishop Holloway spoke a word for the Committee against the amendment and the Harkness amendment lost.

Amendment—Richard W. Cain

Richard W. Cain (Southern California-Arizona): Mr. Chairman, I move that we add to paragraph 5 the following: "Annual Conference contributions made to any portion of a seminary budget, commitments

for which were established prior to this Uniting Conference, shall be deducted from the 2% asking of that Annual Conference for the ministerial education fund." If I have a second I shall like to explain the motion.

Bilshop Hagen: Do we have a second? You may speak.

Mr. Cain: Mr. Chairman, we bring this in order to assist what, for us, is a very particular problem, and I speak for the Annual Conference from which I come. We are very interested, concerned, and in support of this fund; certainly seeing the need and appreciating the work of this committee; but we are also very much aware of commitments which we have made as an Annual Conference to a seminary within the bounds of conference.

We feel that the word of the conference, as the word of an individual, must be maintained and we have made a commitment for a number of years for a specific amount of money which is for theological education and because of the particular need of this institution at this particular time, it is allocated for purposes which would not receive credit under this fund. Therefore, we would ask this General Conference that recognition be given of the various stages in the life of seminaries and the various needs which we have. We would ask for this to be added so that our Annual Conference could whole-heartedly be a part of this effort of the church to provide for ministerial education and at the same time fulfill the word which we have given to an institution. Therefore, I plead with the conference for the adoption of this addition to the report.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Robert H. Courtney (North East Ohio—NC) spoke for the amendment.

Claude Garrison (Ohio—NC) asked a question of Bishop Holloway and then spoke against the amendment.

Dr. Wertz spoke words of clarification.

Previous Question—*Robert M. Thorpe*

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest) moved the previous question on the amendment and it prevailed.

Luther B. Felder (Texas—SC) wanted to speak, but Bishop Hagen ruled that the question had been ordered.

Amendment Lost

The Cain amendment lost.

Question of Clarification—*Charles R. Sweet*

Charles Sweet (Minnesota): I would like to ask Dr. Wertz a question. It is a question of the administration of the 75%. It refers specifically to page 225, middle column at the bottom and the other column the words have to do with inequity. My question is, will the amount which is given by Jurisdictions, and that amount alone, be used for the Seminaries within those Jurisdictions or in the administration of this? Will some chance be given for equity in the number of Seminaries which there are in the Jurisdiction, the number of students they serve or their needs specifically. I am in the North Central Jurisdiction and this is an important question.

Dr. Wertz: May I ask Dr. Trott to speak to it?

Bishop Hagen: Dr. Trott.

Dr. Trott: The design of that 25% of the 75% or 18:75% of the whole is precisely at this point of making adjustments between Jurisdictions in particular so that the weakest Jurisdictions and the excessively burdened Jurisdictions, if you think of more seminaries in one than another, may be strengthened by the substantial Jurisdictions.

Amendment—Thomas F. Chilcote

Thomas F. Chilcote (Holston): On page 225, middle column, under the first Be it Resolved that; Let me read the entire paragraph. I think it would tighten it up a little bit in regards to apportionments to be made. Be it Resolved that the General Conference establish a National Ministerial Education Fund to be supported by all the local churches, this fund to begin with the 1970 fiscal year. This fund is to be apportioned to the annual conferences by the Council on World Service and Finance on the basis of 2% of the total paid for all purposes by the churches in each conference in the third year of the previous quadrennium excluding payments to World Service, conference benevolences, Advance Specials, new buildings and the servicing of debts. If I could get a second, I would comment to this.

Bishop Hagen: Is there a second?

Fred Wertz (Central Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, if I could speak for the Committee I believe the Committee will accept this phraseology. It is acceptable to the Committee and it establishes the base of a particular year in which the computations can be made. The Committee accepts this suggestion.

Questions—Thorvald E. Kallstad—Robert W. Fribley

Thorvald E. Kallstad (Sweden): Bishop, am I in order to put some questions in relation to the vote?

Bishop Hagen: Yes, the whole report is before us.

Mr. Kallstad: In the beginning of the report we read that the education of ministers is vital to a whole life of The United Methodist Church and further on we read the General Conference establish a National Ministerial Education Fund to be supported by all annual conferences and local churches.

I am a dean of a Scandinavian School of Theology in Sweden and as a representation of those particular people who are called overseas people from the American point of view. Now I wonder if the National Ministerial Education Fund means the same as in America, inside the United States, and does it mean that, for instance, annual conferences overseas shall continue to this National Ministerial Education Fund. And another question, does it mean that the theological seminaries overseas, for instance, the Scandinavian School of Theology of Sweden, can be supported by this National Ministerial Education Fund, or are we excluded? Thank you.

Bishop Hagen: Well, I guess that somebody on the Committee may be able to answer that question.

Mr. Wertz: May I ask Dr. Trott to speak to this matter?

Bishop Hagen: Dr. Trott.

Dr. Trott: I don't know that I can give a satisfactory answer to these questions but in the past, support for seminaries overseas has come through the Board of Mission. Support for seminaries in this country has been received through the Council on World Service and Finance in an item designated particularly for those seminaries and from annual conferences and Jurisdictions supporting this. I am sure all of us would be happy to look forward to the time when we could have a co-ordinated overseas structure that might embody this. In

most instances our overseas seminaries are union seminaries in which mission funds contribute to the education of the ministry in those countries. With respect to the question, "do overseas conferences contribute to this national fund" my answer would be No.

Donald E. Redmond (Southwest Texas—SC) stated that a Theological Education Fund through the Board of Missions had upgraded overseas theological education.

Robert W. Fribley (North Indiana): The question concerning the allocation of this two percent to the local church. Will this be an addition to the General Administration Fund or will it be a two percent allocated as a separate apportionment to the local church?

Dr. Wertz: It is the understanding of the chair, and I believe this is accurate, that this is a separate apportioned item for the National Ministerial Education Fund.

Mr. Fribley (North Indiana): Mr. Chairman, will this have relationship to the . . . it will not be in World Service, then, where you have a forty percent increase in this Ministerial Fund?

Dr. Wertz: It will not.

Amendment—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville): I would like to move amendment at two points. Under the first "be it resolved" in the middle column there, where the word apportionment appears, I move that that be changed to "askings" wherever it appears in the report; and then in the third column when we have come to the point here in the second—or the first full paragraph, "that Methodist and EUB church sources," put a period eliminating the rest of that paragraph. And if I may have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Hagen: Is there a second?

Delegate (from floor): I second it.

Bishop Hagen: Yes, there is a second.

Dr. Hightower: Mr. Chairman, this report carries two or three things that trouble me, and one of them is its language. Now why we have the use of the word apportionment here when in our former usage, at least, unless we are changing our meaning of it; we do not have apportionments for this kind of thing. We have askings, even for World Service, and an apportionment is an entirely different order of things in the former churches and I want this to be sure that we don't use the word apportionment.

The reason I am so careful about this, Mr. Chairman, is that this morning there was a question raised about this second point of my amendment here. That was the penalties to be assessed if someone didn't do what this group wants done. This is strange language to me in the Methodist set-up and family, and I would like to see that matter of penalties deducted from here because in this last part of the amendment over there in the third column, if a Jurisdiction were to lack \$5.00 meeting whatever this group felt was their asking about it, this language would give them the right to cut off the amounts of money they would return to any Seminaries within the bounds of that Jurisdiction, and I think this is entirely unwarranted kind of power to give this group and I want the word stricken from it.

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) asked for a reading of the amendment which the Secretary did.

William B. Lewis (Southern Illinois—NC) asked the total figure for the General Church on this item. Dr. Wertz replied it would be \$7,330,000. James Crippen (Detroit—NC) asked if the amount the former EUB Church raised were added if it would not be about \$8,300,000. Dr. Wertz said this was correct.

Question—James Crippen

Mr. Crippen: While I am on my feet may I ask you another question, sir? At the present time, according to action which the Conference passed yesterday, the World Service budget would give to the ministry \$2,400,000 which would be approximately ten percent, or a little less, of our \$25,000,000. Do I understand, sir, that you are asking that remain, and in addition thereto, for this quadrennium that you would like the two percent additional? Is that correct?

Dr. Trott: The raw figures need some interpretation. When the study was conducted by a member of the staff of the Council on World Service and Finance, the conversation between our two denominations was not far enough advanced to be absolutely certain about the union of the two churches and we did not have at hand the figures for The Evangelical United Brethren Church. So that in our study all the foundation figures were based on the Methodist figures, and the figure quoted \$7,330,000 for 1967 is a figure for Methodists alone and you would add to this about a million dollars more for the EUB's. Now, what you have to keep in mind is that if we achieve this total goal this is what we would get. If it was achieved, in our judgment, it would not be arrived at in anything less than six or eight years of development. So you are not talking about something that will happen next year. If it is arrived at, according to the concept of the study, and according to the plan, it would displace all support now stemming from the Council on World Service and Finance. In other words, there would not be a \$2,400,000 item added to this. But this would displace our benevolence giving at that point. In addition it would displace all those funds now received from annual conferences and it is appreciable in those conferences contiguous to seminaries and from Jurisdictional Conference programs, such as the 1% Fund in the Southeastern Jurisdiction and the South Central. What you are talking about really is about two and a half million dollars in additional money that would come to the seminaries about six years hence, providing the fund is fully operative, and if it was necessary, I could show you how the mathematics work out at that point.

Mr. Crippen: Dr. Trott, while you are there and discussing this, would you mind telling us this: you indicate that it would be some six years away and yet as I understand your proposal, the 2 percent would be an apportionment and therefore if it did not measure up, it would be at least in the same proportion as all world service giving. Would that not be correct?

Norman Trott: This is right. And there is apparently some confusion in the use of the language apportionment and asking. The World Service, as I understand it being a working pastor in my day, is an asking but when you look in the *Daily Christian Advocate* and see the break down by conferences, you see a caption "apportionment" and it would be in this same framework that we would envision this particular program. But it does not begin until 1970 and would have some difficulty, I think, getting underway in this 1968-72 quadrennium.

Mr. Crippen: I would just like to make a point of information, Bishop, if I may. As I understand what Dr. Trott has said, at least for the year beginning 1970 this would mean that instead of giving ap-

proximately 10 percent of so-called World Service money to the ministry education, we would be jumping to approximately 30 percent and I think that is something we ought to have in mind.

Harold Fagan (Texas): Mr. Chairman, and members of the General Conference. I think we should look at the total picture in thinking of what we are about here. I believe we are being asked for World Service \$25,000,000 as against \$20,800,000. We have been asked for an increase in General Administration, an increase in Interdenominational Fund, we have been asked to double temporary general aid to a million dollars, we are now being asked, beginning in 1970, for theological schools \$8,330,000, we have been asked for \$5,000,000 a year or \$20,000,000 for the quadrennium for the Quadrennial Emphasis. Now, here is what it means, if we vote all of these, we are increasing the asking by 80 percent. Is the General Conference aware of this?

Bishop Hagen: Let the chair say one thing here. I think we should stay and discuss the question before us. Now that is the amendment that we have here.

Lemuel K. Lord (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Amendment to the Amendment—Robert W. Preusch

Robert Preusch (New York): Mr. Chairman, I would like to amend the amendment and I would like to amend it as follows. The portion to correct the third column on page 225, I would like to have deleted from the amendment and I would like to amend in the second column, the fifth paragraph down, substituting for the word "on apportionment" "as voluntary asking" and the last sentence in that paragraph that says, "this fund is to be apportioned to the annual conferences by the Council on World Service and Finance," I would like to have eliminated and all other words that refer to apportionment shall be substituted with the words "voluntary asking." If I have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Hagen: There is a second and you may speak to it.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) said if he understood correctly the amendment, he would accept it, but Mr. Preusch felt they were different.

Mr. Preusch: My substitute does two things: it adds the word "voluntary" which he accepts but I want to separate into two parts the amendment that was before you. I don't want to defeat either but I don't want either to hurt the other. So I want to vote separately on column three if Ted Hightower still wants to re-introduce that portion. Mr. Chairman and delegates I would like to call to all of your attention the following facts. You have been batting a lot of numbers around. This request was before the Council on World Service; they did discuss it at length; they voted, and voted in favor of the motion that I have just made here. Now, I would like to point out the following: during the last quadrennium, the churches of our conference were asked for the following items, World Service, Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, Temporary Aid, General Administration and Episcopal, being the five funds that are apportioned, a total of \$87,000,000.

We are asking, in 1968-72, based on budgets voted last night, puts two proposed by World Service and the trend seems to be to increase them, \$123,000,000. We are up 34 percent. Now when we are up 34 percent on the formula, some of you spoke last night of it being too

high, some conferences are going to get over 50 percent increase because of the formula.

Now, let's add to that \$20,000,000 as first year of the quadrennium and figure out what happens. Bishop Mathews said he didn't know whether or not it would be apportioned. The first year of the new quadrennium, your payments of last year instead of being what they were handed down from the General Conference will be 232 percent of what they were. After the first year of the new quadrennium, we drop back to this \$8,000,000 figure, not \$7,000,000, and when we drop back, we will only have an increase of about 80 percent, when divided on our formulas will give some conferences over 100 percent for those years.

Now I am not speaking against higher education; I am all for it, and I agree that member by member, \$1, \$2, \$3 are a pittance but can you all go back to your conferences and can you all go back to your churches and deliver back to us 200 percent increases in your apportionment? If you can, you should defeat my amendment and go with this or do it voluntarily, but if you are not ready to increase your apportionments by 130 percent next year so that you pay 232 percent of what you paid last year, then you should support my amendment and defeat the report.

Dr. Wertz called attention to the Chilcote amendment which the Committee had accepted.

The Secretary was asked to read the Preusch amendment.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) spoke against the amendment.

Previous Question—Blaine E. Taylor

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) moved the previous question, and it carried.

Point of Inquiry—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): I would like to ask the presenters of the report whether they have accepted the words "voluntary asking" and make it a part of their report, or whether this is an issue to be voted upon?

Dr. Wertz: The answer is the committee has not accepted "voluntary asking"; therefore, it is an issue to be voted on.

Question

E. McKinnon White (New England Southern—NE) wanted to know if the vote was now on everything or just the Preusch amendment. *Blaine E. Taylor* (New England—NE) stated that was on all before the house.

Point of Order—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) stated that the motion was only on the amendment, and Bishop Hagen sustained this.

Vote on Preusch Amendment

Robert W. Smith (Oklahoma—SC) requested a reading of the amendment, which was done by the Secretary.

Dr. Quillian spoke for the Committee.

Lester L. Moore (South Iowa—NC) asked what specific local church expenses were meant, and the Secretary again read the amendment.

A vote was taken and the Preusch amendment lost.

Point of Privilege—Robert M. Thorpe

As a point of privilege, Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) asked that the Conference refrain from emotion, and do its job in order.

Hightower Amendment Fails

The Secretary was asked to read the Hightower amendment; the vote was taken, and the amendment lost.

Amendment—Harold Fagan

Mr. Harold Fagan (Texas): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that where we are for 2 percent—where we asked “be it resolved that” and move on down to line seven “in the amount of 2 percent, I move to amend in the amount of 1½ percent.”

Bishop Hagen: Is there a second? I do not hear a second. Well, there was a second there.

Mr. Fagan: Thank you, Bishop, and members of the Conference. I believe that all of us present here at this General Conference want to take a forward step for our seminaries. I believe, however, that somewhere we are going to have to be realistic dollarwise. If we could raise this and the other things we propose to raise in this General Conference I would be 100 percent for it. I think, however, that since we have a proposal for a great crisis in our country for \$20,000,000 among other things, that we need to try to hold the line a little somewhere. And hence my amendment to change the 2 per cent to 1½ per cent. Thank you, sir.

Wallace Fridy (South Carolina—SE) spoke against the amendment.

W. Jene Miller (Oklahoma—SC) expressed concern over the most effective use of facilities for the total mission.

E. McKinnon White (New England-Southern—NE) spoke against the amendment and urged confidence in the report.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) spoke against the amendment.

Kenneth E. Metcalf (North Iowa—SC) spoke for the amendment after calling attention to the fact that two previous speakers had spoken against.

Point of Order—Russell P. Hummel

Russell P. Hummel (Susquehanna—EUB) raised a point of order that the Conference had been unfair, and the meeting should be conducted with decorum.

Previous Question—John D. Humphrey

John D. Humphrey (North Mississippi—SE) moved the previous question on all before the house. The motion carried.

Vote on Amendment

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) wanted to know concerning paying back Student loans. Dr. Wertz stated that none of this money on national level went into loans.

H. Burnham Kirkland (New York—NE) asked if the charge conference could accept or reject apportionments. Dr. Wertz replied that it could.

The Fagan amendment lost.

Report Adopted

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Education was adopted as previously amended. (See *DCA* page 225; appendix page 1337.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 52
—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth Hulit (Ohio East): Mr. Chairman, members of the conference, it was not the intention of our committee to present this until we had approved Item No. 50. but in order to expedite time we would place it before you today. It is the request of the Judicial Council to give us an opinion on the basis of a possible establishment of a Commission on Religion and Race. We would move this be referred to the Judicial Council.

Bishop Hagen: All in favor, say agreed.

Conference: Agreed.

Bishop Hagen: Against? It is approved.

Privilege Motion—A. Purnell Bailey

A. Purnell Bailey (Virginia): A privileged motion.

Bishop Hagen: Just a moment. And after hearing this we are going to adjourn, and I will ask Bishop Pickett to pronounce the benediction.

Mr. Bailey: All right. In Report No. 7, the World Service, page 69 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, the end of section No. 2—I wish to delete the last sentence of that paragraph, beginning with the words, "The Council recommends that the term Camp Activities," etc., and insert the following, which is actually a part of the request: "The name for the former Commission on Chaplains and Camp Activities shall be the Council on Chaplaincy and Related Ministries."

If there is a second, I would like to speak to that, please.

Bishop Hagen: Is there a second? Yes, it is. You may speak, and try to speak shortly because we are very close to adjournment.

Mr. Bailey: This has been requested, Mr. Chairman; our study commission has worked on it. The chairman of the Commission on World Service has agreed to it. And therefore, I recommend it to the Conference.

Bishop Hagen: Any discussion? All in favor of this, lift your hand. Against? It is approved. Then we are ready to adjourn.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop Hagen

Bishop Hagen thanked the Conference for their cooperation.

Benediction—Bishop J. Waskam Pickett

Bishop J. Waskam Pickett, retired, gave the benediction, and the afternoon session adjourned.

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Reuben H. Mueller

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the sixth day, Monday, April 29, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Reuben H. Mueller, West Central Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr.

Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr. gave the call to worship; the Conference sang Hymn No. 204, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life." Bishop Moore read Matthew 24: 42-47 and led the prayer. The Southwestern College Choir of Winfield, Kansas, sang anthems, and Bishop Moore gave the morning devotional (see appendix page 1022).

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has examined the record of the session Friday morning, Friday evening, Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon, and we approved the same subject to minor corrections which the Journal Secretary will make.

The Journal Committee makes this request. If anyone should detect an error in the record as it is printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, if you will please write a note, specifying the place and the details of the correction, and give this to the Journal Secretary, Mr. Wilson, who sits at the table on my immediate right. Or hand it to me and I'll give it to him.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you, sir. Shall the report of the committee be approved? Those who are in favor of that will raise the hand. Thank you. Any opposed? The report is approved.

Committee on Agenda—Clarence M. Winchester

Clarence M. Winchester (Western North Carolina): Bishop Mueller and members of the Conference, the Agenda Report is found on the front page of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Your special attention is called to the order of the day this morning. There are no corrections, and I move its adoption.

Bishop Mueller: It has been moved that it be approved as submitted. Now if you will approve, raise the hand. Thank you. Any opposed? It is approved.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference. The Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by chairmen of the annual conference delegations for the plenary sessions

of the morning and the afternoon of April 27, 1968. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Mueller: If you favor the approval of this report you will show it by raised hands. Thank you very much. Any opposed? It is approved. Thank you, sir.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) requested that greetings be sent to *William S. Steele* (Holston—SE).

Dr. McDavid presented Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich for a matter of privilege.

Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, I want to thank you for this great privilege and to express my gratitude for having the permission to speak just a few words. Many questions have been asked during the last week about the representation of our church from the so-called Iron Curtain, and especially from Eastern Germany. I am very happy to inform you that this time all delegates from Eastern Germany are present. You will remember that during the last General Conference no delegate was here. This time we have all delegates present—two ministerial delegates and two lay delegates. This was possible by the most constructive cooperation of East and West, both governmental and church levels, and I want especially to appreciate the wonderful service our Board of Social Concerns, who through peace and war have wrangled in this matter. These delegates are sitting over there. They are sitting here with a joyful heart. They feel at home with this worldwide Methodist family, and they will bring home with them all the inspiration and all hope they will get from you, this great Methodist Conference. Thank you very much, Bishop Mueller.

Motion—Reid Tombaugh

Reid Tombaugh (Central Illinois—NC) desired to make a motion in regard to finances, but Bishop Mueller suggested that it come later.

Stewardship Foundation—Lloyd M. Bertholf

Lloyd M. Bertholf (Central Illinois): Bishop Mueller and members of the Conference, I am sure you are asking yourselves now about the same question that we in the General Board of Lay Activities have asked ourselves many times during the last couple of years; namely, "Can anyone after all these centuries really say anything new about the subject of stewardship?" The answer, I feel quite sure, is "No." But the same can doubtless be said about any other theological concept. However, it does not necessarily follow from this that we therefore ought to keep silent about the subject, and for two reasons.

The first is, we need from time to time to summarize a large concept like this so as to emphasize the particular aspect that needs most stress in the current situation, and, in the second place, each new generation tends to pass over the old ideas unless they are continually restated in the idiom of the day.

We were very glad, therefore, when the General Conference of 1964 at Pittsburgh asked the General Board of Lay Activities to restate the essentials of the stewardship idea in the form of what was called a "Stewardship Creed," or what we would prefer to say, Foundation Statement on Stewardship. In due time a committee was appointed to supervise this work, out of the Board and the staff of Lay Activities.

We recognized, of course, that this is really a job for theologians, and although we had several men, not only on our committee, but also on the Board and the staff, who were trained in theology, we thought we should go to our theological seminaries to get the benefit of the most up-to-date thinking possible on this subject.

Accordingly, in February 1967 we called together in Chicago a national seminar on stewardship, at which we asked 12 seminary professors, one from each of the 12 Methodist seminaries, to present papers, each on a different assigned aspect of the subject. The manuscripts presented there were each discussed by the 150 or so laymen and clergy who attended the seminar. They were then edited and returned to the authors for further correction, and have now been assembled and given further editing, so they can be published as 12 chapters of a book, setting forth a modern concept of stewardship, which we hope will represent very well the thinking of The United Methodist Church in this area.

Meanwhile, as it became evident that there would be a union of Methodists and Evangelical United Brethren, we augmented the committee by several members from The Evangelical United Brethren Church, men who had been working in this field; and this enlarged committee then excerpted from the twelve manuscripts mentioned above the Foundation Statement, which after numerous editings, appears on pages 267-270 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which you have before you. This statement we now present to this Uniting Conference for adoption, following the mandate of the 1964 General Conference in Pittsburgh, and the instructions of the 1968 session of the Methodist General Conference, as recorded on page 129 of your *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Now, Mr. Chairman, I am not going to read this statement. That would take more time than has been allotted to me at this point. But we shall be much disappointed if you do not read it, and we think the church would be much the poorer, in several ways really, if wide use is not made of this statement in retreats, seminars, study classes, and workshops throughout United Methodism.

If I should attempt to summarize this concept of stewardship in the fewest possible words, I would say that it is man's response, both individually and corporately, to the question, God is continually asking of us; namely, "What are you doing with what I gave you?" "What are you doing with the body, the mind, the life I gave you?" "What are you doing with the time I gave you? What are you doing with the abilities I gave you, with the soil, the water, the air, the minerals? With the forests and the wild life I gave you? What are you doing with the freedoms I gave you, the influence, the conscience? What are you doing with the church I gave you? What is your response to all these gifts?"

It seems to me that these are the questions that God is continually asking of us. One proper response, of course, is gratitude—that is, worship. Another is creative use of these things by which we become co-creators with God.

We use His forests, for example, to make houses. We use His iron ore to make steel, and then fabricate all sorts of things for the good of man. In doing so we create wealth, and we create power, but only because we use the raw materials that God has placed at our disposal. Thus the wealth and the power are His also.

This, Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, is a sample of the kind of argument we present in this statement. You will find much more in it. It presents stewardship as a reasonable, mature, responsible, attitude that involves every phase of Christian life for grownup Christians. I think it is worthy of wide use of study. Let me

conclude, then, by reading with you the last three paragraphs on page 270, entitled "Conclusion."

"Stewardship involves all of life. It is based on clear biblical and theological concepts. A Christian view of income and possessions is needed as an integral part of a responsible way of life and not merely as an instrument to be used when a financial need arises or when a special appeal for money is to be made.

"Stress must also be placed on the stewardship of time and ability, of personal and natural resources, of influence and power, and of services reaching out to the world community.

"These goals call for the presentation of the needs of the world. This makes clear the mission of the church. But a full response to the needs of the world requires more than simply the presenting of these needs, important as that is. It requires also the inner Christian compulsion to give, to share, to expend one's self, even as Jesus did. It requires the commitment of one's own life along with his available material resources. The issues of the day must be met by that which issues from the hearts of dedicated Christians. This, we think, is Christian stewardship."

Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of this basic foundation statement on stewardship.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you sir. The motion has been made that the paper presented and printed in the *Daily Advocate*, to which your attention has been called, be approved for stewardship promotion and information to the program of the church. Is this supported? It is properly supported. Are there any questions to be lifted or any discussion on the report before we vote? Apparently not. Those in favor of its approval will raise the hand. Thank you. Any opposed? It is approved. (See appendix, page 1801.)

Presentation of Local Committee—J. Otis Young—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope—Avery Mays

Bishop Kenneth Pope (Dallas Area): Mr. Chairman, this is a great privilege for me. No man spoke with a greater sense of debt to a local committee than I speak concerning this committee. I hope you will suffer me to remind you that this General Conference is twice as large as any we have had before. Putting together the physical setting for such an occasion is no mean task. It is to the credit of our local committee that I haven't known much of what was going on. They have been as fine as a group could have been. I could go on and on, but I simply want to present them to you one by one. I wish you could give them the applause they deserve one by one, but I am going to make a special request that you let these be presented and after they are through being presented to you, you give them the expression of appreciation which they richly deserve.

In the first place, Bishop Moore, will you come up here and stand by me. You are my side partner. You have been out of town, but you have been in spirit with us as much as anyone. He is the co-host. And the vice-chairman of our local committee is the Reverend J. G. Owens, of the Warren Methodist Church here in this city, and then I want to present the designer of the medallion, whom I think you should look at twice. He has done an excellent job. I think you will agree. Mr. Jim Sweeney. Jim will you step out here a little bit? He's a wonderful Christian layman of a local committee. He went to Africa on his own to help design some literature products. I could go on and on.

Now, I want to present as fine a man as I know of anywhere. I went to school with him and he is one of Dallas' leading citizens; a leader in the State Fair, has been Executive Secretary of it; a leader in the Cotton Bowl; he is a leader in his church; he is vice-president of

Southern Methodist University, and I pause now to express on your part our thanks to Southern Methodist University for releasing him some six months ago to give full time at no cost to helping set up this Uniting Conference. I hope to present to you, and I think I will break the request—Mr. Jimmy Stewart, and I do want you to stop now and give him your hand of appreciation.

There just simply never was a better one. Now I want the local chairman to present the remainder of the local committee. One of Dallas' leading citizens in every sense, one of our fine churchman and friends, Mr. Avery Mays. Mr. Mays, who has been chairman of the local committee, will you come now and present the remainder of your committee? No finer chairmen ever existed.

Avery Mays: Honorable Bishops of the Council, Honorable clergy, delegates, visitors, and committees, and women that are working here, in behalf of our committee I do want to express our appreciation for this wonderful conference of The United Methodist Church. I would like also to express the appreciation of the Committee to the Conference Program and Entertainment Committee that worked with us so effectively, both in The Evangelical United Brethren Church and our Methodist Church prior to its unification. This has been a wonderful conference for Dallas, a historic one in which we share a great deal of pride with you delegates who have done all the fine work that has made it possible. No meeting would be successful without the direction, assistance and the genuine work put forth by the women. I know all of you wonder why Bill Dickinson is such a great minister out at Highland Park Methodist Church. I would like to present to you first the women's committee, Mrs. William H. Dickinson, Jr., and if any of her committee are present I would like for them to stand.

The secretary and legal counsel that worked with us so effectively in the early part of our executive administrative set-up, William E. Collins, an attorney and member of Lover's Lane Methodist Church.

Then the General Chairman of arrangements that Jimmy Stewart so effectively put to work, and I suppose he had more of the minor details to accomplish than any one, and he has done a tremendous job, Reverend Ira Galloway. And if any of his members are present, and I know you are, will you stand with Ira?

Most of you went out to Moody Coliseum on Saturday evening and saw "The New Wilderness," which was under the direction of our beloved pastor of First Methodist Church, Dr. Robert E. Goodrich, Jr., General Chairman of Program.

The General Chairman of Entertainment, Mr. Charles Cullum, City Councilman and a very effective and devoted layman of our city, Charles Cullum.

The General Chairman of Housing and Registration, J. Russell Smith, an active layman and alternate delegate.

I don't believe that the Chairman of Finance, R. Bryan Brawner is here. If he is—whether or not—he has done a tremendous job.

Bishop Pope: Thank you, all of you, and now this is sort of a little extra curricula, but nothing is more central in the Uniting Conference. He has been announced, but he hasn't been presented. The one who has put together on a local basis the music of the Conference is the son of Dr. Otis Young. He is Dr. Carlton Young, a member of Perkins Faculty. You heard him last night direct this grand festival of music. I think you might like to give him a good hand of appreciation for all that he has done. Dr. Young.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you, Bishop Pope, and the Conference has already shown its hearty approval of the work of this local committee in the response that you gave to the report.

**Committee on Missions—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 18—
Edward L. Tullis**

E. L. Tullis (Kentucky): If you will turn with me please to page 165 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 18, page 165.

Mr. Chairman, and members of the General Conference, Calendar No. 18 represents the petition to abolish discrimination in work among Indian Americans.

I believe our committee understands the deep concern of this petition, but we would remind the Conference that this petition did not come from our Indian Mission Conference which is mentioned in the petition. To concur in this petition might force the Indian Mission to merge with surrounding Conferences which it has no desire to do at the present time according to our information, and to force such a matter at this time might do great damage to an excellent ministry. Since the National Division of Missions has some relationship in varying ways to all of our work among Indian-Americans, the Committee on Missions move reference of this Calendar No. to the National Division of the Board of Missions.

Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE) asked if members of this Conference had been consulted. Dr. Tullis said they had.

Report No. 1 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1472.)

**Committee on Missions—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 19—
Edward L. Tullis**

Dr. Tullis: Calendar No. 19 is a petition asking for strategy for developing new congregations and the Committee votes concurrence and recommends concurrence.

Bishop Mueller: Is this supported? Properly supported. Is there any question in this connection? I believe there are none. Those who favor approval of the Committee's report, lift the hand. Any oppose? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1472.)

**Committee on Missions—Report No. 3—Calendar No. 20—
Edward L. Tullis**

Dr. Tullis: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, Calendar Items 20 and 21 cover similar petitions. They are a bit different, so had to be separated, but I think we can speak to both of them at the same time. They call for Mission to the Jews and I remind this Conference that this matter of Mission to the Jews has been studied from time to time, and is a present concern of our Board of Missions and we move reference to the Board of Missions on both of these Calendar Items. I presume we will have to take separate action, but we move reference to Board of Missions on 20 and then on 21.

Lemuel K. Lord (New England—NE) spoke against the report.

Substitute Motion—Major J. Jones

Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky) moved a substitute motion of non-concurrence.

Wilbur C. Ziegler (New England—NE) spoke for the substitute.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) spoke for the substitute.

The Jones substitute motion of non-concurrence prevailed. Report No. 3, as substituted, was adopted. (See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1472.)

Committee on Missions—Report No. 4—Calendar No. 21— Edward L. Tullis

After Dr. Tullis presented the report, *Joseph H. Albrecht* (Central Illinois—NC) moved non-concurrence, as a substitute, and the substitute prevailed. Report No. 4, as substituted, was adopted. (See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1473.)

Committee on Missions—Reports Nos. 5 and 6—Calendar Nos. 22 and 23—Edward L. Tullis

Dr. Tullis: Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, Calendar items 22 and 23 are just a bit different but both call for recognition of osteopathic physicians and approval of them on an equal basis with physicians and surgeons holding an M.D. degree. They ask this approval by the Board of Missions. We are advised that this matter is under review of the Board of Missions and can be again, and we recommend referral on these items to the Board of Missions.

Bishop Mueller: You have heard the recommendation from the Committee on items 22 and 23 for reference to the Board of Missions. It is before us from a committee, therefore it is seconded. Is there any discussion of it? If not, those who are ready to vote will raise the hands. Any opposed will raised the hands. It is approved. Reference is made.

(See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1473.)

Committee on Missions—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 24— Edward L. Tullis

Dr. Tullis: Now, Bishop, item 24, the committee would like to amend just slightly, not changing the intent but making the wording a bit more clear, as we feel it ought to be. If you will look at calendar item 24 at the point where it says, three lines from the bottom, “. . . in a renewed line of credit . . .” we would like to change the wording “. . . in a renewed line of credit to the government of South Africa, as a protest to the practice of apartheid by that government.”

This then brings a petition that came to us from 35 persons supporting the Board of Missions in removing the investment portfolio from the First National City Bank in New York and with this wording, Mr. Chairman we present this item and the committee has asked Dr. Roy Nichols, vice-chairman of our committee, to present our position.

Point of Order—William C. Jason, Jr.

William C. Janson, Jr. (Philadelphia—NE) raised a point of order wanting to know what happened when a re-

port was referred. Dr. Tullis stated this was not for referral.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey (Louisiana—SC) stated that all matters referred to the Board of Missions were taken seriously.

Report No. 7

Roy Nichols (New York): Bishop, members of the General Conference, the item 24 is before you and I have been asked to make just a few remarks, hoping that these remarks will not precipitate or diminish debate or discussion. Under the rules of our own General Conference and the *Discipline* of the Methodist Church, any board or agency of the church has the right to decide where it will bank its money or the disposition of its investment portfolio.

Our Board of Missions has made a decision in this regard, based upon their stated disagreement with the loan policy of a certain bank. Their action would not be an issue before this General Conference unless the issue was raised directly from the floor of the Conference or unless a petition had been filed with the General Conference.

The matter is before you because a petition has been filed and a Legislative Committee has had the matter under consideration. The statement of the petition as amended by Dr. Tullis is before you and our legislative section voted by the indicated vote, 95 for, 4 against, 4 abstaining, for two principle reasons.

First, the action of the board was consistent with the policy of the General Conference with reference to their prerogative and secondly, the action of the board was consistent with the Social Creed of The Methodist Church.

We, therefore, place this item before the General Conference out of our Legislative Committee, feeling that we do not really have before us the issue of redebating a matter that was debated within the board but the principle issue that has been set before us by this petition on the grounds that the policy, the polity of our church guarantees a board or agency the right to act as it chooses in these matters and since that action was consistent with the Social Creed of The Methodist Church, we voted overwhelmingly concurrence and recommended to you strongly for concurrence.

John Iwaniuk (Michigan—EUB) requested the re-reading of the amendment by the Committee. Dr. Tullis gave it.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) opposed the report.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) stated that he did not believe the Conference could determine the single act of a bank and blacklist it and remove funds from it.

Louise Branscomb (North Alabama—SE) asked that the Conference not get involved in technicalities or legalities, but to think about people and principles.

Charles C. Parlin (Northern New Jersey—NE) opposed the report.

Harold Karls (Detroit—NC) stated that he saw no reason for bringing it to this floor and embarrassing one bank.

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) asked what it would cost the Board of Missions to transfer this portfolio. Dr. Nichols said he did not know.

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey (Louisiana—SC) spoke for the report.

Substitute Motion—William C. Vaughan

William C. Vaughan (Virginia): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move nonconcurrency and if I have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Mueller: This is really substitute motion, is it not?

Mr. Vaughan: That is right.

Bishop Mueller: Is there a second to the substitute motion? There is a second to it, all right, Sir.

Mr. Vaughan: Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, I will not take your time to argue about this except on one point. I understand the Board of Missions and other boards have this prerogative, and I would not want to get into trying to change that, but I do think that I must concur with what Mr. Parlin said, I am a member of a bank board; the banks do handle loans from one bank to the other and if we're going to, in the General Conference, try to pass laws and rule on how our commissions and agencies would borrow and deposit money, I think we would be here until next year this time, and I hope that we will not argue this thing except from a factual standpoint, that we must leave it with the board and not get involved on it.

I know very little about the government of South Africa and certainly I think that we could not come here and argue what my corporation was doing or what some other corporation was doing and whether we should buy their stock or we shouldn't. This is purely pressure of an economic standpoint that our church should not get involved in. We voted it out and we should stay with that. Thank you.

Point of Order—K. Morgan Edwards

K. Morgan Edwards (Southern California-Arizona—W) raised a point of order that there should be rotating speeches for and against a matter.

Question—Mrs. H. V. Weems

Mrs. H. V. Weems (Florida—SE) asked if the nominating committee of the National Division recommended this action to the executive committee of the Board of Missions. Dr. Tullis stated that he did not know.

Mrs. Weems wanted to speak for the substitute, but Bishop Mueller ruled someone must speak against it.

Point of Order—Charles M. Earley

Charles M. Earley (Virginia—SE) raised a point of order that this substitute was really not a proper motion. He also called attention to the number voting. Dr. Tullis stated the number was 103.

Clarification—Eugene L. Smith

Eugene Smith (Northern New Jersey): I would like to state what I think that the real issue is. First of all the General Conference has every right to call in to question any action of a board responsible to the General Conference. The second issue is whether a board has a right to examine ethical issues in a matter of its portfolio invest-

ments. This church has a long, on both sides, a long and stubborn history of such examination.

I do not believe there is an investment advisor in the United States that would recommend to any of the many portfolios represented in The United Methodist Church the purchase of brewery stocks, purchase of distillery stocks, certainly of those two. I doubt if those are represented anywhere in the portfolios.

The question of ethical investigation of portfolio investment is an historic one in this church. This issue is not the issue of boycott. The Board of Missions is still a customer of National City Bank.

I happen to think National City is one of the best run banks that I have ever had any dealing with; it has contracts with National City Bank for a number of vital services including all of the salary checks. This is rather a symbolic protest as a customer. It is not an attempt to bring a fine bank to its knees. It is a vital question of ethical exploration on investment and of the policy of symbolic protest.

The matter of symbolism in this particular issue is of major importance. It is not quite possible for a person outside banking circles to know the details, but it seems to me quite clear that the government of South Africa has never called upon this rotating credit fund which has been initiated by National City. The reason that that government presses so strongly for the continuation of a fund which it has not apparently needed to call upon, is the symbolism of support.

The fundamental issue before us is whether an agency of this church has a right to examine ethical issues in investment and as a customer, make a symbolic protest. I am on the Board of Union Theological Seminary where this was discussed; it was a very profitable discussion. Students asked, "Do we consider ethical issues in investment?" One of the bankers said, "Of course." We would not invest in anything that is controlled by the Mafia, this was a wide consensus. It was commented that the situation of apartheid in South Africa is as evil as many of the things that the Mafia itself does.

The real issue before us is whether we support the right of an agency of this church to make a symbolic protest effectively in terms of its investment portfolio.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvened

The Conference reconvened with *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) leading in the singing of Hymn No. 293, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken."

Change of Ruling—Bishop Mueller

Bishop Mueller stated that the substitute motion of Mr. Vaughan was improper since it was the opposite of what was being reported; hence, the vote was now on the entire report.

Previous Question—Edwin L. Jones

Edwin L. Jones (Western North Carolina—SE) made a motion calling for the previous question.

Woodie W. White (Detroit—NC) withdrew his request to speak.

Samuel R. Wright (Ohio—NC) spoke against the report which Bishop Mueller allowed since Dr. Wright had been seeking the floor.

The previous question carried.

Report No. 7 Adopted

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) spoke for the committee.

Report No. 7 was adopted (See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1474).

Committee on Missions—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 25—
Edward L. Tullis

Dr. Tullis: Mr. Chairman, we have one other calendar item that is properly before us. Calendar Item No. 25 on page 166. This is a petition requesting a Mission to United Methodist Churches in North America. If you will read the calendar item the petition asks that the World Division, the General Board of Evangelism, and the General Board of Laity be authorized to request several Christian churches abroad to engage in a Mission to United Methodist Churches in North America. This has been done somewhat in the past quadrennium—has seemed to be very effective and we vote concurrence. We recommend concurrence.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you sir. You have heard the Committee recommendation of Item 25 of concurrence.

C. David Hancock (Indiana South—EUB) asked if the date should be 1972 rather than 1971. Dr. Tullis said he would make the editorial correction.

The report was adopted. (See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1474.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 50
—Dow Kirkpatrick—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, I call on page 226, Calendar Item No. 50, the "Committee on Conferences," Mr. Hulit. And will the secretary or the chairman of the Committee on Publishing Interests, and the chairman of Interdenominational Affairs come to the platform, please?

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East): Mr. Chairman, let me repeat once again the item that is on page 226, Calendar Item 50, and the subject matter is the creation of the Commission on Religion and Race. This is the item which we had referred to us and is known as Dr. Nichols' paper, and I would like to make just two or three observations about it as it was handled in our committee.

First of all let me point out to the conference that to my knowledge there never once was any consideration of eliminating the Committee on Religion and Race as proposed in the paper, but from the beginning

we worked on the assumption that we would create such a commission. Therefore, there are only a few changes in the original paper, and I think I should call them to your attention.

First of all, the Committee spent a great deal of time discussing the number of people to be on that commission, and also the place in which these people were to be elected. We bring to you the report which you find here. The other items of change that you might find from the original paper are at the close of the entire report and they deal with (h) under No. 9, which is the re-insertion of a paragraph from the original Interjurisdictional Report.

I would also say that a great deal of time in the committee was spent in discussing the budgetary item which was finally arrived at, and we strongly recommend it as it comes to you this morning. This, Mr. Chairman, is our report.

Bishop Mueller: Thank you, sir. The report coming from the committee, and it has the effective recommendation. Is it supported? It is properly supported and is before you for consideration.

Amendment—John V. Moore

John V. Moore (California-Nevada): I move to amend the report by adding this sentence at the end of the paragraph which appears early in the Report, the paragraph beginning "This Commission will be composed of two bishops appointed by the Council," and so forth, at the end by adding the sentence "members at large shall be selected in such a manner as to guarantee that at least one-half of the membership of this Commission will be Negroes, and the number augmented if this is necessary to achieve this proportionate membership." If there is a second I will speak to this.

Bishop Mueller: Is there a second to the motion? It is seconded.

Mr. Moore: I feel that this Conference wants the United Methodist Church in its infancy to be taking giant strides toward the accomplishment, or toward the goal of greater justice in our church and in our society. The church has stood here before. Our great grandmothers, our grandmothers, our mothers have traveled this road for a long time. The church will stand here again I think, in my judgment, for a glance across this body makes it obvious that the young adults of The United Methodist Church are absent in profusion. I believe that this proportionate membership in this Commission is necessary and exceedingly important for at least four reasons, or four which I shall mention.

First, black Methodists need to speak. It certainly must be frustrating always to speak with—or to sound a muted trumpet, to always be a part of a group in which one part is diluted with one part black with nine parts white. This voice needs to speak with clarity and with power, and composition of such a Commission would enable this to happen.

Secondly, all of us within the church need to hear what black Methodists are saying. I believe that this proposal would further the objective stated in the Constitution, mainly that this Conference has the authority and the power to work to achieve the rights and privileges of all of our members. The question has been raised as to the issue or the limitation of that by no discrimination on the basis of race or status.

There are two principles involved here, and it is my contention that the latter ought to be serving the former, the real issue being the matter of participation in the life of our Church. We have discovered in California that Fair Employment Practice Legislation simply is not there, and certainly the harvest has been scanty so that industry, banking institutions, commercial institutions are seeking to enlist and to employ persons—Negroes, the Spanish speaking, and others.

Furthermore, we have heard in our own conference women asking

that we insert the phrase, or the word, "lay women" as well as laymen. It hasn't been a passive principle which has brought the participation in our church of women to where it is now. We will confront, as I have suggested, young adults, or at least I hope the time will come when they will stand and ask for this kind of participation in our local churches. Already the proposed legislation calls for two young adults and two young people, by reason of status. Our energies must be devoted for this kind of participation in this commission that it might serve this objective.

Three, then. Such a commission, to be credible in the minds of Black Methodists in the community must have this kind of representation if it is to quicken the hopes and gain the respect of black Methodists and of black people outside the church.

And, fourth, this commission provides for representation for all the rest of us, including Spanish speaking, Orientals, Indians in America. This, too, needs to be done. It is my hope that the voluntary service program of The United Methodist Church which we have adopted will provide young people trained and equipped to go into the hard core areas of white suburbia, including the town from which I come.

I believe, therefore, that this kind of a commission of this composition can serve and provide a voice for black Methodists and it can provide the kind of leadership which we need in our Conference today.

Point of Order—William A. Meadows

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) asked if the Conference should not wait until it received a decision from the Judicial Council. John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) started to speak on the composition of the various boards, when Bishop Mueller stated there was a point of order before the house. The Secretary stated that the constitutionality of establishing such a Commission had been referred.

Point of Order—John T. King

John T. King (West Texas—SC) raised the point of order that only part of the Interjurisdictional report had been referred. The Secretary stated that Calendar No. 52 had also been referred. Dr. Hulit called attention to the fact that such a Commission had not been established and that until it had, the Judicial Council could not rule.

John Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) said that he was out of order when he endeavored to speak earlier if this had been referred.

Clarification of Parliamentary Situation

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) stated that he felt the debate should continue.

Bishop Mueller said the records showed that Calendar No. 52 had been referred to the Judicial Council. The question now was whether the Council should rule before or after action is taken, and he was willing to let the house decide.

Motion to Defer—Ray W. Goens

Ray W. Goens (Texas—SC) made a motion that Report No. 7 be deferred until a ruling was received from the Judicial Council.

John Bowen (Ohio) spoke against the motion to defer.

Point of Order—Clyde Walker

Clyde Walker (Oregon—W) raised a point of order that a declaratory decision cannot be given by the Judicial Council until some action has been taken.

Question—Ray H. Nichols

Ray H. Nichols (Northwest Texas—SC) asked if a motion to lay on the table did not take precedence. Bishop Mueller replied the Goens motion was to defer and not lay on the table.

Ray W. Ragsdale (Southern California-Arizona—W) spoke against the motion to defer.

Previous Question—Thomas L. Cromwell

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) moved the previous question.

Point of Order—Jesse R. DeWitt

When John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) was granted the floor, *Jesse R. DeWitt* (Detroit—NC) raised a point of order that he was not in his seat when he secured the floor. Mr. Satterfield stated that he was at his seat and did not go to the microphone until recognized.

Mr. Satterfield stated the whole matter was open to debate.

Point of Order—Thomas L. Cromwell

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) raised a point of order that he had called for the previous question on the motion to defer. Bishop Mueller ruled this was correct and started to call for a vote on the motion to defer.

Point of Order—Ray W. Goens

Ray W. Goens (Texas—SC) raised a point of order that the vote was on the call for the previous question.

The previous question was ordered.

Motion to Defer Defeated

The Goens motion to defer was defeated.

Report No. 7

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) spoke against the report.

Point of Order—M. Trevor Baskerville

M. Trevor Baskerville (North Iowa—NC) raised a point of Order that an amendment was pending and that Mr. Satterfield was speaking on the report. Mr. Satterfield stated he was speaking to the report as it would be affected by the amendment, and Bishop Mueller allowed him to continue.

Mr. Satterfield: I'd like to call attention of the Conference to the results of the report as written, which is the last of what I said before the last interruption, confronting the composition of the commission, after which an amendment has been offered.

And that is, that the report of the commission has this situation, departing from precedence in this church since the year 1939. I have the *Discipline* of 1939 with me and checked it. I believe this will be borne out from all the *Disciplines* from that date to this, which I have not checked. I am familiar with those for the last 12 years.

That is, that in boards and commissions of this church, it has been originally customary that the composition thereof should be from the various jurisdictions, and they should be related to the number of the members of the church within that jurisdiction. You will remember that we have still certain of our boards thus related, additional members in relation to 500,000 or 500,000,000 members, depending on the size of the board.

Then equality was changed to some extent, and for the last, beginning in 1960 approximately, where equality had a different connotation. And that is, that that Jurisdiction having 2½ million members should have equal representation with one Jurisdiction having 229,000 members, and another Jurisdiction having some 500,000-odd members; to wit, three members for each, or four members for each.

I am sure if the Supreme Court of the United States had any jurisdiction—as a lawyer, in my opinion it does not—it would hold that unconstitutional on the basis of not one member—one vote. So this equal representation, of having an equal number representing 2½ million as compared to the same number representing 229,000 or 500,000, as the case may be, has been brought forward in legislation from time to time.

Now we have a different change which, to me, is quite interesting. We have, as reported, a provision that of those who are chosen before they elect the seven members at large, there shall be as a matter of fact 15 of them shall be chosen from the Negro or other racial or ethnic minority group. At that time, there will be 10 others from the majority group and 2 bishops, who may be from either group.

But assuming all the 10 others and both bishops are from the majority group, when the 7 additional are elected, there shall be 15 votes cast by the Negro members and those from minority groups, and there will be 12 votes available to be cast from the majority group.

So that, if we assume that human nature is human, then we may expect that the final composition of the commission might be 22 members of said commission from the Negro or minority groups, and possibly 12 from the majority group. There is no thought that there should be any representation from the Jurisdictions or various parts of the country. That has been abandoned.

It will be interesting, in order not to have to take the floor again, to note, although I may be out of order and somebody will probably call me to that fact, that in paragraph No. 5 on the top of page 227 (59), the authority to co-ordinate our denominational support and cooperation with our prophetic movements for racial and social justice, support and cooperation, to wit, \$700,000, and other things,

and there are certain prophetic groups with which I think most of us are not in sympathy. I hope therefore that you will adopt the amendment and defeat the report.

John Bowen (Ohio): As I understood, the chair accepted the suggestion of the committee chairman that one could speak to the entire matter. Am I not correct in that? And as I understood the language of each of the previous speakers was to the entire report.

Bishop Mueller: Yes, go ahead.

Mr. Bowen: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, members of this General Conference, this is my first General Conference as a delegate. When I first heard about this report, I had not really intended to speak on the report, because I frankly assumed that all of the Methodists here, the United Methodists, would support it, but as I listened to the previous speaker, I felt constrained to say something about this report.

You ought to know that I was born in Jackson, Mississippi. I lived in New Orleans, Louisiana; Cincinnati, Ohio; Los Angeles, California; and Philadelphia. All these years I wore the albatross around my neck as a Negro Methodist in the Central Jurisdiction. I have had the experience of having the doors of Methodist Churches closed to me when I wore the uniform of these United States, simply because of the color of my skin. I know something about Methodism.

As many of you saw this week, my grandfather's name was mentioned, and my father's name was mentioned. I have a son who is John W. E. Bowen IV, and the thing that I hope will come out of this General Conference is that kind of action that will make me proud of the fact that I am a Methodist. I urge this General Conference to support this report, for after all, the time has come when we must make that kind of thrust, not only in the secular community, but within the church itself to eliminate every vestige of discrimination and segregation—and you and I know that it does exist. It has been a very painful and agonizing experience for many of us.

May I say, just as an aside comment, when I mentioned to you that I was born in Jackson, Mississippi, as we speak about proportional representation, I know for a fact that there are many communities in which the Negro represented the majority, but was in the minority in terms of representation on many agencies in the secular political life.

I see nothing wrong with, at this time and in this day and time in our Methodist Church, the voice of the Negro Methodist being strong in matters such as this. The General church needs to know what we think and how we think on these issues, for after all, we are the ones who must primarily face the problems in the secular Negro community.

I think that the time has come when the voice of The Methodist Church is to speak out, loud and clear, that we are going to establish an agency that will certainly seek to do the job of eliminating injustice within the polity of The Methodist Church, and, as I understand this report, this is one of the purposes and also to relate The United Methodist Church to the problems in the community. I urge every member of this General Conference to search his heart, to search his mind, and to ask this question: "Could you truly live and exist as a Negro in America and within The Methodist Church, as we have experienced it?"

If the answer is "No," you will then support the motion to adopt this report.

Motion to Substitute—William R. Obaugh

William R. Obaugh (Florida—EUB): I would like to say I was born on the north side of the Mason-Dixon Line.

I want to speak against the amendment as has been offered. I feel that if we are to show any favoritism here at all, we will have to consider the fact that there are more than black and white Methodists; I think that we must consider the fact that there are Mexican Methodists, Indian Methodists, we can go on down the line. I would like to offer, if I may, please, an amendment before us, an amendment may I offer a substitute to the amendment please?

Bishop Mueller: I'm not sure—

Mr. Obaugh: At least one-half the members of minority groups, I would like to offer this and if this is passed then I wish to make a suggestion, not a suggestion, but call attention to an editorial correction.

Bishop Mueller: We would have to know the effect of your amendment, or substitute on the amendment that is offered. It would mean that one-half of the total group would belong to minority groups, and would tend to cancel the effort of the amendment to have one-half of them colored.

Mr. Obaugh: That is correct, yes sir, one-half to represent all minority groups.

Bishop Mueller: All right. Is the substitute seconded? It is seconded. It is before us then for consideration.

Mr. Obaugh then asked if the next to the last sentence should not have the words "at least" deleted. Dr. Hulit stated this was correct.

Point of Order—Negail R. Riley

Negail R. Riley (Southwest—SC) raised a point of order that the Obaugh substitute was the same as the original report and was out of order. After considerable discussion, Bishop Mueller ruled there was a difference.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): I rise to oppose the amendment and if there is an amendment to the amendment I rise to oppose that too, not through any desire to weaken this commission, or to hamper its work, but rather I believe to further it. As the Commission is proposed by the Committee Report that is before us, there would be 34 members of whom at least 19 would have to be members of minority groups, so that you would necessarily have at least 19 as against 15 who could come from the majority group.

If the amendment were to prevail, and you had to have at least half the entire group Negroes, you would have to increase the size to at least 42, and you would end up with 21, or half Negroes, plus at least six other minority groups which is 27 as against a maximum of 15 from the majority group. Now, I don't in the least worry about the majority group being under represented, but I do feel we want an effective commission, and I doubt whether an entirely, or even an overwhelmingly minority group commission can work as effectively as can a commission on which both groups are represented somewhere near equally.

Because I feel the Negro problem is not one that can be or will be solved by Negroes alone. I feel it must be solved not by whites alone, but it must be solved by Negroes and whites working together. Now Negroes don't constitute anywhere near 50 percent of the Methodist Church, but on this commission they should constitute far more than a proportional number because this is a Negro-white problem on which we should work together. I therefore support the report as it is in the

Daily Christian Advocate. I think that the amendment would throw it much further out of balance and weaken the commission.

Carlos C. Page (Michigan—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Previous Question—W. Arthur Milne

W. Arthur Milne (Ohio—NC) called for the previous question upon everything, and it was supported.

Amendments Fail

The vote was called on the Obaugh amendment, and it lost.

The Moore amendment also failed.

Question—Robert W. Smith

Robert W. Smith (Oklahoma—SC) wanted to know where the financial support for the Commission would come from. Dr. Hulit stated he had a resolution on this if the report passed.

Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) stated that before final action could be taken on the report that it must be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Motion to Refer—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio-East—EUB) moved that all items in the report be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance, with the recommendation that this become a prior claim on the Bishop's Fund for Reconciliation.

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) asked a question about the finances, but Bishop Mueller ruled the house was under the call of the previous question.

Point of Order—C. LeGrande Moody, Jr.

C. LeGrande Moody, Jr. (South Carolina—SE) raised the point of order that there had not been two speeches against the report prior to the vote on the amendments.

Point of Order—Paul B. Adrian

Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) raised the point of order that the house had called for the previous question, and this nullified the requirement of listening to two speeches. Bishop Mueller sustained this.

Report Adopted

Report No. 7 was then adopted. (See *DCA* page 226; appendix page 1287.)

Motion to Reconsider—Walter Mueller

Walter Mueller (Illinois—EUB) made a motion for reconsideration.

It was not reconsidered.

Motion to Refer—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) made a motion that the financial part of Report No. 7 be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance, and it carried.

Question—Harry V. Master

Harry V. Master (Eastern—EUB) asked if this Commission is empowered to state the position of The United Methodist Church on all issues falling under them. Dr. Hult stated this was not the intention. Mr. Master said it seemed to imply it.

Privilege Matter—Reid Tombaugh

Bishop Mueller recognized Reid Tombaugh (Central Illinois—NC) for a matter of privilege, but Mr. Tombaugh felt it should be brought up later.

Resolution—James K. Forbes

James K. Forbes (Indiana): Bishop Mueller, members of the General Conference, when Bishop Reuben H. Mueller struck the gavel this morning to open this session of business, I am sure that it could be recorded as one of the greatest moments of his life. His breadth of ecumenicity not only contributed largely to the realization of the Union of our two denominations but has also placed him at the head of the National Council of Churches.

We, who are Indiana, where he resides, have been increasingly proud to be associated with him. It is not insignificant to note that Bishop Mueller graciously asked Bishop Richard C. Raines to back him in the Chair. They long have had their hands joined together upon issues which not only brings unity to the church but fellowship for all persons everywhere.

We are privileged to observe the working relationship of these two men of God as a living symbol of the United Methodist Church. I move that we rise and give honor which is due.

This was done.

Appreciation—Bishop Mueller

Bishop Mueller responded with words of appreciation to the Conference, and requested they be as charitable with the other presiding officers who would succeed him.

Benediction—Bishop Paul W. Milhouse

Bishop Paul W. Milhouse pronounced the benediction, and the morning session adjourned.

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1968

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop John Wesley Lord

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the sixth day, Monday, April 29, 1968, at 2:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop John Wesley Lord of the Washington Area presiding.

Devotions

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in the singing of Hymn No. 72, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Bishop Ralph T. Alton led the opening prayer.

Privilege Matter—Everett R. Jones

Everett R. Jones (Baltimore—NE) called attention to the fact that this was Bishop Lord's 37th Wedding Anniversary.

The Conference sang, "Happy Anniversary to You."

Privilege Matter—D. W. Brooks

D. W. Brooks (North Georgia—SE) made a plea for the Conference to keep from so many technicalities which caused frustrations on the part of many delegates.

Privilege Motion—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): I move that rule 8 be amended to provide that speeches on amendments or substitutes be limited to three minutes and further that there be only two speeches for an amendment or a substitute and two speeches against; counting the speech by the maker of the motion and not counting the closing remarks by the chairman of the committee and that this matter be referred to the Rules Committee for their consideration in accordance with Rule No. 40, if I could have a second, I would like to speak briefly.

Bishop Lord: Is there a second. It has been seconded.

Mr. Thorpe: I would call your attention to the fact that this motion deals only with amendments and substitute motions. It does not limit the time or the number of speeches on the main report.

I would call your attention also to the fact that it asks for two things, the reduction in time from five to three minutes. And perhaps more important, and perhaps more drastic, the automatic limitation to two speeches for, and two speeches against, after which the chairman would call for the presenter's remarks and would automatically call for the question without the necessity of a motion for the previous question from the floor.

I talked with the chairman of the Rules Committee to whom this would go. He has pointed to me the great difficulty that the Rules Committee has in knowing how to judge the temper of this body when are we going to be ready to eagerly accept self-limitation. This is pretty severe, and so when you come to vote on the motion for reference, I believe it would be helpful if you vote for this only if you are ready for this kind of self-discipline, if you think it is too early in the conference and you should go on as we are, then you would want to vote against reference.

Bishop Lord: Thank you, sir. As many as will move to refer, will lift the hands. Those opposed? It is referred.

Privilege Motion—Donald Barnes

Donald Barnes (North Indiana—NC) made a motion that Dr. Arthur Fleming's address be carried in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, and it was ordered.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference. The Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of delegates reported by the chairman of the delegations for the plenary session of the morning of April 29, 1968. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in Journal. I move the adoption of this Report.

Bishop Lord: Thank you sir. If you will receive this report, lift the hands. Opposed. It is received.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Bishop Lord and members of the Conference, I would like to remind the Conference of Rule 4E, on page 250 of the *Handbook* which reads as follows; that is the last sentence, reads as follows: ". . . No person or persons shall be presented after the sixth day unless approved by 2/3 vote of the conference." My reminder to you is that this is the sixth day, so please send me any request for such presentations today so that we might attend to these matters at the evening session.

We have with us Bishop B. J. Smith who comes to us as the official representative of the World Council of Churches to our General Conference. I have asked Dr. Eugene Smith to present him to us.

Eugene Smith: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, the World Council of Churches has asked one of the members of its Central Committee to serve as its official visitor to this General Conference. It is an honor to present Bishop B. Julian Smith, of the Memphis Area of The Christian Methodist Church.

Bishop B. Julian Smith: Bishop Lord, members and friends of The United Methodist Conference. This is the first time I have had the opportunity to call you The United Methodist Conference. It is a pleasure to be here and see you. I simply want to say to you that the World Council of Churches, its officers and Christians around the world, extend to you warm greetings and wish for you a continued session in which you will realize your ambition and that it will be a successful and fruitful conference, to the end that the world will be better for your having met here. May God bless you.

Suspension of Rules—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick: Now in the effort to group petitions that are all printed, but some printed in today's *Advocate* that need to be grouped together with others that will be presented under one committee, I would like to move that we suspend the rules to consider petitions that are printed in the *Advocate* of April 29th.

Bishop Lord: If you will suspend the rules, lift the hand. Opposed? The rules are suspended.

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 11—Calendar No. 100—Dow Kirkpatrick— J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Now Dr. Robert Nelson will present reports from the Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities.

Bishop Lord: Dr. Robert Nelson.

Robert Nelson (North-East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, members of the Uniting Conference, brothers and sisters in Christ. It is my privilege to submit to you for serious consideration several reports of the legislative committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities. These have to do first with the general position of The United Methodist Church with respect to Christian Unity; secondly, our participation in the Consultation on Church Union; thirdly, our support of the General Commission on Ecumenical Affairs; and fourthly, our involvement in The World Council of Churches and The National Council of Churches. These reports are found in *The Daily Christian Advocate* in the following places, and I will be sufficiently slow about indicating them so you can find them. They will come in this order.

On page 280, agenda item No. 100, which is our report No. 11. Secondly, page 228, agenda item No. 62, which is report No. 10. These will be repeated later, so don't feel that you must find them all at the moment. Then thirdly, page 317, agenda items No. 101 and 102, which are the reports No. 12 and 13. And then page 227, agenda item 54, which is report No. 2. I think that as we go along, Mr. Chairman, you will see certain logic in the presentation of items in this order.

Bishop Lord: Thank you.

Dr. Nelson: Permit me to introduce, then all of these reports together in the interest of conserving our time and thereafter the Conference may act upon them separately. The great majority of us human beings who sojourn upon this small planet are agreed upon one hope. The hope is that all persons may one day live in order and peace. To live in peace is not merely a wistful hope of the followers of Jesus Christ, it is the promise of the very gospel which gives us our identity as Christians.

Peace among persons and peoples is realized in the profound sense only when there is reconciliation through love. About this reconciliation, we Christians have been saying many, many words, but to what extent have we demonstrated such love and unity in and among the churches? The vast and increasingly large majority of non-Christian people of the world do not see the universal Christian church as a people united in common faith and purpose. On the contrary, as they look upon our accepted patterns of racial division, they see us as being no different from the rest of society, and when they behold the perplexing crazy quilt of denominational structure among Protestants and see the deep gulfs which separate all Protestant bodies from the Eastern Orthodox Churches and the Roman Catholic Church, they may be understood if they express scorn for the Christian preaching of reconciliation and the one Lord, Jesus Christ.

With consciences stung by the growing recognition of this defection from our mission in the world, we Christians have in recent years begun to appropriate a long ignored power of the gospel. It is the power of unity which the apostle discerned in the obedient ministry, the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Writing the letter to the Ephesians, he declared that the very mystery of God's purpose for man was that the deepest natural divisions among people could be overcome. To first century Jews it was a veritable miracle that there could be light in common between Jew and Gentiles. And on the cross of execution Jesus put an end to this ancient hostility. By clear implication, therefore, He made it possible to end those hostilities which have separated and destroyed human beings until the very present time.

I want to call your attention to this basic affirmation of Biblical faith, in order to remind you of the reason why there is a church in history, the reason why we have any claim to a new quality of fellowship in Christ, the reason why as a mandated mission we are authorized to tell the world about a way of peace.

In short, the work of Christ is why we are so concerned about Christian Unity and the unity of the church today. It is, of course, very interesting that many Methodists have found some words of John Wesley to support the ecumenical attitude for us today. It is helpful to know that the sixteenth century reformers, whose movement the Catholic Church chose not to embrace, were men who strove to maintain the unity of the church and to prevent the break-up, which did occur, and, yet, the words of John Wesley and the true intentions of the reformers mean little in comparison to one fundamental tenet of our faith. That tenet of the Gospel is that in Jesus Christ we are one people.

Therefore, our ordered life as Christians should express that oneness to such a degree as is humanly possible. We Methodists of the world have taken steps with many other denominational bodies to enable that oneness to be made visible. We are participating in the conciliar movement on four geographical levels—local, state, national and world. The urgent and practical question before us is simply this, are we now participating with sufficient vigor and commitment in these Councils of Churches?

Around the globe our sister churches, both Methodist and former Evangelical United Brethren, are much involved in the movement for church union. In Japan, Canada, the Philippines, South India the United Churches are established long since. In New Zealand, Australia, Ceylon, North India, Pakistan, East Africa, Ghana, and Great Britain among others, the inclusive unions are very likely to be achieved in coming years.

Here in the United States, we find Methodist Churches which are engaged in the quest for church union with Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Disciples of Christ, and the United Church of Christ. When we Methodists discuss church union, therefore, we are not speaking of abstract ideals or afar off. We are talking about church happenings which have imminent consequences for us.

So, Mr. Chairman, in reference to the Consultation on Church Union, it is heartening to read the words of the recent Episcopal Address delivered by Bishop Reuben Mueller, referring to the late Evangelical United Brethren Church. He said, "Our General Conference has twice voted participation in the Consultation on Church Union. . . . It is our purpose that The United Methodist Church should play a significant role in COCU, helping to give it direction and making many important contributions to its development."

Likewise, in the Episcopal Address delivered by Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke, we heard the unequivocal prayer and pledge. He said, "We

pray this Conference will ardently reaffirm its desire for the creation of a more perfect union among the members of Christ's scattered family. We must pledge our support of these commissioners we have delegated, to move forward by God's grace toward a more inclusive union."

Mr. Chairman, we of our committee believe that the following reports, if adopted by this Conference, will move our church very far in the direction of this more perfect union of the reconciling people of God, both in the United States and throughout the whole inhabited world.

At this point, Mr. Chairman, I wish the privilege of presenting to the General Conference the General Secretary of the General Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, Dr. Robert W. Houston, who for the past three years has carried this most significant and important responsibility, and done so with the distinction which commands the respect and admiration of all of us. May I present Dr. Houston. (Dr. Houston presented—applause from conference.)

Dr. Nelson: Now, Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the committee, I move the adoption of the first of our reports, which is the report on page 280, No. 11.

Bishop Lord: Thank you. This report is before you. I note that the vote for was 54, and there were none voting against the report. The motion is to adopt. Is there any discussion on this report? Are you ready for the question? Those who will adopt will lift the hand. Those opposed? The report is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 280; appendix page 1517.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 10—Calendar No. 62—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: The second of our reports is on page 228. It is Agenda Item No. 62. It has to do with the Consultation on Church Union and our participation in the drafting of a plan of union. I hereby move the report.

Bishop Lord: Do you want to say anything about this, Mr. Chairman? This is report, Calendar Report No. 62 on page 228, Report No. 10, 64 voting for and none voting against. The motion is upon its adoption.

Richard Tholin (Illinois—EUB) spoke for the report.

The report was adopted. (See *DCA* page 228; appendix page 1517.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 13—Calendar No. 102—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Thank you Mr. Chairman, we believe the significance of the vote has been taken. I refer you to the next item, which is on Page 317, Report No. 13 at the end of 102. Perhaps I could explain a little more carefully what the implication of this recommendation is. It is a reference to the positive statement of the Episcopal address.

In response to the Episcopal address of Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke, particularly that part appearing in the *Daily Christian Advocate* on page 19, which I have earlier quoted, calling for increased effort toward church union. The committee recommends that following the 1968 Uniting Conference the budget of the General Commission on Ecumenical Affairs be included as a portion of Part III. That is on

ratio distribution as printed on page 61, column 3, which is the report of the Council on World Service and Finance. I may explain for those not quite conversant with this that at the present time the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs and the Consultation on Church Union budget come under the general administration fund. In our legislative committee we have strong feeling that this commission should, like the other general commissions of The United Methodist Church come under the World Service allocation on ratio distribution. We move this report.

Bishop Lord: 102 has to do with transferring the budget on Ecumenical Affairs to the ratio distribution of the budget of the Council on World Service and Finance. My question is this a matter that the General Conference can act upon, or shall this be referred to an appropriate committee?

Dr. Nelson: I hear someone say this should be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Lord: I think this motion is in order. Those who will refer will lift the hand. Those opposed. It is so referred.

(See DCA page 317; appendix page 1524.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 12—Calendar No. 101—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Now the next item is No. 12 which is Agenda 101 which I think would be consequent upon the previous action. Again, in response to the Episcopal address, we offer the following resolution for Conference action. In order to enable the General Commission on Ecumenical Affairs to perform its assigned duties in this time of expanding opportunity for Christian unity, and in view of the termination of previously budgeted large sums for the joint commission on church union, the Uniting Conference should appropriate increased and adequate funds for the 1968-72 quadrennium. The reference there in the White Book is paragraph 1457 on the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, the section dealing with the need for adequate support of this most important work.

Bishop Lord: Are you just expressing your hope in this resolution?

Dr. Nelson: This is a resolution and I understand, sir, that if the Conference should support it it would carry financial implications which would then in turn have to be dealt with by the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Lord: But there are no specifics. Brother Herr. I recognize Brother John Herr, Philadelphia Conference.

John Herr (Philadelphia): I move that this too be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Lord: Is there a second? It is properly before you, any discussion? Those who will refer will lift the hand. Opposed? It is referred.

(See DCA page 317; appendix page 1523.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 2—Calendar No. 54—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

The last report is on page 227, Report No. 2 which is Item 54. Again perhaps a reading, because it is brief. We move this resolution that

it shall be the firm policy of the General Conference through the Council on World Service and Finance to appropriate funds for its full share of support of the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches as well as for the travel expenses of its official delegates, and the committee members of these councils. I should like to express a further word about that Mr. Chairman, if I may.

Bishop Lord: Yes, it's before you for adoption.

Dr. Nelson: This refers to the Interdenominational Cooperation Funds. You may recall that two or three nights ago we acted to defer the report of the Council on World Service and Finance, Report No. 5, which is on page 66. This has to do with the Interdenominational Cooperation Funds because we believe that a matter of policy here should dictate the proportions of giving, which are appropriated under that fund, and for the discussion, Mr. Chairman, I should like to call upon Dr. Eugene Smith of the World Council of Churches if he could have the privilege to speak to this.

Bishop Lord: Thank you, Dr. Smith.

Eugene Smith (Northern New Jersey): Thank you Mr. Chairman, the issue that is before us is in the conflict between the recommendation of the Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities for accepting the full share of support to the World Council, and the recommendation of the Council on World Service and Finance on page 68. There is a typing error there, but the essence of that recommendation on page 68 is that the support for the World Council of Churches remain unchanged from the last quadrennium.

The action of the committee on Interdenominational Affairs would mean taking the asking of a one-third increase. The United Methodist Church has a distinctive relationship to the World Council of Churches. Of the parent churches ours is the only one in the world to have been represented continuously since 1948. We send to the fourth assembly at Sweden next summer a delegation of 48, appreciably larger than any other church in the world, the next in size being 35. The Council on World Service and Finance in dealing with salaries has recognized the inflationary factor, and the General Conference has supported this at a rate of about 5% per year.

The question, therefore, is whether we vote a diminished support by holding the same dollar level and a declining purchasing level, or a slightly increased support. Every community represented has felt the difference in relationship between Roman Catholics and Protestants, the way the Roman Catholic Church is structured, the guidelines and the tone of those relationships are set essentially under consultations and cooperative activities between the Vatican and the World Council of Churches.

We are under heavy strain to have enough money to finance the cooperative activities now. Does this General Conference want to have fewer resources available for that purpose over the next four years, or its resources slightly increased? The number of conservative, evangelical churches seeking conversations and cooperative activities with the council increases. This costs money. Does this conference want diminished or slightly increased resources available for that over the years ahead?

Officers of the world bank have written in vigorous appreciation of the initiative that the World Council has taken on the problem of world hunger. U. Thant, himself a Buddhist, has said to us that only the church can mobilize conscience as it has to be in this era. Do you want fewer resources available for such an era in the years ahead, or a slight increase?

Most churches feel strongly about having some increase in this

area. The other major contributors in the United States, that is the two Lutheran member churches, the Protestant Episcopal, and the United Presbyterian Churches, have taken the full increase which was asked. The Anglican Church in England has taken not only that increase but a 50% increase.

Yet, there are many churches which have not decided. The action of this Conference will be influential on some of those churches. Whether we wish this church and its distinctive relationship to the World Council to throw its influence on the side of retrenchment or advancement in the ecumenical movement, on the world level, is the question that is before us. The dollar item represented by the World Council is a little less than \$68,000. This is a far smaller amount than any other which has had individual discussion on this floor, but it is an item which carries with it a great deal of leverage. I hope, Mr. Chairman, that the action of the Committee on Interdenominational Cooperation may be sustained.

Hurst Anderson (Baltimore—NE) spoke for the report.

Raoul Calkins (Ohio): So that we would know just what we are talking about, and exactly what we are referring to, I wonder if we could receive the figures that we should place in on page 68. On page 68 is where we had the original report No. 5 on Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, and at the bottom of that page we have there National Council of Churches \$453,000, World Council of Churches \$223,000. Now this is what the recommendation is that has come before us previously and not acted upon as yet, as I understand it. What would be the figures that we would place in there if we met the full asking?

Paul V. Church (Dayton, Ohio): Mr. Chairman, could I make a statement on this matter which would include these figures? I speak from the standpoint of one who has served as the chairman of the Denominational Support Committee of the National Council of Churches for the past four years. We have worked with other persons concerned with finances of their denominations in order to lift the level of giving for the NCC general support.

Considerable progress has been made. The United Presbyterian Church, the Lutheran Church in America, the Church of the Brethren, are among the denominations which are now meeting their full fair-share asking. The Episcopal Church and the United Church of Christ are also making excellent progress toward meeting their full fair-share and here is the information asked for.

The fair-share asking from The United Methodist Church is \$688,990. It should be said that this includes \$30,000 for travel expense for persons attending meetings. The amount which is recommended for support of report 5, The Council on World Service and Finance is \$453,390. This is no increase in the level of support which has been in existence for the past four years. In other words, the support which we propose to give for the NCC in 1972 is no greater than that which we gave in 1964. An increase of \$235,600.00 is needed to meet our full fair-share asking.

I hope that you do not make it necessary for me to report to the denominational support committee that The United Methodist Church intends to give no more for the support of the Council in 1972 than it gave in 1964. I have spoken as the chairman of the Denominational Support Committee of the NCC; now let me speak as a former Evangelical United Brethren who is a member of The United Methodist Church.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio): Could we now have the other half of the figure, the one for the World Council.

Eugene Smith (Northern New Jersey): There was a question about the exact figures for the World Council of Churches, Dr. Don Cooke can check me on this, there is a typing error on page 68. At the top of the first column on page 68, Annual Budget for the World Council of Churches. The figure for administration and programs should be \$203,850. This is in order to include what the EUB Church gave in a former period. The travel item is \$20,000 which means a total of \$223,850. The one-third increase which was asked for the World Council of Churches applies only to the administration and program items and would, therefore, be a few dollars less than \$68,000.

Bishop Lord: Are you ready now to vote?

Amendment—John Soltman

John Soltman (Pacific Northwest): First a question, and then perhaps a motion to amend. Does the word, full-share, indicate what the Council on World Service and Finance would regard to be the full-share of the denominations, or is this technical language to mean the full-share as determined by the Council of Churches?

Dr. Nelson: Could I reply, Mr. Chairman? I am quite sure that in the thinking of our committee, the word full-share means that which the councils would expect our church to give in support of the total budget of those councils.

Bishop Lord: Yes.

Dr. Soltman: Mr. Chairman, I would like to move an amendment to change the initial language to read ". . . it is recommended to the Council on World Service and Finance, etc. . . ." If I may have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Lord: How would it then read, Brother Soltman? Read the whole thing instead of that it shall be the firm policy it has recommended?

Dr. Soltman: "It is recommended to the Council on World Service and Finance that it appropriate funds for . . . etc."

Bishop Lord: Is there a second to this amendment? It is before you, Brother Soltman.

Dr. Soltman: I propose this because if we pass the recommendation without the amendment, we shall have established a prior claim upon the budget before the other obligations are considered. This would mean that the Council of Churches would submit the figure which would, if the policy is followed, automatically go into the budget. It is the duty of the Council on World Service and Finance to relate the needs of the Council of Churches as well as all of the other needs which we face to each other, so I think that the Council on World Service and Finance would be most amenable to the recommendation of this body, but I don't think it is good budgeting procedure for us to decide on a policy of this nature. I hope, therefore, that we can amend it with this language.

Robert Preusch (New York—NE) spoke against the amendment and the report.

Substitute Motion—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John Rixse (Virginia): I move a substitute that we approve the recommendation of the World Service Commission.

Bishop Lord: Now the substitute motion is that this conference approve; let me say that you don't yet know what the recommendation is.

Mr. Rixse: Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Lord: If the chair understands what is happening, this discussion is to give guidance, hopefully, to the Council on World Service and Finance to increase what it contemplates giving, and must be referred back to that council. Yes, Brother Rixse.

Mr. Rixse: On Page 68 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, left column, I believe contained the recommendation for the World Service and Finance, and the other night we delayed action on that pending hearing the report of the committee now reporting. I believe we have the recommendation of the World Service and Finance before us and it would be proper for us to act on it.

Robert H. Courtney (North East Ohio—NC) spoke against the substitute.

Previous Question—T. Herbert Minga

T. Herbert Minga (North Texas—SC) moved the previous question on everything, and it was adopted.

Question of Clarification—Hoover Rupert

Hoover Rupert (Detroit): May I ask a question in terms of your interpretation, Mr. Chairman? With regard to the report at the top of page 227, my inquiry is this. Does this then give to the World Service and Finance Council a directive, or do they have still the power to reduce that amount?

Bishop Lord: They most certainly do. It is recommended, as the amendment that is before us.

Dr. Rupert: It says, if I read it correctly, "It shall be the firm policy . . . through the Council . . ."

Bishop Lord: That is not before us. There is an amendment presently before us that must be voted up or down that might change that, Brother Rupert. The amendment is that "It is recommended that," which is quite different from stating that "it shall be the firm policy." That was the point, as I get it, of the maker of the amendment.

Vote on Substitute

The Rixse substitute motion was voted on and lost.

Vote on Amendment

Dr. Nelson spoke for the Committee and the Soltman amendment carried and Report No. 2 as amended was referred to the Council on World Service and Finance. (See *DCA* page 227; appendix page 1514.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 53—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Dr. Kirkpatrick has asked me if I could proceed with some of the rather routine and smaller matters of our Interdenominational Relations Committee. May I call your attention, therefore, to page 227, and the first item is agenda item No. 53, having to do with the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs and the staff thereof. The recommendation is that the General Conference receive this petition and transfer it to the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs; the recommendation, the concern for additional

staff. Mr. Chairman, if he is still on the platform, I wonder whether Bishop Paul Washburn, who has expressed interest here and is formerly associated with the EUB Ecumenical affairs work, would care to comment on this.

Bishop Paul Washburn (Dayton): Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen. One of the words which has a menagerie under it in our time is the word ecumenical. In fact, we are at the ecumenical movement in so many ways that it is almost impossible to discover how many ways there are in which we are trying to be ecumenical in our time. A year ago I had the privilege of giving the Schaefer Lecture at Evangelical Theological Seminary. A part of that address was an attempt to describe and distinguish between the kinds of ecumenical efforts in which we find ourselves.

I found at that time that The Evangelical United Brethren Church was practicing the ecumenical art in nineteen different ways, and I had put Methodist-EUB union and the Consultation on Church Union in the same category. There were still nineteen ways, and I found at that time that I could isolate and describe twenty-two ways in which The Methodist Church was involved in the ecumenical effort. Now this could make for much confusion on the part of the local church, the annual conference, the general church, if we did not have this agency of promise known as the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs. Within this Commission it is our hope, it has been our hope, that we would be able to gather and interpret to the church these many facets of one of the most dynamic portions of our church's life.

Now, it is true that prior to union our Commission on Church Union on the EUB side was occupied, both in terms of hours and dollars, primarily in two ventures. We were occupied with Methodist-EUB union and with the Consultation on Church Union, and the National Council matters and World Council matters were carried on in other departments. It is true that in The Methodist Commission on Ecumenical Affairs there was a broader focus or a wider focus of attention on ecumenicity, but it is also true that in terms of what is proposed for the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs in the quadrennium just to open that the total plan for use by this agency is considerably less than the total expended by our two agencies previously. In our previous relationships we did have two full-time executives at work in the interest of ecumenical affairs, and as now proposed, we would have only one.

I make this statement, Mr. Chairman, only to illustrate that we have a gigantic task to perform if we simply want to understand our new church in terms of its ecumenical involvement, and if we want to be able to interpret our understanding of our ecumenical involvement, this does call upon to produce literature and programs which will help us all to understand what we are doing in the ecumenical scene. For ecumenicity cannot be a matter of an elite group of persons who have the privilege of being involved in all of what we might call central ecumenical events unless we have the support of the general church. I mean by that the whole church in terms of understanding and in involvement in what we are doing.

I do feel, Mr. Chairman, that this statement intends to say that we at the moment intend to make an adjustment to the size of the problem. Thank you.

William C. Jason, Jr. (Philadelphia) stated his concern about what happened to matters which were referred.

Report No. 1 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 227; appendix page 1514.)

Privilege Motion—Reid Tombaugh

Reid Tombaugh (Central Illinois): Mr. Chairman, I move that the Commission of World Service be directed to prepare a summary of all budget items approved and a comparison of the amount for the past quadrennium and also the figures for the last quadrennium for items still to be presented, and that this summary be printed and on our desks not later than Wednesday, May 1. If I can have a second I will speak very briefly to the motion.

Bishop Lord: Is there a second? Brother Tombaugh, you speak to it please sir.

Mr. Tombaugh: We have had a tremendous lot of confusion over the matter of money. I think all of us are applying these things to our local conferences and it is proper that we do this. We need comparisons for our own clear thinking on this and I am very positive that many of us are so confused on amounts that we have a reluctance to vote for progress unless we have information of this type. It is for this reason that I think we would all be much better off if we had some sort of a summary from which we could get some idea of what the comparative figures are. Thank you, sir, for your patience and perseverance.

Bishop Lord: Well, I think this has been attempted several times. I am very happy that it is before us. Is there any discussion? Are you ready to vote? Those who will approve this motion will lift the hand. Those opposed? It appears to be unanimously adopted.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Charles A. Sayre

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey): Mr. Chairman, as we begin our report we would like to bring forward the privilege matter that was referred to us on Thursday morning.

Bishop Lord: What was that?

Mr. Sayre: It was a motion concerning an investigation of The Publishing House which was referred as an interest to this committee. It has been discussed. The committee feels that it is important for the house to have it.

Bishop Lord: Could we have the secretary read it?

Mr. Sayre: It is published on page 214, the text in full.

I would like to present Dr. Garrison to complete this matter.

Bishop Lord: Brother Garrison.

Claude Garrison (Ohio): On page 214 of the *Advocate* you will find the resolution—privilege resolution—that was brought to the floor of the Conference and we were instructed to bring it at the time of the reports of the Legislative Committees. I shall not read this resolution again except to point out that in its opening phrases it refers to the fact that there have been circulated charges, both verbal and appearing in certain periodicals and other printed form, criticism and accusations widely disseminated which definitely question and impugn the integrity, motives and practices of the administration of the Publishing Interests of the church.

The weight of this resolution is found then in these words: "Therefore, in the light of these questions and criticisms, the president and publisher and the chairman and the other officers of the Board of Publication do hereby earnestly request this General Conference to empower the Council of Bishops to appoint a committee to thoroughly investigate all such charges which are to be properly documented with supporting evidence. We request that the committee be composed of one bishop who shall be the president of the Council of Bishops, with two pastors and two laymen appointed by the Council of Bishops,

none of whom shall be members of the Board of Publication. We further request that this committee report to the Council of Bishops at their next scheduled meeting in the fall of 1968. We further respectfully request that the Council of Bishops make the findings of this committee available to the church." Mr. Chairman, I would move the adoption of this recommendation and if I may have a second I would like to say a word about it.

Bishop Lord: Is there a second? It is before us.

Mr. Garrison: This resolution responds appropriately and I trust, responsibly, as a General Conference should to documented offenses against the laws of the state or nation, calling for an impartial study in depth to these charges. A responsible and worthy agency of the church is due a clearance, if it is not guilty, and a reprimand if it is. I think it also creates a proper stance of the church at this moment of merger and assists us to continue our mission in the world. Wherever there is unfair labor practices or policies, let us be willing to mend them and that right early. This is no time to seek to cut off any discussion of any kind relative to this or any other problem of responsible witness.

Therefore, it seems to me as we move into the various problems we should ourselves, as those responsible for the oldest agency in The Methodist Church, namely the publishing interest, stand ready to turn to the Council of Bishops and to ask them, as respected servants of the church, either to clear the name of the publishing interest or to bring proper words of reprimand upon them.

Now I know what some of this is about because I live fairly close to it, and I think, in closing my remarks, I simply want to say that the demand on the part of certain interests to see that a minority group is represented in the executive branch or in the policy making branch of the publishing interest, that very great consideration is now being given to that.

It was reported as late as March 28, by a member of the executive committee, that there was a very real desire to confront this problem, a desire to have The Methodist Publishing House employ a Negro for its administrative staff. This came to the executive committee, and the person who brought it to the committee stated that the feeling among the Negro membership, that with the elimination of the Central Jurisdiction, and the *Central Christian Advocate*, there no longer is a Negro editor, and it is their general feeling that this removed the only position of the Negro on the policy making level. He emphasized the great concern now throughout the church that there be employed someone from the Central Jurisdiction group for a position comparable to the former editorship.

I want to report to you that before that meeting was closed, and I have this on good authority, it was moved that the Board of Publication reaffirm its position of nondiscriminatory practices in employment. That, however, conscious of the Negro constituency of the United Methodist Church, we request the president and publisher to continue earnestly to seek qualified Negro talent for administrative positions within The Methodist Publishing House. The motion was seconded and carried. I do not care at this point to enter into the details of discussion that may appear in many places in this General Conference but I submit it as a member of the General Conference, believing profoundly in the integrity of the church as such and the ability of any agency of this church to respond to a mandate from this conference. And I trust my recommendation to appoint such a responsible committee will be adopted by this conference.

Bishop Lord: Thank you Brother Garrison. The motion to appoint is before you.

John Bowen (Ohio): I rise at this time to raise some questions and perhaps some points of order. First of all, Mr. Chairman, I would ask you if this resolution is adopted, would this preclude any questions or discussions on the report of the Board of Publication with respect to the operation of The Methodist Publishing House?

Bishop Lord: Oh, I would think not. This General Conference can do anything it wanted to do.

John Bowen: Thank you. Now, my next question is this, Mr. Chairman, it would seem to me that this resolution is not in order at this time. I must concede that I too have heard, though I would not want to believe what I have heard, but until such time as charges are made on the floor of this convention, it seems as though we are acting in haste to consider this resolution.

I point out, to the body, also, that I have a question about the size of this "investigating committee." It would seem to me that as I read the resolution, it would only be comprised of five persons and if what I have heard, and I trust it is not true, I would feel that this committee ought to be a much larger committee, although I do not have any objection to the Council of Bishops setting up this committee.

Another thing I would like to mention is that I read last night in the daily press, this article which I would like to bring to the attention of the members and it relates to this resolution. The caption is "Methodist Supporting Publisher." Members of a committee which checked into an attack on personnel practices of Methodism's multi-million dollar publishing house Saturday voiced firm support for its policies.

Bishop Lord: Now, Brother Bowen because your father has sat in the place I am now occupying, the chair has ruled that this order of the day is properly before us. I have been requested by the Publishing Interest Committee who are on the agenda to have it presented. It has been presented. Now I take it you are speaking against it. My suggestion would be that you amend it to enlarge this committee. I think that is a perfectly legitimate amendment to the request.

John Bowen: Mr. Chairman, I then move that this resolution be tabled.

Bishop Lord: Yes, sir. Point of order.

John Bowen: My fault, Mr. Chairman, I will withdraw in favor of the man who wanted to speak.

Bishop Lord: Thank you sir.

Amendment—H. Burnham Kirkland

Burnham Kirkland (New York): I would like to move, Mr. Bishop, to amend the resolution by substituting for the phrase "with two pastors and two laymen appointed by the Council of Bishops," the following words, "With sixteen persons appointed by the Council of Bishops equally divided between laymen and ministers with the recommendation that at least five members shall be Negroes." If I have a second I will speak briefly to it.

Bishop Lord: Do I understand that you are accepting the Bishop, two laymen, two pastors and then you are adding sixteen additional or would that include the two?

Dr. Kirkland: This is to substitute for the two pastors and the two laymen.

Bishop Lord: Thank you sir. Now we have it. Is there a second? It is before us.

Dr. Kirkland: As Mr. Bowen was about to point out, this committee which, I think we are all under the feeling that this matter must be investigated and laid to rest, that a committee of only 4 beside the Bishop would not adequately satisfy all areas of the church. And

therefore by enlarging this committee, we can have the kind of investigation that everyone will accept without question. I hope you will pass the amendment.

Point of Order—John C. Satterfield

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) raised a point of order that the provisions of the amendment were unconstitutional. Bishop Lord ruled the point of order out of order.

Motion to Refer—John C. Satterfield

Mr. Satterfield: Mr. Chairman, I move that this matter and the question of the constitutionality of this amendment to be referred to the Judicial Council for a decision under provisions of our present *Discipline* No. 1707, paragraph 2 as follows: "the Judicial Council shall have jurisdiction to determine the constitutionality of any proposed legislation when such declaratory decision is requested by the General Conference or the Council of Bishops." I move that we request such a decision. If there is a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Lord: Is there a second? There is.

Mr. Satterfield: Mr. Chairman, seriously it does seem to me that in our church where our complete and basic approach has been and is that there shall be no exclusion because of race, and that race shall not be a basis of procedure, appointment or otherwise within our church that where there is any provision suggested on any Commission, Committee or Board excluding from any number of the memberships thereof, to wit, in this case, I believe five, any race other than the Negro race.

We are in direct violation of the two provisions of the Constitution to which I have referred. My opinion may be different from others. I've never known of any lawyer with whom all lawyers agree, that's the reason we have a Judicial Council. I certainly hope that this vital matter will be referred to the Judicial Council for a decision. Thank you.

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) opposed the motion to refer.

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) urged passage of this motion.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) spoke against referral.

Question—William B. Lewis

William B. Lewis (Southern Illinois—NC) wanted to know if a vote for referral would jeopardize action on the matter before the Conference. Bishop Lord stated it would not. Mr. Satterfield replied that he was willing for the referral to be made after the report was completed. Bishop Lord stated the amendment was before the house.

Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) spoke for referral.

Joseph E. Lowery (Central Alabama—SE) spoke for the Kirkland amendment.

Previous Question—Harry S. Crede

On motion of *Harry S. Crede* (Central Illinois—NC) the previous question was ordered on all before the house.

Amendment Carried

The Kirkland amendment was carried, and the resolution as amended passed.

Motion to Refer

Bishop Lord asked the secretary to read the Satterfield motion.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) stated that the amendment used the word "recommend." *William D. White* (Rock River—NC) made the same point. Mr. Satterfield felt that it was a strong recommendation and was a constitutional question and a matter of policy.

Charles S. Aldrich (Western New York—NE) opposed the motion to refer. *William C. Vaughan* (Virginia—SE) spoke for the motion. *Dean Lanning* (Northern New Jersey) was against referral.

Previous Question—C. J. Smith

The Conference voted the previous question upon call of C. J. Smith (South Carolina—C—SE).

Point of Order—William A. Meadows

As a vote was to be taken, William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) raised a point of order that only 1/5 vote was necessary to refer to the Judicial Council.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) questioned this, but Bishop Lord ruled this was correct.

The motion to refer was carried.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 13—Calendar No. 115—Charles A. Sayre

Charles A. Sayre: We are presenting Item 115, Report No. 13, page 319, which was the referral of the quadrennial reports of both the Methodist Board of Publication of the Methodist Church and the Board of Publication of the EUB Church. They were edited for printing in the *Journal*. Our committee voted on concurrence for 48, against 0, not voting 0. I move its adoption.

Bishop Lord: Report 115 is before you, any discussion? Are you ready?

John Bowen (Ohio—NC) raised several questions about the financial aspects of Quadrennial reports, and stated that he wanted to know the details of this financial report before voting on the report.

Motion to Postpone—Erwin H. Schwiebert

Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho—W) made a motion of postponement of consideration of this matter until the requested information was available so a sound judgment could be made.

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) wanted to know if Mr. Pierce, the publisher, might not give the answer at the present, but Mr. Pierce was not present.

The motion to postpone carried.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 1—
Calendar No. 7—Charles A. Sayre

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey): The first petition is our Report No. 1 on page 164 dealing with paragraph, the first paragraph 851, the name of the publishing house.

On page 164 in the *Christian Advocate*, item 7, our Report No. 1, the name of the publishing house, the petition was that the name should be The United Methodist Publishing House, the Ad Hoc Committee and both boards of publication because of the need for the merger of rather massive corporate structures are retaining for the time being, at least, the name The Methodist Publishing House. For this reason, the committee after rather lengthy discussion moved nonconcurrency and adoption of paragraph 851 as it is reported.

The petition number, item number 7 on page 164, the committee voted nonconcurrency with the petition, 60 present, 48 voting for, 9 voting against, 3 nonvoting.

Bishop Lord: Now this is confusing, could I ask . . .

Dr. Sayre: I think that it would help, we are moving seriatum through the White Book, beginning with paragraph 851.

Bishop Lord: On this particular one, you had petitions requesting that the name be changed from The Methodist Publishing House to The United Methodist Publishing House. You considered this because of the legalities involved; you voted nonconcurrency; therefore, you continue the name of The Methodist Publishing House.

Dr. Sayre: As it is recommended in the Plan of Union, so that we vote to recommend nonconcurrency for this motion, and we so recommend they move at this time.

Bishop Lord: Are you ready to vote? All understand? Those who will support this resolution will lift the hands. Those opposed. It is supported.

(See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1492.)

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 2—
Calendar No. 8—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: We move now to 852, the next paragraph and item 8 on page 164 of the *Christian Advocate*. There is no change in 852 until we come to the final lines of that report and we are recommending that the line read “. . . the publisher of the United Methodist Church shall be an ex-officio member of the board without vote.”

We are voting concurrence with that; it also refers down to paragraph 857 in the next line, let the sentence be changed to read “. . . the bishops serving on the board shall be ex-officio members and the

publisher of The United Methodist Church shall be an ex-officio member without vote."

We may say that historically in these matters the publisher has never had vote, he has been an ex-officio member without vote. This is simply clarifying the historic situation. We recommend concurrence with these items dealing with paragraph 852 and paragraph 857.

Bishop Lord: Thank you. Under resolution number 8 report number 2, page 164 concurrence with the recommendation.

Discussion on Ex-Officio Members—Harold Varce

Harold Varce (Iowa—EUB): I wish to read from the revised Roberts Rules of Order, page 210, which has to do specifically with the matter of ex-officio membership. "Frequently boards and committees include some members who are members by virtue of their office and are therefore termed ex-officio members. If the ex-officio member is under the control of the society there is no distinction between him and the other members. If the ex-officio member is not under the authority of the society, he has all the privileges, including the right to vote, but none of the obligations of membership."

Because this is contrary, the matter before us, to the Roberts Rules of Order, ex-officio means by virtue of office, you are a full member. As soon as you have put a limit on that, you are on longer a full member. If you do not want this man to be a full member, then you should say advisory member, but in order that we not spend time in the future because this comes back to us once more and perhaps many more times, I move to refer this particular matter to the Interim Judicial Council for a ruling so we will not get tied up any more on this particular issue.

Bishop Lord: Thank you. Yes.

Mr. Sayre: This has been clarified. Roberts Rules of Order are not a legal document. This has been clarified with our co-operation lawyers. It is perfectly legal to say ex-officio without vote. There is no legal status to Roberts Rules of Order.

Bishop Lord: It is quite true that an ex-officio officer has all the rights and privileges unless these rights are denied him, which is what is being done in this case and I think they have the right to do it.

Mr. Varce: Well this could be. We are operating under Roberts Rules of Order.

Bishop Lord: No, we are operating under the rules of organization of this Conference and only turn to Roberts Rules of Order when they no longer apply. I would rule that this is perfectly in order, Sir.

Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE) asked if it should not read publisher of The Methodist Publishing House of The United Methodist Church rather than publisher of The United Methodist Church. Dr. Sayre said he understood he was the publisher of the Church.

Report No. 2 was adopted. (See DCA page 164; appendix page 1492.)

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 12— Calendar No. 114—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: Now we go to 853, moving right in order, we have finished with 852 and 857 and now we move to 853. This is simply a clarification of wording, the term "subparagraph" in the last line of 853 is a mistake. We move that it be changed to "paragraph." We are on item

853 in the White Book and we are referring to the last line, the last sentence in paragraph 853. This is paragraph 853 in the White Book, page 90.

Now the page number in the *Advocate* giving this change is page 319, in the last column on page 319, paragraph 853, line 10 in the White Book change the word "sub-paragraph" to "paragraph."

Bishop Lord: All right. Those who will adopt lift the hands. Those opposed?

Dr. Sayre: All right. On page 34 of the *Advocate*, the Ad Hoc Committee itself recommended certain changes, it recommends on page 34 of the *Advocate* change in paragraph 857, that the phrase "... with vote" in line 10 be deleted. We move to delete.

Page 34 the report of the Joint Commissions on Church Union dealing with paragraph 857, and as we perfect this section we must refer to these reports.

Bishop Lord: My understanding, the Blue Book is really the *Discipline* of the church, isn't it? We are doing this in the White Book, is that what we are supposed to be doing?

Dr. Sayre: Yes. Our task is to perfect the White Book, which represents a revision of the Blue Book. Now we are on page 90, the reference is, the page in the *Daily Christian Advocate* is the changes and corrections in the report from the Joint Commission on Church Union.

Bishop Lord: Now you see those changes. There is a list of them, is that correct?

Dr. Sayre: That is correct and we are dealing now with the paragraphs before us, paragraph 857.

Bishop Lord: Do you want authorization to make these changes in that particular paragraph?

Dr. Sayre: We concur in these changes to delete with vote.

Bishop Lord: Are you ready to vote? No, all right. Let's have the question.

Jameson Jones (Northwest Indiana): Thank you, Mr. Chairman. May I ask for clarification? I thought that your discussion about ex officio would indicate that if we delete with vote, they still would have vote. We are talking about the bishops. For the sake of clarity, to avoid any confusion, since we added without vote, we could leave these words in, therefore, I oppose the committee's request.

Bishop Lord: Ex officio implies with vote unless you indicate without vote.

Mr. Jones: So why should we take the two words out since we added without vote behind the publisher. Somebody in the future will be arguing about it.

Bishop Lord: They accept that. Thank you, brother Jones. Any other question?

Edward H. Laylin (Ohio): I was under the impression that by having adopted the calendar number 8, on page 164, we had already dealt with the sentence beginning in line 9 on page 90, paragraph 857 of the White Book. Am I wrong about this?

Bishop Lord: Can you clarify that?

Dr. Sayre: We have clarified it and this paragraph does take into account . . .

Bishop Lord: Will you give your name, number 8 . . .

Voice: If that is so, Mr. Chairman, then the matter just brought before us, does not need to be brought before us.

Bishop Lord: Number eight would you give your name and conference, please sir?

Mr. Laylin: He is correct.

Bishop Lord: Now we are ready to vote on this particular resolution.

Dr. Sayre: I think it is not necessary in terms of the last speaker. It had been taken care of.

Bishop Lord: Do you withdraw it?

Dr. Sayre: We withdraw it.

Point of Order—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) raised a point of order that the entire calendar report should be acted upon and not just sections. The secretary also pointed this out.

Extension of Time Opposed

A call for extension of time lost.

Motion to Adjourn—John D. Herr

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) made a motion to adjourn after announcements.

Announcements—Charles D. White—Kenneth W. Hulit

The Secretary and *Kenneth W. Hulit* (Ohio East—EUB) made announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop Lord

Bishop Lord expressed appreciation to the conference for their courtesy to him during the session.

Benediction—Bishop L. Scott Allen

Bishop L. Scott Allen gave the benediction, and the afternoon session adjourned.

SIXTH DAY, MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1968

EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop F. Gerald Ensley

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the sixth day, Monday, April 29, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop F. Gerald Ensley, Ohio West Area, presiding.

Devotions

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in singing Hymn 261, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," and Bishop J. Waskom Pickett led the prayer.

Committee on Agenda—John E. Marvin

John E. Marvin (Detroit): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, your Agenda Committee recommends that we continue with the calendar as the order of the day for this evening, and I would so move.

Bishop Ensley: As many as will continue the agenda as we have already entered on it, will lift the hand. Those opposed? It is done.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Bishop Ensley and members of the Conference, Bishop Paul Hardin, Jr. of the Columbia Area has just returned from the sad mission of attending the funeral of his brother-in-law who died suddenly. I am sure this Conference would want to convey to him that we share with him this broken-heartedness and assure him of our interest and concern just now. I so move.

Bishop Ensley: As many as will extend the consolations of the Conference to our friend will lift the hand. Opposed?

Committee on Rules—John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): Bishop, the Conference this afternoon passed a motion made by R. M. Thorpe of the Pacific Northwest Conference, which would put a limitation on the number of speeches made on amendments and substitutes and limit those speeches to three minutes, that there should be only two such speeches for and against. In order to bring this before you, I move that we reconsider our present Rule 8.

Bishop Ensley: It has been moved and seconded that Rule 8 be reconsidered. As many as will order it will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done. All right, Dr. Herr.

John Herr: Now, Mr. Chairman, we have gone over this carefully, and the Committee on Plan of Organization and Rules of Order unanimously favors this amendment to Rule 8. And at the same time that that committee was meeting, the Committee of Chairmen was meeting, and they, too, make this recommendation. So that Rule 8

be amended to provide that speeches on amendments and substitute motions be limited to three minutes, and further that there be only two speeches for an amendment or a substitute and two speeches against, counting the speech by the maker of the motion and not counting the closing remarks by the chairman. I make that motion.

Bishop Ensley: You have heard the motion. It has been seconded. This would limit speeches to three minutes, and to two on each side of the question. As many—excuse me, do you wish to speak, Dr. Herr?

Dr. Herr: I should explain, Bishop, that this is only for the remainder of this Conference, and is not permanently amending the rules.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio—NC) spoke against the motion.

Amendment—Thomas L. Cromwell

Thomas Cromwell (North-East Ohio): I move to delete the part of that motion referring to two speeches on each side. If I can have a second, I will speak.

Bishop Ensley: All right. This has been moved and seconded. Continue.

Mr. Cromwell: In other words, it seems to me to cut the speeches to three minutes is all right. But I agree with Leonard Slutz. Let's not cut off debate that rapidly. I think the three-minute speeches will help a great deal.

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) spoke against the amendment.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) spoke for the committee's report.

The Cromwell amendment lost.

The motion by Dr. Herr carried.

Privilege Matter—Franklin Blackstone, Jr.

Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE) requested as a matter of privilege that the Committee on Chairmen give an agenda of calendar items to be presented during a day. **Dow Kirkpatrick** (Rock River—NC) stated this would be done.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 12—
Calendar No. 114—**Dow Kirkpatrick**—**Charles A. Sayre**
(Continued)

Dr. Kirkpatrick: We will begin tonight where we left off this afternoon on page 319 with the Committee on Publishing Interests, Calendar No. 114. Then it is my purpose to bring Calendar 146 which is Project Equality which is on page 325 and, well, I will have to find it in a minute, but Project Equality, *Concern* magazine.

These two following the present presentation and then we just have to judge your mood and the time of the night and see what next. May I say that we ought to be very careful about suspending the rules with regard to printing, for the very reason mentioned except that if you will remember, most of these, if not all of these major documents are in fact, documents that were in print and in your hands by mail one or two months before coming to General Conference.

What they are now are the same documents after they have been through Legislative Committee, and we feel that this is a little bit of a different situation than if you were seeing it fresh for the very first time. We are ready to proceed, sir.

Bishop Ensley: All right. The understanding of the Chair is that if you will turn to Report 114 that we have acted on paragraphs 852, 853, 857 and we are at point 863 now. Would you be willing to accept this suggestion of the Chair that we have these items explained in toto from 863 on through 898 and then have a motion that would cover them for the whole, rather than trying to take them seriatim.

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey): Yes, we would be very happy to do that.

Bishop Ensley: All right, if you would explain these now please.

Mr. Sayre: Yes, indeed. If we may begin then with paragraph 863. At the end of this is the 3rd column on page 319 of the *Christian Advocate*. About 12 or 15 lines down, paragraph 963, at the end of the paragraph add the following sentence: "each of these corporations shall comply with the policy set forth in paragraph 714." Paragraph 714 is the omnibus paragraph dealing with racial discrimination in all the agencies of the Methodist Church. This is to take in effect paragraph 714, bring it solidly into the section dealing with the Publishing Interests and to add this sentence to the end of paragraph 863 in this section.

Paragraph 868 simply changing the number, paragraph 18 refers actually to paragraph 20. Paragraph 896 is again a minor change, line 3 in the White Book after the word board insert "and shall have the privilege of the floor without vote." Now on paragraph 898, this is a paragraph dealing with deletion. If you will turn back to page 165, item No. 10 the motion is to delete the entire paragraph because it is redundant. The same paragraph is carried previously in the section.

And then moving to paragraph 902, simply extending the membership of the Conference Committee on Publishing Interests to include the executive secretary of the annual conference Board of Education and any resident member of the Board of Publications.

Now if there are any questions, we would be glad to answer them.

Bishop Ensley: All right, now it is the understanding of the chair that these paragraphs listed here on page 319, 863 and following are now, the motion is that these be adopted.

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) asked if adding the executive secretary of the Annual Conference would not have to be changed if the Program Council was adopted. Bishop Ensley stated that the Committee on Correlation would handle this.

Amendment—Ted Richardson

Ted Richardson (Southwest Texas): I should like to offer an amendment in paragraph 902. The first two lines read "there shall be organized in each Annual Conference a Conference Committee." I should like to amend to read "there shall be organized in each Annual Conference Council a Committee on Publishing Interests." If I could get a second, I could state why.

Bishop Ensley: All right, it is seconded. The motion before us to substitute "council" or organizing a conference council—organize in each Annual Conference Council. Is this correct?

Dr. Richardson: Correct.

Bishop Ensley: All right.

Dr. Richardson: It seems to me that since we have placed the Television, Radio and Film Commission and the Committee on Interpretations under the new Conference Council Plan and inasmuch as this Committee on Publishing Interests is a very occasional committee and it quite frequently has very limited assignments that this committee would function much better under the Conference Council.

Bishop Ensley: Is there any objection to this change? Is there someone who opposes it? The motion is to adopt this amendment changing this to "conference council" as against conferences—Does the Committee have something to say?

Dr. Sayre: No, we do not object to it if the body wants to adopt it.

Bishop Ensley: All right, as many as will adopt this change will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

Amendment—H. Burnham Kirkland

Bishop Ensley: Next, the gentleman back here. Kirkland of New York. Microphone 8.

H. B. Kirkland (New York): Mr. Chairman, I would like to amend paragraph 879 in the White Book on page 94, amend it adding the words to the end of the sentence, "and report same quadrennially to the General Conference." If I have a second, I'd be glad to speak to it.

Bishop Ensley: Is it seconded? It is.

Dr. Kirkland: Mr. Chairman, in all fairness I should say that as a member of the Legislative Committee on Publishing Interests, I tried unsuccessfully to bring it before that Committee or to have their approval, but some of us do feel that since the salaries of the Bishops are set by General Conference, salaries of the General Secretaries are set in relation to the Bishops, salaries of our pastors and district superintendents are published in their own Annual Conference journals that we should have reported to us at General Conference the salaries of the Publishing House.

Now it matters not to me whether those salaries are twice that of a bishop or not, but it does matter to me that they are kept secret and not made public information to this body, and I hope that we can amend this legislation to include that.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is to amend the paragraph in the White Book which would provide for quadrennial reports concerning salaries. Are you ready to vote? As many as will support this amendment will lift the hand. Opposed? It prevails.

Report No. 12 Passes

Report No. 12 carried. (See *DCA* page 319; appendix page 1495.)

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 3— Calendar No. 9—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: This completes and perfects the section in the White Book. There is only one resolution dealing with the Blue Book which we can get out of the way and I think we should because it deals with the plan of union. Page 164, Item No. 9. This is again changing the word "and vote" to "without vote," and it deals with the presence of the publisher on the Division of Curriculum. It simply has the fact as it has been historically that the publisher sits on the Division of Curriculum but does so without vote and this legislation ascertains that by changing the phrase "and vote" to "without vote." We vote concurrence, and I move it sir.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is that this be changed so that he will be denied vote, the publisher will be denied vote, of the Curriculum Committee. Are you ready to adopt? As many as will support will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1492.)

Motion Refer—Robert W. Moon

Robert Moon (California-Nevada): I have a motion that needs to be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance. This is why I would like to get it in early; I will read it and if there is a second I will speak to it very briefly.

I move that in cooperation with the Board of Education, the Council on World Service and Finance provide the required funds for the budget of the Editorial Division of the Board of Education, which funds are now provided by the Board of Publication. To this end the Council on World Service and Finance shall increase the funds available to the Board of Education. The Board of Publication shall make an annual contribution of \$1,250,000 for this purpose to the Council on World Service and Finance for the years of the 1968-1972 quadrennium. Thereafter, the appropriation shall be made from World Service funds in the way now followed for the other divisions of the Board of Education.

If I may have a second I will speak to it.

The Editorial Division of the Board of Education has its salaries paid by the Board of Publication. This results in different salary scales, different fringe benefits, different requirements for vacations and sabbaticals, and while I have never seen any evidence of it, it makes them vulnerable to the charge of influence from the Board of Publications upon the Editorial Division.

This would make it possible for the salaries and fringe benefits and related matters to be the same, and also to make them not vulnerable to the charge of editorial influence from the Board of Publication.

Bishop Ensley: Now is your motion, Brother Moon, a motion to refer to the World Service and Finance?

Dr. Moon: That is correct. To report back to this body.

Bishop Ensley: And to come back?

Dr. Moon: That is correct.

Substitute Motion—Benjamin R. Oliphint

Benjamin R. Oliphint (Louisiana): I move a substitute motion of referral. I move that this matter be referred to the Board of Education and the Board of Publication of The United Methodist Church. I would like to speak to it if I could get a second.

Bishop Ensley: All right.

Dr. Oliphint: Mr. Chairman, we have a proposal for joint study of the relationship between The Methodist Publishing House and the Board of Education already before this Conference through the report of self-study of the Board of Education. The present situation is that the budget of the Division of Curriculum Resources is already completely subject to authorization by the General Secretary of that Division.

Now Mr. Moon's action, if we took precipitant action by this body, we would change a long established relationship without careful negotiations which would involve possible jeopardy to insurance, retirement, and other benefits, and equities between the three divisions of the board which do not now exist in the projected budget for the next fiscal year. For these reasons, I think that we should continue negotia-

tion within the Board of Education and the Board of Publication, which has already been set up and is in process of study.

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada—W) spoke against the substitute motion.

Dr. Sayre spoke for the Committee on Publishing Interests.

The Oliphint substitute motion prevailed.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 4— Calendar No. 10—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: There is one further item, Bishop Ensley, simply to point out that item 10 on page 165 has been passed in terms of the previous action, so it is disposed of, and that completes our report.

Question on Previous Action

Jesse R. DeWitt (Detroit—NC) asked if there were not two motions before the house. Dr. Oliphint stated that his substitute motion prevailed. *Hoover Rupert* (Detroit—NC) asked for clarification of the vote taken. *DeWitt C. LeFevre* (Northern New York—NE) stated that the confusion came over the fact that the names of the makers of the motions were interchanged. The Secretary read the Oliphint substitute.

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) felt the main motion was still before the house. *Erwin H. Schwiebert* (Idaho—W) stated that the Moon motion carried in it more than a motion to refer and should be voted upon.

A vote was taken again on the substitute motion, and it carried. The vote on the main motion was taken and carried. (See *DCA* page 165; appendix page 1493.)

Motion—John Bowen

John Bowen (Ohio—NC) asked if information requested before concerning the financial status of the Publishing House was available.

Mr. Bowen: I move, Mr. Chairman, that the Board of Publications through its chairman, president, secretary, or any member of said Board of Publications, and the president of the corporate structures of The Methodist Publishing House obtain all records, reports, summaries, and worksheets relating to the financial transactions of The Methodist Publishing House for the 1964-68 quadrennium (or for the four year period ending July 31, 1967), the profit and loss statements showing particularly the separate items of expense for said period, and an itemized balance sheet (net worth statement) for said period showing the separate items of assets and liabilities and that said information be presented to the General Conference in plenary session on Tuesday morning as the first order of business for the order of day section.

Bishop Ensley: Is this seconded? All right, it is seconded.

Mr. Bowen: Mr. Chairman, just simply to say that the reason for this that the Committee on Publication brought in a recommendation to adopt the Quadrennial Report, which report includes the profit and loss statement and the net worth statement.

There seems to have been some question on whether there was this information available. I do not feel we should be asked to adopt this information unless the information to support it is submitted for consideration, and that is the purpose of this motion.

Bishop Ensley: All right, and it is seconded, and the motion here as I understand it, requiring a statement from the Publishing House by Tuesday morning, is this it?

Harry R. Kent (South Carolina—SE) spoke against the motion.

Motion to Lay on Table—T. Herbert Minga

On motion of *T. Herbert Minga* (North Texas—SC) the Bowen motion was laid on the table.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 4— Calendar No. 146—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Calendar No. 146, Report No. 4 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, On Project Equality, 74 voting for, no votes against, 10 not voting. The Committee moves concurrence with the petitions listed to adopt the text which follows and which we are reminded of the long established report by our church, by our government of fair employment practices.

It then calls attention to the conviction that Project Equality of voluntary cooperative interdenominational enterprise, that it provides a responsible, consistent, ethical, practical, effective, and positive means whereby The United Methodist Church and other churches can support their employment practices in the United States. The United Methodist Church, therefore, endorses Project Equality, and recommends cooperation, both through participation and financial support on the part of all United Methodist Annual Conferences, local churches, local or national institutions, agencies and organizations.

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) spoke for the report.

John C. Satterfield (Mississippi—SE) spoke against the report.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke for the report.

J. Clay Madison (Western North Carolina—SE) spoke against it.

Edward H. Laylin (Ohio—NC) spoke for the report.

Previous Question—John R. Van Sickle

On call of John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) the previous question was ordered.

Report No. 4 Passes

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke for the Committee, and Report No. 4 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 325; appendix page 1225.)

Claude Garrison (Ohio—NC) asked if materials on

Project Equality might be made available, and *Dr. Kirkpatrick* stated that they would.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 7— Calendar No. 149—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: On page 326, Calendar 149, Report No. 7 of the Committee on Social Concerns, the subject: Publication on Social Issues; 63 for, 3 against, 5 abstentions. I call your attention to the fact that this embodies a response to a total of 155 petitions, all in favor of a publication on social issues. No petitions opposed to such a publication were received. "The General Board of Christian Social Concerns shall publish a periodical which shall engage Methodists and others in serious conversation on social issues and problems, including those within the life of the church. Such periodical shall be designed to stimulate creative discussion and action within the context of the Christian faith, and shall be guided by the resolutions and legislation of the General Conference."

And then follows several charges for the editorial scope.

"The Board shall initiate and be financially responsible for this publication as soon as practical following adjournment of the Uniting Conference."

Bishop Ensley: Have you finished? All right. The motion now is to adopt item 149 on pages 326 and 327. Now was there someone over here who desired to speak? All right.

R. R. MacCanon (Iowa—EUB) wanted to know if the word "United" should not appear before Methodists. *Dr. Kirkpatrick* stated it would be added.

E. McKinnon White (New England Southern—NE) spoke for the report.

Amendment—David L. Dykes, Jr.

David L. Dykes, Jr. (Louisiana): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move an amendment, please sir. I would like to move that a new name be given the publication. If I can get a second, I would like to speak a moment, please.

Dr. Kirkpatrick accepted the amendment.

Ralph B. Huston (Florida—SE) spoke against the report. *Tan-Chee Khoon* (Malaya—OS) spoke in favor of adoption. *Robert E. Knupp* (Central Pennsylvania—NE) opposed the report. *Walter R. Hazzard* (Philadelphia—NE) spoke for the report.

Previous Question—K. Morgan Edwards

K. Morgan Edwards (Southern California-Arizona—W) called for the previous question and it carried.

Report No. 7 Adopted

After a close show of hands vote, a count vote was taken, and report No. 7 was adopted with 615 voting for, and 533 voting against. (See *DCA* page 326; appendix page 1231.)

Motion to Refer—E. McKinnon White

E. McKinnon White (New England—Southern): I would like to make a motion for referral to World Service and Finance Commission. In light of the fact of the action that we have just taken, some reference has been made to the circulation of the publication. It has been the contention of many of the leaders in the church one of the reasons the circulation has been so small has been because the whole church never has at any other time than right now said to the Board of Social Concerns, "we like what you are doing; we want other people to know about it."

Now in that motion it required the board to be responsible for this publication and to be financially responsible as well. I make the following motion. I move the approval of an additional \$35,000 to the annual budget to the Board of Christian Social Concerns to aid to the publication of the social issues magazine. If I have a second, I would like to speak to that.

Bishop Ensley: All right. Is there a second? All right. Will you kindly give your attention now to the brother. His motion is that this be referred to the World Service and Finance Council with a request for \$35,000 to support its publication.

E. McKinnon White: I believe this has to be referred but I think some facts should be known. In the first place, it has been brought to my attention that the subscriptions to this magazine pays for most of it, in fact this has been knowledge that is open to everyone else as well, and that the additional expense to the Board of Social Concerns actually comes to the amount of \$35,000 which some of us happen to know that if this expense is placed upon the board at the present time, this will mean a curtailment in some of the other activities in which they now engage which are just as essential as this is. Therefore, I move that this be referred to World Service and Finance for their approval.

Bishop Ensley: All right. The motion now is to refer this to the World Service and Finance Council with a request of \$35,000.

DeWitt C. LeFevre (Northern New York—NE) spoke against referral.

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) asked if the Committee had not stated that this operation was self-sustaining. *Dr. Kirkpatrick* said the committee was not asking for this money and that he was opposed to it.

Motion to Table—W. Davis Cotton

W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana—SC) made a motion to table the motion to refer, and it was done.

**Committee on Local Church—Report No. 5—Calendar No. 71
—Merlyn W. Northfelt**

Merlyn Northfelt (Rock River): The Committee on the Local Church intends to bring either tomorrow or Wednesday the major block of material dealing with the charge conference, the annual church conference, the section on the official board or the administrative board as it is being suggested, and the council on ministry all in one block of material together, either tomorrow or Wednesday as the calendar permits.

I think we can remove a few matters from the docket this evening. I do not believe they will provoke the kind of debate we have had

earlier. It does not mean they are not important, however. So if you will turn in your *Daily Christian Advocate* to page 263 and at the same time in the White Book to page 1.

In the White Book the first section, section 1, is named The Pastoral Charge and has six major paragraphs. We are recommending that paragraphs 101 to 106 in the White Book be adopted with the following amendments: Paragraph 102 in the third sentence have the words deleted “. . . located in nearly every community . . .” Simply strike those words and the sentence will begin, “The local church is a strategic base. . . .”

Paragraph 104 will be amended by adding at the end of the paragraph the following sentences and this is a substitutive change or addition: “Where size, circumstances and specific mission responsibilities demand, a local church may in consultation with an approval by the District Superintendent modify the organizational plans hereinafter set forth, provided that adequate provisions shall be made in such an organizational plan for relating the local church structures to appropriate district, annual conference, jurisdictional and general church agencies and structures.”

Paragraph 106-1 will be amended by striking out the word “single” in the third line of paragraph 106; and paragraph 106.2 will be amended by adding the words after the word “churches” so it will read “A pastoral charge of two or more churches may be designated a circuit” rather than “is a circuit.” This becomes optional in our language.

And therefore we move that 101 to 106 as amended, as I have just outlined, in the White Book not the Blue Book, in the White Book, be adopted. I so move.

Bishop Ensley: The motion before us is to adopt item 71. Are you ready to vote? As many as will adopt will lift the hands. Opposed? It is adopted.

Dr. Northfelt: I have just been informed of a step we left out. The White Book as now amended we recommend be substituted for the paragraph in the Blue Book that it covers, so move.

Bishop Ensley: As many as will adopt this change will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done. All right, now where are we on the next one?

(See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1538.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 6—Calendar No. 72 —Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now the next one is No. 72. We are on paragraph 147 in the White Book, page 10, we move the adoption of the entire paragraph 147 in the White Book as a substitute for the corresponding part in the Blue Book, so moved.

Bishop Ensley: The motion before us is to adopt Item 72 with the details that are contained below and within it. As many as will adopt lift the hand. Opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1539.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 73 —Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Next item on our agenda tonight is Calendar No. 73, referring to paragraph 148 in the White Book, on page 12, dealing with the protection of rights of congregations. We move that this be substituted for the corresponding section in the Blue Book, so moved.

Bishop Ensley: All right, the motion is to adopt Item 73 with the details that it carries with it. As many as will adopt will lift the hand. Opposed? It is adopted. Next.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1539.)

Committee on Education—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 88— D. Frederick Wertz

Fred Wertz: Mr. Chairman, report from the Legislative Committee on Education will be found on page 265 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. It is calendar item 88 from the Committee on Education Report No. 2. This report has to do with a petition which requests the new curriculum for current membership classes and the recommendation is that this request be referred to the joint committee on confirmation preparation which is the committee of the church responsible for the preparation of materials for church membership classes.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is to adopt 68, Item 68 on page 265, excuse me, 88. All right, the adoption of 88, as many as will adopt will lift the hand. Opposed. It is done. Next.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1339.)

Committee on Education—Report No. 3—Calendar No. 89— D. Frederick Wertz

Dr. Wertz: The next item is Calendar No. 89, in the third column of page 265 from the Committee on Education, Report No. 3. It has to do with support for higher education. It is a reaffirmation of the program of support for higher education which the church has had for a number of years now, and urges that this statement of the goal of support for higher education be printed in the appendix of the *Discipline*. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is to adopt Item 89, page 265. As many as will adopt will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1339.)

Committee on Education—Report No. 4—Calendar No. 90— D. Frederick Wertz

Dr. Wertz: The next is calendar No. 90, at the bottom of the third column, on page 265. It is from the Committee on Education, Report No. 4. It has to do with the Blue Book in paragraph 565.6H, which is on page 124. It relates to the Conference Board of the Ministry, and rewrites this paragraph so as to relate the Board of the Ministry cooperatively with Conference Agencies and the Department of the Ministry of the General Board of Education, and in providing support, guidance and programming for continuing education of ministers.

This is enlarging the responsibility of the Conference Board of Education at this point, and giving it increased incentive for continuing education of ministers, which is one of the emphases of the program on Ministerial support which was adopted some days ago. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Chester M. Alter (Rocky Mountain—W) asked concerning the Department of Ministry of the Board of Education.

Dr. Wertz said this would come in new legislation; Mr. Alter said he did not feel presumptions should be acted upon.

Report No. 4 was adopted.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1340.)

**Committee on Education—Report No. 5—Calendar No. 91
—D. Frederick Wertz**

Dr. Wertz: The next item is No. 91 on the Calendar. It is at the top of the first column, page 266 from the Committee on Education. It is Report No. 5. It has to do with the personnel. It has to do first with the name of the Methodist Youth Fund and recommends that the name be changed to Youth Service Fund. It also has to do with the make-up of the Interboard committee on Missionary Education which you will find in paragraph 1029 of the Blue Book, that's on page 202.

It suggests that in line 5 where the membership of the Interboard Committee on Missionary Education says there are five other persons appointed by the Board of Education, it shall be designated that these are five voting members of the Board of Education, specifically designating that they are to be members of the Board, rather than members-at-large; and in line 7 where it reads two secretaries at the beginning of the line, the recommendation is that that shall be one secretary and one voting member of the board. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is to adopt Item 91. As many as will adopt lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266; appendix page 1340.)

**Committee on Education—Report No. 6—Calendar No. 92
—D. Frederick Wertz**

Dr. Wertz: The next item is No. 92. It is the 6th report from the Committee on Education. It has to do with paragraph 1145 in the Blue Book. You will find that on page 230. It deals with the joint committee on material for training for church membership, and adds as a member of that joint committee one representative of the Commission on Worship. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ensley: As many as will adopt Item 92 will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266; appendix page 1341.)

**Committee on Education—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 93
—D. Frederick Wertz**

Dr. Wertz: The last item on the agenda from the Committee on Education tonight is Calendar No. 93. It is Report No. 7 from the Committee. It has to do with paragraph 897 of the Blue Book. That is on Page 174, the bottom paragraph. It is the section of the Plan of Union which deals with Church School Publication, and this paragraph reads that the provisions of this section shall not apply to program and promotional materials of the division of higher education or the division of the local church. These provisions are prepared for the Editorial Division of the General Board. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ensley: The motion is to adopt item 3. Now those that will do this will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266; appendix page 1341.)

Reconsideration

Emory S. Bucke called attention to the fact that Calendar No. 89 had been asked to be included in the *Discipline*; he stated the *Discipline* would be a large volume, and that he hoped such items would not be printed therein.

The Conference voted reconsideration of Calendar No. 89 on call from the floor.

Motion—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) then moved that Calendar No. 89 be adopted without printing in the *Discipline*, and it was done.

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 95—Dow Kirkpatrick—Lawton W. Shroyer

Dow Kirkpatrick: On the same page 266, the Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy, beginning with Calendar No. 95. Mr. Shroyer.

Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern—EUB): Mr. Bishop, before I start on our report I would like one minute of personal privilege. As one of the former EUB chairmen of the 14 Legislative Committees, I would like to say how very much impressed I am with the high caliber of the former Methodist laymen that have helped me in my committee. And you know, these committees are the work horses of the General Conference; and with your permission I would like all the members of the Lay Activities and Temporal Economy Committee to stand now and let these people see some real work horses.

Will you please turn to page 156 in your White Book. This is page 266 in your *Daily Christian Advocate*, No. 95, Report No. 2. Subject: Fiscal Policy. Now we are not going to read it; you have had plenty of time to read it. There are two corrections. If you will notice down in No. 4, it says 'disperse'—our committee knows that means scatter, and we get accused of throwing money away now, so we want to change it to "disburse."

Down in No. 5, on the second line where it says that "the Uniting Conference will be given"—cross out the word "will" and it will then read, "That on January 1, 1969, apportionments based upon the budget adopted at the Uniting Conference be given to all annual conferences . . ." and so on.

I move this adoption. This was unanimously adopted by our committee.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) expressed concern over the change in fiscal year. He said he would like to make a motion, but he had already made a speech to refer this to the Council on World Service.

Motion to Refer—Robert H. Courtney

Robert H. Courtney (North-East Ohio): As a colaborer with Raoul Calkins, I'll be happy to make this motion because I received the same communication. To realize that—I'm sorry, I had better wait for a second.

Bishop Ensley: Is it seconded? All right.

Dr. Courtney: There are many conferences whose fiscal year is a calendar year, and as he has already indicated, my treasurer from the North-East Ohio Conference indicated that in view of the commitments we have to finish up the World Service year in May of this year and then go on and do the last six or seven months, would put us in the hole approximately \$60,000 under our present budget. And so I would certainly urge that this be referred for some consideration as to how this might be changed, if possible, to bring the former Methodist annual conferences into the same budget as the Evangelical United Brethren conferences, as of December 31, 1968.

Albert Dale Hagler (Florida—SE) spoke against the motion to refer.

Substitute Motion—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville): All I want to do is move that instead of referring this back we here and now set the fiscal year, not only of The United Methodist Church, but of the annual conference, on the basis of the calendar effective at the beginning of the next year, and that the Annual Conferences be asked to work out the details on a percentage basis this year.

Bishop Ensley: Well, it would strike the Chair that this is hardly an amendment as to what has gone before. I think we would have to clear out this point of reference and then start at the proposal you make, if we want to do it this way.

The motion is a motion to refer this for study. We will have to vote this up or down before we come to Brother Hightower's motion. The motion is that we postpone consideration of 95 until this particular portion has been referred to World Service and Finance. Are you ready to vote? You desire to speak on this again?

Robert H. Courtney (North-East Ohio): I'd like to ask a question, Mr. Chairman. If I understood Dr. Hightower rightly I would be perfectly willing to withdraw my motion in order that he might make that motion, or accept it as my motion.

Dr. Hightower: All right, now all I want to do is have the whole house understand what we understand, and that is that we establish a fiscal year for The United Methodist Church and the Annual Conferences thereof on the basis of a calendar year beginning January 1, 1969, and that the Annual Conferences be requested to work out their fiscal years on a percentage basis between now and that date.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest) opposed the substitute.

The substitute motion carried and became the main motion, and was adopted.

Appreciation

Bishop Ensley thanked the Conference for their cooperation.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Benediction—Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich

Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich pronounced the benediction, and the evening session adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Dwight E. Loder

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the seventh day, Tuesday, April 30, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Dwight E. Loder, Michigan Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop Paul V. Galloway

Bishop Paul V. Galloway gave the call to worship; the Conference sang Hymn No. 473, "O Worship the King." Bishop Galloway read Psalm 51 after which the choir of the Alaska Methodist University sang several anthems.

Bishop Galloway brought the devotional message. (See appendix page 1030.)

Hymn No. 478, "Lead On, O King Eternal," was used.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Northwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has now examined the records of the sessions of yesterday morning and yesterday afternoon. We approve same, subject to minor corrections.

Bishop Loder: Those who will receive the report, will lift the hand. Any opposed? Approved.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop and members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the chairmen of the Annual Conference delegations for the plenary sessions of the afternoon and evening of April 29, 1968. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Loder: Thank you. Any questions? If there isn't any, as many as will approve will lift the hand. Those opposed? It is approved.

Committee on Agenda—Paul E. Horn

Paul E. Horn (Susquehanna): Mr. Chairman, the agenda is printed on page 1 of the *Daily Advocate*. The order of the day at 9:30, the first ballot for the election of members to the Judicial Council, then at 9:45 for the order of the day the calendar and the same order of the day following the recess. I move the adoption of the Agenda.

Bishop Loder: Are there any questions? As many as will approve will lift the hand. Thank you, those opposed, lift the hand. This report, like the others, has been approved.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) presented Bishop W. Kenneth Pope who stated that the College of Bishops and the executive secretaries of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church were meeting in Dallas. On motion of Dr. McDavid the Conference voted to send greetings.

Bishop James K. Mathews was presented to call attention to the evening service which would be a pledge service for the Quadrennial Program.

Dr. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Mr. Chairman, we have this communication to the members of the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church: "I have been deeply impressed by your invitation to minister to the massive urban problems of our day. Your call for justice, freedom and dignity to match the crisis of this time will be implemented by a most significant financial appeal through the Bishops Fund for Reconciliation.

"May I, as Mayor of the second largest city in America, offer the full cooperation of our city government and its agencies. We offer the council and assistance of our urban planners and other officials to the work assigned to Chicago under the leadership of Bishop Thomas Pryor.

"As Methodists set forth on a program of sacrificial giving, you will find our city administration in full sympathy with your high goal and in sincere desire to assist in any way that we may be called upon to do so. Signed: Richard J. Daley, Mayor, City of Chicago."

I move that we receive this and record it.

Bishop Loder: All right. This is properly before you. As many as will approve, show by the uplifted hands. Those opposed by the same sign. It is approved.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Fritz H. Pyen

Dr. McDavid: Now Mr. Chairman, we have one more matter of privilege. We are indebted to the Korean Methodist Church for the flower at each of our places today and we would like to grant to Bishop Fritz H. Pyen of the Korean Church the privilege of officially presenting these flowers. I move that we grant this privilege.

Bishop Loder: All right, this is indeed a lovely reminder. As many as will approve lift the hands. Any opposed? Thank you. This is approved.

Bishop Fritz Pyen (Korean Methodist Church): At this time I wish to bring greetings from the Korean Methodist Church. The laymen of the Korean Methodist Church heard about the union of these two churches. They are so glad so they want to wish you happy birthday, and they sent you these flowers and under the flower you see these colors that means that in Korea for the little children on their birthday, we present a colorful dress.

So, they wish you happy birthday and this flower is hibiscus, in Korean we call it "endless flower" because endless blessing on your union, and during the Korean War and after the Korean War the Bishops Council sent Bishop Moore and Bishop Raines and Bishop Werner to rehabilitate and to re-organize the Korean Methodist Church; and with the Bishops' Fund we have restored 300 more churches.

In appreciation of all this, we would like to put as a symbol this flower on the presiding bishop of the day, and the Korean delegate will put in appreciation for what the Bishops Council has done and

what members of the church in this country have done, so they will put this flower on the presiding bishop.

The Korean Methodist Church wants prayer for Viet Nam, the expedience, the bitterness of the war in Korea, and they would like to have your prayers, join for the victory, for the end of the Viet Nam War. Thank you.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke

Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke called attention to the fact that Mrs. J. Fount Tillman was having surgery and led a prayer for her healing.

First Ballot for Judicial Council Members

The Secretary gave instructions as to the procedure for balloting, and the first ballot was taken for four ministers and two laymen for the Judicial Council.

Zacarias Cardoso (Angolo—OS) stated that he felt all nominees should be introduced; Bishop Loder replied that this would be out of order. *Mack B. Stokes* (Holston—SE) observed that biographical sketches had been printed. Roy R. Roudebush (North Indiana—NC) wanted to know if a ballot was valid if the required number were not voted for in each category; he was told it was not.

The ballot was closed, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 13—Calendar No. 115—Dow Kirkpatrick—Charles A. Sayre—Lovick Pierce

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): We begin by calling up, on page 319, Calendar 115, the Committee on Publishing Interests, which yesterday was postponed. The secretary of that committee, Dr. Sayre.

Charles A. Sayre: Bishop Loder, The Publishing Interests Committee has moved concurrence in the report of the quadrennial report of the Board of Publications. Questions have occurred in connection with the condensed balance sheet in the quadrennial report in the Blue Book, the quadrennial report on pages 36 and 37. I think the report is properly before us, if I am correct, Bishop Loder.

Bishop Loder: Yes, this is properly before us.

Mr. Sayre: Here to answer questions is the publisher of the church. This is a moment of very high privilege for me. It is a matter of deep, deep pride that I present to this body the publisher of our church. Mr. Pierce has given The United Methodist Church the strongest arm in publishing in Protestantism anywhere in the world. He has the admiration of the entire business community of America. He is a man who has deep appreciation of this church and the abiding love of all of those who are privileged to work closely with him. Mr. Lovick Pierce.

Bishop Loder: All right. Those who will extend to Lovick Pierce the privilege of the floor will lift the hand. Thank you. Any opposed? Thank you. Mr. Pierce.

Lovick Pierce: Mr. Chairman, if I might be permitted to make just a brief statement, I'd like to say that my sentiments at this moment are

somewhat similar to the old story of the elderly couple, with some fifty years of marriage behind them, sitting contemplatively at home. The wife had grown a little deaf, and he looked at her as she sat sewing, and he said, "I really ought to tell her more often how much I love her." He looked at her, and about that time she caught his eye, and he said, "You are mighty fine." She didn't seem to understand, so he leaned a little closer and said, "I think a lot of you." She said, "Yes, I get tired of you, too."

Mr. Chairman, I was not present last evening when this discussion came. I have had relayed to me two questions. I am looking at the exhibits on page 36 and 37. May I preface this by saying that the bookkeeping apparatus of the \$40,000,000 operations is rather sizable. We can bring you all the breakdown that you might call for, but it might take a truck to bring all of it; and I don't know if we could get in here in time for the Conference, or whether you would have the time or interest in going into the details. I say this simply to say, sir, that there is nothing that we are ashamed of. In fact, we are mighty proud of it, and we'd like for you to know more than we can tell you on these two pages.

The Publishing House is trying diligently to serve the interests of the church, and for the last three years the management and the board have felt that with the merger pending, it was the wisest course to follow for us to forego as many capital outlays as we possibly could and have a liquid reserve so that we would be in a better position to meet the needs of the new church. This we have done, with some discomfort. We have crowded conditions, we are needing equipment, there are many things requiring attention, but I am happy to say that we are in a very solvent condition, and we do have some reserve so that we are in a position to deal with these urgent matters without the sense of urgency.

Now the two questions that I understand that were posed, was first on the statement of Assets and Liabilities. What is contained in the \$29,308,000? It is our net worth. This is the sum total of what we have invested in the operation to do business with. The first figure in that page up at the top, \$17,000,000 is the current assets. This is primarily inventory, accounts receivable, and cash, but this is included in the \$33,000,000. This is all added together. This is the total of our assets and what it takes to operate a business of this size. This is a cumulative total. This is the total, you might say, resulting from 179 years of operation.

On the other side, the question was asked about the operation. We have down there, in condensed form of course, for the quadrennium, year by year, showing the total sales, the total cost of sales, expenses, and net income. Publishing, like most businesses, is not an exact science. You do not have an assured, written in, guaranteed margin of profit. The first year in the quadrennium is painfully indicative of that fact. We showed a red figure of \$172,000, but for that year the management and the board, on faith, went right ahead with our regular appropriation to the conference claimants, although we had to borrow the money. We have tried to maintain that appropriation on a steady level.

The succeeding years, happily, have improved. During this time we have seen the fruition of such things as the Hymnal publishing, the Curriculum publishing, which in the earlier part of the quadrennium we were putting much into but not reaping the benefits of the sales. So the result is we had a climbing rate of net income. This was disproportionate, but taking it as an average it maintained a healthy operation.

The last column on the right is the total for the four years, and I think the question was asked, "What does that \$52,000,000 of ex-

penses include?" It includes the combined expenses for the four years of operation. About half of it is salaries and wages; the rest of it is in postage and supplies and all that it takes to operate the business. Now, we could bring you quite a breakdown if you have the patience and the interest to go into it. I don't have it in my pocket, but if you want more detail, I'll be glad to call on our treasurer who has a briefcase full of reports, and we can give you that, or we can send for more. We'll give you just as much breakdown as you care to examine. Mr. Chairman, that's as far as I think I need to go at the present time.

Series of Questions—John Bowen—Thurman L. Dodson—Joseph D. Roulhac

John Bowen (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I have a few questions to ask Mr. Pierce, please.

Bishop Loder: Now, we will be clear, Mr. Bowen. You were caught with this last night. You have five minutes. No, we are not on an amendment, consequently, he has five minutes.

Mr. Bowen: Mr. Chairman, the first question is: In the expense time, do you have an account for depreciation?

Mr. Pierce: The item of expenses? Yes.

Mr. Bowen: If these were to be itemized, would there be shown in this an account for depreciation?

Mr. Pierce: Yes.

Mr. Bowen: Would you tell us during the quadrennium, just approximately what this would have been of the \$52,000,000?

Mr. Pierce: I would be reluctant to hazard a guess. I don't recall the figure, but it is charged each year to current operations at standard rates of depreciation.

Mr. Bowen: Do you have any idea, just an idea what this would be? Would it be a million dollars, five million, or what?

Mr. Pierce: Mr. Chairman, if you permit me, Mr. Laird, our accountant, is in the rear of the room. I can call on him. He has the figure if you wish to have it.

Mr. Bowen: I would like to have it.

Bishop Loder: Well, this is not my choice, this is a matter of the choice of the house. If the house wishes to extend this courtesy, you will indicate by lifting the hand. Those who are opposed? I believe it has been extended.

Mr. Bowen: Mr. Chairman, while he is coming to the stand, I could ask Mr. Pierce another question. I only have just a couple.

Bishop Loder: Make the most of your five minutes.

Mr. Bowen: The current assets you said are in inventory, accounts receivable, and cash. Approximately how much cash was there at the end of July 31, 1967?

Mr. Pierce: Approximately \$2,000,000.

Mr. Bowen: \$2,000,000 in cash?

Mr. Pierce: This is about the mean average it requires on a monthly turnover to pay our bills and operate.

Mr. Bowen: All right. Now the special fund—you have in investments \$2,600,000—what are these investments?

Mr. Pierce: What are they?

Mr. Bowen: Yes.

Mr. Pierce: They are in government bonds.

Mr. Bowen: Now the reserve for growth and development of \$2,000,000—I assume this is invested money, or is this just a bookkeeping account?

Mr. Pierce: This is the same figure. This is a bookkeeping account, brought down to the total.

Mr. Bowen: And the \$29,000,000, is that a bookkeeping account, the reserve for operations?

Mr. Pierce: I stated earlier, that is the sum total of our net worth.

Mr. Bowen: That is your net worth?

Mr. Pierce: Yes.

Bishop Loder: All right, has your help arrived up here?

Mr. Bowen: I think the question to him was the depreciation account.

Mr. Laird: Depreciation will amount to about a million and a half dollars for the quadrennium.

Mr. Bowen: I didn't hear it.

Mr. Laird: A million and a half dollars for the quadrennium.

Mr. Bowen: Yes, I see. The other question I had, Mr. Chairman, was with respect to the net income of \$10,500,000 approximately. I note that about 71 percent of this was set aside as a reserve for growth in operations. Is that correct?

Mr. Pierce: Yes.

Mr. Bowen: Is there any reason why it is such a high percentage? It may not be high, but it just seemed. . . .

Mr. Pierce: I stated earlier that the Board had decided that it would be well to build a reserve, facing the uncertainties of the future. The present appropriation is at the \$800,000 level, which we believe on an average over the years is about as far as we ought to go on a current pay-out basis, with the tremendous requirements or uncertainties ahead. This is held in liquid form, and if the Board decides in another year that that appropriation wisely can be increased, I am sure they will do it.

Mr. Bowen: In other words, there is some possibility then that it could be an increase in the amount of money that could be paid for pension purposes?

Mr. Pierce: That has been the record, sir. It has increased steadily since 1940.

Mr. Bowen: I have a final question. Could you tell us, Mr. Pierce, the salaries of the top officers of the Publishing House?

Mr. Pierce: My salary is \$55,000 a year.

Mr. Bowen: The salaries of the officers just below you?

Mr. Pierce: I do not have that schedule, and I do not care to trust my memory.

Mr. Bowen: Thank you.

Thurman Dodson (Baltimore): I am asking for certain information from Mr. Pierce.

Bishop Loder: I think that's fair.

Mr. Dodson: Mr. Pierce, I notice in the report you say that you have practiced fair employment practices throughout the house of which you are in control. May I ask you whether it is not a fact . . . First, I want to ask you how many associate publishers do you have throughout the church?

Mr. Pierce: We have two.

Mr. Dodson: And may I ask you also, is it not a fact that at least three bishops of the former Central Jurisdiction have requested you to appoint a former member of the Central Jurisdiction as an associate publisher?

Mr. Pierce: We have discussed the employment of a Negro in the policy-making level, and we have been for more than two years studying this as a possibility, should there be a change in our personnel at that level. I am not at liberty to discuss the details of our negotiation, but we certainly have that in mind.

Mr. Dodson: Well, may I ask you the direct question whether or not at least three bishops of the Central Jurisdiction have not requested you to appoint a former member of the Central Jurisdiction as an associate publisher?

Mr. Pierce: I don't recall that they specifically requested that we give consideration to employment at the policy-making level.

Mr. Dodson: As it now stands, there is not a single former member of the Central Jurisdiction who is employed by the Publishing House at the policy-making level. Is that true?

Mr. Pierce: That's true, at the moment.

Mr. Dodson: And how long would you estimate, sir, would it take you to complete your study to find out whether there is a qualified man in the former Central Jurisdiction who would be eligible to serve on the policy-making level of your Board?

Mr. Pierce: Well, sir, that involves a little more than just my attitude. It involves more than two people. But I would say by late summer or fall I think we will have something definite.

Joseph Daniel Roulhac (North-East Ohio): I would like to direct this question to Mr. Pierce. I have in my hand *Christianity in Crisis*, a Christian journal of opinion, an article entitled "Practice What You Print" written by James R. McGraw. Mr. Pierce, have you read that article?

Mr. Pierce: Yes.

Mr. Roulhac: The last paragraph of that is the observation made by this writer "when the business of the General Conference is concluded The Methodist Publishing House will print the new *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church. It will have beautiful phrases about workers' rights, their practices in employment . . .

Point of Order—John J. Rooks

John J. Rooks (Florida—SE) raised a point of order asking if the Board of Publication and the Publisher were on trial. Bishop Loder ruled that the questions thus far had been on Report No. 13, and the house sustained his ruling.

Mr. Roulhac: Now, Bishop, the only question that I would ask would be to request Mr. Pierce to make any observation he would like to make concerning this particular article "Practice What You Print."

Bishop Loder: Do you wish to make any comment to this, Mr. Pierce? Do you wish to make any comment to this question?

Mr. Pierce: I don't see how I could. This article covers a great territory and I don't know what the question is. We have nothing to conceal. We feel that we are operating in accordance with the principles of the church and the laws of the land. I regret that this suspicion seems to be present, and this is why we have requested the General Conference to authorize a commission to come and investigate. I don't know of any other way for you to satisfy yourself than to come and see.

Point of Order—Harvey N. Chinn

Harvey N. Chinn (California—EUB) raised the point of order that this was not proper business to be brought before

The United Methodist Church. Bishop Loder stated that since it was a calendar item from a legislative committee it was properly before the house.

Walter L. Hunt (Wyoming—NE) spoke for the report.

Joseph H. Albrecht (Central Illinois—NC) asked Mr. Pierce if The Methodist Publishing House was a member of Project Equality. Mr. Pierce answered that following the action of the house on Monday, they would have to be.

Previous Question—Walter Muller

On Call of Walter Muller (Illinois—EUB) the Conference ordered the previous question.

Report No. 13 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 319; appendix page 1496.)

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 45—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: There are two items in our entire report requiring concurrence which we can finish at this time. The first is on page 226 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Item No. 45.

Bishop Loder: Calendar No. 45. It is properly before you.

Dr. Sayre: This deals with the request to ask the General Conference to order that in the *Discipline* there be assembled one chapter on the local church, bringing together all the material on the local church so that our laymen and ministers alike can find the total material dealing with the local church in one place in the *Discipline* of the church. We vote concurrence, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Loder: All right, I notice present 56, voting for 55, voting against, none, and one abstaining. Are you ready to vote? As many as will approve will lift the hand? Thank you. Those opposed lift the hand. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 226; appendix page 1494.)

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 14—Calendar No. 116—Charles A. Sayre

Dr. Sayre: Page 321.

Bishop Loder: On page 321, Item 116.

Dr. Sayre: Present, 48, voting for 48, voting against 0, not voting 0, A word of appreciation for the portions of the Episcopal Address referring to the Publishing Interests. Bishop Loder, I move concurrence.

Bishop Loder: As many as will approve lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed the same. Thank you.

(See *DCA* page 321; appendix page 1502.)

Suspension of Rules—Dow Kirkpatrick

The rules were suspended on motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) to hear reports printed in today's *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Committee on Publishing Interests—Report No. 18—Calendar No. 206—Charles A. Sayre

Charles Sayre: Mr. Chairman, Item 206, on page 401 is a petition to guarantee inclusion of Negro Methodists as staff members at policy level of the publishing house. The Committee on Publishing Interests wholeheartedly concurs in this by a vote of 40 for, 2 against, abstaining 1, your committee voted concurrence with the feeling that paragraph 863 as we have amended it, paragraph 714 properly followed along with a stated policy of the Board of Publication will continue to lead to implementation. Mr. Chairman, we are convinced that the Board of Publication is working rapidly toward this end and so we wholeheartedly vote concurrence.

Bishop Loder: Any questions? As many as will approve lift the hand. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 401; appendix page 1503.)

Announcements—Don A. Cooke—Charles D. White—Truman W. Potter

The Treasurer, the Secretary, and *Truman W. Potter* (West Virginia—NE) made announcements.

Recess

A fifteen minute recess was taken.

Reconvening

With *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) leading the singing, the Conference reconvened with the singing of Hymn 283, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling." Bishop Fred G. Holloway led the prayer.

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 133—Dow Kirkpatrick—Joseph R. Graham

Dow Kirkpatrick: Page 323, Calendar Item 133, Hospitals and Homes, page 323.

Joseph R. Graham (Ohio Sandusky): Mr. Chairman, we call your attention to the item No. 133. This has to do with the approving of the report of the Board of Hospitals and Homes of the former Methodist Church. Please note the resolution which continues on the next page that is related to an expression of appreciation for the dedicated service of Dr. Oeschger.

This item is before you and the Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Loder: All right, I note the voting for 36, voting against none, abstinence none, is there any questions? As many as will approve, show the uplifted hand. Thank you, those opposed. And it is approved.

(See *DCA* page 323; appendix page 1505.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 6—Calendar No. 138—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham (Ohio-Sandusky): We would like for you to be in the process of turning to the Blue Book. The paragraphs in the Section

1400, Blue Book, Plan of Basis of Union, the Section in the 1400s. The first citation will be found on page 280, and the first attention will be directed to paragraph 1421. Along with this we would like for you to have in hand the White Book, page 136. Find in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 324 Calendar Item 138, we will begin with these items. Prior to this and while you are finding these citations, I would like the privilege of a few comments of introduction. Healing is the language which every man understands for it speaks to him where it hurts and brings comfort and relief to his suffering. Healing and helping ministries have been central in the total mission and message of the church from its very beginning. The importance of these ministries have been recognized by The Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church throughout their histories and will continue to be important in The United Methodist Church.

The Plan of Union as purposed by the Joint Commissions on Church Union calls for bringing together the Department of Health and Welfare of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and the Board of Hospitals and Homes of the former Methodist Church into a board known as the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries. The name is not new, it perpetuates the name of one of the agencies involved in the union. The program is not new either. The direction of direct services through Hospital, Homes for Children and Youth, Homes for the Aging, Homes for Unmarried Expectant Mothers, Special Ministries to the Mentally Retarded and Physically Handicapped, Schools of Nursing, and Homes for Business Women, two hundred and eighty three plus such agencies. Through these, The United Methodist Church will seek to provide the highest level of services to human suffering and minister to the disadvantaged and distressed.

The function of the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries is not new. It will continue to provide the consultation, certification, planning and advice of its predecessor agencies. The Board of Health and Welfare Ministry is like its predecessors. It is charged with the responsibility of working with other Boards and Agencies with cooperating and planning to help insure the total church addresses itself to the needs of the whole man and that the spiritual and physical needs of the disadvantaged are met.

Although The United Methodist Church can be proud of its record, it inherits nearly 3,000,000 persons touched last year through the helping and healing hands of more than 50,000 workers in its related agencies even this is not enough. We are challenged by the need for health and welfare ministries all across the church; bringing together the combined ministries of these two general church agencies in the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries will help us to meet this challenge.

In order that the intent of the plan of Union of the Joint Commissions on Church Union aimed at continuing effective helping and healing ministries in The United Methodist Church may be implemented. The Committee on Hospitals and Homes concurs basically with the recommendations of the Joint Commissions and we would cite you now these Calendar Items. Calendar Item 138 which is in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 324 the center section, center column, the middle of this we cite the matter before us having to do with racial policy. There were three petitions that came before us regarding this matter. What is being proposed here can be best explained by turning to the Blue Book on page 280, paragraph 1421 at the offset of this sentence the language is "All hospitals and homes operated by," we are suggesting the change of language so that additional programs may be identified and included. And changing the language to: "All health and welfare agencies and programs operated by" and the remaining part of this paragraph 1421 remains the same. The addi-

tional observation is that this ought to be removed from sundry provisions, you will note the caption under which it finds itself to the last sentence of paragraph 1401, on page 275. The Committee concurs with this petition and recommends this to the body.

Bishop Loder: All right, this is properly before you. Are there any questions? Are you ready to vote? As many as will approve will lift the hand. Thank you, opposed, lift the hand. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1507.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 5—Calendar No. 137—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Now if you will have before you the White Book page 136 beginning with what I identify as paragraph 5 which has an extended item No. 11 and also at the bottom of the page on identification of item No. 2. Now in the *Daily Christian Advocate* the petition that covers this matter is found on page 324, Calendar Item 137. This has to do with the continued support of the Homes formerly related to the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

There are some minor changes which we ought to give attention to that are recommended in the basic document before you. In the first sentence, paragraph identified as paragraph 11, is the deletion of the words "and supervising" and the addition in the second line of the language "Annual Conference related" so that this sentence begins and continues by reading: "The Board shall be responsible for fostering the continued financial support of any Annual Conference related home whose support may be adversely effected by the union of the Methodist and the Evangelical United Brethren Churches."

Bishop Loder: Now, I must interrupt you. If you are going to make amendments here, even though they come from the Committee this material has been in the hands of the body, and as I read the rules of order this requires an approval of the house. Are there any objections to this being done? As many as will approve, lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed, lift their hand. Very well. Proceed with whatever amendment you have.

Dr. Graham: In the same paragraph, in paragraph 3, subparagraph 3, after the word The Council of World Service we are entering here a shortening of this language so that the wording is the Central Treasury of the Council on World Service and Finance and the same kind of a change is found in the next to the last line of paragraph 2 on the next page. This is sharpening the directive, returning them to page 136 in the same paragraph that I cited previously. There is a substance of change. I would like to read this entire sentence so that you may see where I am making a change. We are changing the words review and adopted in their sequence, we are changing—

Bishop Loder: Just a moment, you will have to be more clear for the chair; you referred to several paragraphs on this page. Which one are you working on at the moment?

Dr. Graham: Under the paragraph I just identified as 11, the third paragraph under that paragraph.

Bishop Loder: All right. Thank you very much.

Dr. Graham: Now I will read it as we are proposing it: "The Central Treasury of the Council on World Service and Finance shall receive all contributions for the support of these homes from the Annual Conferences and distribute same to the homes of the former EUB Church on a formula basis which shall be reviewed and adopted annually by the homes involved after consultation with the board."

These are the changes that are being recommended. The petition that is before us and the report from your Committee on Legislation is Calendar 137, and we move the concurrence of this matter.

R. Jervis Cooke (Peninsula—NE) spoke against the report. *W. Arthur Milne* (Ohio—NC) urged adoption of the report. *Katherine Wilcox* (Michigan—NC) spoke against adoption.

Motion to Refer—Will M. Hildebrand

Will M. Hildebrand (Southern California-Arizona): I would like to refer No. 137, to a Committee to be named by the Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Board of Hospitals and Homes and the Legislative Committee of the Board of Missions, and have them report back as to their findings when they have completed their work to this General Conference.

Emerson D. Bragg (Ohio-Miami—EUB) wanted to know if a home now contemplating building would have to wait until its procedures had cleared both boards. Dr. Hildebrand stated that there would be a report at this Conference.

Bob W. Middlebrooks (North Texas—SC) spoke against referral.

Dr. Graham and *Dr. Paul V. Church* spoke for the Committee.

The motion to refer did not pass.

Report No. 5 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1506.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 3—Calendar No. 135—Joseph R. Graham

Joseph R. Graham: Mr. Chairman. I cite *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 324, Calendar item 135, which has to do with the membership of the board, and you ought to have before you the Blue Book, page 275, paragraph 1403.

What is being proposed in the calendar item is the changing of membership so as to provide for a continuation of 21 directors, but a bishop from each of the jurisdictions and the decrease in number of members-at-large from 7 to 6. This is to provide a better representation from across the church. We present Calendar item 135 and recommend concurrence.

Bishop Loder: All right. Voting for, 48; voting against, 3; abstaining, 2. Are you ready to vote? As many as will approve, lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed, lift the hand. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1506.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 4—Calendar No. 136—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Attention is called to Calendar item 136. We lift it properly before you now and identify the citations previously made. You will turn in the Blue Book to 276, paragraph 1406. The second item indicates "made scientific." We are recommending the inclusion

of the language "professionally competent." And then in 1408, subparagraph 6, the last line, again a substitution of wordage, "scientific" substituted by "professionally competent." And then you will find in paragraph 1408 an additional substitution in the last line, you find the language "problems in ministering," and the recommendation that the language be "services." This is Calendar item 136. We recommend concurrence.

Mrs. Raymond W. Waller (Tennessee—SE) spoke against the report.

Thomas F. Chilcote (Holston—SE) spoke for adoption of the report.

Mrs. D. Dwight Grove (Eastern—EUB) spoke against the report.

Mrs. R. Lee Hundley (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke for the report.

Dr. Graham spoke for the Committee and Report No. 4 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1506.)

Matter of Privilege—Emerson S. Colaw

Emerson S. Colaw (Ohio): Bishop Loder, and members of the Conference, last evening we reaffirmed our historic interest in contemporary social problems by approving the creation of a successor periodical to *Concern* magazine. The editorial policy of *The Christian Advocate* and *Together* magazines, as defined on pages 47 through 52 of the quadrennial reports, has also aided in the establishment of the "theological and social perspective" by which we can interpret and understand current history. These magazines have maintained a consistent effort to alert us to the priorities that confront our new United Methodist Church. They have also helped to make us aware of the issues with which we must struggle as our church defines its role and discovers its mission. I, therefore, move, Mr. Chairman, that the present editorial policy of these two magazines be reaffirmed and endorsed by this General Conference.

Bishop Loder: Is there a second? All right, as many as will approve, show by the uplifted hand. Thank you. Those opposed. It is approved.

Motion to Refer—Robert R. MacCanon

Robert MacCanon (Iowa): Bishop Loder, whereas there has been an accepted custom of long standing and practice in the General Conference of the former Methodist Church; which custom is being carried over into the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church, this custom being that of naming various members of the respective boards, agencies and commissions of the church as: "member ex-officio without vote" etc.; and whereas the rules of procedure and organization as adopted by the Uniting General Conference do not provide for the procedures of the said accepted custom, providing instead for a procedure which is contrary to the said accepted custom, this said contrary procedure as adopted by this conference being outlined in the adopted rules in Rule 41 with a special reference to page 210 of the Revised Roberts Rules of Order; therefore, because of this conflict between the said accepted custom and the said adopted Rules of Order of this Conference, be it now resolved that the Committee on Rules be hereby requested to propose such revision of the Rules as may be necessary to legitimize the accepted custom of long standing of nam-

ing various of the respective boards, agencies, and commissions as "members ex-officio without vote." I move that this be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Bishop Loder: All right, is there a second? Are you ready to refer. As many as will refer said custom, lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed? It is referred.

Privilege Motion—Paul Adrian

Paul Adrian (Kansas): In furtherance of the spirit and the character of this Conference that you referred to this morning Bishop, I rise to call to the attention of this Conference that on Sunday evening in a joint communion service we actually began the establishment of that character, and since as I understand, that communion service will not be a part of this General Proceedings unless the house takes action, Mr. Chairman I move that the Proceedings include the communion service of the two former churches held on Sunday evening, April 21.

Bishop Loder: All right, this is indeed a privilege motion. Is there a second? I have heard a second. Are you ready to vote? As many as will approve will lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed. It is approved.

Motion Out of Order

Edward L. Tullis (Kentucky—SE) had a motion of reference which Bishop Loder ruled out of order since only privilege matters were before the Conference.

Appreciation—Bishop Hazen G. Werner

Bishop Werner (Hong Kong): Mr. Chairman, and members of the General Conference, I am standing before you just merely to call your attention to the matter of this flower, to say that as a liaison Bishop of the Church in Korea, I think that I recall that on one other occasion we received these flowers shipped to us from Korea. We were very interested and certainly pleased to have this word of Bishop Fritz Pyen and paid respect to them, but I don't think we took any action acknowledging receiving them and particularly to expressing our appreciation for them. This involved considerable, I am sure, concern and interest on their part. I felt impelled, more or less, to suggest to you as a body that we would just say thanks to the Korean Church for the lovely flower.

The Conference applauded.

Privilege Request—William A. Meadows

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) requested that the Committee of Chairmen give some indication about what would be on the Calendar the rest of the day.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) replied that Hospitals and Homes, Evangelism, and other committees would bring reports.

Questions—John D. Wolf—Ervin Ortman

John D. Wolf (Northwest Indiana—NC) wanted to know if reports would be in Wednesday's *Daily Christian Advocate*. Dr. Kirkpatrick stated that he felt everything passed by committees would be printed.

Ervin Ortman (South Dakota—NC) asked if the summary of all World Service askings was going to be printed. Bishop Loder replied that they would.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Gratitude—Bishop Dwight E. Loder

Bishop Loder expressed gratitude to the Conference for their courtesy and kindness during the legislation.

Benediction—Bradshaw Mintener

Bradshaw Mintener, a layman from Washington, D. C., gave the benediction, and the morning session adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1968

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop W. Ralph Ward

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the seventh day, Tuesday, April 30, 1968, at 2:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop W. Ralph Ward, Syracuse Area, presiding.

Hymn 409, "Ye Servants of God," was sung, and Bishop H. W. Kaebnick led the prayer.

Committee on Agenda—Frank L. Roberson

Frank Robertson (South Georgia): Mr. Chairman, the Committee on Agenda recommends that in this afternoon session the Conference continue to address itself to the issues involved in the report of Legislative Committees. We move that consideration of the Calendar of Legislative matters be made the order of the day at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon.

Bishop Ward: You have heard the motion, seconded, it is. Is there question? If you will so order you will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? and it is done.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker: Bishop and members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the chairmen of the Annual Conference delegations for the plenary session of the morning of April 30. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Ward: Seconded, it is. Any question? If you so order you will lift the hand, down. Those opposed? It is done.

Privilege Matter—Bishop W. Angie Smith

Bishop Angie Smith (Oklahoma-New Mexico Area): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, there have been something like 135 Chaplains here during last week and the first of this week. There are 20 possibly or more here. If so, they can stand where they are in the balcony, so that you might have the privilege of seeing them, but I have the very high privilege, Mr. Chairman, of presenting Chaplain Col. Roy M. Terry, member of the New York Conference, senior cadet chaplain, of our great United States Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo. He is certainly typical of the fine outstanding Methodist leadership we have working both among the men and women in uniform, and in our institutions across this land. We are very happy to present Chaplain Roy Terry.

Report of First Ballot for Judicial Council Members—I. Lynd Esch Elected

Bishop Ward: We have a report on the ballot ready on the Judicial Council. Will you hear it? I believe you are ready. We call upon the secretary, please.

Secretary Charles White: This is a report of ballot No. 1. Ballots cast 1,206. Ballots invalid 27, ballots valid 1,179, necessary to elect 590, Dr. I. Lynd Esch of the California Conference received 686 votes and is elected.

Bishop Ward: You want the others read. I believe they do.

Secretary White: Dr. John Dowd 413, Dr. Harvey Hahn 336, Dr. Adams 196, Dr. Clark 338, Dr. Copher 403, Dr. Drennan 148, Dr. Finkbeiner 143, Dr. Galang 109, Dr. Herr 356, Dr. Houston 455, Dr. Johnson 110, Dr. Letts 91, Dr. Moore 258, Dr. Phillips 119, Dr. Rupert 378, Dr. Ward 166.

Laymen: Judge Eschelmann 243, Mrs. Grove 346, Judge Leatherman 176, Dr. McCormick 217, Dr. Sorg 261, Mr. Bautista 22, Mr. Berry 230, Judge Coffman 142, Mr. Cooke 95, Mr. Cotton 66, Mr. Fletcher 58, Mr. Holler 243, Mr. Horn 85, Mr. Lorch 61, Mr. Shearer 116.

Second Ballot for Judicial Council Members

The Secretary gave instructions for preparing the ballot, and the second ballot was taken for three ministers and two laymen for the Judicial Council.

Paul W. Frees (Ohio East—EUB) wanted to know if the names could be read in the order in which they were printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

John Chambers (Indiana North—EUB) wanted to know if on the third ballot the nominees used would be those with the highest number of votes, twice the number of the ones to be elected. Bishop Ward stated this would be out of order.

The ballot was closed, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 139—Joseph R. Graham

Joseph R. Graham (Ohio-Sandusky): We would like to ask the Conference to turn in the Blue Book to page 280, Blue Book 280, paragraph 1419. In the *Daily Christian Advocate*—we would like for you to turn to page 324. The calendar item is 139. We are dealing with the present National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes and the feeling of the Legislative Committee is that this body ought to be given privilege of using that name which they would want to determine.

Therefore, we are requesting in the petition before you the removal of the language "Methodist Hospitals and Homes" in the title as well as in the body of the paragraph 1419, so that there is provision for such an organization of representatives of the institutions, etc. We move concurrence.

R. R. MacCanon (Iowa—EUB) wanted the word United inserted before Methodist, and was told that it would be done.

Report No. 7 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1507.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 134—Joseph R. Graham—Bishop Ralph T. Alton

Dr. Graham: We would like to call your attention to the Blue Book, paragraph 1401 and the *Christian Advocate* page 324, calendar 134. This has to do with the proposed change in name of this board and Mr. Chairman, if I may, I would like the vice-chairman of the former Board of Hospitals and Homes to speak a word of background at this point.

Bishop Ward: I believe the body is willing to hear Bishop Alton at this time. I hear no objections. Bishop Alton.

Bishop Ralph T. Alton (Wisconsin Area): It has been said that a rose by any other name smells as sweet. The distaff members of this General Conference would understand that sometimes a change of names has other significance. There is a meaning in this proposed change of name which I would not want this General Conference to miss as you take action in this regard.

My relationship with the Board of Hospitals and Homes began quite a number of years ago when as chairman of a conference Board of Hospitals and Homes, I began to be associated with this company of servants of the church. During this last quadrennium, I have been one of the two bishops who are members of the Board of Hospitals and Homes, and I have gained increasingly humble and inspired relationship to these servants of the church who lead us in the institutional ministries of the church.

In my relationship to them, I have come to understand that they have a real feeling about their relationship to the ministries that they perform in this sense. They feel that what they are involved in is more than simply the operation of an institution. Indeed, they would agree with those who would say that the church has no business simply operating an institution, that if we are involved in this kind of service it must be thought of in terms of its ministry to people rather than just a perpetuation of institutions.

So for quite a long while we have been trying to work out a way by which this feeling, on the part of these who are so involved, could be expressed and when at the beginning of this quadrennium we began the discussions about the union of the Methodist and EUB Churches in this regard, it appeared to us that the name which the EUB Church had used in its Department of Health and Welfare had a suggestion for us of the way in which we could verbalize this perspective with regard to our ministries in the fields of healing and care that would correspond to the thoughts of these who are involved in this ministry.

So it seems to me that to call our ministry in this regard by its proper name, Health and Welfare Ministries rather than just Hospitals and Homes, points up the dimension of care which justifies the relationship of the church to this field of service to human need.

It seems to me it is important for us to realize this because I think in voting for this change of name we are endorsing the feeling on the part of the administrators and those who serve on the boards of these agencies, many of whom are members of this company, that the activities in which they are involved is much more a ministry to the needs of man than simply the perpetuations of an institution.

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer (Rock River—NC) opposed the report.

George Harper (Montana—W) spoke for the report.

William R. Obaugh (Florida—EUB) spoke against adoption of the report.

Arthur S. Merrow (Western New York—NE) supported the report.

Mrs. H. E. Arterburn (Louisville—SE) made a speech against adoption.

Bob W. Middlebrooks (North Texas—SC) spoke for the report.

Previous Question—William T. Handy, Jr.

William T. Handy, Jr. (Louisville—SC) moved the previous question, and it was ordered.

Dr. Graham spoke for the committee.

Point of Order—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) raised a point of order as to whether Report No. 2 was properly before the house without amending the *Discipline*. Bishop Ward ruled it was in order.

Report No. 2 was adopted (see *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1505).

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 140—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Mr. Chairman, I call the attention of the body to Calendar 140. This is an all-inclusive petition adopting the entire Plan of Basis of Union placed before us in the proper petition in the amendments that have been lifted and voted. I move that we urge the concurrence of this body.

Amendment—William R. Persons

William R. Persons (Rocky Mountain): I move to amend the proposal before us by adding this phrase: "that the confusion and overlapping of responsibility for United Methodist Hospitals and Homes be referred to the Program Council for study and resolution during the next quadrennium. Such solution shall point toward placing responsibility for these institutions clearly under direction of a single Board. The Program Council shall report its solution to the 1972 session of the General Conference." If it is seconded, I'd like to speak to it.

Bishop Ward: Seconded? It is, you may speak.

Mr. Persons: It seems to me that in the discussion so far today, the confusion has been clearly reflected. It also seems that the anxieties concerning overlapping and the expenses involved therewith certainly indicate the need for the Boards themselves to come to grips with this kind of conflict and resolve it to the satisfaction of this Conference.

Substitute Moton—Charles C. Parlin

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): I would like to move a substitute motion that this be referred to the Special Commission on the Study of Structure which is provided for by the Uniting Conference.

Edward L. Tullis (Kentucky—SE) spoke against the substitute.

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE) supported the substitute.

Robert H. Courtney (North East Ohio—NC) raised the question of whether the house was referring, approving, or concurring. Bishop Ward stated the substitute was to refer.

The substitute motion did not carry.

Questions—*J. Clay Madison*—*Thomas L. Cromwell*

J. Clay Madison (Western North Carolina—SE) asked when the Program Council would report back. The secretary read the amendment which called for reporting in 1972.

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) raised the question of adopting the report and if it would carry the referral. The Secretary stated the Persons amendment was to come at the end of the report.

Division of Question—*Charles S. Jarvis*

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC) called for a division of the question into two parts, the adoption of the legislation and the matter of reference. The Conference voted for the division.

Report No. 8 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1507.)

The amendment to refer was defeated.

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 13—Calendar No. 227—*Joseph R. Graham*

Dr. Graham: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, we ask you to turn in the *Christian Advocate* to page 403, Calendar Item 227. There are in succession on this page three items which have to do with strengthening: strengthening as a healing ministry, and secondly strengthening of schools of nursing; thirdly strengthening church relationships.

The first one is item 227 and has to do with strengthening the healing ministry. You will note in the center column the recommendation that we encourage the several annual conferences to strengthen their healing ministry; in the next paragraph to seek to include a clinically trained chaplain; in the next paragraph recognizing the needs of the community in the establishment or in the expanding of services; and thirdly, encourage the strengthening and undergirding of the present hospitals with personnel and volunteers and finances, and in the last paragraph to constantly be on the alert in developing new facilities where needed with due recognition for community planning. The Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ward: Calendar 227 is before you. Is there any discussion? I hear none. If you are ready to adopt you will lift the hand, down. Those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 403; appendix page 1508.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 14—Calendar No. 228—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Calendar 228 on the same page has to do with the strengthening of schools of nursing. This is a problem that is prevalent throughout the country. The resolution is at the top of the third column. We favor of strengthening of schools of nursing and hereby encourage the Annual Conference to develop programs of support as may be recommended by the Conference Boards of Health and Welfare Ministries. Your Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ward: Calendar No. 228 is before you. Is there any discussion? I hear none. If you will adopt you will lift the hands. Down. Those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 403; appendix page 1509.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 15—Calendar No. 229—Joseph R. Graham

Mr. Graham: Calendar No. 229 has to do with strengthening church relationships. The recommendation is that the Board give continued emphasis by the General Board in the area of church relationships in the next quadrennium, that there be a goal of conducting a survey in each of the Annual Conferences and these reports and surveys be presented to the bishops in Annual Conferences for their consideration. We recommend concurrence.

Frank A. Nichols (North Iowa—NC) asked if more funds would be needed for this survey; Dr. Graham replied that none were requested.

Report No. 15 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 403; appendix page 1510.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 16—Calendar No. 230—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Calendar No. 230 has to do with the Convocation on Medicine and Theology. There was such a convocation held. The recommendation is on page 404, next to the last full paragraph at the top of the page and resolves that in each jurisdiction of The United Methodist Church, there shall be held a Convocation on Medicine and Theology. The next paragraph says we strongly recommend that a Convocation on Medicine and Theology be held within the bounds of each Annual Conference. Your Committee recommends concurrence.

Bishop Ward: Calendar 230 is before you. Is there any discussion? I hear none. If you will adopt lift your hand. Down. Those opposed. It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 403; appendix page 1511.)

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 17—Calendar No. 231—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Calendar No. 231 has to do with service to the mentally retarded. This is a new area of concern in many sections of the country. At the bottom of the page you will see the beginning of the recom-

commendation of commendation to the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to direct the General Board of Health and Welfare Ministry to continue the development of cooperative services for mentally retarded persons and their families across the church. We move and urge concurrence.

Bishop Ward: Calendar No. 231 is before you. Is there any discussion? If you favor will you lift your hand? Those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1512).

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 18—Calendar No. 232—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: Calendar No. 232. This item has to do with services to unmarried expectant mothers. You will note in 3rd from last paragraph the recommendation that each Episcopal Area in The United Methodist Church work toward a development of the ministry to unmarried expectant parents and their children. In the next paragraph recommending the pointing toward one such new ministry within the bounds of each jurisdiction. In the next paragraph pointing out that in some cases this service can be provided as an extension of the work of other family and children's agencies. We recommend concurrence.

Bishop Ward: Are you ready? I believe you are. If you favor you will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed. It is done.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1512).

Committee on Hospitals and Homes—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 141—Joseph R. Graham

Dr. Graham: It has been brought to my attention that we overlooked on page 324, Calendar Item 141. This was a letter from the former president of the Board on Hospitals and Homes concurring in the name usage and we have already acted on this in Calendar Item 134, but because this is before us in a concurring item, we recommend concurrence of the General Conference on this item.

Bishop Ward: Is there discussion? If you so order you will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 324; appendix page 1507.)

Committee on Ministry—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 196—Don W. Holter—Bishop James W. Henley—D. Frederick Wertz

Don Holter (Kansas): Like other committees, we have worked hard. It has taken us into the late hours, Sunday night, and last night until midnight. Bishop Ward and members of this conference, there is one correction that needs to be made right in the beginning. We are presenting paragraphs 301 to 349 and not the full number; 350 to 399 will be presented later. Therefore the paragraphs 301 to 349 refer to the appropriate sections in the Blue Book. Therefore, we are presenting approximately one-half of our total report and the other items will come later.

The essence of this report comes originally from the committee on the Study of the Ministry that was created by the General Conference

of the former Methodist Church some four years ago. Even before that there had been a study of this. Therefore, what we are presenting today comes out really of an eight year experience for some, four years experience for others, and a two year experience for the rest of us. This committee that was formed by the General Conference in Pittsburgh was under the chairmanship of Bishop James Henley and later he was joined by Bishop Milhouse.

With your permission I am going to call on Bishop Henley for a short statement of introduction of this and then ask him to introduce another key person on his committee.

Bishop Ward: Bishop Henley.

Bishop James Henley (Florida Area): Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, I would like to say, too, along with Dr. Holter that our committee has worked diligently on this and it is a great pleasure to appear before you. Because more than half of us are in the General Conference for the first time and all of us are in the United Church for the first time, I am very pleased to have the opportunity to make a brief historical report concerning this committee and its work and then present to you one who has been our editorial secretary of the legislative material which has been produced and been presented to the Committee on Legislation regarding the Ministry.

The Methodist General Conference of 1960 authorized a committee to be set up by the General Board of Education of that church for the study of the ministry and ministerial orders. Pursuant to this action, a body of distinguished leaders composed of representatives of our theological seminary faculties, bishops, district superintendents, and pastors, was constituted and their report, the result of extensive research and deliberation, was referred to the Legislative Committee on the Ministry of the 1964 General Conference of the Methodist Church.

The Conference recommended that the study be continued through another quadrennium and requested the Council of Bishops to appoint a new committee under the following mandate: "A committee to study the ministry shall be named by the Council of Bishops to continue the study of matters pertaining to offices, orders of the ministry, conference relationships, and other subjects of ecclesiological nature and report findings and recommendations to the church at large one year prior to the 1968 General Conference in order that these shall be available to that Conference. The Commission may consult with any board or other agency of the total church, home or abroad."

The new study committee was organized the first year of the quadrennium. While somewhat doubtful as to the fate of its labors in the event of Methodist-EUB union, it seemed advisable because of the magnitude of this assignment to avail itself of all possible time in order to achieve the best results of which it was capable. In the course of this study of its problems the committee invited representative voices of the church to discuss topics related to its assignment.

The following persons greatly benefited our considerations through their personal appearances and the presentation of papers: Dr. Harvey Potthoff, Dr. Albert C. Outler, Bishop Nolan B. Harmon, Dr. Earl H. Ferguson, Dr. Harold T. Porter, Dr. Mack B. Stokes, Dr. Jack M. Tuell, Bishop Edwin R. Garrison, Bishop F. Gerald Ensley, and Dr. Q. C. Lansman.

During the 1966 simultaneous sessions of the General Conferences of The Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches, the committee was authorized to continue its labors, and was supplemented by nine very able leaders from the EUB Church. Dr. K. Morgan Edwards was our secretary and Bishop Milhouse was made vice-chairman of the joint committee.

The committee has sought to keep the Council of Bishops and its several annual conference Boards of Ministerial Training informed

with regard to the development of its recommendation, and we have profited by these continuing dialogues.

The quadrennial committee has held 12 sessions. Numerous subcommittee meetings have been necessary in addition to these. The record of attendance has been phenomenally good and the zeal for their committee assignment has been felt throughout our labors. Our Committee to Study the Ministry has been complimented in that the Ad Hoc Committee has recommended our report with very slight revisions as its proposal for the section of the *Discipline* relating to the Ministry. This report was referred to the Legislative Committee on the Ministry of this Conference and became the basis of this consideration and amendment.

Now, Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to present Dr. Fred Wertz who is the editorial secretary of the materials that have come into the hands of the Legislative committee and which in a very real sense are substantially before you at this time.

Bishop Ward: Thank you Bishop Henley. Dr. Wertz.

Fred Wertz: Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen of the General Conference. The Report on the Ministry is based on our affirmation that God has called all men to ministry and that it is incumbent upon those of us who have come into the Christian fellowship through baptism and confirmation and who have pledged themselves in loyalty to the church shall be involved in ministry but in this understanding of the general ministry of the church, there is also appreciation for the fact that men are called to special ministries and that God does call men and is today calling men to the ordained ministry. The report is before you, and this section of the legislative material deals with this understanding of the ordained ministry of the church.

It classifies the ministry in two orders—deacons and elders—as you will discover in paragraph 307, and indicates that where there is special need qualified laymen may be authorized to exercise certain pastoral functions, and they shall be called lay pastors. The deacons are authorized in a limited way. The elders are authorized in a complete way. The laymen are authorized for a special assignment.

Ordination is interpreted in this report as being the gift of God. You will find it in paragraph 309, in which ordination is the gift of God in answer to the prayers of the church and through the church, by which some are entrusted with authority to be ministers of Word, Sacrament and Order. To be ordained to the ministry of Word is to be authorized and empowered to teach and preach the Gospel. To be ordained to the ministry of Sacrament is to be authorized and empowered to administer the sacraments of the church. To be ordained to the ministry of Order is to be authorized and empowered to equip the laity for ministry, to exercise pastoral oversight and to administer the *Discipline* of the church.

So the report before you is a two ordered ministry for The United Methodist Church, with an understanding that certain qualified laymen shall be used as lay pastors. You understand that this is the classification which many of us have known across the years as the approved supply pastor.

The next section of the report has to do with conference relationships, and it defines the Annual Conference, in paragraph 315, as the basic body of The United Methodist Church, and identifies its ministerial relationship as being those members in full connection, probationary members and associate members.

Members in full connection is a term with which we are all familiar. Probationary members, similarly is a familiar term which indicates that men are on trial in anticipation of their becoming members in full connection.

Associate membership is a new term. It is a term which is designed

as a relationship with the Annual Conference to allow for certain things to happen within annual conference relationships which have not been opened to us in previous conference relationships, and the situation here is one which indeed makes it possible for some of those who have served the church as approved supply pastors in the past and who have not had the qualifications to make themselves eligible for full membership in the annual conference to be given a conference relationship which is described in paragraph 322. It indicates that the associate member shall be available on a continuing basis for appointment by the bishop.

He is within the itinerant ministry of the church. He offers himself without reserve to be appointed and accepts the appointment which is offered to him. He shall be eligible to vote within the annual conference on all matters save those that relate to the ministry and the election of delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences. He shall be ordained a deacon, but unless he should qualify for probationary membership, and therefore for membership in full connection in the annual conference, he does not qualify himself for ordination beyond the level of deacon. In this sense, the deacon's ordination for him is terminal.

I need not speak at great length with regard to the probationary member or full connection members, because these are terms that are quite familiar to all of us. I may say an additional word about the lay pastor as defined in paragraph 338, which identifies him as a layman duly licensed to preach, who has been approved by the ministerial members in full connection as eligible for appointment as pastor of a charge.

He shall be authorized to perform all of the duties of a pastor as described in paragraphs 349 and 350, and the significant limitation upon him in these paragraphs is to say that he does not have the authority of ordination and therefore shall not be authorized to administer the Sacraments. At this point the report makes a clear attempt to indicate that there is a difference between ordained clergy on the one hand and laymen on the other hand.

This appears to us to be altogether consistent with the understanding of what ordination is and puts us in our ecumenical discussions in a stance which makes it possible for us to discuss intelligently the questions of ordination with our sister churches.

You will note at a couple of points throughout this section of the report that it is designed in such a way that at no place does it take away from any member of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church or the former Methodist Church, any of the rights or privileges that were permanently guaranteed him prior to the time of union. Which is to say that those who have been ordained in some instances as local elders or local deacons still retain all the rights of ordination which were guaranteed them by either one of the predecessor institutions.

You will also notice that in paragraph 308 subsection 5, there is a provision which reads that the provisions of this entire chapter shall be administered in such a way that until July 1, 1970 any candidate shall be granted the right to proceed to complete the requirements for qualifications under the provisions applying at the time of union.

This is to allow a period of adjustment, particularly for our young men, and in some instances for approved supply pastors, who are in formal programs which are designed to make it possible for them to qualify for special privileges and responsibilities within the church.

Similarly, on page 394 in paragraph 323 you will discover a note at the end of subsection 4—subsection 3—which reads: “. . . provided further that until July 1, 1970, the Annual Conference, upon recommendation of the Board of the Ministry, and by a three-fourths vote

may waive the academic requirement of 60 semester hours for qualification of associate membership." This places upon each Annual Conference the responsibility and allows them the option of making certain judgments in terms of how they will qualify men for the various relationships to which they are eligible, in this particular instance it is the relationship of associate member.

The report is before you, ladies and gentlemen. I commend it to you by the Study Committee that has worked with diligence and devotion at this task, a task which has brought to those of us who are members of the Committee a deep sense of appreciation of the Church, and what its ministry is and what it can be.

You would understand that in this brief presentation it was not possible for me to describe all of the details of the report. You have had an opportunity to review it. I have tried to highlight it at the points that are particularly significant to your understanding of it, and I shall be pleased to answer further questions if they are to be asked.

Privilege Matter—Robert W. Preusch

Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) called attention to the pledge service to be held at the evening service and announced that the Council of Bishops had pledged \$100,000 and the General Secretaries had pledged \$50,000.

Sections I and II of Report

Don Holter: Mr. Chairman, members of the delegation, I think our first word would be appreciation to this committee on its study of the ministry. Certainly we would not have been able to function during this time we have been together without the work that they have done during the past four years, and for this we are very grateful.

Inasmuch as we had the basic report that came from this committee, but also had the obligation to check through the Blue Book, the White Book and the other things, and then in addition to this we had more than 800 petitions that came to the committee on the ministry. These came from all over the church as well as from boards and agencies, and other committees.

May I indicate to you that each of these petitions has been given attention by our committee, and are being reported. The essence of some of them have been incorporated into the body of this report. As it comes to you, therefore, and the reason that we have put it into one report it would be confusing to try to refer back and forth to these petitions to the various reports, and therefore, we have asked to have it all printed here so that you can have it all in one place.

Our intention as we go along here is to present this by sections. If you have questions there are with me here on the platform, the one that you have just heard, Dr. Wertz, and also our Vice Chairman, Gene E. Sease, former EUB brother, and John Graham, secretary. You know the work that John Graham has done in dealing not only with the Committee but with over 800 petitions. Jack Tuell a member of the Committee is also here as well as Bishop Henley.

Mr. Chairman, we would like to present this, and may I suggest that we first consider section I and section II together which would involve paragraphs 301 through 306.

Mr. Chairman, I would move the approval of these two sections.

Robert W. Fribley (North Indiana—NC) asked if the terms concerning ministers and lay pastors would be clearly defined. Dr. Holter stated that they would.

Sections I and II were adopted. (See *DCA* page 391; appendix page 1430.)

Sections III and IV of Report

Dr. Holter: The next section would be section 3 and section 4, which would begin 307 and on through 308. I would only want to point out as it has already been pointed out to be sure that it is understood, that any person is not deprived of any right or privilege permanently granted by either the Methodist Church or the EUB Church.

Amendment—John B. Howes

John Howes (Central Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move an amendment to the report on page 392, in paragraph 308, section 5, line 3, I would like to amend this to change 1970 to 1971 and if I can have a second I will explain it as briefly as possible.

Bishop Ward: Seconded. It is before you.

Mr. Howes: What I am trying to do here is to further just a little bit the purpose of this change, and this would in effect also change the material over on page 393, paragraph 323 also. This is clearly to give us a chance to work our people through this program so that we will keep face with those who have started the process, but it doesn't quite do the job.

I am director of the study school to which these men come and this summer I will have some 20 men who will have indicated their desire to take the introductory study. They have already enrolled; they enrolled under their mandate of the old *Discipline*, under the only contract on which we could operate at the time and it seems to me that, and consequently they would be unable to fulfill the requirements of this until 1971; therefore, it seems to me that to be just a little bit more generous to save the morale of our people, it would be a good thing to do this. I hope we will.

Dr. Holter stated that the Committee would be willing for the Conference to decide the date, and the amendment passed.

Amendment—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin Schilling (East Wisconsin): In paragraph 307, line 3, I wonder whether the committee would accept the consistent language as it appears in paragraph 304 in relationship to the tradition, Christian tradition and Wesleyan Tradition, to delete the word "apostolic" and insert the word "Christian."

Bishop Ward: Is the question to the Chairman?

Mr. Schilling: Paragraph 307 to delete the word "apostolic" and substitute the word "Christian" to make it consistent with paragraph 304.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) stated this was deleted by the Committee but they did not have time to get it into the report. Dr. Holter stated that the committee would accept this.

Renumbering of Paragraphs—John Kennaugh

John Kennaugh (Michigan): I would like to make a suggestion to the committee with regard to paragraph 307 and the subparagraph with regard to the identification of the various ministers whereby the

ministers be identified according to degree in their proper order, suggesting that in the first paragraph the identity of the elders be named first, elders and deacons, and then in subparagraphs 1, 2 and 3, rather than begin with deacons begin with elders and then deacons and then lay so that they would be in their proper progressive order.

Bishop Ward: They will accept that.

Amendment—E. J. Larson

E. J. Larson (Illinois): We spoke about paragraph 307, on page 391. As the gentleman indicated, that committee had agreed to drop the word "apostolic" and insert the word "Christian." Some of us feel that maybe Wesleyan Tradition might have been a bit Christian too. Why use the two terms? I would favor the retention of the words "apostolic" and "Wesleyan Tradition." There is a continuity at this point.

Bishop Ward: Well I believe that the chair would have to say that the change has been made editorially, so the word is Christian and I suppose it would be in order for you to move an amendment if you want to or strike out or something.

Dr. Larson: I would move an amendment, then to retain the words "apostolic" and "Wesleyan Tradition," such as it appears here.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) opposed the word "apostolic."

Questions—C. C. Herbert, Jr.—Major J. Jones

C. C. Herbert, Jr. (Western North Carolina—SE) asked a question about local elders, and Bishop Ward ruled the Conference was not on this. Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) wanted to know what deletion would do to ecumenical discussions going on. Dr. Holter stated the whole point was not to confine ourselves simply to the Wesleyan tradition.

Substitute Motion—Robert E. Cushman

Robert Cushman (North Carolina): I rise with some sense of chagrin that we should be obliged to consider this problem which, in point of fact, I tried to settle at the last order of business of the committee last night at 12:30, without success, and since I am responsible for the word "apostolic" as an emendation in this document, I express regret and I have tried to recant.

The amendment is probably to be rejected and the substitute is probably in the right since it is awkward to say Christian and Wesleyan. This is quite absurd; it is also as Mack Stokes has pointed out, a question of controversy as to whether apostolic should be used with reference to two orders rather than three. Now it would help if this General Conference would accept the compromise, namely, to use the term "Reformation."

We would be in the right; we would be found true and at the same time we would not be critical; therefore, I would like to offer a substitute motion to the amendment and the substitute which is before you; namely, that the word "apostolic" be retired in favor of the word "Reformation."

Substitute to the Substitute—Charles S. Jarvis

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, this conference has faced very many issues bravely and I am glad that it has. I don't think

it needs to face every issue, however, and therefore I would move a substitute for the substitute, moving the deletion of the words "in keeping with both the apostolic and Wesleyan tradition." In that way we need not face this issue at all—and simply say that the ordained ministry of The United Methodist Church consists of deacons and elders.

The Jarvis substitute passed.

Amendment—C. Ray Hozendorf

C. R. Hozendorf (Little Rock): I would like to move an amendment to section 3, number 307 following the words, "deacons and elders" on line 5; delete the words "lay pastor" and replace with "supply pastor," so that it will read "Where there is need, qualified persons may be authorized to exercise certain pastoral functions and shall be known as supply pastors."

And number 3 of the same section, "lay pastors or laymen" be deleted and replaced with "supply pastors or ministers" and conclude the paragraph. If I have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Ward: Is it seconded? It is seconded, you may speak, Sir.

C. R. Hozendorf: Mr. Chairman, members of the conference, we now have somewhere between 25 percent and 35 percent of our churches filled by approved supply pastors, men who are dedicated to the ministry of our Lord. To designate them as simply "lay pastors" is an affront to their call and to their service previously rendered and being rendered today. Members of churches like to know that their pastor, as appointed by our bishops, is eligible to perform the duties of a pastor and to minister to all the needs of the congregation.

If God has called men into the ministry, as was stated by a member of this reporting committee, then let us recognize the faithful servants as the men who have and will serve charges which need them and to which our bishops have appointed them.

It seems to me that this will lift up the supply pastor as one who is appointed by the bishops of our church and who serves a need where otherwise these churches might not have adequate pastoral leadership and I would like to see them recognized in this way by lifting up them as the supply pastor.

Ernest H. Teagle (Southern Illinois—NC) stated that there was difficulty in understanding the language of the report.

Jack M. Tuell (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, the implication was that the word "lay pastor" is an affront. I really believe that the words "supply pastor" carries as much or more of an affront, and I have personally never felt that the word "lay" in connection with a man was an affront. I was one for a long time, and I believe that the laity of the church, in a very real sense, is the church.

The second point I would like to make is that the term, "lay pastor," is a more descriptive term. One of the real problems that our four-year quadrennial committee wrestled with was the matter of trying to clarify these relationships, and we feel that we have now come to a place where some of the confusion between who is a minister and who is a layman has been resolved. We feel that the term, "lay pastor," helps us in making this straight and clear to everyone who is concerned.

The third point which I would like to make, and which I think is

extremely important, is that later in this report you will find a provision for a new category of membership in the Annual Conference, called "associate membership," and it is the intent of this legislation, if passed, that large numbers of those persons whom we now call approved supply pastors will qualify and will become associate members and ministers in the annual conference, and that therefore the problem of the 35 per cent figure that was mentioned will be greatly alleviated, and we will provide the opportunity for men who desire to make the ministry their full-time service to move in that direction.

Previous Question—Carl F. Lueg, Sr.

Carl F. Lueg, Sr. (Louisiana—SC) moved the previous question, but Bishop Ward ruled it out of order until more discussion was held.

George N. Hippel (Philadelphia—NE) spoke in favor of the amendment.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) spoke opposing the amendment.

Previous Question—Jerry G. Bray

Upon motion of Jerry G. Bray (Virginia—SE) the previous question was ordered on Sections III and IV.

The Hozendorf amendment lost. Sections III and IV were adopted. (See *DCA* page 391; appendix page 1431.)

Section V of Report

Dr. Holter: The next section, Bishop, is section 5, paragraphs 309-314, having to do with the Ordination and Orders. May I move the adoption of this section.

Amendment—William R. Cannon

William R. Cannon (North Georgia): Mr. Chairman, this section is very important theologically, and we were in process of making a correction in the text in the Committee on Ministry, and the person who was doing it got part of it completed and then accepted another matter from a member of the committee and, in my judgment, did not quite complete it. I want you to pay close attention to this suggestion. It is very short, but in my judgment important; and I hope that Dr. Stokes who was theologian to the Commission can advise them to accept it. But we will see.

Look, please, at line 8 in paragraph 309, where it says "ordination is a gift of God, given in answer to the prayers of the church and through the church, by which, etc." Now this is the correction I suggest, just this: Ordination is the rite of the church, by which some are entrusted with authority to be ministers in Word, Sacrament, and Order. The change is "ordination is the rite of the church," not the "gift of God."

Now, to make it consistent, 1, 2, and 3 below, you would have to leave out "and empowered." Just say "to be ordained to the ministry of the Word is to be authorized to preach"; "to be ordained to the ministry of the Sacrament is to be authorized to administer"; "to be ordained to the ministry of Orders is to be authorized"—leave out "empowered."

Dr. Holter said he felt the committee would accept it, but he had rather have the house to decide.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Joseph C. Evers (Southern Illinois—NC) supported the amendment, as did *Mack B. Stokes* (Holston—SE).

Robert G. Vessey (South Dakota—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Robert E. Cushman (North Carolina—SE) asked exactly what the amendment said. Dr. Cannon repeated it.

Dr. Cushman desired to make a speech, but Bishop Ward ruled that since two speeches had been made on each side, the previous question was in order. The house sustained this.

Point of Order—David A. Duck

David A. Duck (South Georgia) raised a point of order wanting to know what changes Dr. Stokes mentioned were not in the printed report. Dr. Holder stated Dr. Stokes was in error insofar as the committee was concerned. Dr. Stokes replied that this concerned another item.

The Cannon amendment carried.

Amendment—Leroy C. Hodapp

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that the Legislative Committee on Ministry be requested to formulate a statement on the authority of an elder to be incorporated in paragraph 313. If you will look at paragraph 311, fourth line, after it says "a deacon is a minister," then it says "a deacon has authority" and goes ahead and describes his authority. If you will then look over on page 397, under paragraph 338, we have a definition of a lay pastor, and down in the seventh line of that paragraph it says "he shall have authority," and then describes his authority.

If you will look then at paragraph 313, where it says "an elder is a minister," it seems to me as though there is a definitive part of that paragraph missing, in which it should begin to say, "an elder has authority" and begin to describe his authority.

Now it might be said that he has met the requirements for the preparation for the ministry of Word, Sacrament, and Order, but it seems to me as though if most people have as much trouble in reading the *Discipline* as I do, we need to be a bit more explicit here so that we fully understand the authority which an elder has.

Richard A. Thornburg (New York—NE) said he felt this would be cared for when the section on the duties of a pastor is discussed.

Substitute to the Amendment—S. Jameson Jones

Jameson Jones (Northwest Indiana): Since I met with the Committee on Ministry until 10 minutes after twelve last night, I am opposed to any amendment that sends any thing back to that committee. I wonder if we couldn't meet Leroy Hodapp's purpose by dropping the words "in preparation" in the second line and putting in their place "and therefore, has full authority," so that the first two lines of paragraph 313 would read, "An elder is a minister who has met the requirements and therefore has full authority for the ministry of Word, Sacrament and Order," and so on through the end. I move this as a substitute motion.

Bishop Ward: Is it seconded? The substitute is before you. Will you discuss it? Are you ready to vote? I believe you are. If you will accept the substitute, you will lift the hands. Those who oppose. And it is adopted.

Amendment—Will M. Hildebrand

Will Hildebrand (Southern California-Arizona): To the introductory paragraph of 310, on page 392, I would like to add this phrase "and through them the ordained ministry of the whole church," making this sentence read, "The laying on of hands symbolizes general authorization from the ordained ministry of the annual conference and through them the ordained ministry of the whole church." If I may have a second, I'll speak.

Bishop Ward: Just a moment, let us ask the chairman, maybe he will accept this.

Dr. Holter: I would like to have the judgment of the conference on this.

Dr. Hildebrand: Let me speak just briefly. I think that this is wholly consistent with what the committee has done. The language is that of the committee, that is, I have used the language "the whole church." I am sure that we do not want to say when we are ordaining our ministers that in symbolic fashion we are simply acting as Methodist ministers or Methodist Bishops, we are really representing there, in that symbolic act, the whole church and we should say this.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) supported the amendment.

Substitute to the Amendment—J. Robert Nelson

J. Robert Nelson (North-East Ohio): Very quickly, Mr. Chairman, I move a substitute to the very good motion which would change those words to read "the ordained ministry of the Annual Conference, The United Methodist Church and the church universal." I can explain that the whole church for many people here, I am sure, means the whole Methodist Church rather than the church universal, which I believe ecumenically is of great significance in the present time when we are trying to achieve greater understanding in unification of ministry.

Bishop Ward: You have heard Dr. Nelson's substitute for the amendment? Is there any discussion? Are you ready to vote? I believe you are.

If you favor Dr. Nelson's substitute, will you lift the hands? Those opposed? It does not carry.

The Hildebrand amendment carried.

Question—A. P. Wallace

A. P. Wallace (West Virginia—NE) asked if debate was limited by the limit placed on substitute motions. Bishop Ward stated that the body had been dealing with substitutive matters.

Section V of the report was adopted. (See *DCA* page 392; appendix page 1432.)

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop W. Ralph Ward

Bishop Ward expressed appreciation to the Conference for the privilege of presiding over the afternoon session.

Benediction—Bishop William C. Martin

Bishop William C. Martin gave the benediction, and the afternoon session adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1968

EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the seventh day, Tuesday, April 30, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland, Nebraska Area, presiding.

The Conference united in singing Hymn No. 1, "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing," and Bishop Edward J. Pendergrass led the prayer.

Committee on Agenda—R. S. Doenges

R. S. Doenges (Rocky Mountain): Bishop Copeland, honored Bishops, guests and delegates, the agenda for the evening is on the first page of the *Advocate*. We have a few changes, some of which have been eluded to by Bishop Copeland. Following immediately the changes we have that are immediately following the Committee on Courtesies, there will be a ballot taken as previously announced. Then the Pledge Service, followed by the Order of the Day which are the calendar items. Mr. Chairman, I move the approval of this agenda.

Amendment—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River): I would move, sir, an amendment that the ballot would be sealed until after the Pledge Service so the tellers could remain in the Auditorium.

Bishop Copeland: Thank you, is that motion seconded?

The motion is that when we come to the ballot that the ballot be sealed until after the Pledge Service. If you will authorize this action lift the hand, please. Down. Opposed? and it is adopted.

And now if you will adopt the Agenda for tonight will you lift the hand, please? Down. Opposed? and it is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the Chairmen of the Annual Conference delegations for the Plenary Session in the afternoon of April 30. The delegates names will appear in the proper forms in the Journal. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? If you will adopt the report, lift the hand, please. Down, please. Opposed? And it is adopted. Thank you.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid—Joseph R. Graham

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) presented *Joseph R. Graham* (Ohio-Sandusky—EUB) who, as a matter of privilege, asked that the proper courtesies be

extended Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Corl who had to leave the Conference because of her illness.

Report of Second Ballot for the Judicial Council—Ralph M. Houston Elected

Secretary Charles White: The result of the second ballot—Total ballots cast, 1,172—invalid ballots, 75—total valid ballots, 1,097—necessary to elect 549. Ralph M. Houston received 559 votes and is elected. Bishop Copeland, this afternoon a delegate requested that we read the list as they are printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Copeland: Are you prepared to do this, sir?

Dr. White: I am prepared to do it, if this is what the Conference wants. I remind them if I read them this way we will intersperse ministers and laymen. If they can keep track of them, we can.

Motion—Adlai C. Holler

Adlai C. Holler (South Carolina—SE) made a motion, which passed, that the names be read as printed on the ballot.

Dr. White: On the left side, ministers: Dowd, 205; Hahn, 148; Adams, 110; Clark, 295; Copher, 516; Drennan, 98; Finkbeiner, 82; Galang, 54; Herr, 320; Johnson, 93; Letts, 56; Moore, 210; Phillips, 66; Rupert, 385; Ward, 99. Laymen: Eschelman, 210; Mrs. Grove, 538; Leatherman, 81; McCormick, 133; Sorg, 218; Bautista, 21; Berry, 265; Coffman, 127; Cooke, 61; Cotton, 52; Fletcher, 46; Holler, 289; Horn, 39; Lorch, 27; Shearer, 98.

Third Ballot for Judicial Council Members

The Secretary gave instructions for voting, and the third ballot was taken for two ministers and two laymen for the Judicial Council.

The ballot was closed and sealed until after the Pledge Service.

Commitment Service—Bishop James K. Mathews

Bishop James Mathews: Mr. Chairman and members of this Uniting Conference, we have had so many high moments in our assembly we trust that this will be one of the memorable times all of us will take back home with us. It is necessary, due to the fact that this is a Worship Service to follow, for certain explanatory notes to be given at this time. We believe that we will be setting forth here a magnificent witness to our concern about the crisis in the nation and in the world, and if our response is adequate to this hour, when we go back home our tasks will be a bit easier because we have taken our own votes quite seriously, and the more we respond here tonight, the easier that task will be.

Now because some are asking certain questions, I may be explaining the obvious in a case or two. The pledges will be your personal pledge. This is not a representative one for your conference or area or local church. This is a matter of personal pledge. It is not a cash offering. As a trust is clear from the card, this pledge may be payable over various pay periods which you will see indicated upon it. I repeat that it is worded in such a way that your pledge will be eligible for income

tax credit. Also there is a place where you can add the name of your local church, or conference, or Jurisdiction, so that along the line you would have the same credit given there as would be the case if this were a pledge service much later than the present moment. We do hope you will be as generous as possible.

Now all of the members have a pledge card in their hands. This is true also of the people in the gallery. We invite you to participate in like manner.

Last Thursday evening this Uniting Conference approved a quadrennial emphasis on "A New Church in a New World," which involved a \$20,000,000 financial goal for use in the crisis in the nation and in the world, and it also summoned the giving of lives in voluntary service for a new United Methodist Voluntary Service. We hope that perhaps already you may have filled out your names and addresses on the cards, but perhaps will withhold the amount you want to enter until you have heard what Bishop Martin is to say during the course of the service.

Then there will be time for you to complete the amount and to retain the stub. After that you will bring your offerings, that is representatives will, to the table here in the center of this platform. We trust that that is a familiar table, for it is exactly the one where just a week ago we brought symbols of our unity on the memorable occasion of actually uniting as two churches into one. We hope that this same table will proceed from being the symbol of unity to a symbol of our unity in mission. Representing the Council of Bishops, the president of the Council, Bishop Frank, will bring a united pledge, and you are aware of its approximate amount, and place it upon the table.

I tell my brethren they need not fill out another card. They have done that already, although they only had the mimeographed sheet at that time. Then a representative of the Judicial Council will come forward and do the same; and then a representative of the Council of Secretaries and other Staff Members here. Then we would like for the members of this United Conference to pass their cards, if they will, to a designated person in each delegation, perhaps the leader of your delegation, and I hope in the moments immediately following my stating this you will decide who that person shall be, and then that one representative from each annual conference will come and wait his or her turn to come up to the platform and place his cards in behalf of the whole delegation on the table. I think that this can be done, and then you can go off the platform to the side. There are some stairs on either side and return to your places. Now it is true that this will not be an orderly march, but we think there is a certain symbolism in some semblance of spontaneity in people arising from all over the house to come to this point.

Then, those of you in the gallery, after you have filled out your cards and kept the stub, we trust you will pass it to the end of the aisle where the ushers will gather them, and then designated ushers will also come forward and leave the cards on this table. Then Bishop Martin will pause and give an opportunity for any young people present to be the first to volunteer in the United Methodist Voluntary Service. We do not know whether or not any present will wish to respond, but we shall give an opportunity, and then after the service concludes we trust that later on during the evening, Mr. Chairman, we shall have a total and we will announce only one figure of that total, not attempting to break it down in any way. We trust that this is clear, and that we can now proceed, in an atmosphere and attitude of worship, into this service of commitment.

Bishop Eugene M. Frank gave the following statement of purpose.

Brethren, we are here assembled as members of the Uniting General Conference of The United Methodist Church to present ourselves, together with our offerings, to support God's mighty purpose of reconciliation and reconstruction through the church in our torn and divided nation and in our confused and suffering world. But first we need to wait in God's Holy Presence to be filled with his Spirit, to be united by his love and to be made obedient to his will.

The Conference sang Hymn No. 174, "Rise Up, O Men of God," and Bishop Charles F. Golden led the Responsive Reading of Preparation. During the time of self-examination and confession, Bill Mann sang "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord."

Bishop W. Maynard Sparks led the responsive Litany of Confession, and the Conference joined in the Unison Prayer of Listening and Response.

Bishop Paul E. Martin (Houston Area): One of our great hymns has for its opening words these lines by James Russell Lowell, "Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide." Twenty-four years ago, only five years after a new church had been formed, The Methodist Church in a spirit of daring launched a Crusade for Christ.

A great war then was being waged. The terrible clouds that were to bring the desolation of Hiroshima had not yet been formed, but the elements of the intolerance, injustice and oppression were rearing their ugly heads. The Church responded magnificently. Instead of attaining the goal of \$25,000,000 more than \$27,000,000 were raised.

It was a bold new adventure and through it for that day was a ministry of reconciliation, but that is not the whole story. Church-school membership which had been steadily declining soared to new heights. There was a new birth of evangelism. Social Concern became a genuine concern. Missions acquired a new meaning. Colleges and Universities were recognized for their real worth. World Service apportionments of a magnitude never attained before were accepted and raised. It was truly a Crusade for Christ and his church. For a quarter of a century ago it was the moment to decide.

Today the guns of war again bring suffering, hunger and death. In addition, voices long silenced cry out for justice, opportunity, decent living conditions, education, indeed for life itself, and the Church, praise God, launches a daring and heroic program. The very title, a New Church for a New World, intrigues us. It is the Christian's response to the nation and world's racial and poverty crisis. Again, reconciliation and reconstruction will challenge our attention. The response of the General Conference when the plan was presented was overwhelming. The details are important for implementing the program and will be adequately presented at the proper time.

The chief concern for us at this moment is our answer to the challenge, "Once to every man and nation, comes the moment to decide," and just now our thought is not confined to the response of the people back home who will later on be given an opportunity such as ours tonight. Our concern is the response of the bishops, the secretaries, and the delegates to the Conference, together with the visitors who are with us tonight.

I once heard of a greatly beloved physician in a little French town. For three score years he had delivered the babies, healed the sick,

and brought comfort to the dying. Now, infirm himself, he was retiring. Townspeople were determined to honor him. A program was arranged, bands were enlisted, thousands of former citizens returned for the occasion, decorations were on homes and public buildings. The unique gift for the doctor was planned.

In the center of the square containers were placed. The people were to bring pitchers of wine and the contents were to be placed later in the cellar of the doctor's home to refresh him in the years ahead. The day came to a close, and in the shadows of the early evening a tired but happy old man sat on his porch with a pitcher filled with liquid from one of the containers. One taste and the doctor's face reflected his astonishment—it wasn't wine but water. Each person brought a pitcher of water thinking his wine would not be missed.

That tragedy must not take place here tonight. To every man comes the moment to decide. I need not say more. The United Methodist Church has the thrilling opportunity to be worthy of its heritage and to be worthy of its name. I confidently believe the response tonight will provide a glorious chapter for our great Church.

One of the most beautiful of modern plays is "Camelot." It's the story of King Arthur and the Round Table. Difficult days have come to the heroic group, the field of battle is red with the blood of the warriors, ultimate defeat is certain, a weary King Arthur is approached by a 12-year-old lad who volunteers to join the anguished group. King Arthur has him kneel and with his sword makes him a knight. Then the boy is told to return home, await maturity and then restore the round table.

As the lad departs Arthur's faithful friend, Pellenor, inquires concerning him. Arthur, thinking of the boy, replies, "Man is but a drop in the sunlit sea, but some of the drops sparkle, Pellenor." Some do sparkle, it is for that which we plead this holy night. Not a dull response, prompted by a sense of obligation, but a glorious and happy act of giving that produces an infectious enthusiasm across this Church of ours that in the days ahead nothing can defeat. "Once to every man and nation, comes the moment to decide."

It is for us, this night, our supreme moment of decision. And there will now be moments of silence for the writing of our pledges.

Bishop Eugene M. Frank presented the pledges of the Council of Bishops, Paul R. Ervin, president of the Judicial Council, presented the Judicial Council pledges, A. Dudley Ward brought the pledges of the Council of Secretaries and Staff members. Representatives of each delegation brought the delegates pledges, and designated ushers brought the pledges from the visitors.

An opportunity was then given to Youth for Commitment to the United Methodist Voluntary Service, after which the Canticle of Dedication was read responsively and Hymn No. 407, "O Master of the Waking World" was sung.

Bishop Frank closed the service with the following charge and benediction.

Now let us go forth as his disciples, knowing ourselves as a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, and a people claimed by God for his own, to proclaim the triumphs of him who has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

And now unto Him who is able to establish you in every good work, to keep you from falling and to present you faultless before the pres-

ence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Father be dominion and majesty, glory and power, both now and evermore. Amen.

Instructions to Tellers

The Secretary gave instructions to the tellers, and they retired to count the third ballot for Judicial Council members.

Committee on Ministry—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 196— Don W. Holter

Dr. Holter: Section 6, page 392, in the middle column, section 6 beginning with paragraph 315 and going on through paragraph 318. This is a paragraph—this is a section, and I think we might as well face the fact that there is one particular area in this that gave our committee a great deal of pause. This I refer to in the very beginning as 318.7—this is one that came before us, we spent many hours with this.

I could go ahead and tell you at great length something of that debate that took place. Let me only barely summarize some of these because all of you will have thought of these.

In regard to 318.7 many said, "Let's end this duplicity; the widespread winking at these prohibitions needs to be stopped." Others said, "Let's don't let down the bars even though all don't abide by the rules."

Others said, "The form of this requirement is moralistic and legalistic." Others said, "With the link established between cancer and cigarettes and with the ravages of alcohol, the church must set a standard and maintain it." Others said, "The basis of committed discipleship is a far deeper matter than these two particular prohibitions alone."

On the other hand, others said, "The church has the right to set standards for the ministry which sets a man apart." Others said, "Our only hope of gain and commitment is an appeal to the candidate to be disciplined in response to God's love on a higher level."

Now all these arguments you know, and all of us were represented here. We were seeking a more adequate way of caring for this problem that has faced all of us for years. There isn't one of us here in this room that hasn't shared in this agony, and there is no easy solution. I suppose everyone on our committee agreed with all of these arguments that were given. Many of us who have served as I have for 20 years on the Board of Ministerial Training, in the Philippines and also in this country, have faced this, and there so it came to our committee.

What would we do with this? We had brought to us three substitute wordings for that which we have. There were two that were brought to us and then they were three. Finally, it was decided to take a sense of the meeting. Our committee is composed of 112. At that time when we finally came to a conclusion on this, there were I think 87 who were there and voted.

As we came to this, it seemed that we ought to put the total thing before us, to take a positive attitude and not simply a negative thing. We ought to make a firm demand. We had three substitutes. Finally, after all of this discussion, it was the sense of the meeting that we ought to have a substitute for that which we had followed in the past. Therefore, we voted, and it was the sense of the meeting, definitely the sense of the meeting, to make a change.

A subcommittee was appointed to deal with this. The subcommittee

went out and talked about this, came back to the committee. We talked about it again and then the committee came back, and that which is before you, when it was finally presented, was approved by our committee unanimously. Consequently, this comes to you not as a divided report. This comes as it is presented here after we had taken this consensus, as the unanimous opinion of our committee.

As you can see here, we want to ask candidates not to take a lower standard, but to agree to something on a sounder basis and to expect honest answers. We are firm in the statement of 318.7, but we wanted accompanied and to be placed with it the accompanying resolutions that are here. We are concerned for a deeper basis of discipleship and witness. We want it disciplined in response to God's love, and therefore, we present it to you as the unanimous opinion of our committee, and we commend it to you and hope you will join with us.

Bishop Copeland: Just one moment. Do you move the adoption?

Dr. Holter: I move the adoption of this whole section.

Bishop Copeland: Now will you identify the section before we—

Dr. Holter: In the middle section 6, paragraph 315 through paragraph 318, which will take us up to paragraph 319 on page 393, the first column.

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) spoke for adoption of Section VI.

Motion to Vote by Orders—C. R. Findley

C. R. Findley (Kansas—EUB): The general tenor of my remarks are against this, but I would like to make a motion. I move to vote by former denominations, according to Rule 13, on section 318.7. If I can get a second to this, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? Now you refer to Rule 13 in the *Handbook*.

Dr. Findley: Rule 13 has to do with the vote by orders, and the footnote deals with voting by denominations.

Bishop Copeland: All right, the motion is before you. Do you wish to speak to it?

Dr. Findley: This is a question, of course, on which people have very strong convictions, various ways in which to arrive at the proper answer. I believe my fellow Kansan, Dr. Holter, has given a very fine statement; and in general, I could accept that for myself, but there are many people in our church who will not have the benefit of this debate, and they will misunderstand our action here. And because they do feel so strongly, I would like to have us vote by denomination; and if one-third of the former EUB's should sustain me, then we can have that vote. Because there are people in the group from which I come who will say to us that "this is changed," when we go back home. "Look what those Methodists did to our *Discipline*." Now I dare say there are former Methodists who would say the same thing to their delegates. Therefore, if this is to be changed, I want the former EUB's to stand up and be counted separately, and if it is changed, then they will be responsible, as well as the former Methodists.

Bishop Copeland asked if Dr. Findley and the person who seconded the motion were former E.U.B.'s. They replied they were. Bishop Copeland questioned Dr. Findley concerning the section to which he had reference.

Dr. Findley: The Handbook, page 370, 11B. "The Uniting General Conference shall have the power" I am now on 11B "to amend or alter any part of part 4, Organization and Administration of the *Discipline* which has been adopted in principle by the 1966 General Conferences; provided that if upon call by a motion of any delegate, seconded by another delegate from the former denomination and supported by one third of the members of the denomination voting, the members of the former denomination shall vote separately and in case of such vote by denominations, no such amendment or alteration shall be effective unless adopted by a vote of a majority of the delegates of the two denominations."

Bishop Copeland: Thank you, Sir. Now, may I inquire once more so that we can clarify your motion, Sir? Your motion to vote by former denominations has to do with this number 7 only whether or not this will be accepted. Is this your motion, Sir?

C. R. Findley: Correct, Sir.

Bishop Copeland: All right and that is according to the second. All right, right over here. Now I remind you that only the former EUBs can vote on this motion calling for a vote by orders and I am sure that only former EUBs would want to discuss this at this point.

C. Willard Fetters (Ohio-Miami—EUB) spoke against the Findley motion.

Harvey N. Chinn (California—EUB) pleaded to give the merger a chance to get working without doing something which would cause a disruption.

John F. Wichelt (Nebraska—EUB) spoke against the motion of vote by denominations.

Melvin Hayes (Ohio East—EUB) asked if the resolution of interpretation would be carried in the *Discipline*. Dr. Holter replied that it would.

K. Morgan Edwards (Southern California-Arizona—W) raised a question, but Bishop Copeland requested that only former E.U.B.'s speak at the present.

Walter Muller (Illinois—EUB) spoke against the motion of division.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) asked if indeed this was not an amendment to the Blue Book and if voted down would restore the language of the Blue Book.

Point of Order—Paul D. Walter

Paul D. Walter (Western Pennsylvania—EUB) raised a point of order that the last speaker was not an E.U.B. He also stated the three minute rule and the two speeches for and against was not in effect. Bishop Copeland ruled that this was true. Mr. Walter said when this rule was placed in the rules it had nothing to do whether or not we were now United Methodists.

Previous Question—Harvey Hammink

The Conference ordered the previous question on call of Harvey Hammink (Ohio-Miami—EUB).

A count vote was taken on the Findley motion to vote by denominations, and there were 88 votes for and 270 against; and the motion lost.

Amendment—Clair C. Kreidler

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna): Mr. Chairman, would I be in order to move a substitution of Paragraph 326 in the White Book?

Bishop Copeland: Yes sir, you are in order.

Mr. Kreidler: E on page 34, E under paragraph 326 in the White Book. And if I get a second to the motion, I would like to speak to it.

Point of Order—M. Trevor Baskerville

M. Trevor Baskerville (North Iowa—NC) raised a point of order that the White Book was not before the house. Bishop Copeland sustained this.

Motion to Delete—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, Leonard Slutz from the Ohio Conference, a presumptuous layman, perhaps. I move to delete the paragraph in the right-hand column of page 392 near the bottom, the central paragraph in the accompanying resolution of interpretation. If I may have a second I would explain very quickly.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? All right, this is an amendment to delete the paragraph which begins with the words, "the legislation in no way implies."

Mr. Slutz: Mr. Chairman, I have serious doubts about this important move that we are taking, but I think perhaps I can live with it if we can eliminate this paragraph which I submit is a pussyfooting statement if ever I saw one. If you take that statement out, you have said something; you've said that you stand for high principles in all areas of life, but this central paragraph says that we don't know whether tobacco and alcohol are wrong or whether they are right. We simply say the burden of proof is on whoever uses them, and I am enough of a lawyer to know what burden of proof means. It is the slightest little amount of evidence, what is sometimes referred to as a scintilla of evidence.

Now I am not too sure about tobacco being a moral issue, but I am certain that liquor is, and I don't think we should say simply that the burden of proof is on someone. I submit that the proposal will say everything that they really want to say if you take out this central paragraph. I therefore, move for that deletion.

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna—EUB) attempted to clarify what his earlier proposed amendment attempted to do, and Bishop Copeland ruled the house was on a motion to delete.

Substitute to the Amendment—C. LeGrande Moody

C. LeGrande Moody (South Carolina): I move, sir, that No. 318.7 in the White Book, 318.7 in the White Book, page 31, in the Blue Book it's 314.8, and I move that this substitute for 318.7 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which we have been discussing, and 326.3e in the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Point of Order—Clair C. Kreidler

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna—EUB) raised the point of order that this was what he had attempted to do when he was ruled out of order.

Point of Order—Marvin L. Boyd

Marvin L. Boyd (Northwest Texas—SC) raised the point of order that the Moody substitute was out of order.

S. Jameson Jones (Northwest Indiana—NC) clarified Dr. Boyd's point by stating the Moody motion was to substitute in reverse and was out of order.

C. LeGrande Moody stated that he was opposed to the committee's report; Dr. Wertz stated that if the report, as printed, was defeated the purpose Dr. Moody was seeking would be accomplished.

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) wanted clarification on the Slutz amendment; Dr. Wertz stated that it was to delete the second paragraph of the Resolution of Interpretation.

William H. Veale (New York—NE) spoke against the Slutz amendment.

Point of Order—Edgar F. Singer

A point of order was raised by *Edgar F. Singer* (Wyoming—NE) as to whether Mr. Veale was speaking on the amendment. He replied that he was.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) spoke against the Slutz amendment.

Roy R. Roudebush (North Indiana—NC) spoke for the amendment.

Questions—William C. Vaughan—Erwin H. Schwiebert

William C. Vaughan (Virginia) asked why a substitute was ruled out of order and stated that he did not want the press to misunderstand the Conference's action. He then attempted to make a motion to table, and Bishop Copeland ruled it out of order since he had made a speech.

Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho—W) asked if the floor would be open for more amendments. Bishop Copeland stated it would.

Previous Question—Robert E. Hayes

Robert E. Hayes (Texas—SC) moved the previous question on the Slutz amendment, and it was ordered.

The Slutz amendment lost.

Amendment—Paul V. Shearer

Paul V. Shearer (South Iowa): Perhaps the chairman will accept this deletion. If he doesn't I'll have to make an amendment or motion. Page 392 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, third column, immediately following the paragraph which we have been debating and discussing

beginning with the words “. . . therefore the changes here are not to be interpreted,” etc. I would like to ask the chairman if he would be willing to accept the deletion of these words “. . . are not to be interpreted as relaxing” and substitute therefor these words “. . . do not relax . . .” and so that the paragraph would read “. . . therefore the changes here do not relax the traditional view concerning the use of tobacco and beverage alcohol . . .” etc.

Bishop Copeland: Will the chairman answer this question please, sir.

Dr. Holter: I think we would be willing to accept if this would help the situation. I think it says the same thing.

Question—Roy Nichols

Roy Nichols (New York): Now Bishop, I am still asking for information. I still want to speak against the amendment when the time comes. But now if they accept this, then what will it do to the questions? Does this mean that the question then in the *Discipline* to new men coming in on trial will be as you have indicated in this new amendment?

Dr. Holter: 326.3E would tell you that.

Dr. Nichols: This means that you are going to accept a revision saying that you are not relaxing the standard but you are not going to ask the questions any longer to the men entering into the annual conferences. Is that what you are saying?

Dr. Wertz: I think the answer to your question is that the questions asked to the candidates for probationary membership are listed in paragraphs 326.3 and the paragraph here which asks this question is on page 394 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, the bottom of the third column paragraph 326.3; the questions are a, b, c, d, and this one at e. “For the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ in the world and the most effective witness to the Christian gospel and in consideration of your influence as a minister, are you willing to make a complete dedication of yourself to the highest ideals of the Christian life as set forth in paragraphs 93, 94 and 95, *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church, and to this end will you agree to exercise responsible self-control by personal habits conducive to bodily health, mental and emotional maturity, social responsibility and growth in grace and the knowledge and love of God?” The language is the same; it is spoken in the form of a question.

Extension of Time—Benjamin R. Oliphint—Dow Kirkpatrick

Benjamin R. Oliphint (Louisiana): I move that we extend the time until we conclude and vote on section 6.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? All right just a moment. Dr. Kirkpatrick.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, will Mr. Oliphint accept an amendment to include, we have the possibility tonight of hearing from the Judicial Council on rulings on things referred to them, would you include that also?

Bishop Copeland: All right, the motion to extend the time is before you, we are on this motion; are you ready? If you would extend the time to complete the matter before you, you will lift the hands. Opposed? And it is done.

Motion to Separate—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, in order to make Mr. Nichols' remarks pertinent and directly to the point which we can decide upon, I would like to move that subparagraph 7 be

separated from the main motion so that we may vote upon subparagraph 7 separately.

Bishop Copeland: All right, does this motion have a second? All right, the motion is before us to separate subparagraph 7 in the voting. Are you ready for the question? If you will separate it, lift the hands please. Opposed? And it is separated.

Debate on Point 7

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) spoke against paragraph 318.7.

Point of Order—Benjamin R. Oliphint

As the next speaker started to speak, *Benjamin R. Oliphint* (Louisiana—SC) raised a point of order that the speaker was not at his seat when he was recognized. Bishop Copeland stated that he thought he was.

G. Ross Freeman (South Georgia—SE) spoke for the report.

Thurman L. Dodson (Baltimore—NE) spoke against adoption.

Hoover Rupert (Detroit—NC) spoke for adoption.

K. Morgan Edwards (Southern California-Arizona—W) asked when other amendments would be in order. Dr. Wertz answered when Point 7 was decided, the rest of the report would still be before the house.

Motion to Vote by Orders—H. Travers Smith

H. Travers Smith (Maine): In an Annual Conference we are allowed to vote on ministerial matters by minister. Is this true in General Conference? This is a ministerial matter, sir.

Bishop Copeland: Are you asking can we vote by orders?

Dr. Smith: Yes.

Bishop Copeland: Ministers and laymen?

Dr. Smith: Yes, if we so request.

Bishop Copeland: Yes. All right, do you move that we vote by orders?

Dr. Smith: I certainly do, sir.

Bishop Copeland: Are you a minister or a layman?

Dr. Smith: I'm a clergyman.

Bishop Copeland: You're a clergyman. Was it seconded by a clergyman? All right. Just a moment. Let's see if we get a second to this motion. Is it second by any minister? All right, it is seconded by a minister. Now we are calling for a vote by orders.

Point of Order—Paul Hardin III

Paul Hardin III (North Carolina): A point of order, Mr. Chairman. I would like to try the floor out on something. I sense a great urgency on the part of a number of potential speakers, including myself, to speak to this issue, and I should like to try a motion to suspend the rules on this one issue so we can have a full debate. If I may have a second, I would like to speak to my motion to suspend.

Bishop Copeland: I beg your pardon. You are moving what, Mr. Hardin?

Mr. Hardin: To suspend the rules to allow a fuller debate on this issue. And I hear a second. I would like to speak to my motion to amend, please, sir.

Bishop Copeland: We have a motion before us that has to do with voting by orders, sir.

Mr. Hardin: I moved, sir, to suspend the rules and to permit fuller debate. I believe that motion would take precedence and not be debatable.

Bishop Copeland: All right, this is not debatable. You moved to suspend the rules and allow fuller debate. All right. Point of order.

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): The point of order, Mr. Chairman, is that this motion is unnecessary. We are still debating the main report. We have only separated one paragraph of it for the purpose of debate. We are, therefore, not under the three-minute, two-speech rule which applies to amendments and substitutes. There is no limit on the number of speeches on the main report.

Mr. Hardin: If the chair will agree to that, I will withdraw my motion. I understood the chair to rule that we were at the point of voting.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) spoke against voting by orders.

Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) questioned the call for vote by orders; Bishop Copeland ruled that it was in order.

Previous Question—George A. Harper

George A. Harper (Montana—W) called for the previous question on vote by orders, and the previous question was ordered.

The Smith motion to vote by orders lost.

Paul Hardin III (North Carolina—SE) spoke against the report.

Amendment—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, I offer an amendment to section 7, and I ask that you find the line which says, "to the highest ideals of the Christian life." The amendment is to delete the next seven lines down to the semicolon after church, to continue then with the lines which follow thereafter, down to the word "God" at the end of the paragraph, and then to delete the entirety of the resolution of interpretation. If I may have a second, I will speak to this amendment.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? It is seconded.

Mr. Thorpe: Mr. Chairman, it seems to me that throughout this debate we have had a choice of two difficult and unacceptable alternatives.

Bishop Copeland: Just a moment sir. We are only on 7. You lifted 7 out a while ago and we are only discussing 7. Now you have included the resolution of interpretation also. Your amendment would have to be concerned only with 7.

Mr. Thorpe: Mr. Chairman, I would ask you to rule if you would, sir, that the motion to separate out 7 carried with it the interpretative resolution which I took to be a part of 7.

Bishop Copeland: Was this the intent of the person who made the motion?

Mr. Thorpe: I was the maker of the motion, sir.

Bishop Copeland: Thank you, sir.

Point of Order—Robert W. Moon

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada—W) raised a point of order that Mr. Thorpe had spoken twice previously on the subject. Mr. Thorpe said he made a motion to divide the question, but had not spoken on the issue.

Mr. Thorpe: We have so far had only before us two alternatives, each of which have had difficulties for many of us. I need not take your time to speak of the difficulties which adhere to the old No. 8 on page 76 of the Blue Book, if I have my reference correct. If there were no difficulties there we wouldn't have spent the hundreds of man hours which have gone in to the draft which is now before us. Nor does it seem necessary to speak to the difficulties of this draft because other speakers have done this.

What I am proposing, sir, is a very simple statement which says that a minister of The Methodist Church agrees to exercise responsible self-control by personal habits conducive to bodily health, mental and emotional maturity, social responsibility, and growth in grace and the knowledge and love of God.

I submit that any minister who can fulfill this code provides a wonderful example to us as laymen and we need not to cloud the issue by going back to creeds and doctrines of the church adopted as much as 200 years ago with their problems of archaic language. This is plain and clear.

I believe, sir, that the good Lord draws a balance sheet upon us—the total balance sheet of all that we do—the stewardship of our time, and our talents, our energies and all that he gives us, and that this is the standard that we should ask of our ministers and of ourselves and we should not lose ourselves in the morass of debating these specific vices. As Dr. Outler has said, there are many other problems in contemporary society which for certain individuals loom larger. I submit that we are best off to have a short, simple statement that would set a very high standard for all of us.

Motion to Reconsider—Robert G. Vessey

Robert Vessey (South Dakota): I move we reconsider the motion to extend the time to complete this item. I voted in favor of it last time.

Bishop Copeland: Is there a second? All right, if you will reconsider the motion you will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? And it is reconsidered.

Motion to Adjourn—Robert G. Vessey

Mr. Vessey: I did this for the purpose of moving to adjourn with the report from the Judicial Council.

Bishop Copeland: Is it seconded? All right, if you will support the motion to adjourn after we hear the report of the Judicial Council and the courtesies, lift the hand please. Down. Opposed? And it is carried.

Report of Judicial Council—Dow Kirkpatrick—Paul R. Ervin

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, I move that the house give the privilege of the floor to Mr. Paul R. Ervin of the Judicial Council.

Bishop Copeland: If you will give the privilege of the floor to the president of the Judicial Council you will lift the hand please. Down. Opposed? Will you be in order please and hear the president of the Judicial Council?

Paul R. Ervin: We are pleased, ladies and gentlemen of the Uniting Conference; you have submitted to the Interim Judicial Council inquiries upon two questions. The Judicial Council is now in the process of finalizing its decision on both of these questions.

The finalizing process will not be completed until sometime tomorrow, but it has been suggested that it will be helpful to the legislative processes of the Conference if the outcome of our decisions can be announced this evening inasmuch as it may be wise for some Legislative Committees to take some action in the light of the answers which will be given by the Judicial Council.

I have therefore been authorized by the Council to make this statement to you with reference to these two matters which have been submitted to us for a decision. Before doing so I would like to urge, first of all, that you read carefully the decisions when they are printed in the *Christian Advocate*, because only by the reading of the decision will you find the historical and the constitutional basis upon which these decisions rest.

In the second place, I would like to suggest that you withhold your approbation or dislike of the decision until I have announced both decisions and then maybe some can applaud and boo at the same time.

We were asked to decide whether or not the action of the Conference in appointing a committee or commission to investigate the publishing interests of the church was constitutional. The decision of the Judicial Council will say that the action of the Uniting Conference in empowering the Council of Bishops to appoint a committee of 17 to investigate charges against the publishing interests of the church with the recommendation that at least five members thereof shall be Negroes is constitutional.

The second question which was submitted was with reference to the appointment of a commission in the field of religion and race. The decision of the Judicial Council will say that we advise this Uniting Conference that while the establishment of the Commission on Religion and Race is within the constitutional powers and authority of this Uniting Conference, the mandated composition of the membership thereof on conditions of race, color, or ethnic origin is in violation of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

These decisions will be finalized and will be printed in the *Christian Advocate* in the next day or so.

(See appendix, pages 962, 965.)

Motion to Refer—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I move to refer Calendar Item 50 on page 226 to the Committee on Conferences.

Point of Order—William A. Meadows

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) raised a point of order that there was a motion to adjourn after hearing the report of the Judicial Council. Dr. Kirkpatrick appealed to the chair that the purpose of hearing the decisions was in order that legislative committees might know how to proceed. Bishop Copeland stated the motion was in order.

The Calendar No. 50 was referred to the Committee on Conferences.

Announcements—Charles D. White—Bishop James K. Mathews

The Secretary made the announcements.

Bishop James K. Mathews announced that the pledges received earlier amounted to \$464,569.00.

Appreciation—Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland

Bishop Copeland thanked the Conference for their fine cooperation.

Benediction—Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich

Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich gave the benediction in German, and the evening session adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop W. McFerrin Stowe

Pursuant to adjournment the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the eighth day, Wednesday, May 1, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop W. McFerrin Stowe, Kansas Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop John Wesley Shungu

Bishop John Wesley Shungu gave the call to worship; the Conference sang Hymn No. 143, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee," and Bishop James S. Thomas led the prayer. Special music was furnished by the Texas Wesleyan College Choir.

Bishop Shungu read the Scripture Lesson: Acts 1:4-8; 2:1-4, and brought the devotional message (See appendix page 1035.)

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley: We have examined the record of the session of yesterday morning and yesterday afternoon. We approve the same, subject to the minor corrections which are to be made.

Bishop Stowe: You have heard this report, if you will receive it, you will lift the hands. Opposed? It is received.

Committee on Agenda—Ernst Ryser

Ernst Ryser (Switzerland): Mr. Chairman and members of the conference, the agenda for this morning's session has been printed on the front page in today's *Daily Christian Advocate*. Your committee has established four orders of the day; namely, at 9:30, continuation of the ballot for the election of Judicial Council members; 9:45 Calendar; 10:50 Report on the American-British Consultation, and 11:05 Calendar again. Mr. Chairman, I would like to move the adoption of this agenda.

Bishop Stowe: All right, this is before you; those who would approve, let it be known by raising of the hands. Opposed? It is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by chairman of the annual conference delegations for the plenary session of the night of April 30. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the Journal. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Stowe: This is before you, if you would adopt you will raise the hands. Opposed? And it is adopted.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) stated there were no matters to be presented by his committee.

Report of Third Ballot for the Judicial Council—Mrs. D. Dwight Grove and Charles B. Copher Elected

Dr. White: Total ballots cast 1,114, invalid 17, valid 1,097, necessary to elect 549. Mrs. D. Dwight Grove received 822 votes and is elected. Dr. Charles Copher received 650 votes and is elected. The following: Dowd, 168; Hahn, 79; Adams, 42; Clark, 193; Drennan, 32; Finkbeiner, 19; Galang, 24; Herr, 260; Johnson, 29; Letts, 18; Moore, 162; Phillips, 36; Rupert, 449; Ward, 27. Laymen: Eschelmann, 129; Leatherman, 45; McCormick, 67; Sorg, 126; Bautista, 19; Berry, 309; Coffman, 86; Cooke, 40; Cotton, 25; Fletcher, 27; Holler, 399; Horn, 17; Lorch, 19; Shearer, 53.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio) asked if there was required distribution of members of the Judicial Council between the various jurisdictions. The Secretary stated that nominations must come from all jurisdictions but that it was not necessary for each jurisdiction to be represented in the elections.

Fourth Ballot for Judicial Council Members

The Secretary gave instructions for voting, and the fourth ballot was taken for one minister and one layman for the Judicial Council.

The ballot was closed, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Question—Robert E. Knupp

Robert E. Knupp (Central Pennsylvania—NE) asked, as the tellers retired, if it were possible for the tellers to vote when the tobacco and alcohol matter came up.

Motion—John D. Humphrey

John D. Humphrey (North Mississippi): I move that we notify the tellers that they may come back to the conference to vote on this particular matter.

Bishop Stowe: All right the motion is that the tellers be notified that they may return to the floor even in the midst of counting. Is there a second? It has been seconded. Any questions? If you will approve, raise the right hand. Opposed? And it is approved.

Question—Harry M. Gordon

Harry M. Gordon (Wyoming—NE) wanted to know if the amount announced as having been pledged on Tuesday night included that pledged by the Bishops and the Secretaries. The Secretary announced that it did.

Previous Question—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) made a motion for the previous question on sub-paragraph 7.

Point of Order—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) raised a point of order that there had not been the necessary speeches for and against the amendment. Bishop Stowe ruled this was correct.

Point of Order—Carl H. Douglass, Jr.

Carl H. Douglass, Jr. (Virginia—SE) raised a point of order that the previous question had been ordered Tuesday night; the Secretary was asked to inform the Conference of the exact parliamentary situation which he did, and Bishop Stowe did not sustain Dr. Douglass' point of order.

Motion—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick: I move that following two speeches on each side that we move the previous question on all before us.

Bishop Stowe: This is in order; is there a second? Seconded. All right, this will take a two-thirds vote. Those who would approve raise the hand, down. Opposed? It has been approved. The previous question will be called after we have two speeches against and one speech for the amendment. Those who have spoken on the major motion are not available to speak, cannot speak on this, because this is a part of our debate of last night. After these two speeches we will be coming to a time of vote, after which time we will have the Chairman of the Committee to make a statement. Now is this clear? All right please. I want to know if we are clear now on our parliamentary position.

Debate on Thorpe Amendment

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) spoke against the motion for deletion.

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna—EUB) requested the privilege of speaking on the report, and Bishop Stowe stated this was out of order because of the limitations the house had placed upon itself.

R. D. Joshi (North India—OS) spoke for the amendment.

Georgia Harkness (California-Nebraska—W) spoke against deletion.

Point of Order—Richard E. Hamilton

Richard E. Hamilton (Indiana—NC) raised the point of order as to whether Dr. Joshi was speaking for or against the amendment. Dr. Joshi stated he was for the amendment. Dr. Hamilton wanted Bishop Stowe to rule on this; Bishop Stowe said he accepted the word of the person making the speech.

Point of Order—Charles R. Layton

For clarification, Charles R. Layton (North East Ohio—NC) raised a point of order as to what would happen if the deletion passed. Bishop Stowe said this could be answered after Dr. Harkness finished her speech which she was allowed to do.

Motion for Reconsideration—Don W. Holter

Don W. Holter (Kansas): It is our hope to get this fully before you and therefore, I would like to request, maybe it is unwise as far as our whole program is concerned; but nevertheless, I hope that we can be fair and therefore, Mr. Chairman and fellow delegates, I would like to have Dr. Kreidler speak.

Bishop Stowe: It would take a vote of reconsideration.

Dr. Holter: I would so move.

Bishop Stowe: It has been moved for reconsideration for the purpose of hearing Dr. Kreidler. Is there a second? All right, if you would approve, raise the hand. Down, opposed? It is approved. Therefore, Dr. Kreidler, the Conference has given you this privilege.

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna—EUB) spoke against the entire report.

Questions—Charles R. Layton—Pedro S. Angeles—Maggart B. Howell

Charles R. Layton (North East Ohio—NC) asked what would happen if the motion to delete passed. Dr. Holter answered. Mr. Layton wanted to know if the whole report would be voted on. Bishop Stowe stated after the amendment was voted on, the entire report would be acted upon.

Pedro S. Angeles (Philippines—OS) also asked a question concerning deletion.

Maggart B. Howell (Central Texas—SC) asked what happened to the Nichols' amendment; the Secretary stated that Dr. Nichols did not make an amendment.

Vote on Thorpe Amendment

The Secretary was asked to read the amendment.

Dr. Holter spoke for the committee.

The vote was taken on the Thorpe amendment to delete, and the motion lost.

Vote on Section 7

Richard W. Harrington (Western New York—NE) raised a question and started to speak, but Bishop Stowe ruled him out of order on the grounds that this was argument.

Point of Order—Merrill W. Drennan

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) raised the point of order if the vote could be called on Section 7. Bishop Stowe ruled the house had so ordered.

Charles A. Hutchins (Holston—SE) asked if the accompanying resolution went into the *Discipline* if Section 7 were adopted. Dr. Holter stated that it would.

Dr. Holter spoke for the committee.

Section 7 of Paragraph 318 was adopted.

Register Vote Against

Russell Kibler (Indiana—NC) and *Earl W. Riddle* (Idaho—W) requested that the record show that they voted against Section 7.

Motion to Postpone—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I move to postpone the balance of the report of the Committee on Ministry until they come with their final report.

Bishop Stowe: This is a motion. Is there a second? All right, if you will approve let it be known by raising of hands. Down. Opposed? And it is postponed.

Motion to Suspend Rules—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: I move to suspend the rules to consider the reports 257-262, being the Church-State Report, which has been in print since December 1, 1967.

Bishop Stowe: All right, this is before you. Do you have any questions of interpretation? It is concerning the suspension of rules. It will take a two-thirds vote. If you would suspend the rules so this section can be considered today, you will let it be known by raising the hand. Down. And opposed? And they are suspended, and this can be brought before us.

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 11—
Calendar No. 257—Dow Kirkpatrick—Joseph Albrecht**

Dr. Kirkpatrick: I present Dr. Joseph Albrecht, the chairman of the commission that has brought the report and the chairman of the subcommittee that studied it in the Legislative Committee on Christian Social Concerns.

Bishop Stowe: Dr. Joseph Albrecht.

Joseph Albrecht (Central Illinois): If you will please, turn to—I imagine you all have by now, if you have not a copy of the Yellow Book as there are some times when we will have to refer to this, we passed them out the other day—there are some references made to this book that you will need to have to follow along. I would like to make a general introduction to all six resolutions dealing with the church-government report. You will note that these have been changed—many of them have been changed from what you have in your hand in the book. We of the study commission are very happy as this went through the Legislative Committee on Christian Social Concerns this was made to be more in harmony with the feeling of the church.

We are anxious, merely, to have the Methodist Church—The United Methodist Church—take a stand on church-government relations. You know that the Presbyterian Church, the Lutheran Church, The United Church of Christ have already taken stances in this particular area. And over and over again we have been asked, "Where does The Methodist Church stand on these issues?"

Therefore, we are anxious to get the attitude of this General Conference as we go out to face this problem. And so I would move the adoption, to get it before you, of Report No. 11 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, which is a statement concerning church-government relations and religious liberty.

J. C. Holler (South Carolina—SE) asked that changes be given.

Dr. Albrecht: The study book, page 21. Basically, section 1 remains as it is in the book with the exception that on page 21 we have stricken down in the middle of section 1, the point where it says "the viewpoints of Vatican Council II." This has been struck as a part of our work. You will find that section 2 is entirely different—I am now on page 22, Section 2—Roman numeral II at the top of page 22 has been entirely replaced. It is not the same as in the study book at all.

Motion to Reconsider—Erwin H. Schwiebert

Erwin Schweibert (Idaho): It is true, as your chairman has said, that extensive changes were made in the commission report. And because that it is true, I think for the good of the whole house, of the whole Conference, that we should have more time to read the report in its final form to know what we are doing. If we had time to do that, it will save time.

Bishop Stowe: All right, this is a statement, but this would demand reconsideration of the action just taken.

Mr. Schweibert: Mr. Chairman, I move reconsideration of the action just taken to suspend the rules to act immediately on a matter that has not been sufficiently long before us and in which there are extensive changes from the report that has been read to us.

Bishop Stowe: Is there a second? It has been seconded. The motion is that you rescind the action which was just taken allowing this to come before you. If you would rescind your former action allowing this to be discussed at this time, you will raise the hand. Down. Opposed?

You have rescinded your action. Therefore, this is not before us at this time.

Motion of Clarification—Clarence E. Parker

Clarence E. Parker (North Iowa): To clear a matter of conflict which could not be initiated by a Legislative Committee, a matter recognized by the Committee on Correlation and Editorial Revision, I have been asked to move an amendment to paragraph 561.6, page 19 in the Blue Book.

By deleting the words "a treasurer," then adding the word "a" before the word "statistician." Then at the end of the paragraph, add the parenthetical instruction "(see paragraph 814 for election of treasurer)."

Bishop Stowe: Now the purpose of this is clarification in the *Discipline*. Is that correct, sir?

Mr. Parker: That is correct, for clarification.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): As secretary of the Committee on Conferences, we acted on that precise point in the Committee on Conferences this morning, and it will be before you.

Bishop Stowe: Thank you, very much, so would you withdraw it since it will be coming from the committee?

Announcements—Dow Kirkpatrick—Bishop Richard Raines —Paul Hardin, III—Charles D. White—J. Otis Young

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC), Bishop Richard C. Raines, Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina—SE), the Secretary, and *J. Otis Young* (Ohio—NC) made the announcements.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvening

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in singing Hymn No. 5, "Come Ye that Love The Lord," and Bishop Charles W. Brashares led the prayer as the Conference reconvened after recess.

**American British Consultation—Bishop F. Gerald Ensley—
Dr. Eric Baker**

Bishop Stowe: We come now to the order of the day, which is a report on the American-British Consultation. Bishop Gerald Ensley is to present this to us and present an honored guest. If you would give the right of the floor to Bishop Gerald Ensley; you will let it be known by the raising of the hand. Opposed? Bishop Ensley, we are happy to hear from you.

Bishop Gerald Ensley: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, at the General Conference in 1964 a resolution was passed furthering closer relationship with British Methodism. It set up a commission on our side to be met by one on the British side to discuss this question. We have had meetings for four years and the results of our deliberations are in the recommendations that are in the green booklet which I believe are on the table. These will be referred in proper time by the legislative section on Interdenominational Affairs. Most of these are plain in their meaning.

There is one that will require a constitutional amendment. It is not my purpose to argue this morning for these recommendations, for they will come in due time before the conference. It is my high privilege and responsibility to introduce a distinguished member of the British Church to this body. When the American Commissioners reached Britain, they found some old friends and among them Dr. Eric Baker, who is one of the distinguished leaders of British Methodism. He has been pastor of some of their fine churches, graduate of the University of Cambridge, University of Edinburgh. Since 1951 he has been the Secretary of the British Conference. He is one of the—I guess he is the only man—certainly he is the first, to hold simultaneously the Presidency of The British Conference and also the position of its Secretary.

So it is a very, very great pleasure personally to present to the Conference this morning, Dr. Eric Baker, the Secretary of The British Conference, who will bring greetings and possibly explain some of the things that are in prospect and also present his fellow representative to this Conference from Britain. Dr. Eric Baker.

Bishop Stowe: Dr. Baker, the Conference feels honored in having you in our presence. We welcome you.

Dr. Eric Baker: Mr. Chairman, first of all may I bring to you the affectionate greetings of the British Conference. I come from the Mother country of Methodism to this country where Methodism is most influential and most prosperous, and I bring you our warm and affectionate greetings. I very much appreciate the privilege granted me of speaking for a few minutes on this topic that has been brought before you; however, before I do that may I have the honor of myself presenting to you a very distinguished layman, who together with myself, is a fraternal delegate to this conference. The British Conference is presided over every year by a minister, but every year

also there is a Vice-President, and he must be a layman. The layman accompanying me is Mr. Albert Bailey, from Wolverhampton. He was Vice-President of the British Conference in 1966, the highest honor that British Methodism can pay to a layman, Mr. Albert Bailey.

Now, Mr. Chairman, one of the most heartening experiences that we have had in British Methodism since World War II has been the social relationship that we have had with your American Methodist Church. When I think that up to the outbreak of World War II, though I had been a minister for fifteen or sixteen years, I don't think I had ever met an American Methodist, and now scarcely a week goes by without my meeting one. That is a symptom of the change that has taken place.

It began, really, with the first meeting of what is now The World Methodist Council in 1947 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Since that we have held Council meetings at Oxford, England, at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, at Oslo, Norway, and most recently London, but more than that our preachers have exchanged with each other, some fifteen or twenty every year, and in all sorts of ways. There is new fellowship and new contacts springing up between our two churches.

When World War II ended we were at very low ebb in British Methodism. We had only old clothes to wear; we hadn't got very much food to eat and in all these early contacts, the American Methodist Church was surpassing in its quite marvelous generosity, and in all sorts of ways to individuals, to groups and to churches. You opened your hearts and your compassion to us, and we can never forget how wonderful it was.

Well, now, your Conference four years ago came to the conclusion that this new found friendship and contact between our two Conferences ought to have some more permanent expression; and so the committee was set up, the Joint Commission to which Bishop Ensley has made reference, and we have been meeting together on both sides of the Atlantic, in turn, during the last four years. This is, of course, only one small little corner of the ecumenical movement. Your church has just achieved this splendid union between the former Methodist Church and the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, and I would like to be one of the first from across the Atlantic to offer my congratulations and my good wishes, but your United Church is in touch, I understand, with about nine other communions in what you call COCU, and our church is in negotiation with the Church of England. How your people manage to cope with nine other churches I don't know. We find the Church of England quite enough to cope with by themselves. Nobody knows what the pattern of church relationships is going to be in these coming days with this ecumenical movement with the Holy Spirit apparently calling together into close relationship the scattered members of the body of Christ, but our resolve is, that whatever that pattern is, nothing shall break the fellowship that we have with one another.

So the proposal that you will be considering in due course is that no longer shall there just be fraternal delegates between our two Conferences, but that we should actually have an integration, that we should have joint membership, that some of us could be members speaking and voting in your Conference, and some you should be members and speaking and voting in our Conference; a rather serious thing. It means that there would be four more people next time who could raise points of order, but think of it, you would be able to come every year and raise points of order with us, because our Conference meets annually and yours only meets every four years.

What we are determining is that in all of these new relationships in developing contacts that are taking place across the world, Methodism

shall still be a fellowship. Now every Methodist Church in the world stems either from our Conference, the Mother Conference of them all, or from your Conference here. In some parts of the world we have joint missionary activity, and these proposals that will come before you will enormously help the churches, the two churches in those places where their work is being coordinated. In other parts of the world of course we have parts where the other church does not have its missionary interest. If this does take place, it does mean that Mr. Bailey and I will be the last fraternal delegates, the last of a very long line going right back across the years since your church has been established. Instead of that, there will be two ministers and two laymen here as speaking and voting members of your Conference, and you will have similar relationship in our Conference every year.

This really is the issue. Four years ago your Conference, in its wisdom, held out its hand to ours. In the four years that have intervened we have grasped that hand, that outstretched hand, firmly. What is now a result of your decision here and the decision of our Conference in June, we shall in the coming days go forward together hand in hand. That is really what you are going to consider together. May God grant you aright, may God lead you aright, and may God bless you all.

Suspension of Rules—J. Robert Nelson

Robert Nelson: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, Dr. Eric Baker, I move the suspension of the rules in order to enable the Conference to act upon Calendar Item 251, which is on page 453 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. The subject of this is *The Reciprocity with The Methodist Church in Great Britain* on the seating of delegates. I point out, Mr. Chairman and Conference, that this is a serious matter affecting the constitution of The United Methodist Church so that if you are disposed to vote in favor of it you are putting into motion the process and machinery whereby constitutional amendment has to be voted upon by the church at large.

Bishop Stowe: All right, then there is before us first the issue of the suspension of the rules. Is there a second? All right, it is before you. If you will suspend the rules for this purpose, let it be known by raising the hands. Opposed? And they are suspended. And now this is before us.

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 32—Calendar No. 251—J. Robert Nelson

Robert Nelson (North-East Ohio): Thank you, Mr. Chairman, I believe that Dr. Baker has rather clearly set before you the purpose of this proposed amendment. Its purpose is to allow reciprocity of voting membership between The United Methodist Church and The Methodist Conference of Great Britain. I therefore will not try to argue the case because it is rather simply set forth. Let me only point out that in paragraph 3, about the middle of the column it is said that in the case of The Methodist Church in Great Britain, the Mother Church of Methodism, etc., we have been reminded recently that a vote against union is like voting against motherhood and here I would appeal to you to have adequate maternal respect.

Bishop Stowe: All right, are you ready to vote? If you would approve, raise the hand. Opposed?

And it is approved, thank you and thank you very much, Dr. Baker. We appreciate your presence with us and that of the lay representative as well.

(See DCA page 453; appendix page 1530.)

Point of Order—Charles S. Jarvis

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC) raised the point of order that several requests had been made to have the full agenda before the house. Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina—SE), serving for the Committee on Chairmen, stated this would be done.

Suspension of Rules—Paul Hardin, III

Mr. Hardin: Your committee of chairmen has suggested the following two items to occupy us for the remainder of our time this morning, and Dr. Kirkpatrick whose brain has not retired though his voice temporarily has, is working on some other items in case we dispose of these two, but the first item we shall dispose of when I have resumed my seat, in a moment, is the matter of the Drew University trustees. Chairman Fred Wertz of the Committee on Education has a report on that item for us; the second item we will consider is a report from the committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship, John C. Soltman chairman. Just before our recess we had had a false start on the matter of the relationship between the Methodist Church and the Government, that is, the report entitled *The United Methodist Church and Church Government Relations*. We had suspended the rules in order to deal with that; we had bogged down and we revoked our action. Now, your committee of chairmen, has asked me to move that we suspend the rules on that item again for deliberation at 2:45 this afternoon when we have an order of the day on committee reports. I would like to move then that we suspend the rules until 2:45 this afternoon to consider *The United Methodist Church and Church Government Relations*. I think our problem this morning was that we tried to go a little too fast on that; we want you to have the lunch hour to read and to study but we would like to deal with this important matter this afternoon.

Bishop Stowe: All right, this is before you coming from that body. If you would approve the suspension of rules, let it be known by raising your hands. Opposed?

They will be suspended and this will be before the body this afternoon.

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 32—Paul Hardin, III—John C. Soltman—E. K. McLarty, Jr.

Mr. Hardin: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Fred Wertz will deal with the Drew matter. I believe chairman Fred Wertz is not here, I'll ask chairman John C. Soltman of Ritual and Orders of Worship to take up the matter and I hope Dr. Wertz will be here very shortly.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest): Please turn to page 167, *Daily Christian Advocate*, 167, center column, middle of the page, Calendar 32. I am asking the vice-chairman, Emmett McLarty to present this item.

Emmett K. McLarty, Jr. (Western North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, members of the general conference, this is report number 7. One correction please, the subject, General Commission instead of General Committee, General Commission on Worship instead of General Committee on Worship. This is the action of the committee. We recommend that General Commission on Worship be authorized to employ a full-time general secretary to establish a national office and that

through the general administration fund, a budget sufficient to implement this program be provided, and the committee voted concurrent.

Lemuel K. Lord (New England—NE) opposed the adoption of the report. *Edwin L. Jones* (Western North Carolina—SE) asked how much money was involved. *Dr. McLarty* stated \$60,000.00 a year had been requested, and the Council on World Service recommended \$7,750.00.

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) spoke for the report. *D. Stuart Patterson* (Baltimore—NE) asked if General Secretary should not be Executive Secretary. *Dr. McLarty* agreed to accept that.

Motion to Refer—*Edwin E. Reeves*

Edwin E. Reeves (Southern California): I would like to move that Calendar 32, page 167 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* be referred to the proposed committee to study the structure of the Boards and Agencies and report back to the General Conference in 1972.

Bishop Stowe: Is there a second? It has been seconded. Would you like to speak to it?

Mr. Reeves: Just this word, it would seem wiser to wait until we have had a review of all the structures of the church. We would be more intelligent in our voting in 1972.

Question—*David L. Dykes, Jr.*

David L. Dykes (Louisiana): I feel the need of some clarification before voting on any of these motions concerning this. I got the impression that this commission might be responsible for some updating of the ritual itself, rather than promotional. This difference would make a difference in the way I personally would feel about it. Could we get some clarification on what the duties of this Commission would be?

Bishop Stowe: Could the Chairman give us this information?

Dr. McLarty: I could tell you what the Committee reviewed. We reviewed the Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship, reviewed both the immensity and the importance of this General Commission on Worship, noting that it is one of the six agencies of the church which has direct contact with local congregations and the only one that does not at the present time have one or more full time staff members assigned to Worship Concerns.

During the last quadrennium the Secretary of the General Commission on Worship in the former Methodist Church though serving as a minister of a large congregation, gave at least one-third of his time to answering inquiries and requests for information, and offering other kinds of help in matters of worship over the church. The Committee felt that granting the comparatively small request of General Commission on Worship would be more than justified by providing gravely needed assistance to individuals in local churches, to the 20,000 local church commissions on worship, and the near 100 Annual Conference commissions on worship. The Committee feels that the hands of the General Conference, or the General Commission on Worship, have been tied over the years frustrating in large measure the performance of its assigned work. How can this committee charged with so great a responsibility do its work. . . .

Bishop Stowe: I believe you have entered into a discussion at this point instead of a description, if I may interrupt, and there was a question. Now, I am asking is this description that you're in now?

Dr. McLarty: The description I was trying to state, Mr. Chairman, was the amount of work that this commission does. The Secretary told us that he had answered more than 100 letters from one person.

Question—Major J. Jones

Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) wanted to know if the Commission would address itself to questions of renewal or of revision of the present ritual. Dr. McLarty stated it would try to do both.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) spoke for referral. Sydney C. G. Everson (Ohio—NC) spoke against the motion to refer. Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) asked if this report carried would it be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance. Dr. McLarty stated that it would. Arthur S. Merrow (Western New York—NE) spoke for the motion to refer.

Bishop Lance E. Webb was asked to speak for the Committee.

A. James Armstrong (Indiana—NC) asked to whom was the report to be referred. Bishop Stowe said it was to the Committee on Structure.

Marion Brown (Ohio—NC) asked if it were possible for resources to be updated and not add a secretary at this time. Dr. McLarty replied that he could not answer this.

The vote was taken, and Report No. 7 was referred to the Committee on Structure.

Drew University Trustees—Paul Hardin, III—D. Frederick Wertz

Paul Hardin, III: Mr. Chairman, Fred Wertz of the Committee on Education is ready with the Drew University matter.

Bishop Stowe: Dr. Wertz.

Fred Wertz (Central Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, last Friday morning the General Conference heard the nominations for the trustees of Drew University, presented for the trustees by Robert Goodwin. Immediately, an alternate slate of nominees was presented from the floor by Ben Garrison; and on his motion the matter was referred to the Legislative Committee on Education. I am pleased today to report to this Conference for the committee.

Extended discussions have been held between the president of the University, the trustees who are in Dallas, Mr. Garrison and interested alumni who are attending this Conference. It has been agreed that charter revision at the university must proceed without delay in order to develop a modern document for the operation of the University. Everyone agrees that the 12-year term for trustees is unreasonable, and this should be changed. There is general agreement that study should be given to the question of the ratio of representation on the board, ratio of Methodists and non-Methodists, ratio of clergy and non-clergy, and other similar questions.

There is almost unanimous feeling that some plan must be developed to assure alumni representation on the Board, selected by the Alumni Associations of the University. Certainly, other important revisions will be offered also. The members of the executive committee of the

Board of Trustees who are in Dallas have agreed to recommend to the board that until such time as the charter can be revised, each Alumni Association of the University will be requested to designate a specified number of representatives to sit with the board in an advisory capacity.

In addition, the Board of Trustees has agreed through its normal nominating process to accept one name from the nominations presented from the floor of the General Conference by Mr. Garrison, in addition to the names which were presented by the Trustees.

Therefore, as chairman of the Legislative Committee on Education, I am pleased to present in nomination for the Board of Trustees of Drew University the following names:

Class of 1972—Arthur A. Palmer, Jr., a layman; Dr. Paul Ramsey, a layman; John A. McElroy, a clergyman.

For the Class of 1976—Harold M. Perry, layman; Robert A. Tucker, layman; William P. Tuggle, III, layman; and William F. B. Rodda, clergyman.

And for the Class of 1980—A. Vernon Carnahan, layman; Guy George Gabrielson, layman; Charles C. Parlin, layman; Ralph E. Davis, clergyman; William R. Guffick, clergyman; Bishop Prince A. Taylor, Jr., clergyman.

There is concurrence in these nominations by the trustees of the university and by those who sponsored the nominations from the floor on Friday morning. I place these nominations before the Conference.

Bishop Stowe: I want to recognize Ben Garrison.

Benjamin Garrison (Central Illinois): In token and pledge of our constant faith and abiding love, these nominations I do second.

Bishop Stowe: Are you ready to vote? If you would elect these, let it be known by the raising of the hands. Thank you. Opposed? And these are elected.

Report of Fourth Ballot for the Judicial Council—Hoover Rupert Elected

Secretary Charles White: Result of Ballot No. 4. Total ballots cast: 1,181; invalid: 3, valid: 1,178; necessary to elect: 590. Hoover Rupert received 642 votes and is elected. Dowd, 32; Hahn 33; Adams, 23; Clark, 86; Drennan, 18; Finkbeiner, 3; Galang, 20; Herr, 181; Johnson, 6; Letts, 7; Moore, 107; Phillips, 8; Ward, 11.

Laymen: Eschelmann, 18; Leatherman, 6; McCormick, 15; Sorg, 28; Bautista, 8; Berry, 497; Coffman, 38; Cooke, 11; Cotton, 7; Fletcher, 11; Holler, 493; Horn, 14; Lorch, 10; Shearer, 21.

Fifth Ballot for Judicial Council Members

The Secretary gave instructions for voting, and the fifth ballot was taken for one layman for the Judicial Council.

The ballot was closed, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Resolution on Alaska Methodist University—Bishop Glenn R. Phillips

Bishop Stowe: We have come to the time for privileged motions, and I would recognize Bishop Glenn Phillips, with your permission. Would you allow Bishop Phillips to speak to the Conference on a privileged motion? If you would, raise the hand. All right. Opposed?

Bishop Phillips, we would be happy to hear you.

Bishop Glenn Phillips (Portland Area): As a church we have accepted special responsibility in connection with a very fine school whose representatives, musically, you listened to in their heartwarming experience when they appeared yesterday morning, Alaska Methodist University. I am proud to be called on and present this resolution:

"WHEREAS, both Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches have distinguished heritages and impressive historical records of establishing and nourishing Christian higher educational institutions on the major frontiers of America, and thereby have provided dedicated and competent leaders for emerging societies; and

"WHEREAS, Methodism through the Division of National Missions conducted studies on America's 'last great frontier region,' before statehood, and concluded that the greatest single need of Alaskan society in transition from territorial status to full statehood responsibilities was for indigenous leadership 'uniting knowledge and vital piety'; and

"WHEREAS, Methodism by the unanimous action of the General Conferences of 1956, 1960, and 1964 commended the Alaska Methodist project for support to the Division of National Missions to local churches through the Advance Specials, and

"WHEREAS, Methodism's support to this date has made possible the development of the first buildings and the fully-accredited Christian higher educational program with the current year's enrollment of over 1,000, all brought about by the closest cooperation between University trustees, administration, the citizens of Alaska, and all the related Boards, Divisions, Commissions, and Agencies of Methodism; and

WHEREAS, accomplishments to 1968 at Alaska Methodist University, through the enrollment, facilities, program, and personnel, show substantial progress anticipated by the former General Conference actions, additional development will need our support to bring the school to a stage of development considered adequate for a Methodist educational institution.

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the 1968 General Conference of The United Methodist Church in session in Dallas, express its continuing interest in the progress of this new institution and commend the University project to the local churches for support within the program of Advance Specials through the National Division of the Board of Missions."

Mr. Chairman, members and friends of the General Conference, men of Wesley, I am not in a position to make a motion. I leave it in your hands.

Bishop Stowe: All right, I see someone on the floor over here.

Edward L. Tullis (Kentucky): I would like to move that this resolution presented by Bishop Phillips become the action of this body.

Bishop Stowe: Is there a second? If you would approve, raise the hand. Down. Opposed? And it is done. Thank you.

Reconciliation Pledges—John B. Warman

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE) urged the delegates to turn in their pledges to the Fund for Reconciliation.

Privilege Matter—William H. Veale

William H. Veale (New York): Mr. Chairman, before the close of the Conference, I am sure there will be a resolution of sincere thanks

and gratitude for the members of the press, radio and television. Incidentally, they well deserve all you may say about them, but this is a "thank you," from them to the General Conference, particularly Methodist Information.

If you have seen the bulletin board, you have noticed the vast coverage this Conference receives from about one hundred of the leading secular newspapers and scores of religious periodicals, plus radio and TV. They enjoy reporting the Methodist General Conference, and this continues to be the position after many General Conferences. Methodist Information service for us is "perfect." They attend to our every need, editorial needs and physical needs. Daily we are furnished coffee, rolls, and doughnuts in quantity, and we wanted to let the General Conference know of our gratitude. Signed by various Reporters.

Privilege Motion—Jack M. Tuell

Jack Tuell (Pacific Northwest): A privilege motion. I move that the Commission on Entertainment and Program give serious study to the seating arrangements for our bishops in future sessions of the General Conference with a view to greater convenience and more effective involvement of our chief pastors. If I have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Stowe: Is there a second?

Dr. Tuell: This is simply a resolution asking for a study. I give two quick examples. The fact that our Bishops are in the position of having no tables; we could imagine what our situation would be if all our material we had to stick under our chairs. This is simply a resolution asking for a study of this by our Commission for the next quadrennium.

Bishop Stowe: Thank you very much. If you would approve, lift the hand. Thank you, opposed? It is adopted.

Privilege Motion—William C. Vaughan

W. C. Vaughan (Virginia): I would ask this high privilege which I hope will not be controversial. We, United Methodists, on this day established as Law Day in this country, confirm our allegiance to our flag and country under God and respect for law and order. If I have a second, I would like to speak on it.

Bishop Stowe: Is there a second. All right, would you speak very briefly?

Mr. Vaughan: Mr. Chairman, today, May 1st, has been established as Law Day and as a member of a legislative body at home, and I hope a good United Methodist, I would like to see us as members of this Conference confirm our allegiance to our respective flags and countries, under God and confirm our respect for law and order of that land. No nation or society can operate in a free society without law and order.

As Christians, as good citizens, and as United Methodists, we do not want to be misunderstood. Here in our home country, in our conferences or our communities, today is recognized as Law Day, I hope we will pass this motion in the context of obedience to God with liberty and justice for all men. I move the adoption.

Motion to Table—H. Burnham Kirkland

H. Burnham Kirkland (New York): Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that this motion be tabled until such time as we can determine

whether or not May 1st is a Special Day in any of the countries in which The United Methodist Church is represented.

Bishop Stowe: Motion is for tabling. If you would so order, raise the hand. Down. Opposed? It has lost.

Motion to Amend—Harry B. Gibson, Jr.

Harry Gibson (Rock River): I would move to amend this motion to insert the word "justice" after the phrase used by the maker of the motion "Law and Order."

The maker of the motion accepted the amendment, and the motion carried.

Announcements—Charles D. White—J. E. Lowery

The Secretary and *J. E. Lowery* (Central Alabama—SE) made the announcements.

Appreciation

Bishop Stowe expressed appreciation for the helpful secretarial staff and cooperation of the entire Conference.

Benediction—Bishop Paul E. Martin

Bishop Paul E. Martin pronounced the benediction and the morning session adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 1968 AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop Richard C. Raines

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the eighth day, Wednesday, May 1, 1968, at 2:30 p.m. in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Richard C. Raines, Indiana Area, presiding.

Devotions

Hymn No. 478, "Lead On, O King Eternal" was sung, and Bishop Escrivão A. Zunguze led the prayer.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) reminded the Conference of the rules concerning bringing privileged matters to the floor.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by Chairman of the Annual Conference delegations for the plenary session for the morning of May 1, 1968. The delegates' names will appear in the *Journal* in proper form. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Raines: It is before you. If you will approve it lift the hand please. And it is adopted.

Committee on Agenda—John A. Dowd—Harry C. Parham

John Dowd (Iowa Conference): You will find as items on the agenda that which is printed in today's *Daily Christian Advocate* for the afternoon and the evening. For the evening there will be a special program and as I understand this program will be about one hour and ten minutes long. Therefore, we are offering this motion: that we have a business session following the special program this evening. I move that we have a business session following this evening's program.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? It is and is before you. Are you ready? If you will approve lift the hand—please. Thank you. Opposed? It is approved.

Mr. Dowd: Mr. Parham from the Florida Conference has a motion to make in regard to agenda.

Bishop Raines: State your name and conference please.

Harry Parham (Florida): Mr. Chairman and members of the General Conference, my motion is that starting with this session that the Agenda of this Conference give priority to matters involved in the items to complete the structure of the Plan of Union; secondly all

other items have to do with purely policy statements, etc. If I have a second I will speak to it.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? It is seconded, you may speak.

Mr. Parham: I have sensed the utter sense of frustration of a good many people who would like to speak some on the highly controversial matters that have been brought before, upon which reasonable men with reasonable intelligence and equal integrity disagree or agree, and because of the pressure of time and the necessity to get on with the business and to complete the work, of necessity the call for the question has been brought repeatedly so that there has been a squeezing out of honest debate on highly volatile and controversial issues.

We can get out from under the burden and pressure of this kind of movement to squelch debate by taking those items that must be completed before the end of the week; therefore, I offer this motion to complete the work of the conference and then take up editorial policy later.

Bishop Richard C. Raines: Does the Agenda Committee have any comment on that?

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, I do not understand the import of the motion and what effect it would have on the process that you already set up yourself, by an order, special order of the day.

Mr. Parham: This would have the effect of setting aside the order of the day and proceeding with Agenda items concerning the structure of the church rather than policy.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, the rules of this Conference give the chairman, the committee chairman, the right to call up legislative items in accordance with the wishes of the chairmen of the Legislative Committees. That we are trying to do. You yourself agreed to take up the church-state debate this afternoon. We intend to follow that with organizational matters on the local-church program council.

Mr. Parham: Question, Mr. Chairman. Does not this body have the right to set the Agenda on the matters they will consider?

Bishop Raines: It does. If you sustain the chairman of the Agenda committee rather than the brother, will you lift the hands. If you are opposed? And it is sustained. We will proceed under the Agenda that was suggested in your regular rules of order.

John A. Dowd (Iowa): Mr. Chairman, I move that these items be the agenda for the afternoon.

Suspension of Rules—Paul Hardin, III

Paul Hardin (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, before we present the agenda items this afternoon, I move to suspend the rules of this body, so that the conference may immediately consider and act upon a change of rules to expedite our proceedings, and if this motion to suspend the rules is approved, Mr. Robert Thorpe, Pacific Northwest, has a motion to present on a change in rules.

Bishop Raines: Is there a second to this? It takes two-thirds. Are you ready to suspend the rules? If so lift the hands, please. Opposed, if any? And they are suspended.

Motion on Procedure—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): There are two separate motions, Mr. Chairman. The first is to move that as soon as a committee chairman has presented a report, the presiding officer shall immediately request a show of hands as to those who desire to debate or

question the report. If there are not at least ten, who so desire to debate or question, then the report shall be put to a vote forthwith. If there is a second, I will speak briefly.

Bishop Raines: Seconded? It is seconded. You may speak.

Mr. Thorpe: The purpose of this motion would give up a little of our individual liberties in the confidence that if there are not at least ten of us who have a concern about a given report, then our concern may not be too serious, and we give this up in order that we may better accomplish our responsibilities toward the appalling amount of business yet to come before this house.

The working of this amendment, the mechanical working is that the report would be presented before any other motion or inquiry of any type would be in order. The chairman would ask for a show of hands as to those who wish to debate or question. If he does not see ten hands, then he immediately puts it to a vote.

Major J. Jones (Tennessee-Kentucky—SE) asked if all ten would be allowed to speak; Bishop Raines stated the rule of two speakers on a side would prevail.

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio-NC) spoke against the motion, as did **John Bowen** (Ohio—NC).

Harold Karls (Detroit—NC) questioned the intent of the motion. Mr. Thorpe said it meant that ten people could call a question up for debate.

The Thorp motion did not prevail.

Motion to Limit Debate—Robert M. Thorpe

Mr. Thorpe: The second motion, to move that the three-minute limitation apply to all debate, inquiry, points of order, presentation and privileges, provided, however, that the conference by 2/3 majority may extend the time for any one speaker; be it further provided that a request for additional time shall state the purpose and the additional amount of time asked and if approved, the additional amount of time becomes the limit for that speaker.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? Are there questions concerning it? This shortens the time of speeches from three to two minutes, is that it?

Mr. Thorpe: From five to three on main motions and Mr. Chairman, I would point out that it also sets the limit on presentations, courtesies, all manner of speech before this body.

Bishop Raines: Are you ready? If you will so limit lift the hands, please. And if you oppose? It prevails.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 11— Calendar No. 257—Paul Hardin, III—Joseph H. Albrecht

Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, we are under an order of the day to have presented the report entitled "The Methodist Church and Church Government Relations." To present that report I'll call up Dr. Joseph H. Albrecht, chairman of the Study Commission that has prepared this report.

Joseph Albrecht (Central Illinois): We appreciate very much the fact of the motion that was made this morning that allows us really to have time to study this for it is a very important item in our Agenda and so we appreciate the time you have spent. I have also been asked if

I would please slow down when I talk; so I am doing the best I can in slowing down. If I start talking too fast just wave your hand and I will slow down.

All right, the report that is before you is on page 456. It is report No. 257. There are six calendar items which make up this report, I have previously moved that Calendar Item 257 be adopted so this is before us.

Amendment—V. M. Mouser

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana): I wish to offer an amendment. On the bottom of the first column on page 457 under Roman numeral III, from the first two lines delete the words "or a particular war." And if I have a second I would like to speak briefly.

Bishop Raines: It is seconded and you may speak.

Mr. Mouser: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, from the bottom of my heart I join with the stated policy of this church for many, many years of upholding the right of one whose conscience will not permit him to participate in war, to back him up and protect him in the exercise of that conscientious right. I believe, however, that that should be limited to a real heartfelt conscientious objection to the act of war itself, to the engaging in any war at any time for any purpose.

It is my feeling that to permit the conscientious objector or one who wishes to exercise that right to be selective in the wars which he will not wish to engage in while he is willing to participate in other wars, is not the matter of exercising the right of conscience but the matter of exercising a right of judgment and vetoing the actions of a nation to which he owes allegiance.

I believe that all of us in a democratic society have the right to do everything which we can to influence the course of our nation in deciding whether or not it should engage in war as an instrument of its national policy or whether it should refrain from any particular war, but once the national will has been made up, then it is my feeling that the individual must drown his objection to personal participation to his conscientious objection to participating in any war whatsoever which cannot permit him as a Christian or one believing in a Divine Being to so use himself.

I repeat: to permit one to choose one war in which he would not be willing to participate while he is willing to participate in others is merely to let him use a right of judgment which I submit is not sound and should not be upheld in democratic society.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment and for the report. **Walter Muller (Illinois—EUB)** spoke in favor of the amendment. **A. James Armstrong (Indiana—NC)** spoke against the amendment.

Call for Count Vote—V. M. Mouser

After a close show of hands vote, the Conference on call of V. M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) called for a count vote, which showed 664 voting for the amendment to delete, and 444 voting against deletion.

W. J. Ready (South Carolina—SE) asked for the result of the vote to be repeated; the Secretary gave it.

Report No. 11, as amended, was adopted. (See *DCA* page 456; appendix page 1240.)

Request for Vote to Be Registered—John V. Moore

John V. Moore (California-Nevada—W) requested that the record show that he voted against the motion to delete.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 12— Calendar No. 258—Joseph H. Albrecht

Dr. Albrecht: Calendar item 258 deals with the statement concerning church-government relations and social welfare, and to get this before you I move the adoption of this calendar item.

Amendment—Lawrence Cooper

Lawrence Cooper (Southern California-Arizona): May I call attention to the last paragraph on page 457, at the bottom of the third column, which presently reads: "We recognize that appropriate government bodies have the right to prescribe minimum standards for all private social welfare agencies." I should like to move, and I would like a second to discuss the matter, that this sentence be deleted.

Bishop Raines: The deletion of this sentence—is it seconded? I haven't heard a second. Perhaps there has been one. Yes, it is seconded. You may speak to it.

Mr. Cooper: Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, my reason for suggesting that this be deleted is that I think the language is far too general. I would agree that government, under general law and in accordance with locally developed law, should have certain rights to set certain standards, but it seems to me this statement is far too general and would open the door to many restrictions upon private social welfare agency operations which would be completely unjustified.

E. McKinnon White (New England Southern—NE) opposed the amendment. *Dr. Albrecht* spoke for the committee.

The Cooper amendment lost.

Amendment—R. Laurence Dill, Jr.

Laurence Dill (North Alabama): I would like to move an amendment that the first paragraph of this report, that part of it dealing with the request that it be printed in the *1968 Discipline* be deleted, and that this applies to all other of these reports. If I could have a second, I would like to speak.

Bishop Raines: Is there a second? Yes, it is seconded.

Laurence Dill: I heard the statement in one of the legislative committees this morning that the new *Discipline* would be a monstrosity, that it would contain so much material that it would be unwieldy. It seems to me, just from glancing over these reports, that we have about 12 or 15 pages of material that would be included in the *Discipline*, made available to our people in other ways. I hope that this amendment to delete will prevail.

Dean Lanning (Northern New Jersey—NE) spoke against the amendment. *George F. Pearce, Jr.* (Louisiana—SC) raised a question but *Bishop Raines* ruled this was not in connection with the amendment. *Spurgeon McCartt*

(Holston—SE) wanted to know what reports Dr. Dill's motion covered. Dr. Dill stated it included 254-263.

J. Holland Heck (Philadelphia—NE) wanted to know if Dr. Emory Bucke might not speak to this. Dr. Bucke asked that resolutions not be placed in the *Discipline*.

Motion to Table—Paul V. Shearer

Paul V. Shearer (South Iowa): I move that we lay this motion on the table.

Bishop Raines: I wonder if you really want to do this because laying it on the table simply lays everything on the table.

Mr. Shearer: With reference to the printing because some of these may well want to be printed. But when he referred to all of these items, we have no manner of having selectivity. . . .

Bishop Raines: If your motion prevails, all of the items that he has mentioned will go on the table, I doubt whether this group wants to have this happen. I will put the motion, if you wish to table, lift the hands? If you do not table, lift the hands. And the motion to table does not prevail.

Amendment to Amendment—Robert W. Moon

Robert Moon (California-Nevada): I move to amend the motion so that the motion does not include those statements which he did include, but have been traditionally included in our *Discipline* which are the statement on peace, the statement on human relations and the statement on alcohol and general welfare. These have traditionally been printed along with the social concerns and he included some of these in his list of numbers.

Bishop Raines: Would you make specific the numbers?

Dr. Moon: I will make specific the numbers, Mr. chairman, but to simplify it, there would be left in his motion those six numbers related to the church government relations report which is now before us.

Bishop Raines: Brother Dill, would you have any willingness to accept this? No, it is not accepted. If you will name the numbers then we will proceed to act on your motion to amend. Will you give us the numbers that you would like to have exempted from the exclusion?

Dr. Moon: I move to amend the motion so that it includes only these numbers: 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262.

Substitute Motion to Refer—Charles S. Jarvis

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River): I move to refer this matter to the appropriate committee with a request that they bring a recommendation back. Many others of this matter will also come before us with regard to what should be printed and what should not be printed.

Ernest T. Dixon (West Texas—SC) asked if this committee might consider all resolutions which might come before the Conference. Bishop Raines stated this would have to come in a separate motion.

The motion to refer prevailed.

Point of Order—Emory S. Bucke

The Book Editor, *Emory S. Bucke* (New England—NE) stated that the Committee on Correlation could not accept

that assignment because the Conference rules did not give it authority.

Joseph H. Albrecht (Central Illinois—NC) suggested the Committee of Chairmen might do it.

H. Travers Smith (Maine—NE) asked if it were in order, he would like to suggest that two books be printed, the *Discipline* and a book of resolutions. Dr. Bucke suggested that it might be referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests and that this committee should be alerted and discuss it in a smaller group. Bishop Raines suggested that the Book Editor be consulted and a motion prepared and brought back.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 12— Calendar No. 258—Joseph H. Albrecht

Bishop Raines: Let us turn then to 258 and will the chairman present it to us.

Dr. Albrecht: It has been presented. Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Raines: It is before us. Are there any comments on 258, Committee on Christian Social Concerns, membership of 98; 50 voting; 50 for and none against. That is a different story. Are you ready? If you will approve, lift the hands. Those who are opposed? And it is approved.

(See *DCA* page 457; appendix page 1243.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 13— Calendar No. 259—Joseph H. Albrecht

Joseph Albrecht: Calendar item 259 is a statement concerning Church-Government Relations and Education. To get this before you, I move the adoption of this calendar item.

Bishop Raines: 259, there were 50 voting for and none against. Is there discussion?

Amendment—C. Walter Kessler

C. Walter Kessler (Troy): I call your attention to column three, the paragraph beginning “. . . to fulfill.” I move to amend by omitting in this paragraph the first and last sentences.

Bishop Raines: Will you read them please?

Dr. Kessler: The first sentence reads: “To fulfill its responsibility and education sometimes the government and nonpublic educational institutions need to enter a cooperative relationship.” and the sentence, “Such funds must be for the express purpose of fulfilling a strictly public responsibility subject to public accountability.” Further to revise the second sentence “. . . when public funds, etc. . . .” to read as follows: “Public funds should be utilized only in the best interests of the whole society.” The purpose of this amendment.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? Yes, it is and is before us. You may speak.

Mr. Kessler: The purpose of this amendment is to avoid an apparent equivocation. In the first, the second paragraph we read the words “. . . we do not support the expansion of strengthening of private schools with public funds,” and then the next paragraph seems to

turn in another direction and permit a cooperative use of public funds. It will sharpen this whole first section of the report if this amendment is adopted.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) spoke against deletion.

J. Clay Madison (Western North Carolina—SE) asked what the word "its" referred to. Dr. Albrecht answered the government.

Dr. Albrecht spoke for the committee.

The amendment did not prevail.

Amendment—Emerson S. Colaw

Emerson Colaw (Ohio): I would move that we amend the first paragraph, section 4, line 13, 458, by substituting the words "schools" for the phrase, "colleges and universities." Now my reason for this is simply that I think the time has come for us to be. . . .

Bishop Raines: Just wait a minute, is this seconded? Yes. You may proceed.

Dr. Colaw: I make this amendment, Bishop, because I believe the time has come for us to face the need to be consistent. We oppose the tax dollar for the parochial school even in the so-called area of services for children but then we make legitimate in the form of governmental grants the tax dollar for our schools. I know that it is a complex issue but I believe the amendment will lead us in maintaining impartiality.

Bishop Raines: Now will you say it again, what your motion is so the house can understand you.

Dr. Colaw: Yes, I am simply moving that we substitute the word, in section 4, line 13 and we are saying "schools" rather than "church related colleges and universities"; we are saying "church related schools."

Dr. Albrecht stated the Committee could not accept this.
The Amendment lost.

Question—Lawrence Cooper

Lawrence Cooper (Southern California-Arizona—W) asked if "higher education" included graduate education and education of ministers; Dr. Albrecht stated it would not include education of ministers but would include graduate education.

Amendment—Chester M. Alter

Chester Alter (Rocky Mountain): Mr. Chairman I'd like to move an amendment. Section 6 near the top of the second column on page 459, the last word in the first paragraph ending with a colon, the amendment to be to change the word "will" to "may." If I may have a second to this. . . .

Bishop Raines: This is the first full paragraph which begins with, "The hazards" and ends with two words "participation will:" If I understand the motion it is to substitute the word "may." Is that correct? Is it seconded? It is. And it is before you. You may speak to it.

Mr. Alter: This reads—and let me say this matter is of great importance to the institutions of higher education, particularly universities, and it reads that the hazards which confront church-related

institutions in becoming involved in programs supported by the government are that such participation will for instance, number (1) compromise academic freedom. I submit that it does not necessarily compromise academic freedom. Number (6), it would read according to this statement . . ."

Bishop Raines: The chairman offers to accept this. Is that agreeable?

Dr. Albrecht: We will accept the change of word from "will" to "may."

Amendment—John Thomas

John Thomas (Northwest Indiana): I am wondering if the committee will accept the change on column 3, page 458, first full paragraph, third word, changing "its" to "their". The subject seems to be plural . . . "the government and non-public educational institutions."

Bishop Raines: I'm sorry, I missed this. Where are you?

Mr. Thomas: Column 3, first full paragraph, page 458, the third word. . . . Changing "its" to "their", meaning both government and non-public education.

Dr. Albrecht: Yes, we would accept this.

Question—Harry V. Master

Harry V. Master (Eastern): At the bottom of the first column on page 459, under Roman VI, the introductory paragraph deals with the question of the acceptance of public grants, and so forth; then item arabic 2, "Relinquishing church ownership or control" and so forth.

First of all I presume there may be no educational institution within the former Evangelical United Brethren Church or The Methodist Church that has not received some sort of federal grant. I would appreciate having the committee indicate just how strong a statement this is. Are we actually encouraging our present institutions when they get in a financial jam to become unrelated to the church rather than accept any government assistance?

Bishop Raines: Could you answer the question?

Mr. Albrecht: Yes, I will be glad to try to answer it. I think that the discussion of the committee was at this point—and you will note this is a change from the Study Commission's report, but I have accepted this and am willing to go along with this. Basically it is a change saying that these are the choices that are before the governing bodies of four various educational institutions. They may decide to take none of these, but these are some choices. We are just listing some choices here and we try to make it that it says "some." So we are not trying to push in one direction or the other. These are some of the opportunities—some of the directions in which a governing body may go.

Amendment—Charles F. Marsh

Charles F. Marsh (South Carolina): I would suggest or I would amend that this be changed from "should" to "may have to."

Bishop Raines: Where would you locate this?

Mr. Marsh: Paragraph VI, at the end of the first paragraph, instead of the words "should give serious consideration", to substitute "may have to give" serious consideration to several possibilities.

Dr. Albrecht: We will accept this.

Report No. 13 was adopted as amended. (See *DCA* page 458; appendix page 1246.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 14— Calendar No. 260—Joseph H. Albrecht

Dr. Albrecht: The next item. You will have to have your yellow book in front of you. We only changed one word in the book. If you will turn to page 45, in the Study Book, actually the change is on page 46, but the section that we are dealing with is pages 45 through 47 in the Study Book. The one word that is changed is at the top of the page 46. The third word is changed from "overloaded" to "given." Calendar No. 260.

Bishop Raines: What is the word?

Dr. Albrecht: "Overloaded" is changed to "given". This is a change made by the Study Commission in this section.

Bishop Raines: All right, are you willing to change the word? You want to ask a question? Very well.

Dr. Albrecht: I am sorry. You will have to take off the "with" also. It wouldn't make sense with "with" in there. So take the "with" out. "Overloaded with" is taken out, and add just the word "given".

Bishop Raines: Does that answer your question? All right, if you approve this lift the hand please. Opposed the same sign. It's done.

Bishop Raines: Could I ask you, Mr. Chairman, first, were you asking for approval of these statements concerning Church-Government Relations?

Dr. Albrecht: Yes, I was. I am sorry. I didn't even get a chance to make that motion. I just made the correction. Now if you want me to put the motion to make it legal I will do this. I move that we adopt Calendar Item 260.

Bishop Raines: Item 260 with the change that you have indicated. Very well. Well there were 98 in membership, and voting for 50, and against none. Are you ready? If you will approve, lift the hand please? Opposed the same. And it is done.

(See DCA page 459; appendix page 1250.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 15— Calendar No. 261—Joseph H. Albrecht

Dr. Albrecht: Thank you very much. Now we are on 261, a statement Church-Government Relations and Tax Exemption. I move the adoption of this calendar item.

Amendment—William R. Cannon

William Cannon (North Georgia): Mr. Chairman, we are on Calendar Item 261. I move the deletion of Roman Numeral II.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? It is. It is before us. You may speak.

Dr. Cannon: This impresses me as being very ambiguous. What, for example, is unrelated business income to a church? If the church uses all her resources to fulfill her mission, then those resources are directly related to that mission. It seems to me that the government would easily bind any unrelated resources if such exist and tax them anyway. The same is true of this point I, responsibility to make appropriate contribution in lieu of taxes for essential services provided by government. I should think that a church would feel that in fulfilling her mission in a community she would be making contribution.

I would like to remind this body of a statement that President Elliott of Harvard said some generations ago. The tax exemption as granted to churches, schools and hospitals is on the assumption that

they render more good to society by the use they make of the money saved by tax exemption than the government can possibly render through the tax it collects from them.

This Roman Numeral II impresses me as an open invitation to the government to tax churches and church institutions. I, for one, am not quite yet ready to issue that invitation.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Clemente M. Zuniga (Philippines—OS) wanted to know what right overseas delegates had to interfere with purely American affairs. Dr. Albrecht answered that it was understood that this material dealt only with American law.

Motion To Divide—Douglas F. Verdin

Douglas Verdin (New York): Mr. Chairman, I should like to inquire of the authors of this section whether we are not in fact, mixing peaches and apples. The second section of section two on page 459 begins, "we urge churches to consider at least the following factors," appears to relate to something rather different from that which is dealt with in the initial paragraph. And before voting I wonder if we might not have some clarification of this.

The first paragraph appears to deal with taxes on income from business related operations in the church. The second portion of this simply seems to relate to all churches in the attitude toward local service taxes.

Dr. Albrecht: Basically we are attempting to hit at both things in the same paragraph. We are attempting to hit, first of all, at unrelated business income and the second is to attempt to hit at the point of our relationship to our local communities as far as property taxes are concerned.

Dr. Verdin: Mr. Chairman, may I inquire? I'm strongly in favor of the first paragraph, but I don't want to link that second section with it. May I move to amend by deleting that second section?

Bishop Raines: You can move or ask for a division of the question if you wish.

Dr. Verdin: I would like to do that, sir. I would like to divide the question so that we vote on the first paragraph of Roman Numeral II alone.

Bishop Raines: Is the chairman agreeable to this?

Dr. Albrecht: I would agree to the division of the question provided that we have the opportunity to vote on the second section later.

Bishop Raines: Would the body agree to divide, lift the hand, please. Opposed, if any. And it is divided, now.

Question—Millard C. Cleveland

Bishop Raines: We have one to speak for, one against. For question, very well, microphone 3, please.

Millard Cleveland (Florida): Mr. Chairman, I need more information. I don't understand from this section how investment portfolios of boards and institutions would become involved. Do those funds that are being invested for the purpose of carrying on, for instance, our missions work become involved in taxes at this point?

Bishop Raines: Would you like to answer this?

E. H. Schwiebert (Idaho): I might say that this section did give this Committee considerable cause for debate and there was some

difference of opinion at the point of this specifics here, because we are really dealing with three principles as I think we all recognize as we look at this. In that first part, we are dealing with the principle of fair competition.

The Church wants to be fair. It believes in fair competition. To have tax exempt organizations competing in the marketplace in the matter of price with those that are not tax exempt is unfair. This applies only to the manufacturing or retailing business where the pricing factor is concerned. It wouldn't apply in our judgment to income from stocks which people hold, in endowment funds or in special funds to which income they are entitled.

This is intended to deal specifically with the matter of unfair competition between tax exempt and tax paying business; but in the second section, we have some other principles, and that's why I think the move to divide this section has been a very intelligent one.

Because we have here the principle arising as to how far we shall go in getting the state or the government the right to levy a tax upon a church, whatever government that may be, local, state or national, because the implication in saying that we are inviting taxation is to invite the government to become in a position which seems to be above the church. The right to tax sometimes implies the right to control or to influence or even to destroy in some instances. So I think we need to go slow in accepting that principle.

Leo L. Baker (North Texas—SC) spoke for the motion to delete Section II.

Eugene L. Smith (Northern New Jersey—NE) spoke in opposition to the amendment.

Dr. Albrecht spoke for the committee.

The motion to delete paragraph I of Section II was defeated.

Harry V. Master (Eastern—EUB) wanted to know if by assumption all Boards and Agencies were included. Dr. Albrecht replied that they were. Mr. Master asked if consideration had been given to the commercial printing done by the Publishing House. Dr. Albrecht said it had and it fits into this second paragraph.

Motion to Table—Lester G. Wahrenbrock

Lester G. Wahrenbrock (Southern California-Arizona—W) made a motion to lay Calendar 261 on the table.

Point of Order—Jack M. Tuell

Jack M. Tuell (Pacific North West—W) raised a point of order that the speaker made a speech before he made a motion. Bishop Raines did not sustain the point of order.

The motion to table lost.

Douglas F. Verdin (New York—NE) spoke in opposition to paragraph 2. Dr. Albrecht spoke for the committee.

The motion to delete paragraph 2 lost.

Editorial Change—Samuel Batt

Samuel Batt (Illinois): Just the note that in the section three, I believe that in the committee we agreed that this would be a positive

statement. We believe that the status of an individual says that we do not and there are two nots in the sentence. I think this is an editorial problem.

Dr. Albrecht: This is editorial, and the "not" after ought should be taken out on the third line.

Amendment—H. A. Varce

H. A. Varce (Iowa): I would like to move an amendment to the third section here. In the third line and it would read like this, after the word clergy, I would like to add these words, "and all other citizens and corporations."

Bishop Raines: Would you indicate again where it's found, please?

Dr. Varce: Yes, the third line under Roman Numeral III, after the word clergy, and read "we support the abolition of all special privileges accorded to members of the clergy" and then I would add this, "and all other citizens and corporations in American tax laws and regulations." I think it speaks for itself.

Bishop Raines: Is that seconded? You may speak to it.

Dr. Varce: I said I think it speaks for itself.

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Substitute Motion—Harry C. Parham

Harry C. Parham (Florida): I would like to move to substitute to delete all of the paragraph 3. If I have a second, I would speak to it.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded. Yes, it is seconded. Now you may speak to it. It is a move to delete all of paragraph 3.

Mr. Parham: I sat in on the deliberations of this august body as they made their deliberations about this matter and it seemed to be kind of a family fight up in headquarters between some of the boys in the General Board as to one getting a little privilege and the other one not, but they come along and make some broad generalization that seems to suggest that all of the preachers are involved in getting some great exemption from the Government. It is simply not so.

There is one little instance in which preachers side by side, one gets a housing allowance and he's an ordained minister and he gets an exemption and if he is not an ordained minister doing the same job, he does not, but to put it in this broad category as they have done it here is to misrepresent the cause, and it should be deleted.

E. McKinnon White (New England Southern—NE) opposed the substitute. *G. Eliot Jones* (Mississippi—SE) spoke for the substitute. *John Bergland* (Ohio-Miami—EUB) opposed the substitute.

Dr. Albrecht spoke for the committee.

The Parham substitute motion lost.

The Varce amendment lost.

Report No. 15 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 459; appendix page 1250.)

Brief Recess

The Conference took a brief recess during which the Hymn No. 93, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was sung.

Report of Fifth Ballot for the Judicial Council—Theodore M. Berry Elected

Secretary Charles White: This is report of Ballot No. 5. Ballots cast 1,189, invalid 2, valid 1,187, necessary to elect 594, and Theodore M. Berry has received 667 votes and is elected.

This completes the ballots for regular members of the Judicial Council. Would you like to have the other votes?

Suspension of Rules—Paul Hardin, III

Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, I move the conference suspend the rules for the purpose of considering at this time a procedure designed to expedite the election of alternate members of the Judicial Council.

Bishop Raines: Will you suspend the rules to do this? If so lift the hand, please. Opposed, the same, and the rules are suspended.

Motion for Electing Alternate Members—Paul Hardin, III

Paul Hardin: I make the motion. If I could get a second, I'll speak to it briefly, Mr. Chairman. I move that a special procedure be authorized for this Conference only, to elect by a single ballot the 12 alternate members of the Judicial Council. The three ministers and three laymen receiving the largest number of votes on this single ballot to be elected to eight-year terms, the three ministers and three laymen next in line to be elected to four-year terms provided that at least one layman and one minister elected shall have been members of the EUB church at the time of union. Let me have a second and I will speak to it.

May I suggest, Mr. Chairman, I believe this is not legal procedure, and that instead of embarking upon it and having to back up, would it not be wise to refer this to the Judicial Council so that you could save your time? We need to take a ballot, actually, but I think this is not a legal way to do it.

Can I speak to the legality of it?

Bishop Raines: Yes, you may.

Paul Hardin: I'll speak just briefly to the legality, Mr. Chairman. I am the chairman of the Legislative Committee on Judicial Administration, and if the house will recall we handled the election of this first Judicial Council not by *Discipline*, but by special resolution.

The procedure I am now proposing does not amend the *Discipline*, but simply alters the procedure under which we conduct this first election and I should think that since this house set that procedure by special resolution this house has the authority to alter that procedure for this one time only, and only for the purpose, of course, of expediting this matter of electing the alternates. I would say this, that I make this motion without any particular brief for it except to test the feeling of the house and to emphasize the urgency of saving time.

Bishop Raines: If that is to test the house, then I will not rule it out of order, but permit you to vote on. As many of you as would approve this procedure lift the hand please. Down. Any opposed? Then it is approved, by more than two-thirds vote, as a matter of fact.

Motion for Reading of Ballot—W. J. Ready

W. J. Ready (South Carolina): I move, sir, that the Chair provide for the reading of the number of votes for the various nominees in the last ballot.

Privilege Motion—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River): Bishop Raines, this morning we heard an expression of appreciation to the staff of Methodist Information Service from the reporters covering this Conference. I believe that the members of this conference also would like to express their thanks to the many newspaper, magazines, radio, and television reporters who have been giving this conference extensive coverage.

We have heard a few aspersions on what the press would say if we did this or that, but I believe the reporting has been as fair as it has been extensive, and I move, Mr. Chairman, that this Conference express its appreciation to and confidence in the reporters at this Uniting Session.

Ballot for Alternate Judicial Council Members

Bishop Raines: The request has come that we read the number of votes that laymen received on the last ballot.

Secretary White: Eschelmann 2, Leatherman 3, McCormick 7, Sorg 4, Bautista 4, Coffman 11, Cooke 3, Cotton 4, Fletcher 4, Holler 471, Horn 1, Lorch 2, and Shearer 4.

The Secretary gave instructions for voting for six ministers and six laymen as alternate Judicial Council members.

Gordon G. Thompson (North Georgia—SE) asked if a write-in name would invalidate the ballot; the Secretary stated that it would.

The ballot was closed, and upon request of the tellers was sealed until 8:00 p.m. to be counted.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 46—Calendar No. 216—Paul Hardin, III—Kenneth W. Hulit

Paul Hardin, III (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, moving on to the next order of business, Chairman Kenneth W. Hulit, Committee on Conferences, to consider the following three items, depending on how the time holds out. You might make a note of these.

1. Page 402 in your *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 216
2. Page 227 in your *Advocate*, Calendar item No. 51
3. Page 164 in your *Advocate*—

Bishop Raines: No. 216 is now before us. It had 114 . . . The chairman is here. You will present it.

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, this item has to do with calling of a Special Session of the General Conference, and I think I should read it so that we understand clearly,

“This Uniting Conference hereby calls a special session” and add the words “of the General Conference,” “to meet in April 1970 for not more than five (5) days at such time and in such place as the Commission on Entertainment and Program may determine, for the purpose of transacting any business that a regular session of the General Conference could transact.”

We give two reasons for this, Mr. Chairman. First, there will be so many items which will not be finalized in this session, that it has seemed to us wise that in this early part of the history of our church that we should bring into more workable reasoning and more workable form.

Secondly, we call your attention emphatically that we are calling

for a working session of the General Conference, without pageantry and pomp, that we would come together for five days to get the work done.

Bishop Raines: May I ask you a question, sir? You are not calling for an adjourned session which would involve these delegates here present? You are calling for a special session which would require additional elections for delegates?

Dr. Hulit: It was our opinion, if I recall the discussion, that we were calling for these delegates and we were using the word special. If we were in error, we would be glad to change it.

Bishop Raines: Well, it would seem to the chair that if you mean these delegates to be present in any of the discussion, you would use the term, "adjourned."

Dr. Hulit: I would correct myself. Mr. Chairman, I would correct myself. We were talking about the delegates who will be in the United Conference, which would meet on Saturday, and not all the delegates who are here.

Motion to Defer—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River): May we inquire what the cost of this conference would be to the church?

Dr. Hulit: I have no idea.

Mr. Van Sickle: I think this is a pertinent question. I think we should defer action until we know what it would cost us. I so move.

Bishop Raines: The motion was what?

Mr. Van Sickle: I move to defer action until we know the cost.

Bishop Raines: The motion is to defer. Is it seconded? It is seconded.

Robert W. Preusch (New York—NE) stated the cost would be slightly under \$500,000.00.

Wilson O. Weldon (Western North Carolina—SE) spoke against the report.

Substitute Motion—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville): Mr. Chairman, I would like to offer a substitute for this matter before us, and that is that a constitutional amendment be initiated to enable the next General Conference to be held in the year 1971, and thereafter, our sessions to be biennial. If I could have a second to this, I would like to comment on it a moment.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded? It is.

Dr. Hightower: Now, Mr. Chairman, let me say our program for having a General Conference on election years is just natively a poor arrangement. All of us come here, dividing up, taking sides, joining parties, supporting candidates, and we are just not in the humor to get much consensus in an election year, and the present setup just does this.

Besides this, we have too much work to get done in four years' time. The log jam is too large, the load is too heavy, and we stay too long until all of us just get frustrated, worn out, and about exhausted. My proposal, therefore, means that in three years and, I would hope, seven months, since the date I'd like to see would be in October or November instead of the spring, that this time would give the study commission on the creeds time to do their work, finish their program for the year, the study on structure to be completed in its program.

I believe they can do this within three years and seven months time, and if we were to come then to a regular General Conference and then

be on an odd-numbered year—1971—we could then work on biennial sessions and then proceed without the confusion of these election years. I think the church is ready for this kind of proposal, and I suggest that a constitutional amendment be initiated to that effect.

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC) spoke against the substitute.

W. D. Cotton (Louisiana—SC) spoke against the report and the substitute.

John T. King (West Texas—SC) raised the question whether it would be a special session or an adjourned session.

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, we did debate this issue, whether we were talking about a special session or an adjourned session, and I am sure that I am not qualified to tell you which it is, but we meant to say that this would be calling together the delegates who will be here at the close of this General Conference. If that is an adjourned session, this is what it should be.

Question—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) questioned whether the Uniting Conference could order a session of the General Conference which did not meet until Saturday. *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) stated the General Conference Saturday could ratify this act.

The vote of the Hightower substitute was taken and lost.

Motion to Clarify—John B. Howes

John B. Howes (Central Pennsylvania): In order to clarify our situation, I move that we amend the report to use the words, "Adjourned Session," instead of "Special Session."

Bishop Raines: It is seconded. Do you wish to speak to it?

Mack Stokes (Holston): Mr. Chairman, I don't know whether this will help or not, but in the Constitution, under the General Conference on page 10, Article XIII speaks of a Special Session in which the delegates would remain the same unless an Annual Conference decided to choose another delegation. The term used in the Constitution is "Special Session."

Bishop Raines: I see. This does indicate that perhaps there is no need for it.

Roy R. Roudebush (North Indiana): I don't know that I have anything to say now, for the man who just spoke said about the same thing I wanted to say, except that I would add to what he said, a further sentence: "Such Special Session of the General Conference shall be composed of the delegates of the preceding General Conference, or their lawful successors, except that when a particular Annual Conference shall prefer to have a new election."

Bishop Raines: It seems to me that this covers the motion to change the word to "Adjourned." Are you willing to let it stand?

John Howes: Yes, sir. Let me withdraw the motion then.

Question for Clarification—Garfield Kellermann, Jr.

Garfield Kellermann, Jr. (Michigan): Mr. Chairman, I would ask a question regarding those conferences in the two-year period which

will be uniting. We will not have the same structure in many of the conferences throughout the denomination.

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): I think first, in answer to the question just asked, we had this problem when we met in Chicago, and there is a ruling of the Judicial Council which will be applicable so that any person seated here in Dallas would be seated in 1970 at the special session, even though the conference from which he had been elected had disappeared through a merger.

Secondly, let me say that this matter was considered at great length by the Joint Commissions on Church Union. This recommendation that comes from our Legislative Committee picks up a recommendation from the Commission on Church Union. We have done our best to bring a plan to Dallas. It has been reviewed, and amended in many places by the legislative committees. We will have to put the thing together as we leave Dallas, but it was our feeling that 1970 was not too soon to come together again and see how everything fitted together and how it was working. This was brought to you by the Commission on Church Union as an alternative to a number of petitions and a number of pleas that we have a constitutional amendment putting us on a two-year schedule. We did not feel free to recommend a constitutional amendment putting us on a two-year cycle, but we did feel that in 1970 we should meet together and then see whether it is necessary for this great church to go on to a regular two-year cycle.

Previous Question—John D. Humphrey

The Conference, on motion of John D. Humphrey (North Mississippi—SE) ordered the previous question on all before it.

James H. Reed (West Virginia—EUB) asked if the Uniting Conference could legislate for the General Conference; Bishop Raines stated this had been answered previously.

Question of Clarification—George Gilts

George Gilts (Ohio Sandusky): The question I have is which group of delegates does this include, the ones who are here or the ones for Saturday morning?

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, I did not use my prerogative of speaking. If I understood Mr. Parlin, this proper legal procedure will be that the United Conference, which meets Saturday morning, will approve the action of this General Conference, and at that time the delegates would be the members of that conference. And the legislation that was called to our attention in the Constitution—for which I apologize for not having had at my fingertips—mentions those delegates in the special session. It also calls attention, as I called attention to the chair, that any Annual Conference may choose to elect a new slate of delegates, which I assume would make it possible for a conference that had united to bring in a new set of delegates if it chose to do so.

Now, Mr. Chairman, our committee had discussed this at great length; as Mr. Parlin and others have said, we feel strongly that this is important, and we do urge you to vote for it.

Report No. 46 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 402; appendix page 1298.)

Committee on Presiding Officers—Thurman L. Dodson

Thurman L. Dodson (Baltimore—NE) announced that Bishop Everett W. Palmer would preside at the evening session.

Norman L. Conard (Oregon—W) called attention to the difficulty of having a plenary session after the evening program.

Motion to Reconsider—Walter F. Anderson

Walter Anderson (North Carolina Conference): I move that we reconsider the schedule that we voted on this afternoon and that there be no general session of the General Conference tonight.

Bishop Raines: The motion is to reconsider. Is there a second? Are you ready? If you will reconsider, lift the hand, please. Opposed?

Now you had another portion of that motion that we should not have a General Conference session tonight. Yes, you may speak. There is no motion before us except to reconsider your former motion.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) spoke against the motion of no plenary session.

Motion—Harold Karls

Harold Karls (Detroit): I move we dispense with the session tonight.

Bishop Raines: Is it seconded?

Time Extended

By common consent time was extended to decide this matter.

Eugene L. Smith (Northern New Jersey—NE) asked if the trouble was a matter of function or aesthetics. Dr. Conard replied that it meant moving equipment which would take time. *Robert E. Hayes* (Texas—SC) wanted to know if the time could be changed. Bishop Raines said all announcements had given the hour of meeting and this could hardly be changed.

The Conference voted not to have a night plenary session.

Privilege Resolution—Paul A. Duffey

Paul Duffey (Alabama-West Florida): Mr. Chairman, I would like to offer this resolution:

WHEREAS, Bishop Richard C. Raines has presided over this session of the General Conference with his usual efficiency and brotherly fairness; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Raines will retire before another session of the General Conference, and this will in all probability be the last session of a General Conference in which he will serve as presiding officer; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Raines has served with great distinction as church statesman and episcopal leader in world Methodism;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this conference express its profound appreciation and affection for Bishop Richard C. Raines. I move its adoption.

The resolution was adopted by a standing vote.

Motion—William P. Appelgate

William P. Appelgate (North Iowa): Mr. Chairman, in view of the work that we have laid out before us in the other two days that we are to be in session as the Uniting Conference, I would move that we meet at 8:00 tomorrow morning and dispense with our morning devotions so that we may get to the order of the day and cover the work that needs to be done.

Bishop Raines: I am not sure that this is in order unless it is your will. Is it your will so to act? If it is, lift the hand. Opposed? It is not your will.

Appreciation

Bishop Raines thanked the Conference, and asked that they express their appreciation for Bishop Ralph Alton who had given advice and help during the afternoon session.

Benediction—Bishop Harry P. Andreassen

Bishop Harry P. Andreassen pronounced the benediction, and the afternoon session adjourned.

NINTH DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop Edwin R. Garrison

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the ninth day, Thursday, May 2, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Edwin R. Garrison, Dakotas Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop W. Maynard Sparks

Bishop W. Maynard Sparks gave the call to worship. The Conference sang Hymn No. 59, "We Gather Together"; Bishop Sparks read the Scripture Lesson, Galatians 6:1-5. The Southwestern University Choir sang several anthems.

Bishop Sparks gave the devotional message (see appendix page 1037), and led the closing prayer. After the singing of Hymn No. 193, "Jesus, United by Thy Grace," he pronounced the benediction.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley: The Journal Committee has examined the record of the sessions of Monday evening, Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon and, we approve the same subject to the minor corrections that will be made by the Secretary.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will approve the report of the Committee on Journal lift their hand; those who are opposed? It is approved.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker: Bishop and members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by Chairman of the annual conference delegation for the afternoon plenary session of May 1, 1968. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the Journal. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will approve the report, lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is approved.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

On motion of *Joel D. McDavid* (Alabama-West Florida—SE) the Conference approved including in the minutes of the Conference resolutions of appreciation which might be turned in.

Resolution of Respect

Four years ago we, of the Pittsburgh Area, had the honor of entertaining the General Conference of The Methodist Church. At that time Bishop W. Vernon Middleton was among us in health and strength. By his leadership he infused that occasion with a sense of joy and friendly hospitality. Since then, in the mysterious providence of God, Bishop Middleton has been called to the Church Triumphant. We missed and we mourned him.

Yet, we would acknowledge that in the hour of our despair, we were remembered. The College of Bishops of the Northeastern Jurisdiction assigned the then-retired Bishop Frederick B. Newell as Resident Bishop of the Pittsburgh Area. He has administered our area with the vigor of youth and the wisdom of age. We want the whole church to know that we are grateful to him and to his gracious lady for the many sacrifices they have made on our behalf.

—Western Pennsylvania delegation

Resolution of Respect

Dr. McDavid requested that the following resolution be included in the minutes:

We have learned of the death on April 28, 1968, of Dr. Robert F. Rich, of Woolrich, Pa. A highly esteemed Methodist layman, he was repeatedly a delegate to the General Conferences of the former Methodist Church.

Death came to him in his 85th year and after a life-time of exemplary commitment to the welfare of his church.

He was a member of the Congress of the United States for 20 years and gained national attention therein as a persistent opponent of spendthrift government. He operated the Woolrich Woolen Mills, Inc., with unusual success; and from wealth thus accumulated, he made generous and frequent contributions to The Methodist Church, its institutions and agencies.

This was especially true of his support of Lycoming College, situated in Williamsport, Pa. He was president of its Board of Directors for 30 years, filling with distinction an office which had been occupied by his father before him. He leaves his imprint so indelibly upon this fast-growing college that I speak for its administration, its faculty, its alumni, and its friends, in asking this General Conference to note in the minutes this morning the death of Robert F. Rich, whose memory shall be that of a consecrated and faithful steward who performed long and well the ministry of the pew.

—Paul G. Gilmore (Susquehanna—EUB)

Courtesy Request

Dr. McDavid requested that a poem written by *Cecil R. Findley* (Kansas—EUB) poet laureate of the former E.U.B. Church, be printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*; it was approved.

Privilege Motions—Joel D. McDavid

Joel McDavid: Now, Mr. Chairman, we have had before our committee a number of requests concerning changes and procedural matters, and arrangements for the General Conference in the future. Our Committee has carefully evaluated all of these and we are able

to identify them. If you would wish, however, we would like to recommend that they be referred to the appropriate standing committees that these might be dealt with properly, and if the ones who have made these recommendations will see me I will be glad to tell them to which Committee, Commission, Council they have been referred in order that supporting information might be made available. I so move.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will approve lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is done.

Privilege Motion—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John Rixse (Virginia): This is a resolution that we thought ought to be acted upon by this body. I will read it: We resolve that this General Conference create a Study Committee composed of the Secretary of the General Conference, the chairman of the Rules Committee and five members of that committee, one from each Jurisdiction; and the chairman of the Committee on Reference and five members of that committee, one from each Jurisdiction, of the 1968 Conference (the respective committee members to be nominated by the Council of Bishops and approved by this Uniting Conference), said Committee to be convened at the call of the secretary of the General Conference, to study the existing Legislative Committee structure of the General Conference and to recommend such legislative committee structure as may be required to properly present all legislation for the General Conference sessions, and to more particularly delineate the scope and subject matter to be submitted to and considered by each committee; that this study committee report its recommendations to the next session of the General Conference for consideration and enactment by that conference, to be effective at the sessions of said conference. Signed by D. S. Patterson, John D. Herr, chairman of Rules Committee, W. Carroll Beatty, chairman of Committee of Reference, Thurman Dodson, and myself.

Bishop Garrison: The resolution is before you; it is signed by a number of persons; therefore, I think it does not need a second. All right, any discussion? Are you ready. As many as will approve lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is approved.

Privilege Matter—Willard Zellmer—Joel D. McDavid

Joel McDavid: Now Mr. Chairman, Mr. Willard Zellmer of the Pacific Northwest Conference has a matter to present to us from the Legislative Committee on Judicial Administration. I move we grant him this privilege.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will grant it lift the hand. Those who will oppose? It is done. All right, who is the person to present it. Mr. Zellmer.

Willard Zellmer (Pacific Northwest): I move that the Commission on Program and Entertainment of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church be authorized to invite persons who have served as members of the Judicial Council for a full term of eight years or more to attend future sessions of the General Conference as guests of the Conference. If I may have a second I will say a word.

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Mr. Zellmer: We have completed the election of the Judicial Council and the alternates and it has come to mind that the persons on the Council who are called to serve in a capacity of responsibility and generally little opportunity to recognize that service is given during the period of service. We felt it was proper that these members as they finish their terms of office on the Judicial Council be recognized

and be guests of this Council, and I trust that you will extend this courtesy to them.

Bishop Garrison: Anyone who cares to speak in the opposition? As many as will approve lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is approved.

Suspension of Rules—Joel D. McDavid

Joel McDavid: Now, Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Conference, we come to a very meaningful moment in the Uniting Conference when we honor and express our gratitude to the bishops who will be retiring at the close of the Jurisdictional Conferences.

We call upon Bishop Short to guide us in this sacred time. With your permission and further permission for an appropriate response from one of their number, I move that this permission be granted and since we are under the three minute rule I believe it might take longer than three minutes. I move the suspension of rules for the completion of this matter.

Bishop Garrison: If you will suspend the rules, will you lift the hands? Opposed? They are suspended.

Presentation of Retiring Bishops—Bishop Roy H. Short— Bishop Nolan B. Harmon Takes Chair

Bishop Garrison: I'll ask my back-up bishop this morning, Bishop Nolan Harmon, to take the chair at this moment since I am one of the persons participating in this.

Bishop Nolan B. Harmon: Bishop Short.

Bishop Short: Bishop Harmon and friends, it is a high honor to present to the Conference these brethren who at the coming Jurisdictional and Central Conferences will be retiring. I'll ask them to come here if they will.

Bishop Harmon: Do you wish to call the names, Bishop Short?

Bishop Short: Yes. We are going to present them one by one, starting on my left Bishop Zottele of the Santiago Area; Bishop Singh of the Delhi Area in India; Bishop Gum was elected eight years ago, has served the Louisville Area and the Richmond Area; Bishop Garber was elected in 1944, served the Geneva Area, the Richmond Area, and the Raleigh Area; Bishop Corson, elected in 1944 has served the Philadelphia Area the full period; Bishop Angie Smith elected in 1944 has served the Oklahoma Area the entire time; Bishop Fred Holloway elected eight years ago has served the West Virginia Area.

Bishop Garrison elected in 1960 has served the Dakotas Area; Bishop Paul Martin elected in 1944 has served the Little Rock Area and the last eight years the Houston Area; Bishop Donald Tippettt elected in 1948 has served the San Francisco Area the entire time; Bishop Wunderlich has served in our work in Germany for four quadrennia.

Bishop T. Otto Nall was elected in 1960, has served the St. Paul Area; Bishop Heininger, I wasn't around in the EUB Church when he was elected but he has served the Northwestern Area, he has been resident in Minneapolis three quadrennia; Bishop Valencia has served two Areas in the Philippines, the Manila and Baguio Areas five quadrennia.

Bishop Barbieri in Latin America, Central Conference, I am not sure of the years but I think about five quadrennia. Bishop Sundaram in India has served 12 years and Bishop Raines who was elected in 1948 and has served the Indiana Area the entire time.

I have tried to do a little figuring and I think these brethren represent a total of something like 260 years in the episcopal office. Now there are little stories that I could tell about almost all of them but we will not do that this morning. Bishop Paul Martin will respond for the group.

Bishop Harmon: Bishop Martin.

Bishop Paul Martin: Mr. Chairman, Bishop Short and my friends, the class of 1968 comes to this hour with a sense of deep appreciation to our beloved church for the rich privilege that has been ours. We are grateful to our families for that spirit of understanding that has brought strength and comfort as we have faced our responsibility.

It has been necessary to be away from home some times for a long period. We have returned to the ones we loved and who loved us for our own sake. We are grateful to the ministers we have known. Sometimes they have wondered about the wisdom of our appointments, but with loyalty and devotion they have accepted these appointments. We come this morning convinced that the appointing system is a guarantee of the freedom of the pulpit. We are grateful for the great lay body of our church. We have often had the suspicion that they believe that they were more capable than we were in the matter of making appointments.

Sometimes they have even suggested, in a subtle manner, that such is true, but again we have been touched by their loyalty, their devotion and their generosity. Some years ago I was holding an annual conference in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas and on the opening day, I was given a letter written in pencil on yellow paper in which the man who wrote it said "I am an atheist, I never attend church, I never read the Bible but I would hate like 'H'" and he spelled it out "to live in a town without preacher Pruitt."

We went ahead and had the conference and at the close of the conference they told me that someone was calling me long distance, that had happened before, when I went to the phone, it was this man who said "I am that atheist that wrote you that letter. Did you send Pruitt back?" and I said that I did and he said "Thank God."

So, we hope that the laymen have always said "Thank God." We are grateful to these wonderful colleagues of ours, the fellowship with the Council of Bishops has been a rich and meaningful one for each of us. At the close of this General Conference we will never have a right to vote in that Council of Bishops but praise the Lord we can, and we are determined so to do. We are grateful for the mission fields we have visited and the opportunity to know the heroic men and women who labor there, together with the members of the churches across the world. We are inspired and challenged by them. We are grateful for a church, this morning, with a program that is great enough to challenge the most gifted person and simple enough to bless a little child.

We come to this moment thinking of it as a joyous occasion. At least two of us will be in Oklohomia City when we have the Jurisdictional Conference. I don't know about the others but we will sing on that Saturday morning "Oh, What A Beautiful Morning." We approach this coming Jurisdictional Conference confident that new opportunities will challenge us and that the God we serve will continue to guide and keep us. We believe the church has its most glorious days ahead of it. The Class of '68 salute you and wishes you God's speed. (The Conference stood in honor of these retiring bishops.)

Bishop Harmon: I think it is another high privilege that I who am a retired Bishop had the opportunity to welcome to the retired ranks these of our brethren who are coming with us now.

Privilege Matter—A. Dudley Ward

A. Dudley Ward: Mr. Chairman, members of the General Conference, and friends, when the Commission on Entertainment and Program requested the general agencies to prepare a program for this conference and scheduled it for us, the agency of the Council of Secretaries attempted to find a man who could best portray for us the great experience of worship in a unique setting. And we would like to present to you this morning the man who directed that program and his associate, since the nature of that program did not permit us to do it last evening. I therefore have the great opportunity to present to you, Dr. Robert Seaver, professor of Speech and Drama and Communication of Union Theological Seminary in New York, and his associate, Mr. Richard Casler. I would like the Conference to greet them.

Bishop Garrison: We are grateful, indeed, to these gentlemen for the splendid program which they presented for us last night.

Committee on Agenda—Douglas F. Verdin

Douglas F. Verdin (New York): Mr. Chairman, the Committee on Agenda brings you the report which is printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, with one or two changes. You will note that we are a bit ahead of time, and the order of the day set for 9:30 is the ballot for election of Judicial Council members. I understand that no further ballot will be necessary, simply an announcement. So I should like to suggest that another report be inserted at that point; namely, the report from the Joint Commission on Church Union, Dr. Charles C. Parlin, co-secretary; and that following that, if there is still time before the morning recess, that we move immediately again to the legislative reports, the Calendar under the chairmanship of Dr. Kirkpatrick. With that, sir, I should like to move that as the order for this morning, and then speak again about the afternoon.

Bishop Garrison: If you will approve this—there is one question I have in regard to the ballot for the Judicial Council. Do you have the alternates elected?

Dr. Verdin: I believe, sir, that will come in the announcement from the Secretary.

Bishop Garrison: All right. If you will approve these changes in the agenda, lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is done.

Dr. Verdin: Now concerning the afternoon session, you will note that it is scheduled to start at 2:30. There was a motion yesterday afternoon that this morning session be moved to 8:00, but that did not carry. I'm wondering if there is someone in the house who, in light of the rather considerable amount of work to do before this Conference, would be willing to move that the afternoon session begin at 2:00 instead of 2:30.

Bishop Garrison: The motion is that we meet at 2:00 for the afternoon session. Those who will approve, lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It's approved.

Joint Commission on Church Union—Charles C. Parlin

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): If you will turn to your Blue Book, page 368, paragraph eight. You will find a provision. . . . The second sentence reads: "In unifying the work of the agencies, there shall be as between the two churches an equitable distribution of administrative posts, and no person presently employed shall be expected to serve at less than such person's compensation immediately

prior to union." Your Joint Commission has been working on this problem. It has been very difficult, but I must say that in the leadership of the secretariat of both churches, we have had wonderful cooperation. We will bring to you in the ordinary courses of the work here the resolution in which there has been resolved the formula for determining what is an equitable distribution. I believe this will reach the floor of the Uniting Conference today. If it is adopted, your Commission on Church Union will thereafter bring in an itemized schedule showing the allocation of EUB and Methodist personnel to the various posts in the various agencies. This will have to be along later in the program because, as yet, this house has not taken action to establish the Commission on Religion and Race nor the Program Council, but your Joint Commissions will be prepared to bring an agreed schedule before you at the proper time.

Bishop Garrison: This is a statement for your information, as I understand, and requires no action now.

Result of Ballot for Alternate Members of the Judicial Council

Charles White: This is a report of your election of your reserve or alternate members of the Judicial Council. The following were elected: John Dowd, with 814 votes; John Herr, 722; Alva H. Clark, 678; Harvey C. Hahn, 547; Farris F. Moore, 538; Kenneth W. Adams, 525.

The laymen: J. Carlisle Holler, 838; Floyd H. Coffman, 755; Paul V. Shearer, 645; Richard Eschelmann, 548; Leonard Sorg, 467; W. Davis Cotton, 439.

Nominations From Council of Bishops—Bishop Roy H. Short

(Editor's note: In line with later action by the Uniting Conference, any substitutes named are listed herein in order to have correct lists.)

Bishop Short read the following nominations, and upon nomination of John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) they were elected.

Council on World Service:

Bishop Hardin, Bishop Ensley, Bishop Mueller; *Garrett H. Evans*, West Virginia (NE); Edward Ross, Baltimore (NE); John R. Harper, Philadelphia (NE); Robert W. Preusch, New York (NE); Carlton Rogers, Rock River (NC); Byron F. Stroh, Indiana (NC); James Crippen, Detroit (NC); Ronald G. Weber, Northeast Ohio (NC); Monroe Vivion, Texas (SC); Joe Scrimshire, New Mexico (SC); Alten Raney, Little Rock (SC); G. Leon Netterville, Louisiana (SC); Harold C. Martin, N. Alabama (SE); John Curry, South Carolina (SE); Sam Banks, Florida (SE); Richard E. Thigpen, Western North Carolina (SE); Franklin Thompson, Pacific Northwest (W); Ray W. Ragsdale, Southern California-Arizona (W); Frank Webber, California-Nevada (W); Chester M. Alter, Rocky Mountain (W).

At Large: G. Wesley Lewis, Philadelphia; Mrs. W. H. McCallum, Rock River; Dorothy McConnell, New York; Mrs. Robert Armstrong, North Iowa; Carl W. Miller, Northwest Texas; Lawrence Cooper, Pacific Northwest; Foye Gibson, Holston; Warren Mentzner, Eastern EUB; William Messner, Ohio Miami EUB; Paul Adrian, Kansas EUB; Edward C. Tutwiler, Virginia EUB.

Structure of Methodism Overseas:

Bishops Taylor, Palmer, Howard, Wicke, Shungu, Hagen, Guansing; one bishop to be elected in India; Wilbur Ziegler, New England (NE); Mrs. Preston Harrington, Northern New Jersey (NE); Russell R. Patton, Kentucky (SE); Charles White, Tennessee (SE); Mrs. W. W. Zohl, Minnesota (NC); Russell Huffman, North Dakota (NC); Virgil Morris, Louisiana (SC); Edmund D. McDonald, Missouri West (SC); Robert Panzer, California-Nevada (W); Willard Zellmar, Pacific Northwest (W); Robert Nielson, North Europe Central Conference; Emerito P. Naepil, Philippines Central Conference; Yap Kim Hao, Southeast Asia Central Conference; Paul McCleary, Latin America Central Conference; Robert Gebhardt, Southern Europe Central Conference; Ernest Sommer, Germany Central Conference; Rev. Zacharias, Central Africa Central Conference; Bishop A. J. Shaw, Southern Asia Central Conference; Eric Mitchell, Southern Asia Central Conference; Bishop Nagbe, Liberia Central Conference; and the Bishop of Pakistan.

Methodist Corporation:

Bishops Hardin, Ensley, Goodson, Kearns, Copeland, Golden; Merrill Drennan, Baltimore (NE); T. L. Dodson, Baltimore (NE); Gilbert Ramsey, South Georgia (SE); W. B. Black, South Carolina (SE); Kenneth Metcalf, North Iowa (NC); Ralph McIntyre, Detroit (NC); Don Redmond, Southwest Texas (SC); John Frey, Nebraska (SC); Randall Phillips, Southern California-Arizona (W); Erwin Schweibert, Idaho (W); Bishop Noah Moore, Bishop Webb, and Bishop Kaebnick—at large. R. Bryan Brawner, A. Dudley Ward, Dale White, Chairman Division of General Welfare, Board of Christian Social Concerns.

Board of Trustees:

T. R. Buzzard, Pacific Northwest-EUB; Harry R. Blanset, Western Pennsylvania-EUB; Vinson M. Mouser, Louisiana; W. Roland Walker, Virginia; William Ferguson, Florida; Reber Bolt, Tennessee; Fremont C. Fletcher, Minnesota; Clyde Walker, Oregon; Bishop Roy H. Short; Roland Riddick, Virginia; Arthur Terry, Little Rock; Clayton Hoag, Wyoming; Edward W. Harris, Missouri East.

Board of Pensions:

Bishop Lord; Merritt Clymer—Lay—Ohio East EUB; W. D. Hawkins—Lay—Tennessee-Kentucky; J. Wesley Hole—Lay—Southern California-Arizona; Kenneth W. Hobbes, Kansas EUB; Arnold Herbst; C. J. Lupo, Jr., South Carolina; John D. Herr, Philadelphia; Herbert Minga, North Texas.

Family Life Commission:

Bishops Hunt, Copeland, Milhouse, and Frank; B. C. Goodwin, Jr., New Mexico; Albert Sweazy, Kentucky; Forest Friess, Northern New Jersey; David Harshman, Southern California-Arizona; Mrs. James Rice, Little Rock; James Mack, South Carolina.

Commission on Worship:

Bishop Webb, Bishop Herrick; Hoyt Hickman, Western Pennsylvania (NE); Mrs. Leighton Harrell, Baltimore (NE); Eugene Holmes, South Carolina (SE); J. D. Killingsworth (SE); Marvin Schilling, East Wisconsin (NC); Paul Davis, Central Illinois (NC); Grady Hardin, Texas (SC); Mrs. Wilbur Longstretch, Missouri East (SC); Chilton C. McPheeters, Southern California-Arizona (W); Robert Hammond, California-Nevada (W); W. F. Dunkle, Rock

River (NC); Eugene Drinkard, North Georgia (SE); Joe Harding, Pacific Northwest (W).

University Senate:

Wayne Clymer, Lynn Turner, Robert E. Burns, Arland F. Christ-Janer, Lowell S. Ensor, William C. Finch, Waights G. Henry, Jr., Wesley Westerberg, Jack S. Wilkes, Ernest T. Dixon.

Board of Missions:

Bishops Loder, Goodson, Mathews, Herrick, Alton, Wicke, Ward, Palmer, Copeland, Howard, Stuart, Allen, Golden, Washburn, Stowe, Nagbe, Shaw, Schaefer.

Board of Education:

Bishops Henley, Thomas, Slater, Stowe, Frank, Pryor, Palmer, Howard, Noah Moore, Kearns, Walton, Kaebnick, Pendergrass; one to be elected by Northeastern Jurisdiction; one to be elected by South-eastern Jurisdiction.

Board of Publication:

Bishops Kaebnick and Kennedy.

Board of the Laity:

Bishops Galloway, Kennedy, Sparks, Hunt and Allen.

Board of Evangelism:

Bishops Pendergrass, Noah Moore, Sparks, one to be elected by the Northeastern Jurisdiction, one to be elected by the North Central Jurisdiction.

Board of Social Concerns:

Bishops Golden, Pope, Kaebnick, J. O. Smith, Thomas, Lord, Stuart, Finger, one bishop to be elected by South Central Jurisdiction, one bishop to be elected by North Central Jurisdiction.

Board of Health and Welfare Ministries:

Bishops Galloway, Herrick, Alton, one bishop to be elected in the Northeastern Jurisdiction, one bishop to be elected in the Western Jurisdiction.

Board of Deaconess Service:

Bishop J. O. Smith.

Statement on Procedure—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, if you work as well today as you have every other day, only a little longer than you have other days, I think you will go to bed tonight with a sense of satisfaction of accomplishment, and an assurance that we can wisely and carefully make use of our time tomorrow. Our proposal for today is that we now complete the one item left on the church-state report; that we then turn to the committee chairmen, giving each chairman approximately 45 minutes to bring forward whatever and as many items as he can out of his committee before he rotates off, to give another chairman his chance. We will begin that procedure with Local Church and Conferences. This should get before us some of the crucial matters in uniting these churches, both at the local church level and at the general level.

Motion to Reconsider—Harold Karls

Harold Karls (Detroit): I discussed with the Chairman, Dr. Albrecht, the matter that looks like an apparent error that crept into one of our former reports, and at his suggestion I would like to make a motion to reconsider on Page 458 the first sentence of the first complete paragraph. If I may have a second I will give you the reason for it.

Bishop Garrison: Does this have to do with the report we have before us?

Mr. Karls: No. It is on a report adopted yesterday.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will reconsider lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is not a very strong vote but it seems to be reconsidered.

Calendar No. 259 Reconsidered—Harold Karls

Mr. Karls: Mr. Chairman, on page 458 in the first complete paragraph of the third column, it says: "to fulfill its responsibility in education, sometimes the government and non-public educational institutions need to enter into a cooperative relationship." In response to a question from the floor, as to what the word "its" meant in the first line, Dr. Albrecht said its meant government. Then somebody from the floor asked that that be changed to read "their" and I think that this has changed the complete meaning of it. Dr. Albrecht agrees, and I would like to move then that we change the word "their" to read "the government's." and in the second line, the word "the government" to read "it" so it would read this way: "To fulfill the government's responsibility in education, sometimes it and non-public institutions," and so on. I think Dr. Albrecht would speak to it too.

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded. As many as will approve will lift the hand. Those who are opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 458; appendix page 1246.)

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 16—
Calendar No. 262—Joseph H. Albrecht**

Dr. Albrecht: This is 262 and to get it before us I would like to move that we adopt Calendar Item 262.

Amendment—Franklin Blackstone, Jr.

Franklin Blackstone (Western Pennsylvania): The amendment deals with Roman Numeral IV, in the middle of page 460, and is approximately 8 lines down, following the parenthetical expression "should continue to exercise the right to advocate government policy" and then the amendment would begin "which involve basic moral or ethical issues and questions" down to the semicolon, and the amendment would then end.

Bishop Garrison: Are you substituting for material which follows the word "which"?

Mr. Blackstone: Between "which" and the semicolon, I would substitute for "that following language involve basic moral or ethical issues and questions." And if I may have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Mr. Blackstone: Mr. Chairman, I believe that it may very well be that the difference which is expressed in this language and language which precedes it was entirely inadvertent.

If I were a member of the Commission on Social Concerns and had worked as hard and as well as they did by the time I got to the last item I would have probably gotten kind of sleepy too, but you will notice in the first part of page 460, in fact, the very beginning of the page there is a clear and unequivocal statement which says that the church has the right and duty to speak on questions which involve basic moral or ethical issues and questions, at the very top of page 460.

I deeply believe this, yet I think we are writing into the legislation if we do not make this change a double standard, two standards, one of which says that we believe in speaking on basic moral issues, and another of which says, in a different place, about those issues which someone may regard as essential to attainment of goals of a responsible society.

I submit that all of us can disagree in good conscience as to what is and is not a basically moral question at a given time, and yet there is an ascertainable standard by which we can proceed, but to say that the church is, can, or should devote itself to what a particular small group, large group, any group happens to believe, this, a goal of a responsible society, raises a serious question as to where we would go and in what direction.

In fact, we may find ourselves going in all sorts of directions on all sorts of questions. I think it is particularly relevant in terms of the fact that sometimes we can talk to ourselves, and talk to ourselves so long and so often that we believe the whole world agrees with us. It is for this reason, for the reasons of clarity, for the reasons of consistency, and for the reasons that I believe the church has a duty to speak on basic moral questions, basic issues, and nothing else that I offer this amendment.

Dr. Albrecht said this committee had no real argument with the amendment, but wanted the Conference to decide.

The amendment carried.

Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE) wanted to know if it should not be pointed out that church-government references only referred to the United States. Dr. Albrecht stated that overseas delegates would be anxious to use some included items, but that the Commission would accept some such statement.

Motion—*Edward G. Carroll*

Dr. Carroll: Mr. Chairman, I would therefore like to move that such a statement be prepared clearly delineating the fact that the church-government relationships pertain only to the United States. Do I get a second?

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Dr. Carroll: Mr. Chairman, I should like to yield my privilege of speaking to this motion to the Rev. J. D. Joshi from North India.

Motion to Extend Time—*Robert E. Hayes*

Time was extended to hear Mr. Joshi on motion of *Robert E. Hayes* (Texas—SC).

R. D. Joshi (North India): Mr. Chairman, yesterday during the discussion on this report on church-state relations, I tried to get the attention of the chair nearly four times and I believe that he did see me but for some reason I was not recognized.

I am sorry that I was not able to make my statement yesterday. It is just a point of clarification. It was pointed out by the secretary of the committee that the legislation here provided does not apply to countries overseas and yet in the voting we as members of The United Methodist Church were supposed to vote for or against the report.

Now I would like to have it clearly stated in the body of the minutes that we, some of us at least from overseas countries, had no part in the voting, we abstained because as you read the entire report there are parts in the report which, at least to some of us, seem to conflict with some of the national policies of our governments and are other adversely critical of their positions. So we are not likely to be a party to this report.

Order of the Day

Time for the Order of the Day having arrived, debate was postponed on report No. 16.

Privilege Matter—J. Kenneth Forbes

J. Kenneth Forbes (Indiana—NC) as a matter of privilege, called attention to the fact that the presiding officer could not always determine those seeking to speak.

Council on World Service and Finance—James Crippen—Joseph Johnson—Robert W. Preusch

James Crippen (Detroit): Mr. Chairman, delegates, if you would turn in your *Daily Christian Advocate* to page 479, we can begin some material. You will recall that when we began the presentation of the report of the Council on World Service and Finance, there were numerous requests from the floor to get some overall picture of where we were going in this whole financial matter; and I agreed that at a later date we would try to present to you some composite of the financial picture and on page 479 you have that material.

You have had it in your hands now a day or so and perhaps you have had an opportunity to examine it. I think just a moment or two might be helpful, however. What we need to do this morning is two things, we need to perfect the balance of the report of the Council on World Service and Finance for various reports were intentionally not presented; in addition to that we need to report to you on certain matters that have been referred to us from the floor but I think it will be helpful to you before we go into any of those matters if we spend a minute looking at this large composite.

To get some large overall concept of where we are and where we think we are going, let's look together at page 479. I think the columns there are all self-explanatory, the left-hand column beginning with \$18,000,000 is, of course, the Methodist quadrennial annual asking for this last quadrennium, \$2,800,000 figure which is the EUB amount is the amount which the Evangelical United Brethren church raised and paid into what we would call World Service and the total then of \$20,827,000 would be the annual amount that we have been raising or which we anticipate raising at least this last year of the quadrennium for World Service.

Again across the column you will see that the agencies requested for the quadrennium an annual asking in terms of World Service only of some \$34,800,000 and then on the right hand of that, you will see your action which was to approve a \$25,000,000 annual quadrennial asking for World Service.

Those of you who are our former EUB brothers, perhaps will not be as familiar with the budget fashion that we have used in The Methodist Church. On the left hand side of that page you will see the categories World Service and then General Administration Fund, the Episcopal Fund, the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund and the Temporary General Aid Fund.

The Methodist Church has a history of having these five general funds and all the money that we raise on apportionment falls within one of those categories. On the right hand side, therefore, you will see a combination of these funds of some \$30,000,000 recommended for the next quadrennium. You have not yet acted on that whole \$30,000,000, you have only acted on two or three of the items, but it is anticipated that when we get through here, we will have adopted the asking of some \$30,000,000 plus.

Starting with World Service of \$25 million you have already approved that; you have not yet had the report of the General Administration Fund and you will get that in a few minutes and there will be some increase there. The Episcopal Fund you have approved some \$2,700,000; the Interdenominational Fund you have not yet had, as corrected, so the \$704,000 is not correct yet but will be corrected in a few moments. The Temporary General Aid Fund of \$1,000,000 will be the amount which we will recommend in a few moments but generally speaking when you look at the whole composite, we are talking about some \$30,000,000 in The Methodist Church that we are giving to apportionments. You will find directly underneath that the quadrennial emphasis, financial goal of \$20,000,000 in which you have already, of course, participated and when it comes time to move the adoption of our reports today, Mr. Chairman, I would like to have included within that report an indication that the council, of course, has approved the quadrennial financial asking of \$20,000,000. Underneath that appears the ministerial education fund, of which we have already had a great deal of discussion.

We anticipate that this will raise approximately \$8,000,000 across the quadrennium on a two percent assessment. Some of you have asked what kind of money are we giving to the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund and the balance of that page deals with this general subject.

On the left-hand side we have tried to list for you the money which the National Council of Churches gets from Methodism and from the former EUB Church which perhaps you might not be aware of. For example, you see the item marked "General Administration \$1,500,000" and then "Division of Christian Education \$220,000" and so on down the list. This totals \$1,647,500.

This is money which is paid to the National Council of Churches from our various boards and agency budgets. That is, we raise money, money goes to these various boards and agencies and then they in turn participate in part of the program of National Council of Churches and this division of money indicates that this money goes into these various budgets of the National Council of Churches, in other words in to the General Administration budget of the National Council of Churches we as Methodists agencies in addition to the money which you pay out apportionment we pay in \$1,500 into that budget, that is paid by our agencies.

Now you might well ask who's paying this, which boards and agencies of our church are paying this, and I shall not take the time to give you this information but it is available to you once a year. The Council on World Service and Finance makes a detailed report of the receipts of these various organizations and we can tell you right to the penny which particular board or agencies are paying in to these various budgets of the National Council of Churches, but suffice it to

say at the moment the National Council of Churches receives \$1,647,500 in addition to the \$401,000 which we give.

At the bottom of the page is again a summary of how we breakdown money between National Council of Churches, the World Council of Churches and again the Commission on Chaplains and others. Just a word of information, when we say Commission on Chaplains this is not our Chaplain Commission, this is the whole Interdenominational Commission on Chaplains as administered through the Council of Churches.

So what we have really tried to do here is to just give you some composite of where we have been and where we think we are going, now one further word and then I shall be finished. There are probably some items which will come before the conference which we don't know about yet and there are rumors that various boards and agencies will have special kinds of askings but formally we don't know anything about them and so we have not put them in here because we just don't anticipate things until you as a body refer them to us.

A. J. Armstrong (Indiana): I think in report 17 on page 487 there are some revisions for what appears here in this parenthetical three.

James Crippen: That is correct, this item that I have given you has not yet been perfected, this was printed before recent action of the council and in just a moment you will have some updating. I was trying to keep you on one page so that you wouldn't start to shuffle all the pages. Because once we start to shuffle pages you are really going to be lost. You ought to have some general grasp of the whole picture, and that is the whole purpose of this page 479 and I think now we are ready to go along with it.

First of all let me say there is no proposed change in the \$25,000,000 annual quadrennial goal of Council of World Service and Finance. So we are ready now to move to the second item which is the General Administration Fund and a member of the Council on World Service and Finance, Mr. Joseph Johnson, will bring you those corrections and tell you where to find them.

Bishop Garrison: Mr. Johnson.

Joseph Johnson (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, on page 478 of the *Advocate*, report of the Council on World Service, report No. 15, now there are several changes that will be made here that will affect the overall total as originally reported in the *Advocate*. Now by your action on yesterday, to have an adjourned session of the General Conference in 1970, naturally changes the item related to General Conference expense, so instead of \$197,500 make that \$322,500.

If you will come on down to where it says Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, there was a request from this commission to place this as an apportionment. The council gave it much study and felt that we would not recommend that we do that. However, we have changed the figure from \$48,000 to \$63,000, make the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs \$63,000. Now we made this change within the framework of the operating contingent fund. We took \$49,500 out of the contingent fund and brought this total up.

Now if you will come on down to the bottom and make this change, instead of \$1,283,132 make that \$1,423,132. Now, Mr. Chairman and members of the conference, the rest of our report will be given by Mr. Robert Preusch from New York.

Bishop Garrison: Mr. Robert Preusch.

Robert Preusch (New York): Now you have before you on page 479 first the World Service which remains unchanged, General Administration which has just been presented by Joe Johnson, the Episcopal Fund which has already been adopted as presented and we come down to the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund. Now in

reviewing line Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, I would like to call your attention to report number 17 in today's *Advocate* found on page 487.

On this report you will note that the Council on World Service and Finance has reviewed the report and has also reviewed the referral that was sent back to them under Legislative Report No. 54. After their deliberation, they have recommended that the National Council of Churches be changed from the original recommended amount of \$453,390 to \$500,000; the World Council to \$250,000 as sub-divided and the other totals remain the same and a grand total in the Interdenominational Cooperation Fund of \$777,500.

So if you will take your report now on page 479, I will give you the corrections to make and then we can discuss it. On page 479 in the last money column to the right, reading from the top down under the amount \$25,000,000 which is on the World Service line, the next line you will insert a corrected amount for the Administration Fund which was just reported before by the preceding speaker, to read \$1,423,132. Then you will skip over the item of \$2,700,000 which remains the same and you will change the amount \$704,740 to read \$777,500, and the total at the bottom should be changed to read \$30,900,632.

On the next item of the Temporary General Aid Fund we are recommending as you will note, \$1,000,000. This matter was also referred back to us, we had originally recommended an item of \$290,000 for minimum salary and \$500,000 for pension. This was referred back and we are now recommending the total amount of \$1,000,000; \$500,000 for pensions and \$500,000 for minimum salaries. With that you have all the corrections and we then will move our reports, starting with the first report that has not yet been voted on through, unless there are questions that you want to handle at this time on the total report.

Amendment—Seth W. Granberry

Bishop Garrison: I recognize the man on my left. I can't see that microphone, microphone No. 3. Your name and conference, please.

Seth Granberry (Mississippi): On page 116, report number 12 of the Council of World Service and Finance, under minimum salary number 1, I move that the amount of \$290,000 which has already been lifted, be raised to a level where no person shall be assigned to a full-time appointment in the United Methodist Church without a minimum salary of \$5,000 per year. And where this amount is more than is now being paid by an Annual Conference the difference shall be supplied by the General Church of the Temporary Aid Fund. If I have a second, I would like to speak to this.

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Mr. Granberry: We have called upon the general public to practice fair employment. We hire many ministers in The Methodist Church at below the established minimum wage, if this figure that I have suggested is adopted, it will put The Methodist Church to practicing what we ask other people to practice. This would then be a wage of less than \$2 per hour, if a person worked 40 hours a week.

In my state, many of our Negro brethren are operating under salary conditions that are simply scandalous. We do not have the finances for a minimum salary at this level without the assistance of the church. We have voted a great deal of money here for many things, I think the men who have got to raise it ought to be paid.

Clarence M. Winchester (Western North Carolina—SE) wanted to know how the special session of the General Conference would be cared for if only \$125,000.00 had been

placed in the budget for it; the answer given was that this was an annual increase.

Amendment to Refer—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, I move that we refer this amendment to the Council on World Service and Finance for study and a report back at this Conference.

Bishop Garrison: The motion is on reference, any discussion? Is it seconded? It is seconded. All right speak only briefly sir.

Mr. Thorpe: There is a great principle involved here, sir, but it is a pretty complicated matter and we have no idea of the price tag, but I am concerned as much about the administrative complexity as about the cost, so we need to give the responsible body an opportunity to at least have a few hours study and then to give us their deliberate judgment.

Edwin E. Reeves (Southern California-Arizona—W) asked if the exact amount this amendment would require could be given. The Council was not sure adequate data could be given at this session, but the Council could look at it and do no more than recommend a grand total which the church might raise.

The amendment to refer the Granberry motion to the Council on World Service and Finance prevailed.

Amendment to Refer—Robert M. Blackburn

Robert M. Blackburn (Florida): I move that the apportioning of the 1968-72 World Service Budget be referred once again to the Council on World Service and Finance, with the possibility of establishing a maximum and minimum percentage of level of apportionments to the annual conference. If I get a second I would like to speak to it, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Garrison: It is seconded.

Dr. Blackburn: If you note on page 487 in column 3, there is a note down at the bottom saying that these figures, as they appear on page 667 are no longer accurate, will need to be refigured any how. In light of that I think it would be fair to ask our Council on World Service and Finance to refigure once again on the apportionment basis.

Some conferences, according to the budget as it is presented here, have an increase of 44 percent in the World Service Fund. You add to this your increases in General Administration Fund, the Temporary General Aid Fund, Interdenominational Co-operation Fund, the Fund for Reconciliation, and the Higher Education Fund of 2 percent, I know of one conference that will get 73% increase in askings by the general church.

For some conferences, these are great increases, for some there are no increases in World Service; they are getting the Reconciliation Fund, I acknowledge, but no increases for some conferences on World Service. This inflicts a hardship upon the growing conferences because of the former system based on growth of membership, budgets and likewise.

I remind the Conference, Mr. Chairman, that as a conference grows it also has responsibilities that are costly in the area of church extension. We feel that such a hardship as will be inflicted upon some of our large conferences who are rapidly growing, will resort in the possible failure of these conferences being able to pay their askings in

full, and so we appeal once again for a reasonable look at the apportioning program, perhaps not to change the formula, nor the figure but to set a ceiling on the apportionments to the Annual Conferences.

James Crippen (Detroit—NC) spoke for the Council against referral.

The amendment was not referred.

Report No. 15

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) asked if the General Administration report was still before the house.

Mr. Preusch moved that Report No. 15, as amended, be adopted.

Amendment—*Merlyn W. Northfelt*

Merlyn Northfelt: I would like to make the following amendment to No. 15, that the item Religion in American Life currently at \$35,000 be reduced to \$15,000 and the \$20,000 be transferred to item on Commission on Ecumenical Affairs. If I can have a second—I will speak to it.

Bishop Garrison: It is seconded. Proceed.

Dr. Northfelt: I think the matter here is one of priority. The report in the quadrennial report sent to each delegate indicates that this church of ours is a member of Religion in American Life, first as I believe has five board members, has some financial responsibility. However, the report also states that out of the \$100,000 received from all denominations, The Methodist Church has given \$35,000 of this.

This seems that this proportionate share of responsibility to me, particularly in light of our inability to come up with enough so that our Commission on Ecumenical Affairs really has the staff and the program needed in time to give us leadership. Therefore, I support wholeheartedly the change.

Donald E. Redmond (Southwest Texas—SC) spoke against the amendment. *Robert E. Cushman* (North Carolina—SE) spoke in favor of the amendment.

Charles A. Sayre (Southern New Jersey—NE) requested Bishop Prince Taylor to speak concerning Religion in American Life.

Bishop Garrison: Bishop Taylor, do you care to speak? Will you give permission to Bishop Taylor to speak. As many as will lift their hand. Those who are opposed? Bishop Taylor.

Bishop Taylor: Mr. Chairman, friends, Religion in American Life is an interdenominational and interfaith organization which promotes the faith through advertising. It was organized more than 20 years ago; a Methodist organized this organization. Five members of the Methodist Church are on this board. Last year it got the support of \$15,000,000 of free advertising of the affairs of the faith through radio, television, and the press.

I am amazed at anybody here not knowing about Religion in American Life. It is a tremendous organization. You raised the question as to why we give \$35,000, and the other denominations give less. Don't forget, friend, we represent approximately 11,000,000 people, more than any other Protestant denomination. I would beg you not to reduce this amount. Really you ought to give more, \$35,000 is a small

amount and if you take away \$15,000, it isn't enough to do ecumenical affairs any good. You will give a tremendous blow to Religion in American Life, for while we get this advertising free, we do have to support our staff, and we depend on what the denominations give for this purpose.

Lyman Firestone (Missouri West—SC) wanted to know if the \$20,000.00 added would be added to \$48,000.00 or to \$63,000.00. Dr. Northfelt replied that it would be added to the \$63,000.00.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the Committee.

The Northfelt amendment lost.

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) asked if this report was adopted would it be finalized. Bishop Garrison stated that it would.

Announcements—Bishop Garrison—Bishop Martin

Bishop Garrison and Bishop Paul E. Martin made announcements.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for fifteen minutes.

Reconvening

The Conference reconvened with *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) leading in singing Hymn No. 77, "Come Christians, Join to Sing."

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 15

Henry B. Inis (Mindanao—OS) wanted to know if overseas churches were included in support of items dealing with the United States. Mr. Preusch said they were not.

Alfred B. Bonds (North East Ohio—NC) started to make a motion which was ruled out of order by Bishop Garrison on a point of order raised by Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W).

Motion to Defer—Harold H. Hughes

Harold Hughes (Virginia): We have before us the motion to adopt Report No. 15. I would like to move that action on this be deferred until we hear from all matters that are to come before us relative to the Administrative Fund. If I have a second, I would like to say a word to it.

Bishop Garrison: You have a second. May I say that although the motion is upon adoption we are in the process of perfecting it. Any comments or amendments may be made as we go on as I understand it.

Dr. Hughes: The Chairman of this particular Committee has pointed out to us that there are several matters later in the Program that will have to come before us that can't be presented until they come via Legislative Committee or otherwise. I know of one particular matter

that is coming that way and there may be others. It seems to me that if we adopt this as you indicated a moment ago in final form, we would have to move reconsideration of every one of these that comes up.

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke for the motion to defer.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the Council stating that the budget had to be adopted and could be re-adjusted later.

The motion to defer lost.

Motion to Reconsider—Charles H. Hildreth

Charles Hildreth (Alabama-West Florida): We are spending money out here in Dallas like we all live in Texas. Somewhere we are going to have to cut down. I voted for the Call Session of the General Conference yesterday. Therefore, I make a motion that we reconsider this matter and save the church a half a million dollars.

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC) spoke against the motion to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider lost.

Motion to Refer—Joseph C. Evers

Joseph Evers (Illinois): In the Report No. 15, which we are asked to approve, there is an item in the General Administration Fund for the Commission on Archives and History. The Commission on Archives and History of The United Methodist Church has been asked in paragraph 1479 of the Blue Book to establish Archives. Now, archives are different from libraries or any other work that the Commission, the old association, has been doing in The Methodist Church.

The Evangelical United Brethren Church have a marvelous Department of Archives, and they have been paying for it, but we haven't been serious about this at all. The fact of the matter is that the budget recommendation from this Commission on Archives and History isn't even being allowed. We will not even get as much money as we got the last quadrennium, in both budgets, and if we are given a responsibility to establish an Archives, it seems to me like we are going to have money to do it.

This is going to take an item of at least \$25,000 for the quadrennium and therefore, I would like to make a motion, sir, that we allow or at least refer back to the Commission to put in, or to refer this for further study for the establishment of Commission of Archives for the responsibility that we have been given.

Harold H. Hughes (Virginia—SE) spoke for the motion; *Samuel Batt* (Illinois—EUB) asked how much this Commission was allowed. Mr. Preusch stated the budgeted amount was \$77,300.00 annually. Dr. Batt felt this was sufficient.

Point Of Order—Joseph C. Evers

Joseph C. Evers (Southern Illinois—NC) raised the point that it was not sufficient and covered operations before archives was set up.

Robert E. L. Bearden (Little Rock—SC) spoke for the Evers motion.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the Council and urged defeat of the motion to refer.

The motion to refer lost.

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) asked if other reports had been considered; Mr. Preusch stated they would come in other Council reports.

Previous Question—Joe A. Harding

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) moved the previous question, and it was ordered.

Report No. 15 was adopted, as amended. (See *DCA* page 478; appendix page 1865.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Reports No. 5 and 17 —Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: I move the adoption of report number 5 of Interdenominational Cooperation Fund as amended by report number 17 which you find on page 487 of today's *Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Garrison: On page 478 report number 17?

Mr. Preusch: Report number 17, yes.

Bishop Garrison: It is before you. Do you have any questions? or statement? As many as will approve, will lift the hands? Those who are opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* pages 66 and 487; appendix page 1867.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 13— Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: Now, I would like to move for the adoption of report number 13 which you will find on page number 339 of your *Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Garrison: On 338?

Mr. Preusch: Yes, these are the motions now that support the change first in Commission on Structure of Methodism Overseas, granting the request that was referred us. It is an amendment on the religion, race and temporary general aid which was reported to you by Mr. Crippen. It is our acknowledgment of that program which you have already debated, but I would like to exclude from this action the Temporary General Aid Fund since that total fund is now referred back to us. So the approval of this report with the exception of the section on Temporary General Aid.

Bishop Garrison: Do you understand? Are you ready? As many as will approve, lift the hands? Those who are opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 339; appendix page 1863.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 14— Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: Now remaining before us, we need approval of report number 14, which is on page 477, I move its adoption.

Bishop Garrison: On page 477, report number 14.

Mr. Preusch: Actually this has been adopted once as report number 1. I don't know if the chair feels it necessary, but I thought it would get it out of the way, if we did.

Bishop Garrison: As many as will approve will lift the hands? Those who are opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 477; appendix page 1864.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Report No. 16— Robert W. Preusch

Mr. Preusch: Now, I would ask for the adoption of our report number 16 with the inked in corrections that have been given to you and subject to the referral of the Temporary General Aid Fund.

H. Burnham Kirkland (New York—NE) stated that although it did not come from World Service, there had also been adoptions of money for colleges and campus ministries.

Question of Clarification—Howard H. Darling

Howard H. Darling (New York): I would like to ask a question of clarification as to what the effect was of the fiscal year amendment Monday evening, the resolution of fiscal policy as it effects apportioning of these amounts? The resolution on page 156 of the White Book, does this change item 2 which there states that the new apportioned budget will begin June 1, 1968 for former Methodist Annual Conferences? Is this changed by the change in the new fiscal year to January 1, 1969, to put this budget into effect at that time also?

Mr. Preusch: No, the Council on World Service and Finance and the Committee on Apportionments are reviewing this, but the answer has to be that these apportionments to the Methodist churches must be made on June 1, 1968, and for the last 7/12ths of this calendar year to bring us to a calendar year; otherwise, these new agencies and commissions and these budgets you have voted would have no source of income. So apportionments will be mailed in June of this year for seven months to the Methodist churches, and then on a calendar year basis thereafter.

Alfred B. Bonds (North-East Ohio—NC) offered a motion Bishop Garrison ruled should come later.

Question—J. C. Holler

J. C. Holler (South Carolina): We are about to deal with the question of Report No. 16, having taken out of that report the Temporary General Aid Fund. My question, sir, is that if we now deal with this report without the Temporary General Aid Fund, have we so fixed all of the other matters in there that we cannot at that time deal with the General Aid Fund in any way that it might affect the other items that are in this report?

Bishop Garrison: Well, the matter of the Temporary General Aid Fund was withdrawn from this report, as the chairman put it. Perhaps he can answer the question.

Mr. Preusch: Mr. Chairman, I reviewed this matter briefly with members of that commission that made this study during the last quadrennium. In this regard if we were to, when it is referred back, try to establish a minimum salary of \$5,000 to each clergyman, one

conference alone appears to take \$600,000 in that one instance. If we add to it the total, it looks as though the total required would be somewhere between five, and possibly ten, million dollars. I bring this out so that you see the extent of this request, and, in that context, I think you can assume we will bring back this one million dollar item. However, we will have to reconsider it, and the matter will be opened.

Mr. Holler: My question has not been answered, sir. We have before us a budget item involving \$30,900,000, one million of which has been taken out of the report. There is a division of opinion in this body as to how much that item should be when it comes back. When we at that time deal with it, we either up it or down it; and if we put more into it, it has to come from somewhere.

Now we may, by direction of this body, direct the \$20,000,000 be diverted to this portion, or that some other item be directed to this purpose. If we are not at that time free to deal with the General Aid Fund, then we have by virtue of excluding it, thereby closed it to any further movement on the part of this body.

Mr. Preusch: Mr. Chairman, the answer would still be the same as it was to the same request on the other budget. The Council on World Service has been working almost constantly and there are committees on all of these items, and we are trying to bring in a responsible budget. If we could get the rest out of the way and work on this item, if at the time it's adopted it should be adopted in such an amount that indicates other changes, I would think a change could be made at that time, but I would hope that it would not be done, and I would hope it would be adopted as I've now moved.

Mr. Holler: I'm not interested at the moment in what one person prefers over another, I'm interested in the right of this body at that time to adjust these figures if it seems fit.

Bishop Garrison: Well, I think the parliamentary situation would be that you could have reconsideration of the report of all these items if the house approves reconsideration.

Mr. Holler: What vote will it take to approve reconsideration of a specific item in this budget?

Bishop Garrison: I think two-thirds.

Mr. Holler: We have, in approving this with the exclusion of the item of General Aid Fund, then taken away from ourselves the right to deal with the General Aid Fund without a two-thirds majority, and that, Sir, is not in line with the general democratic principals of this Conference.

Point of Order—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC) raised a point of order that it requires only a majority to reconsider an action adopted by a majority.

Motion to Reconsider—Robert H. Courtney

Robert Courtney (Northeast Ohio): I thought somebody else was going to bring this up, but I want to, because there was a misunderstanding when Brother Ted Hightower and I had some conversation on Monday night at the microphone about Resolution No. 1. The Chairman's reply just a moment ago caused great concern because this isn't what we thought we did. I don't know whether Ted is here or not. I don't want to say anything behind his back, but his motion didn't seem to accomplish what we thought it was accomplishing. If you would look at *The Christian Advocate* on page 508, 509, 510 to the action of Monday night, you will find on Page 510 in the third column

Dr. Hightower's motion. Instead of referring the resolution back to the World Service and Finance Commission we here now set the fiscal year, not only of The United Methodist Church, but of the Annual Conference on the basis of the calendar year effective with the beginning of next year, and that the Annual Conferences be asked to work out the details on a percentage basis, this year.

The point I'm making, Mr. Chairman, is that it was his understanding and our understanding that we were suggesting that the former Methodist Churches be apportioned as were the former EUB Churches with the askings to become effective January 1, 1969, instead of June 1. The statement of the Chairman indicates this is not the interpretation of the Council; therefore, I would like either to have clarification of his statement, or ask for reconsideration of this, that it may be clarified. I would move reconsideration.

Bishop Garrison: The motion is to reconsider Resolution No. 1.

Dr. Courtney: Report No. 95 on page 266 in your White Book, Resolution No. 1 is on page 156 which spells out the details of apportionments under the new budget.

Bishop Garrison: All right, is that motion for reconsideration seconded? Do I hear a second? It is seconded.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) requested the secretary to read his motion.

Motion—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio): In order to clarify this, and I think do what the Conference wanted to do, if you will turn on page 156 of the White Book, Resolution No. 1, Paragraph No. 2, I would move that we add at the end of that sentence, which concludes for seven months period from June 1, 1968, to December 31, 1968, these words "with the exception that for these seven months, these conferences be apportioned for World Service as during the past quadrennium." If I have a second I will explain the full meaning of this.

Bishop Garrison: Is there a second? It is seconded?

Dr. Calkins: Now the full meaning of this is that all of these conferences referred to, the former Methodist Annual Conference would pay on World Service until January 1, 1969, as we have paid during the last quadrennium. But it would mean that the items such as Episcopal Funds, Interdenominational Fund, Temporary General Aid Fund, and the Fund for Reconciliation would all be effective for the former Methodist Churches as of the June 1, 1968.

Now the effect of this would be that all of these new items that we have brought out and the Episcopal Fund etc. would be apportioned to us of the former Methodist Church as of June 1, but this large increase in World Service would not be effective until January 1.

I have in my pocket a telegram from the Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance of our Ohio Conference. In it he is calling attention to the fact that if we do not do this we would be asked for \$103,000 additional between June 1 now and December 31 for which we have no provision whatever to make, and our churches would not accept it, I think. There are some 20 Conferences in this situation.

Bishop Garrison put the motion to reconsider, and it passed.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest—W) asked if apportionments to Annual Conference were annual or quadrennial apportionments. Dr. Cooke, treasurer, answered.

Don Cooke (Council of World Service): The answer Mr. Chairman, the apportionments are sent out on an annual basis, but in view of the fact that we were to have a 7-month fiscal year in order to catch up with the calendar year, it was agreed in the Council on World Service and Finance that the Methodist Churches would receive the increased apportionment as of the beginning of the quadrennium, which would be June 1, as I understand our operating procedure.

Dr. Soltman felt the plan presented by the Council was fair and should not be changed.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) wanted to know what happened to the Calkins' motion. Bishop Garrison said he could make it again since he made it before the vote was taken on reconsideration.

Motion—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio): The motion is that after the end of that sentence in number 2 there be added these words: "with the exception that for these seven months these conferences [referring back to the former Methodist Annual Conferences] be apportioned for World Service as during the past quadrennium." That concludes the motion. The remarks that I made previously are the ones in support of it.

Dr. Hightower: And I will second it.

Question—Merrill W. Drennan

Merrill Drennan (Baltimore): I am wondering, sir, if we might have the rationale for expecting the former Methodist churches to begin the increased apportionment as of June 1, whereby the former Evangelical United Brethren conferences will not accept an increase until January 1, 1969. There may be a good reason. I do not know what it is, and I wondered if we couldn't know about it.

Mr. Preusch: May I speak to that, Mr. Chairman?

Bishop Garrison: Yes.

Mr. Preusch: The EUB's have increased substantially the requests of their own churches in calendar year 1967, they having been on a calendar year, and they having voted these increases in the fall session of 1966. Therefore, it was felt that since they had a substantial increase two years ago, ours going back four years ago, that this first seven-month arrangement was a fair arrangement. I might add at this point that one of our problems is that the EUB giving level has been about 150 percent per member of the Methodist giving level, so that they will be giving on a per member basis better than the Methodists, even if we do not make a change in their apportionments.

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) opposed the Calkins motion.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) supported the motion.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the Council.

Froilan B. Calata (Northern Philippines—OS) wanted to know concerning the fiscal year of overseas conferences. Dr. Cooke stated there are no apportionments to overseas conferences. Mr. Calata wanted to know about their accounting; Dr. Cooke replied that they met at different times and the fiscal years begin with the beginning of the quadrennium after the Central Conferences had met.

Question for Clarification—John A. Bayliss

John A. Bayliss (North Arkansas): We need resolved for us the discussion we are having in our own delegation and maybe helpful to other delegates. The amendment as I understand it applies only to those former Methodist conferences that had their fiscal year corresponding to the calendar year. Is that right, Sir.

Mr. Preusch: No, I think the amendment that I spoke to refers to the method of apportionment and when the apportionments will go out, I think that is the matter we handled.

Dr. Bayliss: Does this mean then that at the beginning of the calendar year these conferences in question and the beginning of their fiscal year would receive an apportionment that would eventuate aid in their receiving a total apportionment for the four year seven month period?

Mr. Preusch: You will receive an apportionment for seven months effective June 1, 1968 and then you will in the fall receive an apportionment for a calendar year and that would be the same for the following three years after the first year.

Question for Clarification—Thomas L. Cromwell

Thomas Cromwell (North-East Ohio): Two questions. Did not Raoul Calkins' motion refer only to World Service apportionments?

Mr. Preusch: That was my understanding.

Dr. Cromwell: It only made the World Service apportionment increases to wait until January 1 for all former Methodist conferences.

Bishop Garrison: Let the secretary give us the amendment as he has it.

Secretary Charles White: Add the sentence at the end of the sentence on Resolution 1, item 2, these words "with the exception that for these seven months these conferences be apportioned for World Service as during the past quadrennium."

Dr. Cromwell: And this conference refers to all former Methodist conferences, not just ones that may be on a calendar year. All right, then my second question is to the chairman of the committee. You just commented that if we did this, this is going to hurt boards and agencies to the extent of \$2,000,000. I wonder if you could answer how these boards and agencies have already started to appropriate and spend money that they had no idea whether we were going to approve this \$25,000,000?

Mr. Preusch: I didn't say they have already. What I did say is that we have approved their being created as of June 1, 1968. That would spend them during the ensuing seven months for which we would not have funds that is deprived by this action.

Dr. Cromwell: Excuse me, I am back to the question that it is only World Service Fund, there are no new boards and agencies in that need; it is only increases, and, therefore, they are under operation now, why don't they continue?

Mr. Preusch: That is an incorrect statement, Mr. Chairman, there are some new groups created in the World Service Budget, and there are new programs within existing agencies, but there are some new agencies.

Question—V. M. Mouser

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana): As I understand it the quadrennium budget, taking into account that we are shifting over to a calendar year as our fiscal year, proposed to set up expenditures and apportionments for a total period of four years and seven months. Now, the

figures that are mentioned though, as apparently covering only four years.

I heard Dr. Cooke's explanation that apportionments would be sent out for seven months right away which would carry us to January 1, 1969, in effect. This is my question. Would not the total apportionment and the total budget of expenditures covering the period of four years and seven months to January 1973 implicitly carry with it the assumption that 7/48's will be added to the total quadrennium budget both of expenditures and of apportionment, and that in effect then would bring us on the level of expenditures and apportionments set forth in the budget through this entire period of four years and seven months? Would we not have 7/48's added to the total figures in order to bring us out the full period, additional time of 7/48s?

Bishop Garrison: Thank you Judge Mouser, now the chairman of the committee.

Mr. Preusch: In answer to that, most of our apportionments and askings, many conferences are unable to meet them at the start of a new quadrennium and may carry over the balance which in effect does that and this is the way they handle their payments. But for the benefit of those who are able to pay, we should not deprive them the opportunity to starting to pay now and deprive the agencies of a cash flow to get their programs moving and these are the programs you have all voted that should be implemented.

So all we want to do is to implement the programs and start as much coming in currently and any conference that pays short during these seven months their balance will be carried over and will do in effect just what that gentleman suggested.

The Calkins motion was defeated.

Previous Question—Blaine E. Taylor

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) moved the previous question, and it passed.

Point of Order—Irvin Hamburger

Irvin Hamburger (Oklahoma-Texas—EUB) raised the point of order that a vote had not been taken on the matter which was reconsidered. Bishop Garrison sustained this.

Resolution No. 1 was re-adopted.

Report No. 16 was then adopted (minus the Temporary General Aid Fund). (See *DCA* page 479; appendix page 1866.)

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) asked was the motion he made previously, the one which now stood.

Point of Order—Farris F. Moore

Farris F. Moore (Tennessee—SE) raised a point of order that Dr. Hightower's amendment did pass and is now part of what was approved.

Point of Order—William Walker

William Walker (Oregon—W) wanted to make a privilege motion. Bishop Garrison stated there was not time. Dr.

Walker raised the point of order that it was on the agenda. Bishop Garrison ruled it was time to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion to adjourn after announcements was made from the floor, and passed.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop Garrison

Bishop Garrison thanked the Conference.

Presentation of the Judicial Council—Murray H. Leiffer

Bishop Garrison: I recognize Dr. Murray Leiffer, the newly elected president of the Judicial Council. He desires to present the newly elected council.

Murray Leiffer: Thank you, Bishop and brethren. Heretofore the Judicial Council has been referred to as the nine old men. The new Judicial Council can no longer be spoken of in that fashion.

Bishop Garrison: Not even old?

Murray Leiffer: Not even old, at least in so far as a few are concerned, perhaps. I would like to present some of the members of the Council, new and old, the Interim Judicial Council of the Uniting Conference, and the first Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church. Mrs. D. Dwight Grove, Dr. Hoover Rupert, Dr. Charles Copher, Dr. Theodore Berry, Dr. Ralph Houston, who has served both previously and in the new Council, Dr. William Messmer, who has served on the Interim Judicial Council from the EUB Church, Mr. Torrey Kaatz of the former EUB denomination. Dr. Russell Throckmorton, who is now retiring, Dr. Lester Welliver, and Dr. Wesley Pugh. Certain Members of our group are not here.

Privilege Resolution—LeRoy Meier

LeRoy Meier (North Dakota): The morning plenary session of this, the ninth day of the 1968 General Conference has been under the gracious chairmanship of Bishop Edwin R. Garrison, a fitting honor indeed which has been bestowed upon him by the Council of Bishops. The delegates of this General Conference from North Dakota and South Dakota congratulate our beloved Bishop Garrison upon his appointment to this high position of honor.

Bishop Garrison, as many of the delegates know, is the episcopal head of the Dakotas Area covering a territory of over two hundred thousand square miles in North and South Dakota, a real challenge to any Methodist Circuit Rider. Both Bishop and Mrs. Garrison have continually demonstrated a genuine and perceptive concern for the people in the Dakotas Area.

The spirit and warmth of their friendship has pervaded the entire life of the church in the Dakotas Area. Since the current quadrennium will witness the retirement of Bishop Garrison, we are therefore confident that our fellow delegates to this 1968 General Conference body would desire to join us in a most sincere expression of gratitude and appreciation for the leadership and inspiration which he has

given to the church over these many years. Mr. Chairman, Bishop Garrison. I move the adoption of this resolution.

Bishop Nolan Harmon: Will you vote for that? Hold up your hands high? Good, it is done.

Benediction—Joseph Szczepkowski

Joseph Szczepkowski (Poland—OS) pronounced the benediction in Polish, and the morning session adjourned.

NINTH DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1968 AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the ninth day, Thursday, May 2, 1968, at 2:00 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy, Los Angeles Area, presiding.

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in singing Hymn No. 153, "God of Love and God of Power," and Bishop Sante Barbieri led the prayer.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Kennedy

Bishop Kennedy: If you will allow the Chair a matter of privilege, the Moderator of the United Church of Christ in Japan was here previously and could not stay, and he left greetings to the Conference and asked if I would not read them this afternoon. Let me read what he has said to us:

"Members and friends of the Uniting General Conference of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church: The United Methodist Church of Japan sends its warmest greetings to you, our brothers and sisters in Christ, and congratulate you on this act of union. For over 25 years the Methodist and EUBs have been one in Japan, as a united body in our country, molded into a national church who long ago buried all its differences and broke all barriers, thus enabling you and us to work together.

"Therefore, as you face a road that we in Japan have already trod, we earnestly desire that you here in the United States will experience the same joy and the same spiritual victory that we in Japan have already tasted. Be assured that your friends in Japan pray that you will be equal to the challenges that will have come to you daily as you endeavor to be His body in this land. Signed: Masahisa Susuki." He is the moderator of the United Church in Japan.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, the report is in five parts. No. 1. We recommend that the Agenda for the afternoon be as printed on the front page of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. I so move.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? Those who favor this, say Aye. I'm sorry—you lift the hand in this place. Any opposed? It is adopted.

Dr. Young: Report No. 2. The opening time for the General Conference this evening remains at 7:30. The reason why we are bringing that is, we're changing some times here. We thought that everybody should know when the opening session will be this evening.

Bishop Kennedy: It's before you. Are you ready? Those in favor, lift the hand. Those opposed? It is adopted.

Dr. Young: No. 3. I move that the Conference open Friday, May 3 with a worship service at 8:00 A.M.

Bishop Kennedy: It is before you, are you ready? Those in favor, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is adopted.

Dr. Young: And the next report, the opening session for Friday afternoon to begin at 2:00 P.M. So moved.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready, those in favor, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is done.

Dr. Young: And then finally, I move that the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church plan to complete its business Friday, May 3rd. So moved.

Bishop Kennedy: Before you, those in favor, lift the hand. Any opposed? It is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop and members of the Conference. The Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by Chairman of the Annual Conference delegations for the Plenary Session of the morning of May 2nd. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move adoption of this report.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready. Those in favor, lift the hand. Any opposed? And it is done.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, we have a communication here from the 73rd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas:

"Greetings to our United Methodist Brethren meeting in Dallas at this time. We have followed with great interest your actions and deliberations and extend to you our congratulations and heartfelt wish for you as you gird yourself for the tasks ahead, and we earnestly solicit your prayers that we all might more fully express the life and mission of our Lord Jesus Christ at this juncture in history, so fraught with challenge and possibility of so grand a reward. Faithfully in Christ Jesus. The Rev. Dale W. Blackwell, Secretary of the Convention. Diocese of Dallas."

Privilege Matter—Thurman L. Dodson

Thurman L. Dodson (Baltimore): Bishop, in the 1964 General Conference in Pittsburgh when this city was chosen, two members who represented the Central Jurisdiction, now Bishop Scott Allen and myself, voted against it and insisted that we should be so recorded in the record. Because Bishop Allen has now been elevated to a high place, he cannot come and say what he would have me to say for him and for me, so I wish now to make this statement.

As representatives of an ethnic group in the former Methodist Church which expressed some reservations concerning convening of this Uniting Conference in the city of Dallas, we wish to salute Bishops Kenneth Pope and Noah W. Moore and the Methodists of the Dallas-Fort Worth and Southwestern Areas for the efficient manner in which the delegates and visitors of this Conference have been entertained in conformity with the policy of The Methodist Church which requires the provisions of all facilities without regard to race. I thank you very much.

Privilege Motion—William H. Veale

William H. Veale (New York): I'm speaking as a member of the press and as a delegate. I move that in the report on paragraph seven,

Item 317, page 392, paragraphs referred to 93, 94, 95 in the *Discipline* be written out in full in the final report. If I have a second, I'd like to make a 60 second statement.

Bishop Kennedy: You have a second, go ahead.

Mr. Veale: I was at a Dallas Church last night. Those who heard of our action had already made their decision. "My pastor can drink and smoke now." We know it is not true, but the headlines are normally written by a casually nervous, overworked fellow who hastily glances at a story and then coins words of a certain number of letters to fit a one, two or three column space as the editor orders, but to those who run and read, they will not have that impression, and the beverage alcohol industry will try to see that they never have it because our report is good and I believe our present position along with Dr. Outler is not weaker, but definitely good.

As I said to Dr. Tom Price, "Tom, you'll be explaining this the rest of your life and we will be doing just that and make no mistake about it." My motion I submit will help us give a true and good interpretation of what took place yesterday, I move its adoption.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, it is before you. Are you ready to vote on this? If you favor lift the hand. Any opposed? It is approved.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Kennedy

Bishop Kennedy asked Mrs. Ruth Oxnam to stand in honor of her birthday yesterday.

Substitute Motion—Joseph H. Albrecht

Joseph Albrecht (Central Illinois): Mr. Chairman, I have a substitute motion I think will take care of the item we had directly before the World Service and Finance Report. If I may get a second to it I will explain it briefly. As a substitute motion, the statements in reference to church-government relations have reference primarily to church-government relations in the United States of America. United Methodist Conferences in countries other than the United States may adopt these statements if they seem applicable to their situation. I move the adoption of this as a substitute motion.

Bishop Kennedy: It is before you, are you ready? If you will adopt this lift your hand, any opposed? Thank you.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 16— Calendar No. 262—Joseph H. Albrecht

Dr. Albrecht: On page 459, Calendar Item 262, this has already been amended, and I move its adoption as amended.

Amendment—Lloyd A. Peters

Lloyd A. Peters (Oklahoma): I would like to move an amendment to report on page 460, six lines from the end of Part IV. I move that the semicolon be made a comma, and that we delete "all members of The United Methodist Church should clearly understand that." If there is a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Kennedy: Is it seconded? Go ahead.

Dr. Peters: It seems to me that this is saying that we are to be careful that the members of the church understand that the board, committee, or whatever group is speaking, does not speak for the church. I believe that this is not the group we ought to be concerned about. Most of the Methodists I know have heard some statement or

other that they were quite sure boards or commissions were not speaking for them.

When this is removed, the statement will read "that in exercising this right, each such connectional unit, or any other official group within The United Methodist Church, should always make explicit for whom or in whose name it speaks or acts in the arena of public affairs, and only the General Conference is competent to speak or act in the name of The United Methodist Church."

This I think would clear with people who are outside the church who do not understand this.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, the amendment is before you. Are you ready to vote?

Dr. Albrecht: We can accept that, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: All right. The report is before us; any further word on it? Are you ready? Those who will adopt it lift the hand. Any opposed? It is adopted.

(See DCA page 459; appendix page 1251.)

Motion on Printing of Resolutions—H. Travers Smith

Travers Smith (Maine): This was deferred from yesterday. I request the Committee on Publishing Interests to give consideration for a plan for publication of a book of *Discipline*, and a separate publication of such resolutions dealing with public and social issues authorized to appear therein by the Uniting Conference. The Committee of Chairmen to be responsible for the selection, to report back to the Uniting Conference for action. If I may have a second.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded.

Dr. Smith: This, if you will vote affirmatively, has two orderly books with legal and organizational material in one, and public and social issues all together in the other. I have, as you suggested, conferred with those who would be affected in publishing this book, and those who would include reports and they concur.

Frederick K. Kirchner (Troy—NE) questioned the cost of binding two volumes and concerning the page size. *Emory S. Bucke* (Book Editor) replied that the type of binding would be decided later. He also stated that the *Discipline* might be the size of the *Book of Worship*. He also expressed the view that the selection of what goes in the book of resolutions should be made across the board so all interests of the church are related.

Amendment—Walter G. Muelder

Walter Muelder (New England): As I reflect on this amendment, I would like to make an amendment to it. And that is that we ask the Program Council, which we will create, to be responsible for going over the reports that we have and to make the decision as to what should go into this second volume. Now the reason for this amendment is that a pastor needs close at hand in a convenient form all of those actions of this General Conference which guide in policy-making in his work throughout the year.

And the groups that are working on the total program of the church and that become our official body, not the legislative chairmen who will be eager to leave, who may not have time to go over all of this work, are an official group of persons who could do this work best.

Dr. Smith accepted this amendment.

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) opposed the amendment; *Charles A. Sayre* (Southern New Jersey—NE) asked if the Committee on Publishing Interests was included in the motion; the secretary stated that it was not.

Question—Spurgeon McCartt

Spurgeon McCartt (Holston—SE) asked if the privilege motion of Mr. Veale included printing Paragraphs 93, 94, 95 of the *Discipline* in the section referred to. The Secretary stated that it did.

Dr. Bucke said he could not make a motion but he hoped this would be reconsidered so as not to be reprinted in this place.

Motion to Reconsider—Fran H. Faber

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota): I move that we reconsider this action.

Bishop Kennedy: Is it seconded? It is. Are you ready? If you are ready, lift the hand, in favor. Any opposed? It is reconsidered, and it is now before you, this whole matter.

Motion to Readopt—Charles S. Jarvis

Charles Jarvis (Rock River): I move that the report of the Committee on Ministry as adopted last night be adopted again.

Bishop Kennedy: Is that seconded? It has been seconded. Yes, point of order.

Point of Order—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) raised the point of order that only the Veale resolution was before the house. Bishop Kennedy sustained this.

Motion—Georgia Harkness

Georgia Harkness (California-Nevada:) I'm not sure of exactly where we stand in the point of technicalities, but if I am free to make a motion, I would move that we consider the printing of paragraphs 93, 94 and 95 in their adequate places in the *Discipline* as being sufficient, but with footnotes at the point where the action taken occurs to let anybody know who cares to what is involved in these three paragraphs. It is a rather long statement, all three of them, and particularly paragraphs 94 and 95. It would be superfluous, it seems to me, to print them twice, but it would be entirely in order to give a reference by which anybody could find them who chose to look.

Bishop Kennedy: Thank you. Is that seconded? It is. A second is before you.

William H. Veale (New York—NE) spoke for printing the entire matter.

Point of Order—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) raised a point of order that the report of the Ministry was not before the house.

Point of Order—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) raised a point of order that Dr. Harkness' motion was out of order. Bishop Kennedy so ruled.

Parliamentary Inquiry—Ted Hightower

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) asked if the report of the Committee on Ministry was disciplinary or a resolution. The Secretary noted that Mr. Veale wanted the Articles of Religion, the Social Creed of The Methodist Church and the comparable statements of the E.U.B. Church to be written in full in the interpretative paragraphs. *Albert C. Outler* (North Texas—SC) suggested cross-references for these paragraphs. *Jack M. Tuell* (Pacific Northwest—W) stated that all of section 7 and the interpretative passages would be in the *Discipline*.

Motion to Table—Dow Kirkpatrick

On motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) the Veale resolution was tabled.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) spoke for the Muelder amendment.

The Muelder amendment passed.

Committee on Local Church—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, the section on the local church has been under study for four years and reports have come from various sources. They have been put together in the White Book, as a substitute for the part in the Blue Book we adopted in principle two years ago. In order to be sure that we have all the legislation on the local church before us that is pertinent. I would like to move that before we start to amend the White Book, that we substitute paragraphs 101 in the White Book to paragraph 163. This is in the white book, page 1-25, that we substitute all of this part of the White Book for paragraphs 101 to 103 in part 4 of the Plan of Union. I so move.

Bishop Kennedy: It is moved and before you. Are you ready? You want to be heard, yes. Way back there, I can't see the number.

Paul A. Duffey (Alabama-West Florida): I think it is simply a misreading to substitute for 101 to 203 instead of 103.

Dr. Northfelt: Mr. Chairman, I am sorry; it is 203. If I said 103 it was a mistake.

A. P. Wallace (West Virginia—NE) wanted to know if paragraph 163.2 was now before the Conference for action. Dr. Northfelt stated this would be handled seriatim.

The Northfelt motion prevailed.

Motion—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: In a similar motion that we substitute 571 to 576 under the charge conference for the same paragraphs in the Blue Book.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, are you ready? If you approve this, lift the hands. If you are opposed. It is done.

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 197—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now if you will turn in your *Daily Christian Advocate* to page 398, report number 8 for the committee on the local church, while at the same time you keep in your hands the White Book and we will begin on page 2, paragraph 107.

Mr. Chairman, may I further state that there is a great deal of material here; a lot of it is in rearrangement; a lot of it is in editorial construction and I am going to go through it rather rapidly. We do not intend to railroad anything through but we do not either want to consume too much time of this General Conference, so we will push as rapidly as we can. If it is too fast, please ask us to slow down.

The paragraph from 107 under, on page 2 is amended by adding after the word "church" "The United Methodist Church" the statement "a fellowship of believers."

Par. 108 is to be deleted, and the substitution is for Par. 108 "the membership of the local United Methodist Church shall include all persons who have come in the membership by confession of faith or transfer and whose names have not been removed from the membership rolls by reason of death, transfer, withdrawal, or removal for cause."

Paragraph 109 to be left as is, and that Paragraph 110 be deleted from this section entirely.

The next section will be a new section called "The Meaning of Membership" and this will pick up paragraphs later on page 5, section 7, and insert this here and reorders and makes in much more brief from the whole section. So paragraph 110 then will be the beginning of a new section, Number 3, on the Meaning of Membership. I don't think you want me to read this. It is exactly what it is in the present *Discipline*, but paragraphs 111, 112, 113, and 114 are really rewrites of the old section on Meaning of Membership.

The sentences in italics, or the words in italics, are really the points of emphasis. If you want them read I will be glad to do so; otherwise I would move that this be adopted as it now stands for the section.

Charles C. Manning (Virginia—SE) wanted to propose an addition to paragraph 116. Dr. Northfelt stated this was not in this report.

Amendment—J. Robert Nelson

J. Robert Nelson (North-East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I think many of us are very grateful to this committee for the remarkable improvements made in this material. However, there are one or two revisions which I would like to move which are matters of substance and not merely of editing. The first has to do with page 398, column three, the bold face type paragraph beginning "The membership of a local United Methodist Church." I move the insertion between the words "all" and "persons" of the word "baptized." The reason I offer this, Mr. Chairman, if there is a second—

Bishop Kennedy: Is there a second? Yes.

Dr. Nelson: The reason for the motion is that I have read this section many, many times and find it difficult to see where the indispensability of Baptism for membership in The United Methodist is said here. It is to be sure said in certain other parts of our whole *Discipline*, but not in this very definitive place. Therefore, I move it.

The amendment passed.

Amendment—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Mr. Chairman, likewise with regard to the top of page 399, the second line, paragraph 114, between the words "give" and "evidence," I move the insertion of the word "incontrovertible." If I have a second I shall explain why.

Bishop Kennedy: Is that seconded? Yes.

Dr. Nelson: Paragraph 114, top of page 399. What we have here is a statement which I believe is intended to express the need for discipline in membership, and yet as I read and reread it, I find very little concrete basis on which to decide how evidence of a lack of commitment is to be determined. Therefore, I think a very strong word like "incontrovertible" might be very necessary here if this paragraph is to make any practical sense at all.

Samuel Batt (Illinois—EUB) spoke against the amendment.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—Charles F. Marsh

Charles F. Marsh (South Carolina): I would like to amend the report No. 8 by adding at the end of paragraph 113, on page 398, the following new sentence: "The standards of attitude and conduct set forth in the Social Principles (paragraphs 94 and 95), should be considered as an essential resource for guiding each member of the church in being a servant of Christ on mission." If I get a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded.

Mr. Marsh: Mr. Chairman, I am a member of the Committee on the Local Church and am not in any way opposed to the Report of the Commission. We did speak about this particular problem just as we were breaking up and found that we had already submitted this particular report to the editor. I am doing this because I believe that there are certain things in the Social Principles section which have tended to be overlooked by our church, particularly our laymen.

We have taken certain positions with respect to alcohol and tobacco, with respect to ministers which I approve of. I think this was a step in the right direction. On the other hand it has been interpreted, and will be interpreted by many people, as a move away from the traditional stance of The Methodist Church that we are very vigorously concerned about the general problem of alcohol and the related moral issues that are described in the Social Principles. So I would like to take the time if I may, because I have found that many, many people have not read the statement in the Social Principles relative to alcohol. May I take a minute?

Alcohol Problems: "We believe that the Christian principle of love for God and neighbor calls us to abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages and the ministry to those victimized by their use. The use of beverage alcohol imperils the abundant life to which Christ calls us. This is especially true in an organized and mechanized society. Individuals and families are destroyed by its use. We join with men of good conscience who seek to overcome the social, economic and moral waste which this indulgence has created. The Church must become a healing and redemptive fellowship for those who suffer because of beverage alcohol."

It seems to me that this is one of the finest statements that we have had before us in connection with the whole alcoholic beverage problem.

This is a part of something that we have already adopted; that is in our Social Principles, and I would like very much to take this new step in effect in calling the attention of our laymen, of our regular ministers, to this important position with respect to alcoholic beverages which has largely been buried.

Now of course this refers not only to alcoholic beverages, but to the other matters in this Social Creed as well. I hope that this amendment can be supported.

John D. Wolf (Northwest Indiana—NC) asked if debate could not be withheld until the alcohol legislation was before the Conference.

George A. Harper (Montana—W) supported the amendment.

The Marsh amendment was adopted.

Amendment—Harold Fagan

Harold Fagan (Texas): In Section 108, as in the *Daily Advocate*, I move to amend as follows:

Bishop Kennedy: Where is this?

Dr. Fagan: It's on page 398, Section 108, in dark print. I move to change as follows: Take out the "or" where it says "or removal for cause," leave the comma, and after "cause" a comma, and add these words "or action of the charge conference." If I get a second I'd like to speak to this.

Bishop Kennedy: Yes. It is seconded.

Dr. Fagan: The reason for adding this is that I see nowhere that the charge conference will have the authority to remove from the rolls those who from time to time need to be removed because they no longer have any interest whatsoever in The Methodist Church.

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke against the amendment here since it would be covered later.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—Fremont C. Fletcher

F. C. Fletcher (Minnesota): I move that subparagraph 4 of paragraph 110 be amended by substituting the word "attendance" in place of the word "presence." If I have a second, I would like to speak to that.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded.

Mr. Fletcher: My point relating to this motion is that these vows are repeatedly orally. When they are heard it sounds as if the church is asking for presents and gifts. This is an unfortunate confusion. It is certainly not intended. But I think that where we are trying to communicate what the vows of the church are, that it is important that the people who say "I will" include the concept of attendance.

Bishop Kennedy: All right. Are you ready on this one? Is there any debate on it? The question is called for. If you favor this amendment, lift the hand. If you are opposed, lift the hand. And it is lost.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) asked if something was missing at the bottom of the third column. Dr. Northfelt stated the words "of hope" should appear there.

Report No. 8 was adopted as amended (See *DCA* page 398; appendix page 1539.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 198—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now may we consider Calendar No. 198, and I beg the indulgence of the conference here. These numberings are going to become very confused if we try to stick to them in both the amended text and the written text; and we understand that the editor has the authority to make the required numbering after General Conference.

From here on, we are going to follow the numbering text in the White Book, which will not be the same as it will be when it comes out. But we are suggesting here that in the White Book, page 2, that 111 become 111.1; and that in column one on page 399, items 2, 3, and 4 be added. These describe the process and the training necessary. I will read them if you want, but I prefer not to.

Then we can follow down to paragraph 112 in the White Book on page 3, is kept as is. Paragraph 113 has a sentence added at the end of the paragraph which will read: "It is desirable that as soon as possible these persons be transferred to a local United Methodist Church of their choice." This refers to persons who, because of military service, have had their membership recorded in the General Board of Evangelism office.

Paragraph 114 would be changed slightly. After the words, "Ritual of the United Methodist Church," add a sentence: "In any such case lay members shall be present to represent the congregation." This implies that the laity is representing the life of the church, and it is not the clergy who should do this.

The Secretary has called my attention—this is an error in the reporting. The "shall" should be "should." Let me read it again: "In any such case lay members should be present to represent the congregation."

Paragraph 115 in the White Book will be deleted entirely, and paragraph 116 will have the—in the last two lines, after the words "The United Methodist Church." The rest of that sentence is stricken, and the following substituted: "The pastor will report to the sending church the date of reception of such members. It is recommended that instruction in the faith and work of the church be provided for all such persons."

I move the adoption of 198, which means the adoption of 111-116, as amended.

Amendment—William B. Grove

William B. Grove (Western Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, in paragraph 111 in the White Book four lines from the end of that section, I move to amend by substituting the word "sacrament" for the word "rite" in the phrase "rite of baptism." I'm sure that either of these words is correct but I think that there are churches which recognize baptism as a rite which do not call it a Sacrament. In this ecumenical age I think this will achieve greater clarity.

Bishop Kennedy: Is there a second? All right. Are you ready? All those who favor this, lift the hand. Those opposed. It is adopted.

Amendment—Hoover Rupert

Hoover Rupert (Detroit): Mr. Chairman, I should like to move an amendment in Section 3, paragraph 111, having to do with the age and time when church membership shall normally be for youth. May I ask a question? Well, I will make that motion. Let me ask a ques-

tion if I may. I will get parliamentarily upset here. Mr. Chairman of the Committee, does this represent the result of the Conference between the Commission on Membership and Legislative Committee on Evangelism and the Local Church?

Dr. Northfelt: This came to our Committee as a recommendation of a joint meeting between the proper groups of Boards of Education in the Methodist Church and the EUB Church. I do not know as to the Membership Commission, what they did with it.

Dr. Rupert: Well, I shall then make my motion if I may, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: Yes.

Dr. Rupert: I move that in the sentence which now reads, "but youth who are completing the sixth grade shall normally be the youngest persons recruited for confirmation, preparation and Church membership." I move to amend that by striking the words "completing the sixth grades" and substituting "who are in the seventh grade or have reached their twelfth birthday." I move this and would speak to it if I have a second.

Bishop Kennedy: Is there a second? Yes, go ahead.

Dr. Rupert: This was rather fully discussed in the Legislative Committee on Membership and Evangelism, and it was my understanding, as the maker of a similar motion which changed that particular report, that this was to go to a Conference Committee between the Membership and Evangelism Committee and the Committee on the Local Church. I call to your attention further that this appears in the next column in the report which we will subsequently be considering in 199, and I oppose the sixth grade as the minimal.

I propose the seventh grade and age twelve on the basis that I think one of the real problems we are confronting in terms of the generation gap, in terms of holding our youth as members, is the fact that we are training them too early. Now there is no minimal limit, as I understand it, previously in The Methodist Church at least. This was an effort to provide that. I think it ought to be into the seventh grade and/or twelve years of age.

I do this because if we say completing the sixth grade, this means that many eleven year old youngsters will be received after a short training period on a Palm Sunday or an Easter or a Pentecost Service or while they are in the sixth grade. I think seventh grade is minimal. I personally would prefer eighth grade, but I would settle for the seventh grade. I make this motion.

Gregorio R. Bailen (Northwest Philippines—OS) spoke against the amendment.

Substitute Amendment—David A. Duck

David A. Duck (South Georgia): I'd like to substitute for the amendment the following to amend paragraph 3 line 1 in the fourth line by removing the comma and adding the words "and youth," then strike "but youths who are completing the sixth grade shall normally be the youngest person recruiting for confirmation preparation and church membership when younger persons are their own volition." Then stop deleting and add the words "who seek enrollment in confirmation preparation. Such preparation shall be at the discretion of the pastor." I think that this speaks for itself.

If a pastor is going to spend time enough to confirm and add a person to his roll he should know whether he is old enough or young enough or smart enough or dumb enough. If I had had to wait for this to come into effect, Mother would have had to make me shave to

go to the membership class. I think we are straining at gnats and swallowing camels here, and I think we ought to hand this thing back to our pastor relationship in our local Church. We hear a lot about the movement of the Holy Spirit, but I tell you the trouble the Holy Spirit is having is getting in gear with Nashville, and I hope we leave this up to the local pastor and go on with our work.

H. Travers Smith (Maine—NE) stated these items had been entrusted to the Committee and could not be debated detail by detail.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) spoke against the substitute amendment.

Mrs. H. V. Weems (Florida—SE) spoke for the substitute.

Previous Question—Irving L. Smith

On call of *Irving L. Smith* (Oklahoma—SC) the Conference called for the previous question on the substitute and the amendment.

Dr. Northfelt spoke for the Committee.

The Duck substitute amendment lost.

The Rupert amendment lost.

Amendment—J. Robert Nelson

J. Robert Nelson (North East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, again I have a modification I would like to move which is much more than editorial, and I can show that it is more so incontrovertibly. This has to do with several points, report No. 9, and I can explain perhaps better before I move it—and make some sense. I think we have an opportunity here while we are rewriting the *Discipline* to rectify an ambiguity and efficiency in the Methodist conception of Church membership. For many years I have been bothered by the clear implication of our materials that a child who has been baptized is not really a member of the Church.

Bishop Kennedy: Dr. if you have a motion to make, you'd better make it before you make a speech.

Dr. Nelson: All right. On paragraph eleven one which is previously numbered paragraphed 111 but is now 111 subsection one. In line two, before the word membership insert the word "full." Now back to column one on page 399 of the *Advocate* in paragraph 111, section two, line nine, in place of the word "church" substitute the word "full" so it will read "full membership" and the same in one eleven, subsection three, line three substitute "full" for "church" also in line seven of that paragraph substitute "full" for "church" and in one eleven section four, line 1, substitute "full" for "church." And I can make a speech about it if you care to have one.

Dr. Northfelt: Mr. Chairman, I accept all these changes.

Amendment—Samuel Batt

Sam Batt (Illinois): Mr. Chairman, I desire to offer a substitute for paragraph 111, in the White Book, that wherever the words "confirmation preparation" appear the words "membership or membership instruction" be substituted as editing requires. If I can get a second, I would like to speak.

Bishop Kennedy: Does he have a second? Yes.

Dr. Batt: It seems to me, Mr. Chairman, as I note that in the Blue Book the word "confirmation" does not appear, in the White Book it appears only once in paragraph 120. If I understand, both our former churches are right. The term "confirmation" is very ambiguous in our church. I note also that there was not a petition in this direction that came into the committee. I believe that in our church at the moment there is a wide range of understanding and practice.

Many of us think of confirmation in terms of terminology. It is far more than this, it is a whole basic total concept. Confirmation presupposes infant baptism as a stance of the church and as I recall the book of worship, I have an older Methodist book of worship, and the Evangelical United Brethren Church, in both of these there was a wide range of possibilities regarding the matter of baptism and whether it would be required at infancy or not.

It seems to me that at this point in time of our history is not that of confirmation. Until we come to consensus, I believe that we should use a different designation than confirmation and I think that the Ad Hoc Commission did an excellent job in maintaining present terminology rather than changing it as apparently the committee has done.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke against the amendment.

The Batt amendment was defeated.

Previous Question—*Walter R. Hazzard*

Walter R. Hazzard (Philadelphia—NE) called for the previous question on everything before the house, and it was ordered.

Report No. 9 was adopted as amended. (See DCA page 398; appendix page 1541.)

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) asked about the vote on the Nelson amendment; *Dr. Northfelt* stated the Committee accepted this.

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 10—Calendar No. 199—*Merlyn W. Northfelt*

Dr. Northfelt: Number 199 on Children and the Church, paragraphs 117 to 121, 117 would stay the same, 118 stays the same, 119 after the first full sentence, which ends with the word "elsewhere," you will strike the rest and insert this sentence "This register of baptized children along with lists of other preparatory members shall constitute the preparatory membership roll for the church."

Paragraph 120 deals a little bit with what *Dr. Batt* was talking about, after the word "confirmation," let's see that is in line 3, strike the word "into" and put "confirmation and reception into full membership." And then two lines down strike the word "Evangelical" and put "Christian" so it will read "To a church of another Christian denomination."

Paragraph 121 shall be deleted entirely and in its place the paragraph printed in the dark, bold face type at the end of calendar 199 is to be substituted, dealing with responsibilities of pastors, parents, guardians, etc. I move that 117 to 121 be amended as is here read.

Amendment—*Dean Lanning*

Dean Lanning (Northern New Jersey): I would like to move that the word in 121, in the section near the last paragraph where it says

"he shall base his instruction on materials which the boys and girls have already used and on other resources produced by the United Methodist Church." and following that we insert the words "or churches in the consultation on church union" and then complete it. If I have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Kennedy: Is it seconded? I don't hear it. I don't hear a second. It is seconded out here. Go ahead.

Dr. Lanning: One of the recommendations that came from the Commission on Education was that we have a study now on Church Membership. I think the same request was made in the last General Conference, and many of us who have extended programs of confirmation for as long as a year have been finding it very difficult to find adequate materials in The Methodist Church. So for this reason I would like to propose that we have these words.

Substitute Amendment—Burton F. Tarr

Burton Tarr (New York): In this paragraph I would like to move a substitute, if I may, for the amendment, which is "it is recommended that the period of training shall cover a period of two years and that suitable materials be made available by the Board of Education for such training."

Bishop Kennedy: Is that seconded? It is, go ahead.

Mr. Tarr: The reason for this is one thing already brought to our attention, the great difference in provision for training for full membership. Here we are dealing with the most important thing in a child's life and we do need the materials, we do need the time, I believe that our church would honor itself by making proper provisions for this at this point in the child's life.

The Tarr substitute amendment was defeated.

The Lanning amendment failed.

Lloyd Epley (Iowa—EUB) wanted to know if the service for dedication of children was removed from The United Methodist Church. Dr. Northfelt stated this was his understanding.

Amendment—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul Calkins (Ohio): I hope that those of us who are former Methodists recognize the seriousness of this situation, and therefore I make a motion that we insert on page 399, in this discussion of paragraph 119, in the black type immediately after the word "baptized," the words "or dedicated." Because otherwise, this list of dedicated children of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, it seems to me, would be lost. And they certainly ought to be enlisted as preparatory members.

Bishop Kennedy: That's moved and seconded. If the committee—does the committee want to accept this? We could save some time.

Dr. Northfelt: Mr. Chilcote was subchairman of this. He is standing. I would like to have him speak.

Thomas Chilcote (Holston): There is a later section which the chairman of this committee will present which lists the various rolls of the church. One of these rolls is a constituency roll, and it spells out specifically these unbaptized children will be listed there.

Dr. Northfelt: Mr. Chairman, I was not aware of this difference in the EUB Church, and if it does not mean that dedication replaces Baptism, I think we would be willing to accept this category.

Bishop Kennedy: That's what Dr. Calkins' motion was. If you will accept it, then it's in there.

Dr. Northfelt: We will accept it.

Truman W. Potter (West Virginia—NE) asked if Dr. Northfelt would include an age in paragraph 121. Dr. Northfelt wanted it to stay as it is.

Previous Question—George A. Harper

The Conference ordered the previous question on motion of *George A. Harper* (Montana—W).

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) asked would previously dedicated children have to be baptized before being confirmed. Dr. Northfelt replied that they would.

Report No. 10 was adopted as amended. (See *DCA* page 399; appendix page 1542.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 51 —Kenneth Hulit

Kenneth Hulit (Ohio East): Mr. Chairman, I would like to get in some editorial work first and ask the Conference to turn to page 527 *Daily Christian Advocate* and change the Calendar No. 392, where it says report No. 80 to read Report No. 81. And on the next page, 528, Calendar No. 393 be changed to read Report No. 120. Now Mr. Chairman, I would ask that we turn to Calendar No. 51, page 227, *Daily Christian Advocate*.

This action has to do with Report No. 3 of the Joint Commissions on Church Union on page 28 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* and deals with the distribution of administrative posts in our new church. I move its adoption, Mr. Chairman.

Charles Parlin: If you will turn to page 28, middle column, Resolution 11 recommends to this body a resolution which reads that the—this deals with the distribution of administrative posts; that in both presidencies and secretariats of all boards and agencies, two top posts and two secondary posts be assigned, etc.

To work out what we have been working on and to fit the present plan, I would like to amend this as follows: to read that "in both presidencies and secretariats of all the boards and agencies, two top posts and at least two secondary posts be assigned to former Evangelical United Brethren." Strike out the balance of the sentence. If there is a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Kennedy: Is it seconded? Yes.

Mr. Parlin: It is page 28 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, column two, toward the bottom of the page under the heading, "Resolution No. 11." The reason for this is that the Joint Commissions have worked out an agreement that an equitable distribution which is the obligation imposed upon us by the enabling legislation would indicate two presidencies and two chief secretariats.

It may well be that in the rather high number of secondary posts in the staff there should be more than two EUBs, the way it is working out. Therefore, the amendment reads "that in both presidencies and secretariats of all the boards and agencies, two top posts and at least two secondary posts be assigned to former Evangelical United Brethren."

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, we will accept that change.

Bishop Kennedy: It is accepted and becomes a part now of the recommendation. Yes, back here at number 10.

Jameson Jones (Northwest Indiana): I move to substitute so that the words "at least" come before the words "two top posts."

Dr. Hulit: We accept this.

Bishop Kennedy: Now over here at number 2.

Harry Eckels (West Virginia): Instead of "two top posts" could we have the word "primary" instead of "top," making primary and secondary?

Dr. Hulit: We will accept it to save a debate.

Eugene L. Smith (Northern New Jersey—NE) asked for what period of time this would be mandatory. Dr. Hulit replied it was for one quadrennium.

Report No. 8 was adopted as amended. (See *DCA* page 227; appendix page 1289.)

Move for Reconsideration—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Now, Mr. Chairman, because of the Judicial Council ruling I ask that we turn to our Calendar No. 50, just across the page, Report No. 7, and I would move reconsideration of Calendar No. 50 on page 226 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Kennedy: You are moving reconsideration?

Dr. Hulit: Reconsideration.

Bishop Kennedy: Yes, are you ready to vote on this. If you will reconsider lift the hand. And oppose? It is reconsidered.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 50 —Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Now, Mr. Chairman, in order to comply with the ruling of our Judicial Council I would move to delete the third paragraph of Calendar Item No. 50 which now reads: "The Commission will be composed of two Bishops appointed by the Council of Bishops" and following. We would substitute the following paragraph: "This Commission shall be composed of two Bishops appointed by the Council of Bishops, five persons from each Jurisdiction elected by the Jurisdictional Conferences and seven members at large to be elected by the Commission. It is recommended that at least two of the five persons elected by each Jurisdictional Conference be Negroes and at least one of another racial or ethnic minority group and at least three of the members-at-large elected by the Commission be Negroes and at least one of another racial or ethnic minority group."

The only change, Mr. Chairman, is that basically we have removed the words "shall be" and have replaced it with the words "we recommend."

Bishop Kennedy: All right. It is before you. Are you ready to vote on this? If you will approve it, lift the hand. And opposed? It is adopted.

Amendment—Paul A. Duffey

Paul Duffey (Alabama-West Florida): On Item Number 50 I move to amend by deletion . . .

Bishop Kennedy: No, you are too late. We have adopted this.

Dr. Duffey: No sir, you have just adopted that particular amendment. The whole report is before us by reconsideration.

Bishop Kennedy: It was my understanding we voted on the whole report, but we can go back if you wish to.

Dr. Duffey: We have just voted on an amendment offered by the Committee, and if I am not mistaken we moved to reconsider the whole item.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, go ahead.

Dr. Duffey: I move to amend by deletion by striking the numeral 5 on page 227 and renumbering thereafter. If I receive a second I will make one comment.

Bishop Kennedy: Yes, there is a second. Go ahead.

Point of Order—Woodie White

Woodie White (Detroit): I believe that when this report was sent to the Judicial Council that the only portion of that report that was sent was on the composition. We did approve the establishment of the Commission on Religion and Race.

Bishop Kennedy: Well, I thought that it was too, but apparently I misinterpreted it. It is before us, now, I guess. We are back on this.

Point of Order—Jesse R. DeWitt

Jesse DeWitt (Detroit): Was it not the intention of the Chairman, and did he not state that in the light of the Judicial decision that he was presenting report Number 50 for purposes of correction in the light of that action?

Dr. Hulit: I have written it down and I think that is exactly what I said, and I think you will find the Judicial request Number 52 right in front of you, which was only on this particular composition.

Dr. Duffey: Mr. Chairman, if I am in order and my understanding is correct that the motion was that the Item No. 50 be opened for reconsideration. It seems to me . . .

Bishop Kennedy: I did not interpret it that way, and I am not willing to take the responsibility. I will let the body decide. My interpretation would be that we did not open the whole thing. It was just this matter which had to be changed by the Judicial Council decision. Now if you want to sustain the chair that is fine, and if you don't that is fine too, but that is what I rule.

Point of Order—V. M. Mouser

Vinson Mouser (Louisiana): Mr. Chairman, the point of order is that I would suggest that the secretary read the motion to reconsider so that we can see just what the motion said.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, we will have the secretary read it.

Charles White: The motion is "I move consideration of Calendar Item No. 50, page 226, of *The Daily Christian Advocate*."

Point of Order—Woodie W. White

Woodie White (Detroit): If that was the wording of the motion, then the motion is out of order. We have already adopted the Commission on Religion and Race. When it was referred, the only portion of that report that was referred was composition.

Motion to Sustain Ruling of Chair—Leroy C. Hodapp

Leroy Hodapp (Indiana): Mr. Chairman, I move that we sustain your ruling and get on with our business.

Bishop Kennedy: Well, I made a ruling and I am not too sure about it, but if you want to have a vote on this let's do it now. If you will sustain the chair, will you lift the hand? If you are opposed? Thank you very much. We are where we were now.

Privilege Resolution—W. D. Cotton

W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana—SC) desired to present a privileged resolution but when *Woodie W. White* (Detroit—NC) raised a point of order that it should go to the Committee on Courtesies and Privileges, Bishop Kennedy so ruled.

**Committee on Conferences—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 1
—Kenneth Hulit**

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East): I would ask that you turn then to calendar item 1, report number 1, on page 164 *Daily Christian Advocate*. Mr. Chairman this has reference to revision number 5, page 56, White Book and is dealing with the membership of the United Conference. Yesterday when I was here I confused this conference by using the word "Uniting" and "United" and let me get it clear. We are talking about the conference on Saturday of this week and we have hesitated to use the word first because we have a feeling that the United General Conference of the United Methodist Church ought to be something other than a half-day or day session and so we have used this word "United" and hope you understand it. Mr. Chairman, I move the approval of this report.

Bishop Kennedy: It is before you, are you ready? If you will approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1286.)

**Committee on Conferences—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 2
—Kenneth Hulit**

Dr. Hulit: I would call your attention to item number 2, report number 2 on the same page. It is simply reaffirming the stance of the church on integration of all Annual Conferences. Since we feel this is in process and part of our church, we have moved concurrence as a committee. I move its adoption.

Bishop Kennedy: It is before you, are you ready to vote? Those who will approve adoption, lift the hands. Those opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 164; appendix page 1286.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 10—Calendar No. 127—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: I would call up calendar item 127, page 322, *Daily Christian Advocate*, report number 10. This is a matter of reference to the Committee on Editorial Revision in order to bring in harmony paragraph 518 of the *Discipline* with paragraph 25 of the Constitution.

Calendar item 127. It is a matter of reference, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: It is before you, are you ready to vote? Those who will adopt, will lift the hands. Those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 322; appendix page 1290.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 11—Calendar No. 128—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Calendar item 128 is a similar matter of reference on the matter of editing the *Discipline*. I move reference, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? Lift the hands. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 322; appendix page 1290.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 13—Calendar No. 130—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Calendar item 130, report number 13, 322 *Daily Christian Advocate* having to do with the merger of racially segregated Annual Conferences, we are urging the General Conference to take immediate steps to remove racial segregation. We move concurrence, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready to vote? If you will approve lift the hands. Those opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 322; appendix page 1291.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 15—Calendar No. 132—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Calendar item number 132, having to do with constitutional amendment which would make it possible for the president of the youth organization of our church to be a member of the Annual Conference. You will find it listed on page 14 of the Blue Book as far as the Constitution is concerned and what we are doing is initiating the United Conference to recommend to the Annual Conferences an amendment to paragraph 36 of the *Discipline*. We find that this is possible according to our Enabling Legislation and we have moved concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: All right it is before you. Are you ready? If you will approve this, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 132; appendix page 1291.)

Suspension of Rules—Kenneth Hulit

On motion of *Kenneth W. Hulit* (Ohio East—EUB) the rules were suspended to receive reports printed in today's *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 102—Calendar No. 414—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: 414 page 529, Report number 102. It is dealing with the change of boundaries of the Western and South Central Jurisdictions. I move its adoption, Mr. Chairman.

B. C. Goodwin (New Mexico): I would like clarification on this particular report, Mr. Chairman. There were two petitions dealing with this. The one before you here specifies a change of only one city, from one Jurisdiction to the other. The other petition referred to a 50-mile strip of territory that they would be voting upon. My question is this, if this is passed on to the Jurisdictional or annual confer-

ences, if it is adopted as it is now, will we be limited to moving only the town of Window Rock from one Jurisdiction to the other, or would the Jurisdiction be able to act upon this 50-mile strip which the other petition called for?

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, I think you will find reference to petitions and it was our understanding that we were giving exactly what you asked for.

Mr. Goodwin: I have been under the impression that the two concurred in the actual wording. The differences in wording are these, this one calls for only the city of Window Rock; the other petition, as I say, refers to a 50-mile strip of territory on the Indian Reservation and there is that difference which I did not note until it was printed here in the *Advocate*.

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, could we ask the delegate to submit an amendment for us and expedite this?

Bishop Kennedy: Yes.

Mr. Goodwin: Yes, I will be glad to amend this to say that when all disciplinary provisions pertaining to this procedure have been followed and completed, the Western Jurisdiction is hereby authorized to change its boundaries by ceding to the South Central Jurisdiction a piece of territory fifty miles wide bounded on the east by the Arizona-New Mexico state border, on the north by the Arizona-Utah state border, on the west by a north-south line fifty miles west of the Arizona-New Mexico state border and parallel to it, and on the south by the south border of the Navajo Indian Reservation.

When this change in the boundaries of the two jurisdictions involved is completed, the territory ceded by the Western Jurisdiction to the South Central Jurisdiction shall be taken from the Southern California-Arizona Conference and added to the New Mexico Annual Conference.

Bishop Kennedy: You accept that?

Dr. Hulit: Yes.

Bishop Kennedy: It is now before us. Do you have any questions before we vote? If you will approve this, lift the hands? Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 529; appendix page 1330.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 103—Calendar No. 415—Kenneth Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Mr. Chairman, let's take 415, while we are at this page. This has to do with a request; now let me repeat it again. Calendar number 415, report number 103 has to do with the request for study of the jurisdictional structure and boundary. We move its adoption, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready to vote? If you approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 529; appendix page 1331.)

Question—Richard W. Cain

Richard W. Cain (Southern California-Arizona—W) questioned what had been adopted in Report No. 103. *B. C. Goodwin, Jr.* (New Mexico—SC) stated that his substitute had been accepted, and this changed the meaning.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 75—Calendar No. 363—Kenneth Hulit—Alfred B. Bonds

Dr. Hulit: All right, it is Calendar 363, report 75 on page 490 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. I want to pay a special tribute to one man who spent hours writing this document and I would ask that he present it, Dr. Bonds of North-East Ohio delegation.

Alfred B. Bonds (North-East Ohio): Thank you Mr. Chairman, this would be a good time to try to get recognized for that amendment I wanted to offer this morning. Mr. Chairman, we have before us Calendar number 363 which has to do with paragraph 720 in the White Book and if you will turn to 720 in your White Book you will find the material which has been before you now for some time.

In the interest of saving your time I do not feel that we should read this on a seriatum basis, I would like to suggest Mr. Chairman, that at least for a few moments we try to confine ourselves simply to questions and/or discussions before we attempt any parliamentary procedures. I think it might expedite what we are trying to do. Is that agreeable with you?

Bishop Kennedy: Yes.

Dr. Bonds: The page number in the *Daily Christian Advocate* is 490, the calendar number is 363, the White Book reference is page 74, the paragraph 720.

Now the first change made by our Committee had to do with membership which is paragraph 725.1 and I assume that since literacy is a requirement in the Conference I need not read it. 725.1 is the first change offered by the Committee on Conferences. Any questions, comments please.

Let me know so we can move quickly to the next item. All right, if you have a question we will come back to it. There is no change on the matter of meetings, there is one change in 725.3. Instead of four vice-presidents we are suggesting three vice-presidents. That is the only change there. 725.4 there is a change we are suggesting. It's a forlorn hope; we are saying "there may be an executive committee" instead of "there shall be an executive committee."

There is a substantial elimination of language there. It terminates at the end of the first sentence simply with "permissive language" which says "that additional members elected by the Council." In other words we are attempting to give them flexibility based on what the circumstances might be at the time this organization comes into being. There is one change in 725.5 which has to do with the Nominating Committee and that is the addition of the Board of Health and Welfare Ministries. 726 is exactly as it was, 727 is as it was. 728 is as it was.

There's no change in 728.2 or 728.3. The change in 728.4 again makes it a permissive procedure for them to elect or not elect Executive Committee. In 728.5 elected staff there is an editorial change which I would urge you to make. Under the White Book rules may I ask you to please to turn to page 69, Revision 12, chapter 4. Revision 13, chapter 4 indicates that each World Service or other general agencies so far as possible shall adopt the following titles for staff executives: the editorial change here has simply been to bring into line the name of the positions which you are assigned to the Program Council. In other words, there is a general secretary, secretary of the individual division—it will be known as associate general secretaries. That editorial correction throughout the balance of the report. There is no change in 728.6.

We come on down to 729. There is no change in 729 until we come down to 729.12. In your *Christian Advocate* again on page 491 the middle column in 12 you will find a slight change in there which

indicates that instead of having persons associated with various boards and agencies participating in review procedures, there would be an independent group within the Committee made up of persons not members of boards or agencies which would review such questions. That's the fundamental change. Any question or comment, please.

We will move on to 729.13. I believe that is exactly the same. In the Division of Correlation you will note that in each case these three subdivisions have been named sections. This is in the interest of editorial consistency and management consistency in relationship with other boards and agencies of the church.

Glenn L. Lembke (Southwest Texas): End of that paragraph in the *Daily Christian Advocate* the word is "approval"; in the White Book it is "determination."

Dr. Bonds: We accept that change sir. That was supposed to be a consideration. Mr. Chairman, I would simply like to take that as an editorial change. May we use the term consideration. Is that all right with you, sir?

Bishop Kennedy: All right. Thank you. Yes.

Robert H. Courtney (North-East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I hate to take time, but the point the man's referring to is the end of the paragraph but that is not in our change here. The statement which ends this paragraph is in the middle of the original paragraph; the word used is "approval" and I think "approval" is meant to be retained.

Dr. Bonds: I would like to ask Mr. Parlin if he knows the mind of the drafting committee on this particular point. I am anxious to get on with this and I know you are. Mr. Parlin, do you have counsel on that matter?

C. C. Parlin: I think it was the intention of the Joint Commissions to use the word "approval."

Dr. Bonds: All right, to the gentleman from Texas, if you wish to take time, but as a tentative point of consideration I would feel, Mr. Chairman, he would then address you.

Mr. Lembke: Mr. Chairman, then the rest of the paragraph 13 must be deleted. As I understood it, the chairman of the Commission making the report said there were no changes in paragraph 13. There is a whole sentence in there, in fact, two sentences.

Dr. Bonds: If I did, sir, I am in error. I have got about six pieces of paper I was trying to—

Mr. Lembke: I appreciate that.

Dr. Bonds: And I'm trying to save your time. Now if you've got an issue of substance I'd be delighted to hear it. Do you want it "approval" or do you want it "consideration"?

Bishop Kennedy: He doesn't care.

Dr. Bonds: For heaven's sake, hurry up.

Bishop Kennedy: Back here, No. 4.

Lester Moore (South Iowa): Mr. Chairman, our concern is that in paragraph 13, there are two whole sentences left out of the *Christian Advocate* that appear in the White Book. These two sentences deal with what is done in case an approval is disallowed, what they are to do in case of approval being disallowed and how you can go about correcting it?

Dr. Bonds: I think that you will find, sir, a little bit later in the report that provision has been made for that. I'm perfectly willing. However, if you wish it included editorially, go ahead and put it in at this juncture.

Bishop Kennedy: Wouldn't we be better off if we would just wait until he gets through with this. We are just having questions. Then we will go back on it. Go ahead.

Dr. Bonds: All right. That was the system on which we agreed a little while ago. Fourteen is pretty much a duplicate of what appears in the White Book in 14 except that reference is made to the Continental United States which refers back to the Blue Book as the old *Discipline*.

Eugene Smith (Northern New Jersey): It seems to me a matter of substantial change between 14 in the *White Book* and 14 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. In the White Book, the important matter of substance is that if there is a difference in judgment between that of the Program Council and the boards and agencies the decision is to be made by the next General Conference.

In 14 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* final approval or disapproval is left with the Program Council. How, Mr. Chairman, can I make a motion for the final decision in that case to be referred to the General Conference which I think is a matter of major importance?

Dr. Bonds: Mr. Chairman, if I may say so, the arrangements for reviewing that are built into this document a little bit later in the document, and it is a system which has worked successfully over a number of years.

James K. Forbes (Indiana): I think the house would be aided because these questions that seem to be raised at the present moment are in relation to the Committee on Review. And if they want to keep their finger in that page, it is 517 of the *Advocate*, we need not have these questions.

Bishop Kennedy: Yes.

Dr. Bonds: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, 15 is exactly the same as the White Book; 16 I think is exactly the same thing as the White Book; 17 is exactly the same as the White Book; 18 is left out, but it is covered in this later section to which Dr. Forbes alluded a moment ago.

I have just been kicked by Dow Kirkpatrick and asked to bring this matter before you, up to this point for approval, for apparently he wants to shift gears and go to something else. Now, you have been very gracious, you have asked several questions. If you have any procedural items, I'm sure the chairman would be glad to hear them.

I move approval of this, Mr. Chairman, up to this point.

Amendment—Mrs. H. E. Arterburn

Mrs. Haskel E. Arterburn (Louisville): Mr. Chairman, I would like to make an amendment to a portion of this. If I get a second, I will speak to it. I realize this Conference doesn't want to hear an amendment, but in the matter of membership, I would like to move that we go back to the membership as listed in the White Book, with this addition . . . This is on page 74 where you have membership of this Program Council in your White Book. This would read as it is, with this amendment. As you get to the third from the bottom line of that paragraph, after you say "five shall be pastors of charges and ten laymen" insert "at least one of whom shall not be over 21 years of age," and then continue, "and of whom at least four shall be women." If I get a second, I'll speak to it.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded.

Mrs. Arterburn: My purpose in this is decreasing the size of one of the most important bodies in the church, the Program Council. This will lead it back to the original, which had, you have changed at least five pastors of . . . well seven ministers. You have cut this down. Ten

laymen, and this has been cut to seven. The Program Council is taking the place of the Coordinating Council on Local Church Program, the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation, TRAFCO, the Department of Research, which before had a total of 195 members, and I think in this church we need this size representation on the Program Council. Thank you.

George H. Atkinson (California-Nevada—W) spoke against the amendment. Dr. Bonds called attention to the fact that Divisions would elect members at large.

Substitute to the Amendment—Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer

Mrs. Alvin Pfeiffer (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, I'd like to try a substitute for the amendment.

Bishop Kennedy: All right, try it.

Mrs. Pfeiffer: Thank you. I appreciate very much what was said about the members-at-large in the Division, and I think it is very fine, but the substitute that I would like to try is, after the word "election" in paragraph 725.1, Membership—after the word "election" change the line to read "and eight laymen, of whom at least one shall not be over twenty-one years of age at the time of election, and with equal representation of lay men and lay women." That would be the end of the substitute. If there is a second, and if I have permission, I would like to say a word about it.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded. Go ahead.

Mrs. Pfeiffer: The legislation in this report provides for seventy voting members, of whom at least ten must be women. This is the important part. Women make up more than half the membership of The United Methodist Church. At this point in history the church should face up to the need for searching out women with skills and training, and the church should make it possible for them to make a significant contribution to the mission of the church in the world through the channels provided by the structure of the church. A possible minimum of ten women out of seventy does not provide this opportunity for the church to have this witness.

The men of the country have helped women achieve legal rights, and for this we are forever grateful, and in the church fair-minded men have helped women achieve some basic rights and representation, and in this General Conference in some of the delegations we have very fair representation. None of this would have been possible had men not seen the need to help women achieve justice in this issue. I hope that the delegates to the Uniting Conference will see this, not as a matter of protective legislation, but as an issue basic to the witness and to the nature of the church, and I hope you will vote the substitute for the amendment.

Mrs. Arterburn withdrew her amendment.

Robert G. Vessey (South Dakota—NC) asked if Mrs. Pfeiffer would accept the stipulation "at least half of whom shall be men." Bishop Kennedy said she would.

The Pfeiffer amendment lost.

Amendment—Donald A. Waterfield

Donald Waterfield (Troy): I would like to offer an amendment, or offer it to the committee for acceptance. In the paragraph dealing with membership at the lines which read "over 21 years of age at the time of election and of whom at least two shall be women," I would like to

add the phrase, "only one person from an Annual Conference may be elected to these positions." May I speak to it?

Bishop Kennedy: Is there a second? Yes.

Mr. Waterfield: My purpose in this is to provide greater grass roots participation in this important Council of our church, and I feel that by this simple addition, we could do so.

The Waterfield amendment did not prevail.

Amendment—Dale E. Pitcher

Dale E. Pitcher (Central Illinois): I'd like to offer an amendment under Membership to change where it reads "four ministers of whom at least three shall be pastors of charges" to "at least two." If I could have a second, I would like to speak to this.

Bishop Kennedy: Is there a second? Yes, go ahead.

Dr. Pitcher: The reason for this amendment is that there are those persons who will be carrying on the responsibility of interpreting and implementing the Program Council's work in the Annual Conference, and this would limit only one person out of each Jurisdiction to be in this Council on the general church level out of this group. For this reason, I suggest two, with two from the Local Church.

The Pitcher amendment lost.

Amendment—Charles C. Parlin

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 491, column one, paragraph 6. I move to delete the last sentence which reads, "For the first quadrennium, the general secretary shall also serve as the general secretary of the Division of Coordination, Research and Planning." If it is seconded, I will speak.

Bishop Kennedy: It is seconded.

Mr. Parlin: This was put in as an economy move under the theory that the general secretary could also serve for the first quadrennium as the associate secretary in this Division of Coordination, Research and Planning. We ran into several difficulties. First, it developed that this was not good organization. Secondly, in the assortment of jobs for the Methodist and the EUB staffs, this job was needed. Thirdly, the financing for this department had already been approved by the World Service and Finance Commission, and this economy need was not essential. The people who made the motion said to us that they saw no objection to its being taken out. We therefore urge that this be eliminated.

Previous Question—Dow Kirkpatrick

The Conference voted on the previous question on all before it on call of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC).

Dr. Hulit spoke for the Committee and against the Parlin amendment.

The Parlin amendment to delete prevailed.

Report No. 75 through paragraph 729 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 490; appendix page 1306.)

Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 74—Dow Kirkpatrick—Sumpter M. Riley, Jr.—Joseph H. Yeaker

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): The chairman now recognizes the chairman of the Committee on Evangelism, Sumpter Riley.

Sumpter Riley, Jr. (North-East Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I would like the permission of the delegates to use Joseph H. Yeakel, our resource person, and to grant him permission to speak and to lead us in some of our report.

Bishop Kennedy: Without opposition?

Dr. Riley: Yes, then if we will turn to page 264, Calendar 74, Committee on Membership and Evangelism, Report Number 1, and Dr. Yeakel will lead us.

Joseph Yeakel: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, the point of reference in the Blue Book is page 242 and in the White book page 113, the calendar numbers in the *Daily Christian Advocate* on page 264, beginning with Calendar number 74 and then continuing with number 150 on page 327. We believe we can facilitate your work by taking the 23 items which deal with the Constitution of the General Board of Evangelism by simply calling to your attention the three or the five areas, rather, of rather definite change that perhaps you would want to look at seriously and then hopefully you have already read the other items. The first item number 74 deals with the subject, the aim of evangelism and evangelism defined, and you will understand that we are bringing two *Disciplines* together. This is an attempt to do just that and the motion of the committee is to substitute the article in the White Book for that in the Blue Book as an amendment.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? If you will approve this, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1415.)

Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 2— Calendar No. 75—Joseph H. Yeakel

Dr. Yeakel: The Calendar number 75 dealing with the aim and objectives of the board, the motion of the committee is substitute this as printed for that in the Blue Book.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? Those who will approve this, lift the hand. Any opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1415.)

Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 3— Calendar No. 76—Joseph H. Yeakel

Dr. Yeakel: Number 76 deals with the membership of the general board, and it has been amended and is before you as amended.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready to vote? Those who will approve it, lift the hands. Those opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1415.)

Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 4— Calendar No. 77—Joseph H. Yeakel

Dr. Yeakel: Number 77 is the tenure of office of the General Board of Evangelism, and this is an attempt to provide for an emergency, such as if the General Conference or Jurisdictional Conference could not meet, that we could legally carry on.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will favor this, lift the hands. If you are opposed the same sign. It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1416.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 5—
Calendar No. 78—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 78 is a redefinition of the officers of the board.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? If you will approve it, lift the hands. If you are against it, lift the hands. It is all right.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1417.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 6—
Calendar No. 79—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 79 deals with the General Secretary of the general board and is sorted out in a separate item.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1417.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 7—
Calendar No. 80—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 80 deals with the other executive staff of the general board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve lift the hands. Any opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1417.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 8—
Calendar No. 81—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: And number 81 deals with the treasurer of the board.

Bishop Kennedy: Those who will approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1418.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 9—
Calendar No. 82—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 82 deals with the organization of the general board and there is a change to be found on page 31 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. With this amendment, it is before you.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? If you approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 264; appendix page 1418.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 10—
Calendar No. 83—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 83, the duties of the general board as amended, is before you.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1419.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 11
—Calendar No. 84—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 84 deals with the executive committee of the general board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1419.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 12
—Calendar No. 85—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 85 deals with the cooperation of the general board with the various other agencies of the church.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve it, lift the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1419.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 13
—Calendar No. 86—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 86 deals with the conference-related evangelists and in an attempt to clarify this relationship the amendment to insert the words "an elder" for the words "a minister" so that we bring this in line with the proposals in part two and also rather automatically define the qualifications for such persons.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve this, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1420.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 14
—Calendar No. 87—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 87 deals with the creation and change of the by-laws.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will favor this, lift the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 265; appendix page 1420.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 15
—Calendar No. 150—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: And if you will turn now to page 327 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar item number 150, Report number 15. The item deals with the membership of the conference Board of Evangelism.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1420.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 16
—Calendar No. 151—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: The item Number 151 should be corrected in the book to read "Conference Board of Evangelism" rather than "district committee."

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1420.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 17
—Calendar No. 152—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 152 corresponds with the legislation that was before us previously and will be coming to bring it in line with Program Council of the Conference, Secretary of Evangelism and the conference board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve, lift the hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1421.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 18
—Calendar No. 153—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 153 deals with the conference committee, standing committees of the conference board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1421.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 19
—Calendar No. 154—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 154 brings the conference evangelist section under the conference in line with action already taken.

Bishop Kennedy: If you favor, lift your hands. Any opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1422.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 20
—Calendar No. 155—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 155 makes the District Committees on Evangelism optional and where they are created gives the power of determining the membership to the conference board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve this, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1422.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 21
—Calendar No. 156—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 156 gives the opportunities for the optional committees and under the district committees.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve this, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1422.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 22
—Calendar No. 157—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 157 creates the position of the District Secretary of Evangelism and relates them to the conference board.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 327; appendix page 1423.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 23
—Calendar No. 158—Joseph H. Yeakel**

Dr. Yeakel: Number 158 is a covering action making permissible the Local Church Commission in line with the proposed legislation on the local church.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve, lift the hands. If you are opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1423.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 24
—Calendar No. 159—Truman W. Potter**

Truman Potter (West Virginia): Mr. Chairman, members of the conference calendar 159 relates to the Episcopal Address. We lift up some items and move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve it, lift the hands. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1423.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 25
—Calendar No. 160—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: Calendar 160 relates to the Coordinating Commission, Coordinating Council report and we recommend concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve, lift your hands. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1424.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 26
—Calendar No. 161—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: Calendar 161 relates to the quadrennial report of the general board and we move adoption.

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC) asked concerning undispersed and unrestricted funds of the Board of Evangelism.

Point of Order—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) raised a point of order that this inquiry should have come up during the report of the Council on World Service. Bishop Kennedy asked if it did not relate to the Board of Evangelism. Dr. Potter stated the Board Treasurer would give the answer.

Motion to Defer—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) made a motion to defer action on report 26. Dr. Potter agreed to this.

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 27
—Calendar No. 162—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: 162 relates to the Committee on Confirmation, Resources and is a referral. Pardon me, Mr. Chairman, it includes the addition of a representative from the Commission on Worship. We move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: All right if you will approve it lift the hand. You who oppose, the same sign. All right.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1424.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 28
—Calendar No. 163—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: No. 163 is an action on Mission to United Methodist Churches in North America. It comes to you as a joint request from the World Division of the Board Missions, the General Board of Evangelism and the General Board of the Laity. It involves bringing nationals from other sections of the world on a mission to North America. We move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? If you will approve it, lift the hand. If you are opposed, the same sign.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1424.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 29
—Calendar No. 164—Truman W. Potter**

This report was withdrawn by Dr. Potter.

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 30
—Calendar No. 165—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: If you will turn to page 389 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 164 was withdrawn and comes to you in this series but later, 165 is a call for a year of prayer. We move concurrence and a recommendation that this be referred as a petition and not a calendar item, but we are referring it to the general board and

also to the program board for their attention, Program Council, when they are organized, 165. We move concurrent.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready. All those who favor it, lift the hand. Those who are opposed.

(See *DCA* page 389; appendix page 1425.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 31
—Calendar No. 166—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: No. 166 is also under the quadrennial emphasis. We refer it. It comes from the general board and it is referred to appropriate body. It's on programming. We move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve this lift the hand. If you are opposed, the same sign.

(See *DCA* page 389; appendix page 1426.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 32
—Calendar No. 310—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: Now if you will turn to 466, Calendar No. 310, its concurrence and reference to the Committee on Membership Materials for Training for Church Membership. We move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve it lift the hand. Any opposed.

(See *DCA* page 466; appendix page 1426.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 33
—Calendar No. 311—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: No. 311, recommend concurrence with recommendation that it be referred to Council of World Service and Finance for its committee on legal forms and records.

Bishop Kennedy: Are you ready? If you approve this, lift the hand. Any opposed? It's approved.

(See *DCA* page 467; appendix page 1427.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 34
—Calendar No. 312—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: No. 312 deals with several various subjects, petitions and we move concurrence in reference to The Board of Evangelism.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will approve it, lift the hand. Any opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 467; appendix page 1427.)

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 38
—Calendar No. 329—Truman W. Potter**

Dr. Potter: Turn now to page 470, Calendar 329. This is a report recommending a study on how to conserve membership and gives this responsibility to the general board as a study for the next quadrennium. I move concurrence.

Bishop Kennedy: If you approve it lift the hand. If you are opposed, the same sign. It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 470; appendix page 1428.)

Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 39 —Calendar No. 346—Truman W. Potter

Dr. Potter: Now will you turn to page 476, Calendar No. 346, middle of the column. This is a resolution that deals with the ministry to the armed forces. The substance will remain the same, but we do want to make some changes in the paragraph. The one that is now listed No. 5 will be No. 3; No. 3 will be No. 4; No. 5 will continue but there will be dividing what is now No. 3, closing the paragraph with the sentence "their members and constituents in the armed forces." That will end that paragraph. Strike out the word "and" and begin, that additional funding not to exceed \$35,000 annually to be requested, and so forth. The rest remains substantially the same.

Now what this does, gentlemen, is to pick up the responsibility that is ours of the church, to follow the men in the armed service.

We are raising a joint committee with the Commission on Chaplains and Related Ministry, and there is an editorial item there that needs to be corrected in three. It is a Council on Chaplains and Related Ministry now, and what we are trying to do is to do this cooperatively with them, encouraging and stimulating our local churches to do a very important ministry to our men in the armed services. I move concurrence.

Amendment—A. Purnell Bailey

A. Purnell Bailey (Virginia): Mr. Chairman, I move an amendment that for the first line of paragraph 3 as we have it in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. We use the same term as in paragraph 5; namely, "Joint Committee of the General Board of Evangelism and the Council of Chaplains and Related Ministry" be inserted instead. And further, that we add these words at the end of paragraph 4 by inserting a comma after the words, "membership rolls," and inserting "and that serious endeavor be made to relate these persons while they are in military service to a local United Methodist Church wherever possible."

Dr. Potter: Mr. Chairman, we will be glad to accept this, if you remember in 113, which we adopted under a local church, this is a part of that action, and this is a part of our responsibility to those on the general military roll.

Amendment—Robert W. Smith

Robert Smith (Oklahoma): I want to ask the chairman, Dr. Potter, what was this correction that you made on paragraph 3?

Dr. Potter: It is really a division of paragraph 3 into two different paragraphs. We moved ahead, which calls for a joint committee, and then we make the joint committee. They are to give guidance and stimulation to the local churches and their councils on ministry in following and nurturing their members and constituents in the armed forces. This is how it will read.

Dr. Smith: And then the last paragraph is that there will be \$35,000 included in this.

Dr. Potter: Yes, sir. There is the requesting of additional funds not to exceed \$35,000 annually to be used for this purpose.

Dr. Smith: Well, Mr. Chairman, I would like to make an amendment that the last part of this paragraph be dropped from the words

“armed forces” that we have allocated through the World Service and Finance funds for these two boards and that they should be able to operate as a joint committee without this additional asking.

Motion to Extend Time—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard D. Slutz (Ohio—NC) made a motion to extend the time to 5:30 p.m.; the motion lost.

Motion to Extend Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) made a motion to extend the time to finish this report. The motion carried.

D. S. Patterson (Baltimore—NE) spoke against the Smith amendment.

Motion to Defer—C. R. Hozendorf

C. R. Hozendorf (Little Rock—SC) stated that he felt the Conference should hear from the Bishops who had worked with this; they were not present. He then made a motion to defer action until they could be present.

The motion to defer lost.

Previous Question—Paul B. Adrian

On call of Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) the previous question was ordered on all before the house.

Clarence E. Parker (North Iowa—NC) asked if this matter was in the original presentation from the Board of Evangelism to the Council on World Service. Dr. Potter stated it was not.

The Secretary read the amendment.

Dr. Potter spoke for the Committee and against the amendment.

John E. Rutland (North Alabama—SE) asked if any information was available on the matter of undispensed funds. Dr. Yeakel answered that these were funds for *The Upper Room* which could not be used otherwise.

The Smith amendment lost.

Report No. 39 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 476; appendix page 1428.)

Motion to Refer—Truman W. Potter

Dr. Potter: Mr. Chairman, I would refer this financial matter to the Council of World Service and Finance. I have to make a reference here.

Bishop Kennedy: If you will refer to the Council of World Service and Finance lift the hand. If you are opposed? It is referred.

**Committee on Membership and Evangelism—Report No. 26
—Calendar No. 161—Dow Kirkpatrick**

Dr. Kirkpatrick: You failed to take a vote on Calendar 161 which will complete them.

Bishop Kennedy: What was that, Dow?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: It was 161, page 328, the *Daily Christian Advocate*, it is Calendar 161 which you postponed approving until you could hear from the treasurer.

Bishop Kennedy: Now that we have that information we are ready to vote on it, I suppose. Calendar 161, page 328 of the *Advocate*. Are you ready to vote? If you will approve it lift the hand. If you are opposed? It is approved.

(See *DCA* page 328; appendix page 1424.)

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Appreciation—Benediction—Bishop Kennedy

Bishop Kennedy thanked the Conference for their support during the session, and pronounced the benediction, and the afternoon session adjourned.

NINTH DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 2, 1968

EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop W. Angie Smith

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the ninth day, Thursday, May 2, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop W. Angie Smith, Oklahoma-New Mexico Area, presiding.

Hymn No. 93, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was sung, and Bishop Paul V. Galloway led the prayer.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, the agenda for the evening is on the first page of your *Daily Christian Advocate*. I would move its adoption.

Bishop Smith: Is there a second? All in favor will lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

Dr. Young: Bishop Smith, may I remind the Conference of the hour set for the morning session—8:00 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m.

Bishop Smith: Thank you, Dr. There was some misunderstanding, some tonight thinking it was to begin at 7:00, but that is 7:30 tonight and 8:00 in the morning.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop, members of the Conference, the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by the chairmen of delegations for the plenary session of Thursday afternoon, May 2. I move the adoption. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*.

Bishop Smith: All in favor will lift the hand. If there is opposition, you will lift the hand. It is done.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel McDavid

Joel McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, we have one matter to present to the Conference. Mr. O. W. Poppe, delegate from Nebraska, asked that this be recorded. The first United Methodist Mission since the birth of our new church will commence services, Sunday, May 5, 1968, in the West Capital Heights subdivision of Grand Island, Nebraska. Charter members will be received on this day.

These new members extend their greeting to this Uniting Conference. They express their gratitude to the department of new church development of the Board of Missions for The United Methodist Church for making this mission possible. This simply goes to record. I believe.

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 1 —Calendar No. 26—Dow Kirkpatrick—John C. Soltman

Dow Kirkpatrick: Bishop Smith, our plan tonight is again to call committees for a 45-minute period in which they are at liberty to raise whatever, or as many of their calendar items as they desire. It is our hope that a number of these may finish all their work tonight.

First, it will be Ritual and Orders of Worship, followed by the Pensions, followed by Interdenominational Affairs, followed by Lay Activities. Then I've got some beyond that.

I hope you will resist the urge to move to adjourn, and as a matter of fact, that you will work late tonight. I think it is far more desirable that we put in a hard tonight than tomorrow night. We can plan tomorrow better if we do a considerable amount of work tonight.

I want you to know that on tomorrow there will be a motion to cover all the nonconcurrent calendar items at once. There are 165 of them. This is to alert you because you have the right to raise a question about any of them. I would hope that if you have a question about any of them you will raise it with the chairman of the committee that has voted nonconcurrence, rather than trying to do it on the floor.

Now, if you will turn to page 166 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar item No. 26, page 166. Dr. Soltman.

John C. Soltman (Pacific Northwest): Page 166, Item No. 26 in the lower right hand corner, Report No. 1. The text: "Resolved that the hymnals of The United Methodist Church be the hymnal of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and the hymnal of the former Methodist Church, and that the Ritual of The United Methodist Church be the Ritual of the two groups, and that both Rituals be printed as alternate orders in the 1968 *Discipline*." I move the approval.

Amendment—Willard Zellmer

Willard Zellmer (Pacific Northwest): I would like to move an amendment as follows: That Calendar Item 26 be amended by removing the last clause, "that both Rituals be printed as alternate orders in the 1968 *Discipline*," and that the following be substituted: "that the 1968 *Discipline* include this statement in the section pertaining to the Commission on Worship: 'the hymnals of The United Methodist Church are the *Hymnal of The Evangelical United Brethren Church* and *The Methodist Hymnal*; the Ritual of the church is that contained in the *Book of Ritual of The Evangelical United Brethren Church*, 1959, and the *Book of Worship of The Methodist Church*.'"

This makes an affirmative statement as to identification of the official ritual and hymnal of the church and eliminates the necessity of printing the ritual in the *Discipline*, consistent with our previous action.

The amendment carried.

The report as amended was adopted. (See *DCA* page 166; appendix page 1562.)

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 2 —Calendar No. 27—John C. Soltman

Dr. Soltman: On page 167, left hand column, No. 27. This is an authorization for the Commission on Worship to receive for study and consider orders of worship suggested by COCU. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. Any discussion? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done. The next please, sir.

(See *DCA* page 167; appendix page 1562.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 3
—Calendar No. 28—John C. Soltman**

Dr. Soltman: Item 28 is the reference of a number of matters to the Commission on Worship for study, such as a funeral ritual for non-Christians, a ritual for receiving members by transfer, a standard wording for the Lord's Prayer, a two-year lectionary, and a rewording of the marriage service. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. Any discussion? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 167; appendix page 1563.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 5
—Calendar No. 30—John C. Soltman**

John Soltman: No. 30. This is a recommendation that the General Commission on Worship make a study to clarify the standards of the church for marriage. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 167; appendix page 1563.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 6
—Calendar No. 31—Sydney C. G. Everson**

Dr. Soltman: No. 31. And inasmuch as I, as the chairman, am not in harmony with the action of the committee, under Rule 35, I call on Mr. Sydney Everson to make the presentation.

Bishop Smith: Mr. Everson, will you please, sir. This is Report No. 6.

Sydney Everson (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, the first impulse of our committee was, as yours will be, to vote nonconcurrence on this petition. After mature debate and by the very narrowest of margins, we now ask you to vote concurrence in this petition, for the following reason.

We received several petitions dealing with this subject, one at least from a very responsible Commission on worship from an Annual Conference of our church. To concur in this petition does not mean that any church should use anything but grape juice in the service of Holy Communion. Rather, we assume that the great majority of the United Methodist congregations will continue to do so.

Nor does this petition specify that any substitute for the deleted sentence should be made. We simply request that the redundant sentence shall be omitted in any future printing of the Ritual. To do so will remove an obvious inconsistency in the language of our Ritual.

In the sentence immediately preceding the one we ask to be deleted, the elements of Holy Communion are sufficiently specified. Nothing further on the subject needs to be said. Moreover, to concur in this petition will bring our church into much closer harmony with the universal practice of the Christian church, which from the time of Christ up to the present time, has specified that bread and wine are the material substances under which the body and blood of our Lord are present in Holy Communion.

Ecumenism, we have been told, is the great new fact of our era,

and any step we can take, however small, in bringing our new United Methodist Church into closer fellowship with the church universal is an end devoutly to be wished. This, I suggest to you, is a theological and liturgical question, and it is on theological and liturgical grounds that we have finally decided. And we hope you will consider it on this basis also and vote favorably on the motion to concur.

A. B. Utzman (Minnesota—EUB) spoke against adoption; *George M. Ricker* (Southwest Texas—SC) spoke for the report. *Donald E. Holbrook* (Michigan—NC) spoke against the report.

Point of Order—A. E. Wilken

A. E. Wilken (Iowa—EUB) raised the point of order that the Conference had voted to print the Rituals as they were, and this report was out of order. Bishop Smith did not sustain the point of order.

Previous Question—Joe A. Harding

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) moved the previous question, and it was called for.

George E. Somers (Bengal—OS) asked how concurrence could be given the report when eighteen voted for it, seventeen voted against it, and three abstained; this seemed less than a majority voting for the report. Bishop Smith stated that those who abstained were not counted as voting.

Point of Order—Erwin H. Schwiebert

Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho—W) raised a point of order that debate had been closed too soon since action was on the report and not on an amendment.

Dr. Everson made the closing remarks for the Committee. Report No. 6 was not adopted.

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 9
—Calendar No. 63—John C. Soltman**

Dr. Soltman: Please turn to page 263. Page 263, Calendar Item 63.

This recommendation that there be added to the officers to the Commission on Worship a treasurer and there be a provision for not a general secretary but an executive secretary of the commission elected quadrennially. The terminology is consistent with the provisions of the White Book. I move concurrence.

Donald E. Redmond (Southwest Texas—SC) stated he did not believe an executive secretary could be employed on the budget previously voted. *Dr. Soltman* stated the person might be employed on a part-time basis. *G. Ross Freeman* (South Georgia—SE) wanted to know if the word "general" was incorrect. *Dr. Soltman* said it had been changed to "executive." *Charles E. Kachel* (Eastern—EUB) asked if

this meant a full time paid executive job; Dr. Soltman replied that it did not.

Bishop Lance Webb spoke to the report.

Report No. 9 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1564.)

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 10 —Calendar No. 64—John C. Soltman

Dr. Soltman: No. 64, Report No. 10. The importance of this is that of the Executive Secretary of the Commission on Worship.

Bishop Smith: You're changing that from General to Executive here. By common consent that title is Executive Secretary and not General—go right ahead.

Dr. Soltman: The effect of this would be that the Executive Secretary of the General Commission on Worship would be a member of the Council of Secretaries of the Church. I move approval.

Question—John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): Mr. Chairman, before we vote on that, could someone instruct us as to what is the policy of the Church regarding the Council of Secretaries. It seems to me that we are putting a part time man in a pretty high spot. I would like to have some information.

Bishop Smith: Yes, there is someone back here to the left, can you answer that question from the Council of Secretaries?

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): The policy to date has not been to sit in the Council of Secretaries, Volunteer Executives. I've been such myself on a number of occasions; however, this issue will come up in direct form when we deal with the Amendment Section 1501, which defines the membership of the Council of Secretaries. It seems to me it would be much more appropriate to debate it then when that section comes up for review.

Bishop Smith: Thank you, sir. Does that satisfy you, and would you be willing to withdraw this to await that time, or refer it, or what is your desire? It's up to you if you want to do it now.

Dr. Soltman: I would be satisfied to withdraw it until that time, although I am not quite sure of the process by which we would introduce it, Bishop.

Bishop Smith: May I ask if the Conference would permit him to withdraw this, or permit the committee with the understanding when that is introduced they will have the right to present this. If the conference will grant that you will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? Then that is done.

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 11 —Calendar No. 65—John C. Soltman

Dr. Soltman: Calendar No. 65, Report No. 11. I wish to read this because I will add some words at the end. The Committee—

Bishop Smith: You say you are adding words. Is that with the permission of the Committee, or just your personal words?

Dr. Soltman: It's my personal addition.

Bishop Smith: Well this is a Committee Report and I hesitate to do it, but it would seem to me that that is the report before us and not your privilege to add your personal words unless the committee agreed

to it. So this is the report here and your personal words you try to bring in as an amendment I would suggest. But we can only vote on what we have before us, would be my ruling in that, and not the personal words of the Chairman that the Committee has not acted upon.

Dr. Soltman: Do I have the power to move to amend?

Bishop Smith: Well, you are a member of this Conference and I would recognize it. If that was the only failure I made in comparison with some of them in the matter of law here I would get off pretty easy, so I would permit you. Or you can get one of your friends to do it.

Dr. Soltman: Then Mr. Chairman, I move the approval of Item 65 which is a commendation of the Commission on Worship for the 1967 Consultation on Worship and recommend that another Consultation be held.

Bishop Smith: This is the motion?

Dr. Soltman: This is my motion.

Bishop Smith: All right, now what are the words that you want to add?

Dr. Soltman: I move to amend, sir, by striking the words, "providing budget there for" at the end of the sentence, and substituting so that it would read "and authorize the Council on World Service and Finance to budget \$2,000 per annum to cover the costs of the Convocation."

Bishop Smith: Well, I would have to rule that we do not have authority to authorize them to put \$2,000 in. You can refer it to them and I have, sitting back of me here, the President of the Council on World Service and I would like to ask him. Is that not correct, Bishop? It would have to be referred to them; we cannot order them, but when it comes back you can either accept it, enlarge it—

Dr. Soltman: May I change the word to "request" rather than "authorizing"?

Bishop Smith: Thank you, sir. Then by common consent is there any objection to that being changed, either from members of the committee or from the floor? If not, this is requesting the World Service to consider \$2,000 per annum for this purpose.

Substitute Motion—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul Calkins (Ohio—NC): I would hesitate to pass this kind of a resolution because there might be ways in which this Committee on Worship would feel they could better expend their time and energy; so I think that we ought to just refer this for their consideration.

Bishop Smith: That is just refer it without the first part.

Dr. Calkins: Right.

Bishop Smith: Would you off a substitute for it then to get it officially before us?

Dr. Calkins: I would move that we refer this matter for the consideration of the Committee to the Commission on Worship.

Bishop Smith: Back to the Committee on Worship?

Dr. Calkins: Not the Legislative Committee, but the official Worship Commission.

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke against referral.

Bishop Webb spoke to the report.

The Calkins substitute motion did not pass.

Report No. 11 as amended passed. (See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1565.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 12
—Calendar No. 66—John C. Soltman**

Dr. Soltman: Calendar 66, Report number 12 is a commendation to the members of the Commission on Worship for its outstanding leadership in the last quadrennium; to its secretary, Dr. W. F. Dunkel, who carried a tremendous load during the time; and is also a recommendation for the reception of the report as printed in the quadrennial reports. I also indicate to you that in paragraph 1451 of the Blue Book there is a full description of the Commission on Worship. I move approval of what is printed here, Bishop.

Amendment—Paul O. Mayer

Paul Mayer (North-East Ohio): Bishop, I would amend this report to strike out the last words in the second paragraph, "and its recommendations approved."

Bishop Smith: Your recommendation is to strike out "approved."

Dr. Mayer: No, the words "and its recommendations approved."

Bishop Smith: Thank you, Sir.

Dr. Mayer: If there is a second I would like to speak.

Bishop Smith: If there is a second? It is seconded.

Dr. Mayer: Bishop, these recommendations are not in the hands of the General Conference and I do not think we ought to give a blanket approval to recommendations that we do not possess.

Dr. Soltman: We will accept that.

Bishop Smith: They will accept that, if that is agreeable sir. So the original is before you; all in favor will lift the hands. Opposed? It is carried.

(See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1565.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 13
—Calendar No. 67—John C. Soltman**

Dr. Soltman: Report No. 13, calendar 67, this is a request to the General Commission on Worship that it publish periodically inexpensive paper back collections of contemporary Hymns and experimental services of worship couched in new forms and in truly contemporary language and that a budget be provided. Therefore, may I say in explanation of this that the Commission on Worship is on the forefront in the worship experience of the church. There have been many requests for this type of thing with regard to contemporary hymns and experimental liturgies. So the committee deems it highly advisable that this be authorized. I move the approval.

Ernest T. Dixon (West Texas—SC) asked if this would conflict with the publishing interests and the printing of hymnals. Bishop Lance Webb said that most of the printing of the Commission on Worship was done through the Publishing House and that this type of publication would not be in competition with present hymnals.

Bishop Smith asked Bishop Webb if the budget would come out of what the Commission has. Bishop Webb said the chairman would have a request on this. Fran Faber (Minnesota—NC) wanted to know how much money was involved. Dr. Soltman replied that it would probably be about \$2,000 per annum, and that the request would be made during the quadrennium, and the Council on World Service would act on it as a special request.

Bishop Smith asked if the last word should not be "requested"; Dr. Soltman accepted this.

Amendment—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin Schilling (East Wisconsin): I move an amendment by addition to be added to this report to read as follows: "That the Commission on Worship, in consultation with and approval of the Program Council, be authorized to co-opt staff help for specific projects from one of the General Boards or Agencies of The United Methodist Church."

Bishop Smith: Is there a second to that? There is a second. You may speak.

Dr. Schilling: Yesterday the Uniting Conference referred the matter of a general secretary for the Commission on Worship to the commission to study the structure of the church. In so doing, we failed to make any provision for the commission to do its mounting work except by volunteer help. Worship is one of the central concerns of the church.

The commission is not interested in multiplying structure, but it is concerned and committed to doing work assigned to it by the church and responding to the growing needs of the church in providing the leadership and resources required. I therefore trust that the delegates will support this motion.

John B. Warman (Western Pennsylvania—NE) asked if these printings might not be in our regular periodicals. Dr. Soltman replied that the Commission could consider this.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke for the amendment. *Harold Fagan* (Texas—SC) spoke against the amendment; the Secretary read the amendment. Dr. Soltman spoke for the Committee.

The Schilling amendment passed.

Report No. 13 as amended carried. (See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1565.)

**Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 14
—Calendar No. 68—John C. Soltman**

Dr. Soltman: No. 68, Report No. 14. This is a request that the General Commission on Worship study the membership vows for The United Methodist Church and report in four years. I would simply say that this is preliminary work which must be done as we begin to feel our oneness as The United Methodist Church and before too long come to a single set of membership vows.

Bishop Smith: All right. Will anyone desire to speak on this? It is officially before you. Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. All opposed? It carries.

(See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1566.)

Committee on Ritual and Orders of Worship—Report No. 15 —Calendar No. 69—John C. Soltman

Dr. Soltman: No. 69, Report No. 15. This requests that the General Commission on Worship give the church some guidance concerning the use of liturgical colors. There are several different schemes of liturgical colors throughout Christendom. This study would try to bring us to some point of common agreement for our own use. I move it be approved.

Bishop Smith: Is there anyone to speak? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is carried.

(See *DCA* page 263; appendix page 1566.)

Personal Privilege—Josue Gonzales

Josué Gonzáles (Rio Grande—SC) wanted to present a privilege matter, but Bishop Smith stated this should come through the Committee on Courtesies and Privileges.

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 48— Dow Kirkpatrick—Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: That finishes their work. Now if you will turn to page 226, the Committee on Pensions, Dr. Riddick.

Roland P. Riddick (Virginia): Chairman, and members of the Conference, we had an alert, competent committee that worked well together. We had no difficulty in coming to a consensus on points of issue.

If you will turn, in the *Daily Christian Advocate* to page 226, to Calendar Report 48, Report No. 1 of the Committee on Pensions. This deals with the amendments that were referred to us from the Joint Commissions on Church Union, and are to be found in the White Book. I think you need not, however, turn to your White Book unless you want to, because these changes are not substantive—On page 145 in the White Book, paragraph 1554.1 simply is to change there some words that are already in the Blue Book and so unnecessary.

The same thing is true of 1560.3 on page 148 which also is in the Plan of Union of the Blue Book, and therefore, is unnecessary. In paragraph 1554.12, we are simply adding there, by way of an amendment, a fund of the former EUB Church, the printing establishment of The United Brethren Church in Christ Fund. Then the last amendment is on page 147, which is simply a clarification and I think would not take debate. I move approval, Mr. Chairman, of Report No. 1 of the Board of Pensions.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. Are there any questions or anyone to speak? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 226; appendix page 1487.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 49— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick: Calendar Report No. 49, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Pensions. This deals with the quadrennial report of the Board of

Pensions. We express approval and appreciation of this report. We are so delighted to know of the fine progress that is being made in the merger of the pension interests, funds and plans and staff of the two former churches. So we recommend approval of the quadrennial report.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done. Thank you, sir.

(See *DCA* page 226 ; appendix page 1488.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 5—Calendar No. 105— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick called attention to Report No. 3, non-concurrence, that 51 were present.

Dr. Riddick: That brings us to Calendar Report 105, Report No. 5 of the Committee on Pensions. This has to do with annuity credit for years in school. This is something new. It is in line with the emphasis today on continuing education, and we are recommending that three additional years of credit given to a person who has been in his appointment for six consecutive years and wants to return to school, that he be granted three additional years of credit, of annuity credit. This provision is safeguarded, however, because it is conditioned upon his return to his home conference for three years of service in his home conference. I think it is proper to safeguard it. I move approval of this report.

Claude Garrison (Ohio—NC) wanted to know who would pay his conference claimants while a student was in school. Dr. Riddick said he thought the student would.

Report No. 5 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 318 ; appendix page 1488.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 6—Calendar No. 106— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick: Report 106, Report No. 6 of the Committee on Pensions relates to the Episcopal Address. There were no references to pensions in the Episcopal Address. We are not opposed to it, but we have nothing to say about it.

Report No. 6 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 318 ; appendix page 1489.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 107— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick: Report 107. This was a request from the Board of Missions for a study of pensions responsibility for full-time employees. We are recommending that this be given to the Board of Pensions for study during the quadrennium without cost, I think, to the general church. I move approval of this reference to the Board of Pensions.

Bishop Smith: It is before you for reference. Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 318 ; appendix page 1489.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 108— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick: Next calendar report is 108, Report No. 8 of the Committee on Pensions. This has to do with non-resident employees, on the Episcopal Fund, and lay employees. And we are moving reference, Bishop, to the World Service Commission without prejudice, for a study of this that involves maybe 10 or 12 lay employees who would be on the Episcopal Fund. We move approval.

Bishop Smith: You have this question before you. All in favor will lift the hand. Down.

(See *DCA* page 318; appendix page 1490.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 109— Roland P. Riddick

Dr. Riddick: Report 109, Report 9 of the Committee on Pensions, has to do with the basis for pension payments, the method of receiving pension funds. We move that this be referred to the Board of Pensions for further study. We didn't have all the facts and information that we needed to recommend action to you. It would have to do with the authorization of payment by conferences or churches holding part of the annual contribution of the ministers to the Reserve Pension Fund. That is a rather involved question, and we did not have the competence here to give the answer.

Then, too, the second part of this recommendation has to do with the request in the petition that one who retires would receive in a lump sum the amount that he had contributed to his service annuity. We are moving that both of these items be referred to the Board of Pensions for further study.

C. David Hancock (Indiana South—EUB) wanted to know why it was complicated for the church to pay a minister's part in the Reserve Pension Fund since it had been done in the EUB Church. Dr. Riddick stated it was new in The Methodist Church.

Report No. 9 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 318; appendix page 1490.)

Committee on Pensions—Report No. 10—Calendar No. 126 —Vinson M. Mouser

Vinson Mouser (Louisiana): *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 322, Calendar 126. The only reason I am presenting this report, which is not world shaking in its significance, is that our chairman was occupied with other matters when the committee dealt with this.

You will notice that it deals with recommended apportionment relative to pensions of ministers serving under special appointment, such as evangelists, or serving various institutions, or community churches, etc. The paragraph 1556.3-a (3) of the Plan of Union, which has simply carried forward provisions already in our *Discipline*, provides for the allowance of pension credit for years rendered in such service, provided the conference considers the service is of sufficient significance as to warrant that, and provided that the minister pays the apportionment which may be levied upon him by the conference.

The only thing which this Report No. 10 adds is a recommendation as to the basis upon which the Conference in such a situation making an apportionment shall determine it, and that recommended basis on which an Annual Conference shall make such apportionment is found in the words "with the recommendation that this apportionment shall be twelve times the annuity rate of the conference." That just simply gives a suggested guide which the conference may follow or may not follow, as it sees fit, in determining the apportionment to be allocated to the minister serving in such a situation. I think the matter is simple. I believe you understand. I move the adoption of the report.

Bishop Smith: It is before you, are you ready to vote? In favor lift the hand, down. Those opposed?

(See DCA page 322; appendix page 1490.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 35—Calendar No. 273—Dow Kirkpatrick—
J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Kirkpatrick: 462, Calendar Item 273, Dr. Nelson, Committee on Interdenominational Relations.

Robert Nelson: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, page 462, Calendar Item 273, is recommended. Perhaps the importance of it could be highlighted if I say that the committee recommends concurrence with petitions which call for the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs to express and implement the warm welcome to our brethren in the African Methodist Episcopal, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion, and the Christian Methodist Episcopal churches to explore with us the prospects for union. This we move.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor lift the hand, down. Those opposed?

(See DCA page 462; appendix page 1532.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 34—Calendar No. 272—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Report No. 34, Calendar Item 272, on the same page. This is a resolution that The United Methodist Church encourage various boards and agencies which have cognates in other denominations related to the Consultation on Church Union to enter into such relationships as may cooperatively further our mission together. I could indicate, Mr. Chairman, that this has already been discussed in the sessions of the Consultation on Church Union and some proposals are in process of formation, so this is not a brand new idea. I do move it.

Bishop Smith: It is before you. Are you ready to vote? All in favor lift the hand. Those opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 462; appendix page 1531.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 22—Calendar No. 241—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Page 452, Calendar Item 241, Report No. 22. This is likewise a Resolution of Intent, which carries no programmatic with it, with only encouragement for churches and churches in Methodist

districts and Bishops related to them to do what they can to implement the union of the local congregations where this seems to be desirable and in order. I move this Report No. 22.

J. Melvin Brawn (California—EUB) wanted to know what effect this would have on some of the former EUB churches in the west. Dr. Nelson stated it was intended to give support to any congregation who would see its mission achieved through local union.

J. Britain Winter (Susquehanna—EUB) spoke against the report.

Motion to Refer—Leonard Slutz

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): I move that this calendar item be referred to the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs for study.

Harold Dutt (Ohio Southeast—EUB) spoke against referral.

Motion to Table—John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): In deference to our EUB friends I move that this be laid on the table.

Roy E. Bosserman (Wisconsin—EUB) was recognized to speak.

Point of Order—Ted I. Richardson

Ted I. Richardson (Southwest Texas—SC) raised a point of order that the motion to lay on the table was not debatable. Bishop Smith sustained this.

William B. Lewis (Southern Illinois—NC) wanted some information, but on a call from the floor on a point of order, Bishop Smith did not allow him to continue.

Report No. 22 was tabled.

Point of Order—Lester L. Moore

Lester L. Moore (South Iowa—NC) raised the point of order that the Conference had to vote concurrence or non-concurrence and could not lay this on the table; Bishop Smith ruled the Conference could do so if it desired.

Words of Explanation—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: On page 453, Calendar Item 251, on which we have already taken action, there is a typographical mistake of some gravity, and I only want to call your attention to it. It has already been reported to the editor of the journal, but I thought I would advise you lest any of you have made the discovery that he should be disposed to go to the trouble of advising me or the secretary.

It is under the Concordance, column 1, .1, the fifth line down, as it now stands the British Methodist are electing delegates to go to the British Methodist Conference, now that is perfectly within keeping as they do that all the time, but that isn't what was intended, because after the word "the" and before the word "conference" the following

words ought to have been included, I am not going to dictate them, but only read them "The General Conference of The United Methodist Church, and that The United Methodist Church shall be entitled to elect four delegates, two clergy and two lay, to serve as members of the conference of the Methodist Church in Great Britain." It is reciprocity.

Bishop Smith: If I may ask Dr. Nelson, this has already been passed, this is simply a matter you wanted corrected.

Dr. Nelson: It is a matter of information to the delegates who take this seriously and read the text, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Smith: Is it by common consent that you accept this as information.

Dr. Nelson: I talked to Dr. Baker who also thought it was important to mention.

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 4—Calendar No. 56—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Now, page 227, Calendar 56, Report No. 4. This is a Resolution of Continued Support to the National Council of Churches. We move its adoption.

Bishop Smith: Any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed. It carries.

(See *DCA* page 227; appendix page 1515.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 6—Calendar No. 58—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Page 228, Calendar No. 58, Report No. 6. This motion is an authorization for details of the expenditures of National Council of Churches to be published in any one of the Methodist periodicals for the information of our membership. We move its adoption.

Bishop Smith: All right, it is before you. Is there any question? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 228; appendix page 1515.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities —Report No. 8—Calendar No. 60—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Same page, 228, Calendar No. 60, Report No. 8. Here are amendments to the indicated paragraphs 1502, 1503, and 1504 of the Blue Book. Inadvertently an error had been made which said that The United Methodist Church is a charter member of The National Council, The World Council, and so on. It is very difficult, chronologically to conceive how that would be possible, but the change is made here in the bold face type that will correct historical inaccuracy. We move this adoption.

Bishop Smith: With that explanation. Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 228; appendix page 1516.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 14—Calendar No. 233—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Will you turn to page 404, please? Calendar Item 233, Report No. 14. As indicated this is concerning the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs for two representatives of the Commission on Worship to be added to the membership of that Commission on Ecumenical Affairs. We move that adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? Are you ready to vote? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. The opposition. Thank you, it is done.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1524.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 15—Calendar No. 234—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: The same page, Calendar 234, Report No. 15. This is an amendment to the text which is found in paragraph 1457 of the White Book, that being a general description of the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, and it calls for the deletion of the words "when requested by the Council." That is a reference to the Council of Bishops. The meaning of it is that nominations for membership on Ecumenical Council delegations shall, as a matter of course, be submitted by the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, not only upon the request of the Council of Bishops. We move its adoption.

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NE) suggested that this changed the policy of the Council of Bishops in making nominations. *Dr. Nelson* replied that these are only suggestions.

The report was adopted.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1525.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 16—Calendar No. 235—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Number 235, Report No. 16, a very small editorial change for accuracy to add the word "resolution" to the pronouncements of the various councils—National and World Councils. The meaning here is that there shall be particular attention and study given to these, but the word resolution is of a different order from the word pronouncement as given by the Council of Churches, and so it seemed wise to our Committee to include both. We move the adoption of this editorial change.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1525.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 17—Calendar No. 236—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Now 236, Report Number 17, also concerning the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, an editorial change, inserting the word "Protestant" instead of the word "evangelical." The context was concerning our friendly ecumenical relations with originally Evan-

gical, Roman Catholic, and Eastern Orthodox Churches. For accuracy we thought Protestant would be more acceptable. We move that adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any question? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is carried.

(See *DCA* page 404; appendix page 1525.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 19—Calendar No. 238—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: On page 405, Calendar Item 238, is Report No. 19, pertaining to pages 139 to 141 of the White Book. This is a general report concerning the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, an inclusive report, parts of which we have now been discussing. We move that adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 405; appendix page 1526.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 20—Calendar No. 239—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Just below that Report No. 20, Calendar Item 239. It concerns National Bible Sunday. In response to initiative by the American Bible Society we recommend that the observance of National Bible Sunday should be on the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving Day. This has been studied very carefully among all the participating denominations by the officers of the American Bible Society and we move its adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 405; appendix page 1526.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 21—Calendar No. 240—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: On the same page, Calendar No. 240, Report No. 21, page 405. This has to do with the Articles of Religion. We realize that we were impudent to change the Articles of Religion or unwilling to initiate the prescribed methods for amending them, but it had been pointed out to us as many of us know that in the Articles of Religion with their roots in the sixteenth and eighteenth centuries a number of anti-Roman Catholic statements are made, but we refer this with your approval if you act upon it to the proposed theological study commission on doctrine and doctrinal standards.

Bishop Smith: This is a matter of referral. Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 405; appendix page 1526.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 25—Calendar No. 244—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Page 452, Calendar Item 244, Report No. 25, the reference is to Paragraph 531, section 15 in the Blue Book where reference

is made to the Federation of Methodist Women. We found an inaccuracy in the text and recommend this wording plus the addition of words which Mrs. Pfeiffer has suggested to me, after the word "women" in bold face type—these are bold women—the Federation of Methodist Women within the provisions of the Federation. The words are "within the provision of the Federation," so as to comply with their own by-laws presumably. I move this change.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed. It is done.

(See DCA page 452; appendix page 1528.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 26—Calendar No. 245—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Number 245, Report No. 26, is simply to correct an error in printing in the original text. I think it needs no discussion because it was part of the original but was erroneously printed. We move the adoption of this change in the bold face type "for bishops administering in Jurisdictional Conferences."

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 452; appendix page 1528.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 27—Calendar No. 246—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Number 246, Report No. 27, and they seem a bit tardy, but there was referred to us the section of the Plan of Union concerning the Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas. We have acted favorably upon those paragraphs indicated describing the Commission on Methodism—on the Structure of Methodism Overseas with the exception of section four of that description which speaks about a World Congress on Structure. The Conference has already acted upon that and appropriately it did not belong to this report. We move that adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 452; appendix page 1528.)

Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 28—Calendar No. 247—J. Robert Nelson

Dr. Nelson: Only three more columns and these have to do with the reception of quadrennial reports from the former Methodist Church in the familiar Blue Book; 247, Report No. 28, in the third line change the word "adoption" to "reception," of paragraph 1506. This is the terminology used with respect to the other reports, this one having to do with Religion in American Life.

Bishop Smith: Thank you, sir. Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. And those opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 452; appendix page 1529.)

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 29—Calendar No. 248—J. Robert Nelson**

This report was presented; discussion was held concerning Report No. 29 as to whether it had to do with the "Blue Book" or the Quadrennial reports and was not adopted; however, it was covered in the blanket coverage passed Friday night, May 3, 1968.

**Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities
—Report No. 30—Calendar No. 249—J. Robert Nelson**

Dr. Nelson: Report No. 30 is on the World Methodist Council. This is likewise a report in the quadrennial report. We move the reception of this report.

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer (Rock River—NC) asked that page 613, World Federation of Methodist Women be included in this. Dr. Nelson accepted this.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) stated that action on the Quadrennial reports was unnecessary since they had been received by The Methodist Church. Dr. Nelson said there would be no need for further action on these reports.

Charles B. Purdham (Minnesota—NC) called attention to Report No. 28 and since this dealt with the *Discipline* the word should be adopt. Dr. Nelson agreed to this.

Statement on Non-Concurrence—William C. Vaughan

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) wanted to call attention to the large number of petitions requesting withdrawal from the National Council of Churches. *William B. Grove* (Western Pennsylvania—NE) declared that most of these petitions were from a few churches.

Motion for Recess—Franklin Blackstone, Jr.

Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE) made a motion to recess for five minutes, which was defeated.

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 3—Calendar No. 96—Lawton W. Shroyer

Lawton Shroyer (Eastern): Page 266. Calendar 96. Now before we start, Mr. Chairman and ladies and gentlemen, I feel that next to our long suffering Bishops during this Conference have been perhaps the forgotten labors of the Committees of each of these fourteen Legislative Committees and I would like at this time to give a little praise to Dr. Lloyd Bertholf, our vice-chairman, to Roy Grogan our secretary, to George Davis and Thomas Clay our sub-chairmen and the three sub-secretaries Don L. Waterfield, W. S. Parks and R. J. Goens. Our Committee has carefully examined each petition that was presented to us. Many of them we did not concur; a lot of them we did. Many of them that we did not concur in had very excellent parts,

but were covered in many places by other Committees work or we thought would add an extra burden onto the Conference to finance.

Bishop Smith: Thank you, sir. All right the first report.

Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern-EUB): Turn in your White Book to page 157. This recommendation was unanimously adopted by our Committee. It refers to keeping intact for at least a time the corporate existence of the Evangelical United Brethren Council of Administration until such time as the Council advises dissolution and the Board of Trustees be nominated by the Council of World Service and Finance. The only purpose of this is to preserve property rights that they now have. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: All right, is there any questions. Calendar No. is 96 on page 266. Are you ready. Page 266, Calendar 66, Report No. 3. He referred to the recommendation, resolution in the White Book on page 157. All in favor, raise the hand. Those opposed? It is done. Thank you, sir.

(See *DCA* page 266 ; appendix page 1383.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 4—Calendar No. 97—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: The next item is 97 on the same page 266. The purpose of this, of course, was the orderly manner in which assignments should be made in the administrative posts in the executive committees and just set up the way Uniting Conference should adopt the schedule presented by the Joint Commission. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: Any questions? All in favor will raise the hand. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266 ; appendix page 1383.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 5—Calendar No. 98—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: Report No. 98 on the same page. This is in reference to the founding date of our Church, as the Methodist Church is the oldest Church, the date was Christmas 1784, this recommendation is that we use this date as our founding date. Also that if any uniting Churches or Conferences unite that the first founding date be the oldest date of either party involved. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift the hands. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266 ; appendix page 1383.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 6—Calendar No. 99—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: The next item is Calendar 99 on the same page 266, turn to your White Book 261, resolution No. 6. This has already been set up by the Conference at the beginning of the week. I move concurrence.

Bishop Smith: Any questions? All in favor, lift the hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 266 ; appendix page 1383.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 94—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: Now, if you will turn to page, the same page 94, Support of Credit Unions. The purpose of this, we have some credit unions in some part of our church corporate structure. The committee concurred with this, so I move that we have concurrence on Support of Credit Unions.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor, lift the hands. Vote. Down. Opposed? Vote. It is done.

(See DCA page 266; appendix page 1382.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 7—Calendar No. 110—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: Now turn to page 318 in your *Christian Advocate*. Page 318. Item 110 on the Calendar. This was a petition on Commission on Chaplains and Camp Activities. As you see before you be upset, this item takes the place completely of revision 25 in White Book page 138 and this will be a complete substitution for what is presently there. I move concurrence.

Amendment—Robert G. Tuttle

R. G. Tuttle (Western North Carolina): An amendment, Mr. Chairman, to bring it into accord with the action this afternoon on Calendar No. 346 when the Committee on Evangelism was reported, to amend beginning with line 4 in Section B, beginning following the word "work," to insert "in cooperation with the General Board of Evangelism" and then continue as it is there to bring it in accord with this afternoon's action.

Mr. Shroyer accepted this.

Amendment—A. Purnell Bailey

A. Purnell Bailey (Virginia): I think it's a simple matter that we change the name of Commission on Chaplaincy to the Council of Chaplaincy and Related Ministries. I am sure the Chairman will accept it.

Bishop Smith: Will you accept it sir?

Mr. Shroyer: I don't see any harm in it. It is all right, sir.

Bishop Smith: He accepts it. Thank you, Dr. Bailey. All right, are you ready for the question? All in favor will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? It is done, thank you.

(See DCA page 318; appendix page 1383.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 8—Calendar No. 111—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: Calendar No. 111. This is a Joint Committee on Architecture on Plan of Union, paragraph 1146, page 230. 319 is the page. I move concurrence with this report.

Bishop Smith: You have it before you, are there any questions? All in favor, will lift the hands. Those opposed? It is done.

(See DCA page 319; appendix page 1384.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 9—Calendar No. 112—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer (Eastern): The next item is 112, this is budget money archival programs. I think this was acted on, sir, by the Board of World Finance, so I move concurrence.

Motion to Table—John R. Van Sickle

A motion to lay Report No. 9 on the table made by John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) did not pass.

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River—NC) asked if this meant another \$25,000.00. Mr. Shroyer stated it did not. *Robert E. L. Bearden* (Little Rock—SC) replied that it is a separate item. Dr. Northfelt then spoke against the report. *Thomas L. Cromwell* (North East Ohio—NC) asked if this had not been turned down before; the secretary stated this was true.

Harold H. Hughes (Virginia—SE) stated that it had been turned down, but they still hoped it would be passed. *William C. Jason, Jr.* (Philadelphia—NE) spoke for the report.

Motion to Refer—Edwin L. Jones

Edwin Jones (Western North Carolina): I move that we refer this question of the money to the Council on World Service.

James Crippen (Detroit—NC) spoke against referral. *Joseph C. Evers* (Southern Illinois—NC) spoke for the motion.

Call for Previous Question—J. Kenneth Forbes

On call of *J. Kenneth Forbes* (Indiana—NC) the previous question was ordered.

Report No. 9 was referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 10—Calendar No. 113—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: The next item is Calendar 113 on page 319. This was petitioned by quite a few churches. Evidently, many of our treasurers throughout the church are not bonded and a presentation was made that we could bond our treasurers throughout the church for much less than what it is costing the few churches that presently bond their treasurers.

So our committee concurred and said that we should be resolved that the Council on World Service and Finance be authorized to finance the purchase of this bond in any manner it deems necessary. We recommend approval.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) wanted to know the cost and where it would come from. Mr. Shroyer was not sure of the real cost, but felt it should be studied.

Charles A. Hutchins (Holston—SE) spoke against the report.

Motion to Refer—Ray W. Ragsdale

Ray Ragsdale (Southern California-Arizona): I move this be referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Dudley V. Snow (Louisiana—SC) desired to make an amendment which Bishop Smith ruled out of order.

Henry L. Backenson (Southern New Jersey—NE) spoke against the Ragsdale motion.

Robert M. Smith (Western North Carolina—SE) spoke for the report.

Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE) spoke against referral.

Report No. 10 was referred to the Council on World Service and Finance.

Question on Procedure—Merrill W. Drennan—William R. Persons

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore): It is a question of procedure, sir. I am confused, and I am just wondering if when you referred Calendar Item 112, Report No. 9, which involved \$25,000 for an archives program, if we in fact recommended or approved that and then recommended it for money, or whether they are considering only the fact that we have \$25,000 or not to spend for this. Do they now have the statement from this Conference that we have acted favorably upon this and referred it to them to see if the money is available?

Bishop Smith: No, sir, if I understand it correctly, the matter is referred to the World Service Commission regarding the \$25,000. They would have the right to refer back here, and it would be acted upon. We took no action at all upon the matter, as it was referred to the World Service Commission. No final action was taken on 112, I believe that's correct, isn't it? That is correct, so no action has been taken on it.

William R. Persons (Rocky Mountain): I should like, Mr. Chairman, to ask the same question about No. 113 which was just asked about 112. Do we in referring this resolution to the World Service and Finance group give to them authority to implement the program should they deem it feasible, or merely for study?

Bishop Smith: No, sir, there was no action taken on it. It was referred for study.

Extension of Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, we have come to the time of adjournment, and I want to move to extend the time. I'll tell you what the situation is. I would like for us to have tomorrow to give good thought to the Program Council and other matters, very important matters in the Committee on Conferences, also to complete the Committee on Ministry, and several very significant items on Christian Social Concerns. Now we can be in that position tomorrow if you will move to extend the time to complete this committee, a few items under missions, judicial administration, and education. I so move.

Bishop Smith: Just a moment. How long are you extending the time, for I'm interested in that.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: I'd rather not put a time on it, but just get this work done. If it gets too late, somebody may then decide to adjourn. I'd like to complete these items mentioned.

Bishop Smith: What is the wish of the Conference? Those of you who favor extending the time to finish these will raise the hand. Down. You can see I'm ready to adjourn now. All right, the time is extended. Go right ahead.

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 34—Calendar No. 335—Lawton W. Shroyer

Mr. Shroyer: Page 471. This is Calendar item 335. We have a small problem here. The petition that we are now considering was in two parts. One was voted nonconcurrence and one was voted concurrence. The chairman said we could not bring up any nonconcurrence, but I almost have to discuss it a little so you will understand the concurrence part of the petition. I would like the approval of the body that we may discuss this.

Bishop Smith: Do you desire to have this discussed? If you will, you will raise the hands. If you are opposed to it, you will raise the hand. It is open for discussion.

Mr. Shroyer: There were a few petitions to our committee in regard to dividing the Board of Christian Stewardship from the Board of the Laity. These petitions were voted nonconcurrence by our committee.

Now the reason I had to tell you this is because the petition which we are now discussing, 335, asked then that these petitions be denied, that a split be made of these two divisions; that then we submit to the Board of Structure, a committee to be appointed, to study the whole proposition during the next four years whether the Board of Christian Stewardship should be a separate board. Our committee voted concurrence on the study of whether this should be done in the next quadrennium. Our committee recommends that you approve this action.

Harold Burgess (Western Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, I think there is a difference between these two items. The reference voted nonconcurrence, as I understand it, was to establish a Board of Stewardship. The second item referred was to make a study of all financial concerns of The United Methodist Church and try to coordinate these. I think there is a great difference. I think it will take years to bring all these agencies together, but it would not take long to establish a Board of Stewardship. If it's in order, I would like to move that we consider the item which the committee did not concur in, and that this item be referred to the Commission on Church Structure.

Bishop Smith: Sir, on something that it is nonconcurrent in, you can bring that in when the total number are brought in on nonconcurrence. If there is a report in here on nonconcurrence, you can bring it in at that time. If you want to make an amendment now or a substitution, you can do so to this.

Mr. Burgess: Then, sir, may I ask a question of the chairman? Is there not considerable difference between these two items?

Bishop Smith: Well, I only have the one item here that I see; therefore, I do not know all of the other items.

Mr. Burgess: Mr. Chairman, may I ask permission when this other item comes up that I have opportunity to speak to that item?

Bishop Smith: As far as I have authority with whoever is in the chair, I will certainly tell him he ought to recognize you. That's as far as I could go.

Previous Question—Irving L. Smith

Irving L. Smith (Oklahoma—SC) called for the previous question.

Point of Order—Farris F. Moore

Farris F. Moore (Tennessee—SE) asked if the report was properly before the body since the petition contained two subjects. Mr. Shroyer replied that it was in two parts and not on two subjects.

Point of Order—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East—EUB) raised the point of order that the Study Commission had not been established. Bishop Smith sustained the point unless the report was passed subject to such Commission being established.

Francis M. Glasgow (North East Ohio—NC) reminded the Conference that the Committee voted concurrence on this report.

Report No. 34 was adopted.

(See *DCA* page 471; appendix page 1390.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 35—Calendar No. 336—Roy J. Grogan

Roy J. Grogan (Central Texas): Page 471 in the *Advocate*, Calendar No. 336, page 471. This has to do with Committee on lay speaking and it is a revision of the White Book. All it does is simply change the paragraph 1320.2 be deleted, renumbered, and then reinserting the material that is contained therein, sub 5 of 1328, Mr. Chairman I move the adoption.

Jesse R. DeWitt (Detroit—NC) asked if Revision No. 22 was now up for discussion; Bishop Smith stated this part only.

Report No. 35 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 471; appendix page 1391.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 36—Calendar No. 337—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Page 472, the Episcopal address. We call the Conference's attention to that portion of the Episcopal address which stresses the close cooperation required between the clergy and the laity in order to carry forward the work of the church. Laymen and laywomen working in the trenches of daily life, the market places of want, have continual opportunities to witness by word, deed and attitude, and sharing together the King's way of life. We commend these suggestions to all the laity, to all people of the church. We recommend its adoption.

Bishop Smith: Are there any questions? All in favor will lift their hand. Down. Any opposition? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 472; appendix page 1391.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 37—Calendar No. 338—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Page 472, this deals with Revision 13 of the White Book, Page 69—

Bishop Smith: Just a moment, what number is that—Page 472 of the DCA, 338, yes Calendar No. 338, I am sorry.

Mr. Grogan: This has been alluded to once today in establishing General nomenclature for various board secretaries, assistants, etc. It's part of reference of petition 2600, makes the relation of Plan of Union as noted here. We recommend adoption of this petition.

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) asked if this did not contradict other previous action; Mr. Grogan stated it would be handled by the editorial committee.

Report No. 37 was adopted. (See DCA page 472; appendix page 1392.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 38—Calendar No. 339—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Page 472, Calendar No. 339. This has to do with Revision 15 in the White Book for Administrative Order. Particularly it refers to the elected staff or personnel of general agencies shall be retired at the first regular meeting of the agency within the quadrennium in which the person shall become 72 years of age. All other staff personnel shall be retired not later than their 70th birthday and an agency may retire its personnel at an earlier, but not a later age, than specified above. We move adoption of this provision.

Robert W. Moon (California-Nevada—W) wanted to know why the age for retirement was changed; the chairman stated that it had come from the Joint Commission on Union as such. Dr. Moon replied that he felt it ought to move in the opposite direction. *D. Frederick Wertz* (Central Pennsylvania—NE) stated it was adopted as having been the age in the former Methodist Church.

Amendment—Harold E. Rose

Harold E. Rose (Oregon): I think there was an addendum put on to that making it mandatory that no Treasurers of the General Churches of the EUB or The Methodist Church should be retired before 1970 in order to give them time to close their books. Think this is a part of the recommendation.

Roy Grogan: If it has been it has not been referred to this committee. This is the recommendation that came to our committee. There was no addendum to it.

Mr. Rose: I thought we made that recommendation.

Mr. Grogan: It might very well be Mr. Chairman, you want to defer action until later?

Bishop Smith: President of the World Service Commission, Bishop Martin, says that the agreement has been made that until January 1, 1969, those treasurers are to remain in office, is that correct? That is the statement of the president of the World Service Commission.

Mr. Grogan: Mr. Chairman, we would amend this report to incorporate the language of the addendum that might be furnished to the secretary.

Bishop Smith: He accepts your statement in keeping with the statement of the President of World Service Commission. Thank you sir.

Any other questions or discussion? All in favor will lift your hand. Down. Those opposed? It is done.

(See *DCA* page 472; appendix page 1392.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 39—Calendar No. 340—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Next item is page 472, Calendar 340. This has to do with revision 18 in the White Book, Council on World Service and Finance. Recommends that paragraph 771 of the Plan of Union be amended by adding the phrase "providing, however, that such approval shall be given only to projects or programs administered as provided in 2, 3, and 4 below. This is recommended by the joint committee. We recommend adoption of the report.

Bishop Smith: You better read what it will be then.

Mr. Grogan: No. 1 as amended would read "Proposed Conference advance special shall be approved and promoted by the Conference Board of Missions provided however that such approval shall be given only to projects or programs administered as provided in 2, 3, and 4 below.

Bishop Smith: Is there any question? All in favor will hold their hand. Down. Those opposed? It is passed.

(See *DCA* page 472; appendix page 1392.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 40—Calendar No. 341—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Calendar No. 341, again on page 472, has to do with Revision 27 in the White Book, page 142, Commission on Archives and History. This again is the reference from the joint committee, and the Committee recommends that the Plan of Union be amended as provided in this revision 27 in the White Book. We move adoption of the report.

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) asked if the committee did not agree to change "shall" to "may"; Mr. Grogan stated this was correct.

Report No. 40 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 472; appendix page 1393.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 50—Calendar No. 432—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: Turn to page 530 of the *DCA*, on page 530. Page 530. Calendar 432. This has to do with membership of the Conference Board of the Laity, the Committee recommends that paragraph 13-15 be amended by inserting the word "associate district lay leaders." This would in effect put the associate lay leaders as members of the Conference Board of the Laity. We move adoption of the report.

Jesse R. DeWitt (Detroit—NC) wanted to make an amendment, but the particular paragraph was not under discussion.

Report No. 50 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 530; appendix page 1395.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 51—Calendar No. 433—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: The next item is on page 530 also calendar 433, Layman's Day Offering. This has to do with the Layman's Day Offering. It amends paragraph 1268, page 123 in the White Book. In the fifth line of the paragraph, delete the sentence beginning "the Board of the Laity shall promote" everything to the end of the paragraph. We propose the addition of the following sentence as a substitute therefore, "A Conference Board of Laity may promote and receive an offering on Layman's Day for such benevolent purpose or project as it shall deem worthy." We move adoption of the report.

Paul V. Shearer (South Iowa—NC) opposed the report; *Lloyd M. Bertholf* (Central Illinois—NC) spoke for the report.

Amendment—A. Purnell Bailey

A. Purnell Bailey (Virginia): I wish to amend calendar 433, pages 531 in the *Daily Christian Advocate* to add these words at the end of the report "provided that this offering not be taken within 30 days of the date set for any other offering approved by the General Conference or any of its agencies, except for the regular World Service Sunday Offering or any emergency offering recommended by the Council of Bishops."

G. Ross Freeman (South Georgia—SE) opposed the amendment.

Previous Question—T. Herbert Minga

The previous question on all before the house was called for by *T. Herbert Minga* (North Texas—SC); Bishop Smith ruled it out of order since two speeches had not been made on each side.

Russell Rayburn (Northwest Indiana—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Dr. Minga again moved the previous question, and it was ordered.

Mr. Shroyer spoke for the Committee.

The Bailey amendment failed.

Report No. 51 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 530; appendix page 1395.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 56—Calendar No. 437—Roy J. Grogan

Mr. Grogan: The next item is on page 531, Calendar 438. This has to do with the expenses of delegates to the official meeting of World Council of Churches and National Council of Churches.

The committee recommends that paragraph 796 be amended in the Blue Book page 159 by adding these words in the first sentence "and shall recommend the sum to be provided for the expenses of delegates of The United Methodist Church to official meetings of National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches except when such expenses are paid by board or agency of The United Methodist Church." We recommend the adoption.

Edwin Jones (Western North Carolina): This morning when we were discussing the report of the Council on World Service and Finance, they made a recommendation which was adopted for an amount for the National Council of Churches. Did that not include this expense of these delegates?

Bishop Smith: Will the Secretary please answer that?

Mr. Grogan: It was my understanding that it did, I think this is simply, Dr. Jones, a requirement that there be no expenses allocated out of that budget where expenses are otherwise provided by the church or by some board or agency.

Bishop Smith: All right, Mr. Jones are you through?

Robert Preusch (New York): I wanted to answer that what you were seeking was adopted this morning. The expenses have been approved on page 487 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, report number 17, travel expense to the National Council would be \$30,000 and to World Council \$20,000, so this matter has been provided for.

Bishop Smith: Thank you, Sir.

Edwin Jones (Western North Carolina): The question is then, suppose the expenses run more than that?

Mr. Grogan: I wouldn't think that they would without World Service approval. Dr. Nelson do you have something on it.

Robert Nelson: Mr. Chairman, It is very important that we assume our responsibility for paying the expenses of the delegates. My only concern is that if we write into the *Discipline* this exception concerning boards or agencies staff members, I am quite sure there will be a strong temptation for reasons of finance to select board secretaries to be delegates to these conferences, just in order to economize. I think it a rather dangerous principle, even though in general I approve the policy of full support. Therefore, I would attempt to attest this by proposing an amendment to—

Bishop Smith: Just a moment. You've made a speech, would you not now get someone else to make the amendment? Let someone make the amendment.

Motion to Delete—Charles B. Purdham

Charles Purdham (Minnesota): I move that we delete the words at the end of the sentence which refer to travel by the expenses of the Board Secretaries.

Donald A. Waterfield (Troy—NE) spoke against deletion; **Blaine E. Taylor** (New England—NE) spoke for the amendment.

The Purdham amendment did not prevail.

Report No. 56 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 531; appendix page 1396.)

Motion to Adjourn—A. P. Wallace

A. P. Wallace (West Virginia—NE) made a motion to adjourn after the announcements.

Appreciation

Bishop Smith thanked Bishop Paul Martin and the members of the Conference.

Privilege Matter—William H. Veale

William H. Veale (New York—NE) requested that Mrs. Angie Smith stand.

Benediction—Bishop Paul E. Martin

Bishop Paul E. Martin pronounced the benediction, and the evening session adjourned.

TENTH DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1968

MORNING SESSION

Opening—Bishop James S. Thomas

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the morning session of the tenth day, Friday, May 3, 1968, at 8:00 a.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop James S. Thomas, Iowa Area, presiding.

Morning Worship—Bishop Robert F. Lundy

Bishop Robert F. Lundy gave the Invocation; *Carlton R. Young* (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in singing Hymn No. 490, "Rise to Greet the Sun." Mrs. Lucius Memora of Sarawak read the Scripture Lesson, Joel 2:27-32. The Southwestern University Choir of Georgetown, Texas, sang special music.

Bishop Lundy brought the devotional message (see appendix page 1042). The Conference sang Hymn No. 254, "Dear Master, in Whose Life I See," and the *Reverend Joshua Bunsu* of Sarawak gave the closing prayer and benediction in Iban.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has examined the record of all of the sessions of Conferences through Thursday morning, yesterday morning. We approved this record subject to the minor corrections.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you, is there a motion to adopt this report? Is it seconded? As many as will adopt the report will lift the hand. Thank you. Those who oppose. The report is adopted.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, two announcements. May I remind you of the afternoon session which will be at two o'clock and the evening session which will be at seven o'clock. These hours will be adopted later. One correction in the agenda for this morning where it speaks about the order of the day, it should read "nominations from the Council of Bishops" rather than "nominations for the Council of Bishops." Typographical error. I move the adoption of the Agenda for the morning.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you, is it seconded? If you will adopt the Agenda for the morning, will you lift the hand? Opposed. It is adopted.

Committee on Credentials—J. Everett Walker

J. Everett Walker (California-Nevada): Bishop and members of the Conference the Committee on Credentials has met and approved the

changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by chairmen of the Annual Conference delegations for the Plenary Session on the night of May 2. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you. Is it seconded? Thank you. If you will adopt this report will you lift the hand.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Bishop Thomas and members of the Conference, there has been some misunderstanding of the function of our Committee on Courtesies and Privileges. It is not our role to enter into Legislative matters nor to gain the floor for those presenting motions supporting or implementing legislation. The Chair handles such matters. Our role is to serve as the channel for matters relating only to courtesies and gaining the floor for those who seek personal privileges and items clearly related to it.

We appreciate your giving us this opportunity to explain our function. Now we have some matters of personal privilege. Brother Josue Gonzales of the Rio Grande Conference seeks the floor for a personal privilege. I move that we grant it.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you, Is this motion seconded? You will grant this privilege, will you lift the hand? If you oppose?

Personal Privilege—Josue Gonzales

Josue Gonzales (Rio Grande): I wish to remind this honorable Conference that we have a 10,000,000 Spanish-speaking people in the United States including Puerto Rico, of course. At this moment it is a high privilege to represent the youngest and largest bi-lingual Conference in the world—"no brag, just facts."

The Rio Grande Conference which I represent embraces two bi-lingual states, Texas and New Mexico, where we have close to 5,000,000 citizens with Spanish surnames. There isn't a greater field of missionary challenge than this. The Rio Grande Conference under our beloved Bishop Paul E. Martin, while only 29 years old, has a membership close to 19,000 members with 128 preaching places, 68 ministers who are members of Conference and 70 supplies.

However, we are reaching only half of one percent of the Latin American population. Ours is strictly a bi-lingual Conference, for it is Methodism's instrument in reaching a great minority group. We wish to express our gratitude to the Board of Missions and many Conferences throughout our nation for helping us to carry on this tremendous task and hope that in the next quadrennium you will continue to help us so we can do a better job.

We would like to remind our brethren in the northern and western states that many of our people from the lowest income bracket come to your areas as migrant workers. Their only hope of improvement is the Gospel and an opportunity for education. The Church must help these uprooted families. The doors are wide open for persons desiring to do missionary work among us. We ask for your help and prayers. Thank you and God Bless You.

Personal Privilege—Carl E. Sommer

Dr. McDavid: Dr. Carl E. Sommer of the Southwest Germany Conference seeks the floor for a personal privilege, I move we grant it.

Bishop Thomas: If you will grant him this privilege, will you lift the hand. Those who oppose?

Carl Ernest Sommer (Southwest Germany): Mr. Chairman, the German delegation wants to thank this General Conference for all the kindness extended to them and the sense of belonging that you gave to us and that has prevailed among us all. We know, however, that the fact is due largely to one man, and I wish this to be on record. We are sad about the future and grateful and proud in retrospect. When we think of the Bishops shortly to retire from immediate active service, amongst them Bishop Wunderlich who will lead us in our devotions tomorrow.

Since February 1943, he has given the church in Germany and the world-wide Methodist church outstanding leadership. It is largely due to him that we Germans have that standing among you that I have mentioned. Some years ago a German pastor said, "We have had a variety of Bishops, a prince, an administrator and a scholar." But Bishop Wunderlich he characterized as a brother. This does not exclude the other but is different in emphases.

May I point out that for my generation the word brother has a depth of meaning. Bishop Wunderlich himself wrote a book *Methodist Linking Two Continents* which in the German Edition is called "Bridge Builders of God." He has been such a bridge builder himself linking two continents, linking east and west, linking the haves and the have nots. We speak of his forthcoming retirement with sadness, of his service with gratitude and pride. I would be happy for you to share this sentiment with us. Thank you.

Personal Privilege—R. W. Goens

Joel McDavid: Mr. R. W. Goens of the Texas Conference seeks the floor for a personal privilege. I move we grant it.

Bishop Thomas: Is this motion seconded. If you will grant this privilege you will lift the hand. Those who oppose? Mr. Goens.

R. W. Goens (Texas): I'd like to offer a privilege resolution: "WHEREAS, Bishop Paul E. Martin has given outstanding leadership as president of the Council on World Service and Finance during the past two quadrennia, and WHEREAS he so ably conducted the pledge service at which time pledges were dedicated to the Reconciliation Fund and, WHEREAS he has afforded such outstanding leadership to the Houston Area including the Texas and Rio Grande Conferences in the past two quadrennia and, WHEREAS he has always been a dedicated minister and servant of his Lord and his Church, BE IT RESOLVED that this Uniting Conference offer him our love and affection and we know his service and contribution to his Lord and Church will continue in new areas of service." I offer this for approval. Thank you.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you. If you will do this, will you lift your hand. Those who oppose? I'm sure we do this with gratitude and thanksgiving for Bishop Martin.

Introduction of Daily Christian Advocate Staff—Joel D. McDavid

Dr. McDavid: Bishop, I'm sure as the day goes on our Agenda will become more crowded, and I'm sure before this occurs we would like to express our appreciation to the staff of the *Daily Christian Advocate* who have worked around the clock to have an issue on our desk every morning. These have been of inestimable value in providing information and guiding us in our work. I know we want to thank these people and I'd like to present some of their staff to represent the entire group.

Mr. E. Forrest Waters, vice-president of the Manufacturing Division of The Methodist Publishing House who has given general direction to the printing program. Mr. Warren P. Clark, business manager of the General Church Publications who has served as business manager of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, has overseen the circulation and the distribution program; Reverend William C. Henzlik, managing editor of the *Christian Advocate* who has served as managing editor of the *Daily Christian Advocate*; and Dr. Ewing T. Wayland, editorial director of the General Church Publications who has served as Editor of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, and the fine staff who have worked with them. I'm sure we'd like to give to them an applause for their effort.

Resolution of Courtesy—J. Castro Smith

Dr. McDavid: Mr. Chairman, our committee would like to call upon our secretary, Brother J. Castro Smith of the Tennessee Conference (formerly EUB), to present a resolution from the committee.

Bishop Thomas: Dr. Smith.

J. Castro Smith (Tennessee—EUB): Bishop Thomas, members of the Conference, during the giant hours of this historic Uniting General Conference, we record with profound gratitude the vital contributions made by so many people.

We are especially indebted to Bishop W. Kenneth Pope and to Bishop Noah W. Moore, co-chairmen of the Dallas Committee on Arrangements; Avery Mays and James H. Stewart, who served as president and executive director, respectively, are deserving of our highest commendations. We are truly aware that the task of making necessary arrangements for so large a group as this General Conference is no small one.

Dr. Carlton Young has rendered an outstanding service as he has directed us in the song services and as he has provided for other musical presentations.

We have all been thrilled as we listened to the music of the choirs which have appeared on the program. Some of these traveled many miles to reach us. To all of them we express our deepest appreciation.

We have also noted with appreciation the fine news coverage given this Conference by local newspapers, national and international news services, the *Daily Christian Advocate*, and local and national television and radio.

Officials of the City of Dallas, together with the local police department, deserve our sincere thanks. The movement of large groups of people between the Auditorium and the downtown hotels has been facilitated and safeguarded by these faithful men in uniform.

Every delegate to this Uniting Conference is most grateful to The Methodist Publishing House for providing each of us a copy of *The Methodist Hymnal*.

We are likewise grateful to our presiding officers for the very efficient manner in which they have presided over these sessions; to our morning devotional speakers who have inspired and prepared us for the duties of each day; and to our Conference preachers for their challenging sermons.

The marshals and pages who have run our errands and have served us so faithfully are deserving of our thanks. Our official and unofficial visitors have enhanced our Conference with their presence and contributions. The secretarial staff and technicians who have recorded our operations, together with the operators of the public address system, and the staff of the Memorial Auditorium, are truly worthy of our highest praise.

To all others who have in any way contributed to our comfort and pleasure during this Uniting Conference, we express our deepest appreciation.

Bishop Thomas: Thank you. I am sure the Conference will want to move this with the highest appreciation. If you would do so, would you please lift your hand. Thank you. Those who are opposed?

Announcement—J. Kenneth Forbes

J. Kenneth Forbes (Indiana—NC) announced that pledges from delegates for the fund for reconciliation would be kept open until May 31, 1968.

Nominations From Council of Bishops—Bishop Roy H. Short

Bishop Short: Mr. Chairman, may I begin with certain corrections in earlier nominations. These are necessary for one reason or another, sometimes because a person was ineligible to serve, and sometimes because they are on two groups. These are the corrections up to date, and there will be others before we adjourn.

CORRECTIONS IN EARLIER NOMINATIONS

1. Eugene Drinkard—North Georgia on Commission on Worship for Wm. R. Cannon—ineligible—12 yrs.
2. W. B. Black on Methodist Corporation instead of Eugene Holmes.
3. Bishop Stowe on Board of Missions for Bishop Milhouse.
4. Add to the Methodist Corporation
 - a. Chairman of Division of General Welfare of Board of Christian Social Concerns
 - b. Dudley Ward
 - c. Dale White
5. COSMOS—Bishop Wicke for Bishop Short.
6. Methodist Corporation
 - a. Thurman Dodson for Paul Russell
 - b. Bishop of Philadelphia for Bishop Wicke
7. Methodist Corporation—Add from Council on World Service

Bishop Hardin
Bishop Ensley
R. Bryan Browner

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3. J. Everett Walker—California-Nevada
4. Roy Turnage—North Carolina
5. Allen Whitfield—South Iowa

Rodolfo C. Beltran (Middle Philippines—OS) asked if a person not a member of the General Conference could be members of General Boards; Bishop Short stated they could. Mr. Beltran replied that earlier this was reported thusly; the secretary responded that this was for members of Administrative Committees.

On motion of A. C. Epps (Georgia—SE) the nominations were approved.

Committee on Rules—John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): Mr. Chairman, it has come to that time in the General Conference when we mutually restrict ourselves to some extent in making speeches rather than making a motion that we limit ourselves to two minutes I would like to try this motion. I move that Rule 8 be amended to provide that in all amendments and substitutes, there should be one speech on each side, followed automatically by the statement by the Committee Chairman and the call for the vote. This shall not apply to the main motion, and the three minute rule remains in effect on all speeches.

Bishop Thomas: Is there a second to that motion. Is there any question? This will require two-thirds vote and there is no debate. If you will approve this motion, will you lift the hand? Those who oppose.

Dr. Herr: Now Mr. Chairman, if I could bring up another matter I think I could save time. The other day there was a petition submitted which referred to the Plan of Organization and Rules Committee. We acted upon it. We wanted to have it printed in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. We have not seen it as yet. It was a petition distinguishing between advisory and ex officio members appointed or elected by our General Conference and as applied to Rules of Order. I move that this be referred to the Plan of Organization and Rules of Order to implement in the rules of the next General Conference. It would be the next General Conference which would act upon it. I so move.

Bishop Thomas: Is there a second to the motion? Is the motion understood? If you will approve the motion, will you lift the hand. Those who oppose? It is adopted.

Announcement—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) announced that President Johnson had announced that Hanoi had agreed to peace talks in Paris.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 17— Calendar No. 263—Dow Kirkpatrick—Raoul C. Calkins

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Now the plan for the morning, I want to thank Mr. Hobart Hildyard, as I know you will, the Calendar secretary, who

reports to me each day and tells me beginning this day we have 527 calendar items printed in the *DCA*, as far as we know every committee petition has been turned in and is printed. Of those 527,200 of them are nonconcurrence; we have handled 172 in the whole time we have been here. We have 155 to handle today.

In order that we may not neglect even major items yet remaining, I propose to give one hour each to the following Committees in this order: Christian Social Concerns, Local Church, Conferences and the Ministry, and in the hour for Christian Social Concerns I should like very much your cooperation in dealing with two important matters, the resolution on dissent and the question of the date of the dissolution of all segregated structures.

That will mean you will have to take a half hour for each. I introduce Raoul Calkins from the Committee and ask you to turn to page 460, Calendar item 263.

Raoul Calkins (Ohio): Page 460, Calendar Item 263, has the title, *The Rule of Law and Right of Dissent*. There were many many petitions related to this in one way or another, and you will find that this has in it four sections. After a brief introduction, section I, column 3, at the top of page 460, we affirm the value and necessity of a society rooted in law and of a citizenry who respect law. Dropping down then to 2, we then affirm the right of dissent as an essential ingredient of any democratic society, the right of everyone whose dissent is in jeopardy, when the right of anyone is denied.

Part 3, we affirm the right of civil disobedience, and, if you will note the last sentence in that paragraph, by civil disobedience we mean the deliberate and unviolent disobeying of a law believed to be unjust or unconstitutional, and willingness to accept penalties for that violation.

Part 4 at the top of page 461 we affirm the right of clergymen and others to council persons on problems of conscience relating to the draft. I move the acceptance of the adoption of this.

Amendment—W. Davis Cotton

Bishop Thomas: Just a moment. Is this motion seconded? It is properly before us. The gentlemen over here, microphone 7, please.

W. D. Cotton (Louisiana): Mr. Chairman, I move to delete the last three paragraphs of the third column, page 460, and the first five lines on page 461, the first column, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Three, We recognize the right of any person, or group of persons, to test the constitutionality of any law believed unjust or unconstitutional through the appropriate channels of judicial process as authorized by the constitution and laws of the United States and of the several states." If I may have a second I would like to speak briefly.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? You may speak.

Mr. Cotton: Mr. Chairman, it is not my purpose to here review the happenings of the last several years of which we are all familiar, but I state, and I state advisedly that much of the trouble in our nation today is brought about by the thinking of many people that there does exist the right in this nation to disobey a law which an individual feels may be unjust or unconstitutional. I respectfully submit that no such right exists. We, in this nation, exist under the rule of law. Just day before yesterday in this chamber we adopted, in principle, the principles of "The Law Day, U.S.A.," which are dedicated to the principles of upholding the law and judicial process in this nation. In the last quadrennium, or since the last quadrennium, it has been my privilege to attend at least ten other national or state meetings of Bar Associations in this nation; and at every one of those meetings there have been resolutions presented and adopted affirming this

principle. Mr. Chairman, I say to you that there is no other process available to the United States of America than the Rule of Law except the rule of anarchy. Mr. Chairman, I further submit that every leader of our nation, from the President down, has called upon this nation time after time to obey the laws and to test their constitutionality if objected thereto through proper and legal channels. In my own State just a few nights ago the Solicitor General of the United States Erwin M. Griswald, told an audience at Tulane University:

"It is illicit to violate otherwise valid laws either as a symbol of protest or in the course of protest. I regard it as indefensible to attempt to promote a viewpoint either by flagrant violation or organized coercion."

Abraham Lincoln said a little over 100 years ago: "Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babes that cradle on her lap. Let it be taught in schools, and seminaries, and colleges. Let it be written in primers, spelling books and in almanacs, let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed from the legislative halls and enforced in the courts of justice, and in short, let it become the political religion of the Nation and let the old and the young and the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sections . . ."

Substitute Amendment—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley (Southwest Texas): Mr. Chairman, I propose a substitute amendment. To amend calendar item No. 263 by deleting the third paragraph under "one" which begins with the words "Nevertheless in our day"—by deleting all of that paragraph, by deleting all of three and four, and by adding the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph under one. "It is only where organized society affords a rule or system of law, which permits no recourse in the event of injustice and no correction of faulty statutes that the citizen may justifiably consider violation or repudiation of that legal system in the effort to obtain justice and ultimately, the rule of law which will afford justice as well as order." Mr. Chairman, shall I read that over?

Bishop Thomas: Would the body like to hear this read over? All right, will you please read it over a little more slowly then. I think I hear a call for its reading.

Mr. Reavley: The substitute amendment is to delete all of the third paragraph under one, all of three and four, and then add the following sentence at the end of the first paragraph under one: "It is only where organized society affords a rule or system of law which permits no recourse in the event of injustice and no correction of faulty statutes that the citizen may justifiably consider violation or repudiation of that legal system in the effort to obtain justice and ultimately the rule of law which will afford justice as well as order." If I have a second, Mr. Chairman, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? It is. You may speak, sir.

Mr. Reavley: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, as I see it, the issue here is whether we concede the right to violate the law to one who has available to him within the law provision for change and correction. The statement as proposed by the committee gives him that right. My amendment denies it. Where are we going to draw the line or permissible law violation? All of us draw it somewhere. We speak of the dictates of conscience, but few would leave the violator absolutely free to do whatever he thinks his conscience says so. So we prescribe violence. So we ask for respect for legal institutions, and so we require the violator to accept the penalty of the law. Or as in the "nevertheless paragraph" that I've asked to delete—I think this is the worst part of the Committee's report. In

effect as I read it we require the potential violator to try twice perhaps to ask an administration, or a judge, or a legislator twice; he is rejected, he is denied, he loses, and so he is free to do whatever he thinks is right. Now by my amendment I want us to add the requirement that a complaint must resort to the law for correction of fault or injustice of the law provides the means for this. The distinction between subversion and civil disobedience is often said to be this willingness, in the latter case, to pay the penalty of the law. But in a crowded land where many people do what is right in their eyes, even if they pay their fines, the result may easily become subversive in effect and too much for the orderly society to tolerate. I realize that I don't have the answers in this line or sentence that I have added to all of the questions about when the law does permit no recourse or correction. But this is a matter you have to write a book on. It is an area where we would have disagreement, but I submit we cannot do this—we cannot answer this—

Bishop Thomas: Excuse me, sir, you have five seconds more.

Mr. Reavley: All right. Mr. Chairman, if we fail to see our need, if we fail to stop our direction in the direction of letting every man do what he thinks is right, I think we are on the road to chaos, or more likely on the road to some measure of tyranny. I ask you to support my substitute amendment and then the statement as amended. Thank you.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke against the substitute; *William C. Jason, Jr.* (Philadelphia—NE) asked a question.

D. L. Landrum (Texas—SC) asked if time might be extended to debate. *Bishop Thomas* said the house could do so upon suspension of the rules.

Motion to Suspend Rules—D. L. Landrum

Dr. Landrum: I move, sir, that the rules be suspended to extend the time for a maximum of thirty minutes to continue this debate.

Bishop Thomas: Is this motion seconded? *Dr. Kirkpatrick* we need some help.

Dow Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, may I remind the brother who made the motion to suspend that the rule you adopted a moment ago does not cut off debate on this subject. It only provides that there shall be one speech for and against each amendment or substitute. Therefore, you are only now voting on Judge Reavley's substitute. Then you have an amendment that can yet have one speech against it. At that point, the main motion, the document of the committee is unlimited until other amendments are put on it. I hope you will defeat this motion.

Bishop Thomas: All right, we must vote on it however. The motion is on suspension of the rules to extend the time for consideration of this total subject. I take it within the context of what *Dr. Kirkpatrick* said. Are you ready to vote? This is undebatable and 2/3 vote required. If you will suspend the rules you will lift the hand. Those who will not. The rules are not suspended.

Dr. Calkins spoke for the Committee.

A count vote was taken on the Reavley substitute, which show 529 for the substitute and 605 against it, and the substitute lost.

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) spoke against the Cotton amendment; *Carl F. Lueg* (Louisiana—SC) asked for the secretary to read the amendment.

Dr. Calkins spoke for the Committee.

The Cotton amendment lost.

Amendment—Mack B. Stokes

Mack Stokes (Holston): Mr. Chairman, I would like to amend the report at one small point. On page 460, third column, the line that begins toward the bottom with the word, with that italicized sentence, beginning with the word "three." I would like to amend it so that the word non-violent would be put after the words "right of" and just before the "civil." The whole would then read "Three, we affirm the right of nonviolent civil disobedience."

Bishop Thomas: All right, Dr. Stokes. Is this seconded?

Dr. Calkins: Mr. Chairman, we will accept that.

Amendment—David A. Duck

David Duck (South Georgia): I move to amend by the deletion of four words, found on page 461, under column 4, "related to the draft." If I have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? It is seconded. Would you mind telling us how it would read if your amendment were included?

Dr. Duck: My amendment would put a period after "conscience" and then it would read "We affirm the right of clergymen and others to counsel persons in problems of conscience."

Point of Order—M. Trevor Baskerville

M. Trevor Baskerville (North Iowa—NC) raised a point of order that the Stokes amendment had not been acted upon. Bishop Thomas stated the committee had accepted it.

Dr. Duck: I would remind this conference that, I do not know who all seconded this motion, but I know that one second was from a mother who has three sons, one being a Green Beret who landed in Vietnam day before yesterday. I would remind this conference that my only son is in the service of this nation; I served time as a Chaplain in the U. S. Army; I served in places where men could have 1-AO status, Conscientious Objectors in the Army. I am in favor of a man having the right as a conscientious objector, but I am not in favor of Methodist ministers having the inference cast upon them that they are counselors in draft dodging, or that they are counselors in ways to evade the Selective Service, which is an obligation of this nation. I am not in favor of us going out from here saying we should become specialists in this battle. I would remind this conference that day before yesterday, we took a vote saying that we could not be specific in matters where we said we had to obey conscience on the matter of smoking, or drinking, we had to have a conscience that was keen and aware to all matters of conscience. Now today we come back and we want to say that we have got to be articulate on this particular point. I would remind you that this in no way prohibits a man from giving a man guidance. I hope that this conference will go away from here saying we want to be counselors on all problems of conscience and not simply on this one particular point.

Alvin J. Lindgren (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Dr. Calkins spoke for the committee; *Harold Fagan* (Texas—SC) said he saw no need of this paragraph. *Laurence E. Feaver* (Ohio Sandusky—EUB) inquired what this would do with overseas countries with a draft. Dr. Calkins replied that it would apply.

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana—NC) wanted to make an amendment, but Bishop Thomas ruled it out of order.

The Duck amendment carried.

Previous Question—John R. Van Sickle

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) called for the previous question on all before us.

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) wanted to know if the report could be divided; Bishop Thomas stated that the previous question had been called.

The previous question carried.

Point of Order—Roy J. Grogan

Roy Grogan (Central Texas): I do not believe Mr. Chairman, that there have been two speeches for and two speeches against the main motion. There have been speeches on the amendment. I believe that the chair will check with the secretary we have not—

Bishop Thomas: I think you are correct, sir. Under our rules, it would be one for and one against would it not? All right, then this is open.

Amendment—Robert M. Thorpe

R. M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): I wish to add an amendment to paragraph 4, in the 6th and 7th lines, to delete the words "whatever their own stand on war may be." This is really now an editorial correction because we have taken out the words relating to the draft, and we have broadened this to apply to all social protest, and therefore the deletion of these additional words makes the paragraph more fully consistent and a better statement of our position.

John V. Moore (California-Nevada—W) spoke against the amendment.

Paul D. Walter (Western Pennsylvania—EUB) wanted to make a motion to vote by orders on the main motion; Bishop Thomas ruled this out of order at this time.

Dr. Calkins spoke for the Committee.

The Thorpe amendment lost.

Paul Hardin III (North Carolina—SE), spoke for the report.

Motion to Divide Question—William A. Meadows

William A. Meadows (Florida): I move, Mr. Chairman, under Rule 12, for the question, specifically that paragraph 3 be divided so that those delegates that perhaps might vote in favor of much of the report, but on the other hand might vote against it if paragraph 3 were in, we could have a much fairer vote. This is Rule 12 on page 263 of the *Handbook for Delegates*.

Point of Order—Richard E. Hamilton

Richard E. Hamilton (Indiana—NC) raised a point of order as to the appropriateness of the motion. Bishop Thomas replied he would let the house decide.

The Meadows motion did not pass.

Motion to Vote by Orders—Paul D. Walter

Paul Walter (Western Pennsylvania): Mr. Chairman, I move that we vote by orders, as mentioned in Rule 13. In order that we be clear. I believe there would be two ways to vote by orders. I am referring specifically to the division according to ministerial and lay delegates. I am a layman.

Point of Order—Lloyd S. Adams

Lloyd S. Adams (Memphis—SE) raised a point of order that the previous question had been called for and that this motion was out of order. Bishop Thomas did not so rule.

Appeal to the House—Lloyd S. Adams

Mr. Adams appealed the chair's ruling, and the house sustained Bishop Thomas.

Arvarh Strickland (Rock River—NC) spoke against the Walter amendment.

Point of Order—Roy J. Grogan

Roy J. Grogan (Central Texas—SC) raised the point of order that the motion must be put to the house.

The motion to vote by orders lost.

Report No. 17 as amended was adopted. (See *DCA* page 460; appendix page 1254.)

Appeal to Judicial Council—Harvey N. Chinn

Harvey Chinn (California): Mr. Chairman, at what point can you appeal this act to the Judicial Council? Can I do it right now?

Bishop Thomas: Well, I am not certain. The General Conference, in my judgment, can do this at any time if you wish to do this.

Mr. Chinn: All right, I would make a motion that paragraph 1707 provides that one-fifth of the delegates to the General Conference can appeal an action to the Judicial Council. Article XXV of the Articles of Religion states that "it is the duty of all Christians, especially all Christian ministers, to observe and obey the laws and the commands of the governing or supreme authority of the country of which they reside, and to use all laudable means to encourage and enjoin obedience to the powers that be."

I would like to refer this Report No. 17 to the Judicial Council to determine constitutionality.

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) reminded the Conference that it took only 1/5 vote.

The report was referred to the Judicial Council.

Point of Order—A. D. Moore

A. D. Moore (Texas—SC) raised the point of order that two speakers had not opposed the report as a whole; Bishop Thomas ruled that the house had ordered it.

Point of Order—Melvin Hayes

Melvin Hayes (Ohio East—EUB) raised the same point of order; Bishop Thomas again ruled that the house had acted.

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 20—Calendar No. 362—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn W. Northfelt (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, may we now leave the realm of the controversial and come into that which I am sure you will want to adopt very speedily. Page 5 in the White Book, Calendar No. 362 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, on Page 490—This report No. 20, Calendar Item 362 recommends that Sections 5 and 6 on page 5 in the White Book “Youth and Affiliate and Associate Membership” be adopted as printed. I so move.

Bishop Thomas: All right, are you ready to vote? As many as will approve this Calendar Item will lift the hand. Thank you, those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 490; appendix page 1556.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 21—Calendar No. 369—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now in order to keep our place, may I remind you that 124, 125, and all the next page, down to Section 8 have already been approved. If we now turn to Calendar 369, on page 519 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. All right, page 519 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 369 and page 6 in the White Book. This is a section which deals with the transfer and termination of membership. Follow in your White Book now, this would mean 132 remains the same, 133 you will delete the last full sentence of that paragraph which begins “the above procedure.” 134 will remain the same and 135 will have substituted for it, paragraph 135 in the bold face type Calendar Item, paragraph 136 will have an insertion in the middle of that paragraph where the line reads “with the approval of the member issue a certificate of transfer and upon receiving confirmation of said members reception into another congregation.” This completes the amendments as paragraph 137 on the next page remains the same and 138 remains the same. I move that section 8 with these amendments be adopted.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? Is there any question? If you will adopt these sections, will you lift the hand. Thank you, those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 519; appendix page 1556.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 22—Calendar No. 370—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt (Rock River): Start on page 519 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* Calendar No. 370, Report No. 22, there are some very minor corrections throughout this paragraph and some editorial corrections. I move the adoption of this item 370.

Bishop Thomas: Is this seconded? Are there any questions? If you will adopt this section, will you lift the hand. Those opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 519; appendix page 1557.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 23—Calendar No. 371—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt (Rock River): We move now to page 10 in the White Book, Section 10, and still in the *DCA* on page 519, Calendar Item No. 371, Report No. 23. This report offers a new paragraph 143 which simply lists the kinds of membership rolls that shall be maintained in a local church. 143 becomes 144 and has added to it a sentence which reads "the council on Ministries shall appoint a Committee to audit the membership rolls submitting the report annually to the Church Conference." There are other minor changes in that paragraph, some that are editorial and I move the adoption of Calendar item of 371.

Lloyd Epley (Iowa—EUB) asked if the committee would add "or dedicated"; *Dr. Northfelt* stated this would be a separate list. *Harold W. Dellit* (Iowa—EUB) thought Mr. Epley was correct.

Amendment—Raoul C. Calkins

R. C. Calkins (Ohio): I shall make the motion that the list of dedicated be included in the count and in the listing of preparatory members.

Thomas F. Chilcote (Holston—SE) spoke against the amendment.

Substitute Amendment—C. LeGrande Moody, Jr.

C. LeGrande Moody, Jr. (South Carolina): I would like to move sir that Calendar Item 371 at point No. 4 be changed to read thusly: "Constituency rolls containing the names and addresses of such persons as are not members of the Church concerned including unbaptized children" and then insert after comma "dedicated children, Church School members not yet," etc.

Dr. Northfelt: We will accept this, Mr. Chairman.

The Calkins amendment passed.

Report No. 23 passed. (See *DCA* page 519; appendix page 1558.)

Announcements—Charles D. White—Don A. Cooke

The Secretary and the Treasurer made announcements.

Recess

The Conference took a fifteen minute recess.

Reconvening

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference after recess in Hymn No. 151, "Faith of Our Fathers."

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 14—Calendar No. 253—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn Northfelt (Rock River): If you turn in your *DCA* again to page 453, calendar item 253. The entire calendar item deals with the charge conference and replaces the entire section of the White Book paragraphs 571 to 576. You have had this for several days to read, we would just like to add the following corrections. On page 454 after item 13 there is a heading left out so if you will add there paragraph 573 Miscellaneous Interpretations and then the numbering sequence begins again 1, 2, 3, etc. You will notice at the end of this calendar item a paragraph entitled "574 The Annual Church Conference." This replaces paragraph 149 in the White Book which dealt with the annual church congregational meeting. We have placed it here following the annual charge conference because it replaces the charge conference, if it is so ordered. I move the adoption of calendar item 253.

Amendment—Lester L. Moore

Lester Moore (South Iowa): Mr. Chairman, I move to amend paragraph 573-1 on page 454 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. The second paragraph beginning in the third line from the bottom of the second paragraph, I move to strike the word "no lay ministers' spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate."

Dr. Northfelt: I am sorry there was a correction there, it should be "no lay pastor or minister's spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate."

Dr. Moore: I move that this be stricken.

Bishop Thomas: All right, this is seconded, the amendment is seconded.

Dr. Moore: Mr. Chairman, members of this conference, it seems to me that we are disenfranchising a member of our local congregation when we take away from the lay minister's wife the opportunity of being a lay delegate to their annual conference. I understand the reasoning behind the proposal by this committee but it seems to me that we are not being fair to all of the members of our local churches if we take from any one of them the right to represent that local church in the annual conference.

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) spoke against the amendment.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—Paul E. Myers

Paul E. Myers (Central Pennsylvania): I move to amend that the words "members at large" be deleted from paragraph 571, section 3B, middle of the third column, page 453 *DCA*, and that the words "congregational stewards" be inserted as a substitute and that this substitution of "congregational stewards" in lieu of "members at large" be also made in the other paragraphs on the local church and the charge conference. If I may have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? You may speak, Sir.

Dr. Myers: The adjective "congregational" conveys the semantic idea of member at large and the representation of the whole congregation on the bases of membership and age, and the noun "steward" is deeply embedded with Biblical, linguistic and Wesleyan meanings which are far superior to the prosaic term member-at-large. We all know the significance of the word steward and its many aspects in the New Testament. It is the steward or the servant in Matthew 25 which

is mentioned when a man going into a far country calls his stewards and trusts to them his property. In the Pauline phrase of 1 Corinthians 4, steward is widened in meaning when he states that we are stewards of the mysteries of God. We also know of the significant meaning of steward in Anglo-Saxon days when it was actually a steigward, a keeper or ward of the pig sty. Then the steward was elevated to be the steward of the manor, and finally it became the Lord High Steward in England and finally this term came to mean the Royal Lineage of the House of Stuarts. Even some stewards are mentioned in the New Testaments as being bishops. Steward has long been a Wesleyan term of distinction in *Discipline* after *Discipline* and is so used with very rich discernment by those who prepared the foundation statement of Christian stewardship presented on page 267 and approved on Monday, April 29. Here a steward is comprehensibly defined as one who accepts his life as a trust, his family and his church as a trust, the gospel as a trust, material resources, power, influence and the world as a trust. Brethren, why approve four pages on stewardship and then ignore the term steward in the local church. Why settle for the word members at large when steward of the word, the church in the world and all the mysteries of God mean so much more?

Dr. Northfelt spoke for the committee.

The amendment lost.

Lester L. Moore asked what had happened to the paragraph dealing with disciplinary questions the district superintendent asked. Dr. Northfelt stated they were now under the charge conference.

Amendment—Donald R. Locher

Donald Locher (Southern California-Arizona): Is an amendment in order, Mr. Chairman?

Bishop Thomas: Yes, it is.

Dr. Locher: I should like to move an amendment to paragraph 573 on page 454 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, paragraph 2 or section 2 of paragraph 573. Following the first sentence "The recording secretary shall keep an accurate and permanent record of the proceedings and shall be the custodian of all records and reports and the presiding officer shall sign the minutes." I would like to add the sentence "A copy of the minutes shall be furnished to the district superintendent." Perhaps the committee would accept this.

Dr. Northfelt: We will accept that.

Amendment—Charles C. Manning

Charles Manning (Virginia): On page 68 in the White Book I would like to amend it by adding the additional question.

Dr. Northfelt: That question is not before us.

Mr. Manning: I thought you said it was.

Dr. Northfelt: That has been deleted and incorporated in the entire section here 571 to 574.

Mr. Manning: Then may I ask a question?

Bishop Thomas: Yes, sir.

Mr. Manning: Is there a question in there asking how pastoral calls have been made in the homes?

Dr. Northfelt: No, sir.

Mr. Manning: Then I would like to amend it by adding that, if I may.

Bishop Thomas: You may. Do you wish to say something about it?

Mr. Manning: Yes, sir, and I have some more, if I may Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Thomas: Let's take one at a time.

Mr. Manning: All right, sir. How many pastoral calls have you made in the homes?

Bishop Thomas: Is that the amendment?

Mr. Manning: Yes, sir.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? I don't hear a second. It is seconded. Would you like to say something about it?

Mr. Manning: Yes, sir. I come from the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, and that is one of the greatest complaints that we have in our area, the minister not calling in the homes. It is a disturbing factor and I think much good can be obtained when the ministers do call. We get our people into our churches and they don't get a pastoral call unless someone dies, then we call on them. That is the only thing I have to say.

Douglas F. Verdin (New York—NE) spoke against the amendment.

The amendment lost.

Irvin Hamburger (Oklahoma-Texas—EUB) asked what happened to paragraph 576. Dr. Northfelt stated it had been deleted. Mr. Hamburger said the heading read 575; Dr. Northfelt said this should be 576.

Ralph B. Huston (Florida—SE) asked if some cross reference could be inserted in Paragraph 572.3 which would allow for a more skeletal organization if necessary. Dr. Northfelt said this would be done.

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana—NC) wanted to know how the administrative board was defined. Dr. Northfelt said this would be brought up later.

Ralph Ritter (Susquehanna—EUB) asked why "superintendent of study program" was used in one place and "church school superintendent" in another. Dr. Northfelt stated the former was substituted for the latter.

Harry Eckles (West Virginia—EUB) offered an amendment.

Point of Order—*Thomas L. Cromwell*

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) raised a sustained point of order that the amendment was unconstitutional.

Harry B. Inis (Mindanao—OS) expressed the desire that paragraph 576 remain here.

Amendment—*H. Travers Smith*

Travers Smith (Maine): I think I realize the intent of paragraph one that an amendment was tried on. I'd like another amendment, please.

Bishop Thomas: All right.

Dr. Smith: Whereby it will read, "No charge or church pastor or minister's spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate." This also disenfranchises district superintendents' wives, secretaries of boards . . .

Bishop Thomas: Well, excuse me, are you making an amendment? All right, fine. Now will you please clarify this . . . I didn't quite get where your amendment would appear.

Dr. Smith: Page 454, section one, where it now reads "no lay pastor or minister's spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate." I realize this is a different amendment: "No charge or church pastor or minister's spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate." This means an active minister in a particular church or charge, which I think is the intent of the original.

Dr. Northfelt: No, the original was intended to exclude all ministers' wives . . .

Dr. Smith: All ministers' wives and disenfranchise them? I think this is wrong.

Dr. Northfelt: Well, it is up to the body to decide.

Point of Order—Carlos C. Page

Carlos C. Page (Michigan—NC) raised a point of order that the house had voted this down. Bishop Thomas ruled it was slightly different and in order.

Dr. Northfelt spoke for the committee.

The Smith amendment lost.

J. A. Dowd (Iowa—EUB) asked if "Official Board" in paragraph 571.2 should not be "Administrative Board." *Dr. Northfelt* said this was an editorial change.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) wanted to make an amendment or substitute for a matter which had been before the house. Bishop Thomas ruled it out of order.

Previous Question—Ted I. Richardson

On call of *Ted I. Richardson* (Southwest Texas—SC) the previous question was ordered.

Report No. 14 as amended was adopted. (See *DCA* page 453; appendix page 1546.)

Motion to Refer to Judicial Council—A. P. Wallace

Aldred Wallace (West Virginia): Mr. Chairman, may I now make this referral, please, sir?

Bishop Thomas: Yes, certainly, go ahead.

Dr. Wallace: I move reference to the Judicial Council for a declaratory decision on the constitutionality of report No. 14, Calendar 253, in that section under 13.1, second paragraph, last sentence, which denies the right of lay membership in the annual conference to a minister's wife; the basis—paragraph 15, Article 4.14 of the constitution guaranteeing rights and privileges regardless of race or status.

W. J. Ready (South Carolina—SE) called attention to the fact that a lay minister might be a woman.

The referral was made to the Judicial Council.

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 16—Calendar No. 317—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now may we move to page 467 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. Calendar Item 317. And let me try to get before you very quickly the major items. First of all, we are changing the name of the Official Board to the Administrative Board. On the top of page 467 on the right hand column there is a misprint where it says "delete who may be the lay member" delete only "who may be," and leave the words "the lay member" in the original text. This refers to a list of persons and it should mean and the lay leader, the lay member, etc. Further down . . . Now let's have a try over here on a matter of a minor change.

Now the reason for changing the Official Board to the Administrative Board was to clearly delineate the difference between the Council on Ministries which is a program agency of the local church and meets monthly to develop plans and initiate plans and work for the mission of the church. The Official Board in the White Document meets quarterly, or only needs to meet quarterly, it may meet more frequently, and to it is assigned by definition in the White Book—if you may turn to page 12, paragraph 150 in the White Book—by definition the Local Board is an administrative body. So we felt that name ought to be carried for that reason.

Another reason is the Official Board is a term familiar to former Methodists but not to the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, and the term Official Board will carry over with it an image from the past that will be hard to overcome. This will not fit the image of the future where administrative bodies are placed—where questions are placed in a small administrative oriented body and program functions are placed under the Council of Ministries. And so I move the adoption of Calendar Item No. 317.

Clair C. Kreidler (Susquehanna—EUB) desired to make an amendment, and Dr. Northfelt felt it should come later.

Amendment—Lester L. Moore

Lester Moore (South Iowa): I'd like to move to amend paragraph 154.4, page 15 of the report in the White Book—that's called the Report, I think. At the point where it talks about the duties of the local treasurer, I would like to amend at this point to say, following the official board may determine or the administrative board may determine, "except that no funds raised by the local church shall be allocated to any agency or institution either Methodist related or non-Methodist which practices discrimination on the basis of race or color in admittance, treatment or employment practices."

Bishop Thomas: All right, this is an amendment. Do you wish to say anything about it?

Dr. Moore: I think that this amendment is consistent with the report, Calendar No. 473, page 614 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, of the Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy, Report No. 76, although we have not yet considered this report. It seems to me that these words are consistent with the meaning of the report.

Thomas L. Cromwell (North East Ohio—NC) spoke against the amendment.

The Moore amendment lost.

Amendment—W. Arthur Milne

Arthur Milne (Ohio): I have a question. On page 467, column three, the first line—after deaconesses, add “appointed to serve therein.” A question for clarification. I believe the White Book indicates that all deaconesses in the church would be a member of the Administrative Board. The distinction is that deaconesses, like pastors, are supposed to be related to a local church and the Quarterly Conference. Would this limit, therefore, deaconesses who are not working within the local church? Would this mean that they would not be members of the Administrative Board?

Dr. Northfelt: It does mean they will not be, and the point at issue here is that in some sections of the church there is a very large concentration of men or women under special appointment and it distorts the membership of the official board to have all of them as official members. So it does mean that they will be excluded unless they are appointed to that charge.

Dr. Milne: May I make a motion, sir?

Bishop Thomas: Yes, sir, it is in order.

Dr. Milne: I would like to amend this report, striking out the terms “appointed to serve therein” which would revert back to the provision in the White Book under section 151.

Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) spoke against all amendments.

Report No. 16 was adopted, but the Secretary reminded Bishop Thomas that the Milne amendment had not been acted on.

Motion to Reconsider—James L. Carraway

On motion of *James L. Carraway* (Western Pennsylvania—NE) the Conference voted reconsideration of report No. 16.

The Milne amendment lost.

Report No. 16 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 467; appendix page 1551.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 18—Calendar No. 334—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now we can go to page 471 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar item No. 18. I appreciate the comment about the committee’s work. We do think we have done a thorough job. This is in line with basically what is in the White Book. I have one or two things to point out, and then I will move the adoption.

We have added a sixth area work chairman in Ecumenical Affairs, and we have added a section in the Optional Commissions on Ecumenical Affairs. We have a suggestion to offer by way of a change, and I think it will be necessary for me to move this as an amendment, because the committee has not had a chance to act on this. I would like that privilege now.

On the top of page 471 in the righthand column at the end of the first paragraph where the words read, “and fellowship with members of Catholic, Reformed, and Evangelical Churches.” I would like to move that we strike the words, “Catholic, Reformed, and Evangelical Churches” and substitute “with members of other Christian Churches.”

Bishop Thomas: Is this amendment seconded? Is there any question? If you will approve the amendment, please lift the hand. Thank you. Those opposed?

Amendment—Harold A. Varce

Harold Varce (Iowa): I hope that whatever has been said will not keep you from giving your full attention to the amendment I now want to offer. This has to do with the matter that is not involved in printed material before you in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, but refers to this whole section. I refer you now to the White Book, paragraph 161 on page 22, No. 3 in Article Four. This has to do with the last sentence under Article Four at the top of page 22 in the White Book.

I move that in this last sentence of Article Four, the word "shall" become "may" and all the words after the word "society" be stricken to the end of the sentence. It will then read: "The pastor may be a member of the Society." If this is seconded, I want to speak to this please.

Bishop Thomas: All right, fine, go right ahead.

Dr. Varce: Now in the White Book, and you don't need to check this necessarily, paragraph 153 on pages 13 and 14, and in number one the last sentence reads "The minister shall be an ex officio member of all conferences, councils, committees, and task groups of the local church." I am assuming that this also includes the executive committee of the Women's Society of Christian Service, that is why I feel we can delete that as expressed in the amendment. So I will now only speak to the changing of the "shall" to "may" concerning a minister's being required to be a member of The Women's Society of Christian Service.

In no place in either the Blue or White Book does it say that I as a pastor and a man shall be a member of the United Methodist Men, and if the pastor should be a woman—and we know now a while ago that there is at least one, and there are several women pastors, I'm sure—at no point would she be required as pastor to join United Methodist Men. Here, unless you pass this amendment, I as a pastor and as a man must be a member of the Women's Society of Christian Service. The "may" instead of the "shall" will allow those pastors who may delight in such feminine fellowship to become the only male member of the Women's Society of Christian Service, and will permit others of us as pastors and men to choose not to be members of the Women's Society of Christian Service. I have complete confidence in our women to be responsible for themselves without having the pastor as a man forced upon them in their membership.

The amendment carried.

Report No. 18 was adopted as amended. (See *DCA* page 471; appendix page 1553.)

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 11—Calendar No. 200—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Now may we turn to page 399 of the *DCA*. We are taking these in the sequence of the White Book which you can follow if you want to, calendar number 200. This deals with paragraph 163.1 in the White Book, page 23 and is on the committee of nominations. I will tell you briefly what it means is that there will be not more than nine persons excluding the pastor but he shall be the chairman of the committee on nominations.

So your committee may be 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 but in its election the nominating committee will nominate a new slate for the new year but

there must be a like number nominated from the floor so that you will have two slates of members before you at the charge conference when selecting the new nominating committee. It also provides for staggered terms of three years in the committee. I move the adoption of this report.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? If you will adopt report number 200, will you lift the hands. Those who oppose. It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 399; appendix page 1543.)

Motion for Reconsideration—H. Burnham Kirkland

Burnham Kirkland (New York): I wanted to move to reconsider. There was a couple of us trying to get the floor on that before it was put to a vote.

Bishop Thomas: I am very sorry. Is this motion to reconsider seconded? It is. As many as will reconsider will lift the hands. Those who oppose. It isn't reconsidered, Sir.

Committee on Local Church—Report No. 12—Calendar No. 201—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Dr. Northfelt: Turn to calendar item number 201 on page 400 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*. This is a Committee on Pastor-Parish Relations. There is a change in the print here that we need to call attention to.

In the bottom of the middle column, the page 400 the paragraph that begins with the bold type "There shall be a committee on Pastor-Parish Relations" that paragraph now concludes with the word "shall." The concluding line is at the end of the next paragraph "relate to the entire staff." So if you will just move that slug up one paragraph, it will be right. You have had this before you for several days, therefore, I move the adoption of this calendar.

Amendment—Harvey Chinn

Harvey Chinn (California): I'll try to use my one minute wisely. I would like to amend calendar 201 to include these words: "The minister may appoint one of the members." If I have a second, I'll speak to it.

Bishop Thomas: Is it seconded? It is.

Mr. Chinn: I would like to point out first of all that this has been the EUB *Discipline* for about 12 years. We voted on a *Discipline* in Chicago in good faith that this would remain in the *Discipline*. These words appeared in the Blue Book, these words appeared in the White Book, but in this final report it is omitted. I would like also to point out that it has been very successful in the EUB Church.

It has given the pastor a voice upon the Pastor-Parish Committee, and I feel that before we take it out so early that we ought to give this a try.

I would also point out that this is permissive but not mandatory. Lastly, I would like to point out that this does give the pastor some dignity and some measure of self-determination and representation on this committee. It is not stacked against him 100 per cent, but if he wishes to, he can name at least one member of this committee.

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) spoke against the amendment.

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC) asked about the words which were out of place. Dr. Northfelt explained this

was an error. John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) asked if the pastor was a member of this committee. Dr. Northfelt stated he was a member of all committees.

The Chinn amendment lost.

Amendment—Paul O. Mayer

Paul Mayer (North East Ohio): Bishop, I move to amend the last paragraph beginning after "consultation with." To strike those words and replace them with the words "on nomination of the pastor in charge." This is on page 400, the third column and it's the last paragraph.

Bishop Thomas: All right, Sir. Is this amendment seconded? It is seconded. Would you like to speak to it?

Dr. Mayer: Just this, sir. I think it is important for the relationship in the local church to have these nominations approved by the pastor and the words "after consultation with" does not give adequate support to the pastor in this relationship.

The Mayer amendment lost.

Report No. 12 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 400; appendix page 1544.)

Appreciation

Bishop Thomas thanked the Conference for their cooperation during the morning session.

Privilege Resolution—Paul M. Hann—J. C. Holler

Paul Hann (South Iowa): Bishop, on behalf of the Iowa area of the United Methodist Church and the entire membership of this General Conference, I should like to express our very real appreciation of the splendid leadership of Bishop James S. Thomas in every facet of his episcopal responsibility. This is the first time Bishop Thomas has presided at a session of a general conference of our church. I know you will agree with me that, as usual, he has demonstrated anew his clarity of mind, his wealth of natural kindness and courtesy and his depth of Christian character.

Carlisle Holler (South Carolina): Bishop, as a member of the South Carolina delegation, I wish to join in this by way of a second to this motion that has just been made. We in South Carolina are proud not only of a great many of our citizens but of some of our former citizens who are now on missionary journeys throughout the land.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Benediction—Bishop Fred B. Newell

Bishop Fred B. Newell pronounced the benediction, and the morning session adjourned.

TENTH DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1968

AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening—Bishop Everett W. Palmer

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the afternoon session of the tenth day, Friday, May 3, 1968, at 2:00 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop Everett W. Palmer, Seattle Area, presiding.

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led the Conference in singing Hymn No. 1, "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing," and Bishop W. Earl Ledden led the prayer.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, the Agenda for the afternoon session stands as recorded on the front page of your *Daily Christian Advocate* with these two additions. Before we come to the order of the day at 2:15 a matter of high privilege has been granted to Mr. Leonard Slutz and also some nominations to be read by the Secretary of the General Conference. With these two items, I move the adoption of the Agenda.

Bishop Palmer: Is there a second? All in favor will show the right hand. Vote. Opposed?

Referral to Judicial Council—W. Davis Cotton

W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana—SC):

WHEREAS, this Uniting Conference has adopted (as a substitute for the resolution creating a Commission on Religion and Race, Calendar 50, page 226, of the *Daily Christian Advocate* heretofore declared unconstitutional in part by the interim Judicial Council) a resolution creating a Commission on Religion and Race which provides in part "The Commission will assume general church responsibility for such matters as No. 2 Merging Annual Conferences,"

WHEREAS this Uniting General Conference desires and is entitled to know what, if any, constitutional powers will be possessed by such Commission relative to the merging of Annual Conferences, Now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church that in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article II, Division 4 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church, the Interim Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church, be and it is hereby requested to rule on the constitutionality of that part of said resolution by which the commission is given authority to assume general church responsibility for the merging of Annual Conferences. I move the adoption of the resolution.

Floyd H. Coffman (Kansas—SC) asked if the Interim Judicial Council was still acting; Torrey A. Kaatz (Ohio—Sandusky—EUB) replied that they were. Mr. Coffman expressed the view that the newly elected Council should be acting.

Motion to Table—Charles B. Purdham

Charles B. Purdham (Minnesota—NC) made a motion to table the motion of referral, and it was done.

Point of Order—V. M. Mouser

V. M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) raised a point of order that the Conference did not have a right by majority to table what one-fifth of the body could refer. Bishop Palmer sustained the point of order.

Appeal of Chair's Decision—Charles S. Scott

Charles S. Scott (Kansas—SC) appealed the chair's decision that the Interim Judicial Council could now act.

The Chair asked the Secretary to read the Cotton motion.

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) asked the Secretary to read the Judicial Council's decision on the Commission on Religion and Race; Dr. Nichols then spoke against referral. Mr. Cotton explained the fact that this referral had to do with merging of Annual Conferences.

Point of Order—Fran H. Faber

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota—NC) raised a point of order that there was a motion to table. Bishop Palmer stated that he had reuled this motion out of order.

V. M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) spoke for the motion to refer.

Appeal of Chair's Decision

As Bishop Palmer started to put the vote, Charles Scott (Kansas—SC) appealed to the chair's decision to take a vote on referral; the house sustained Bishop Palmer.

Roy Nichols (New York—NE) asked if this entire matter had not been before the Judicial Council. *Harry B. Gibson, Jr.* (Rock River—NC) wanted to know if other parts of the report might not be open for further reference.

The Cotton motion to refer carried.

Point of Order—Dow Kirkpatrick

As John Bowen (Ohio—NC) asked for the privilege of presenting a resolution, *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) raised a sustained point of order that it was time for the order of the day.

**Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid—
F. Lewis Walley**

Joel McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): There are several matters of courtesy, and I want to express appreciation to those who have been willing to present their motions and their courtesies in brief form, and we would like to call on them at this time for such matters.

Dr. F. Lewis Walley of the Philadelphia Area has a matter and would like the floor. I move that we grant this request.

F. Lewis Walley (Philadelphia): Mr. Chairman: WHEREAS the mandatory law of retirement has specifically called our esteemed and revered Bishop Fred Pierce Corson out of an active, dynamic, and productive administration, as chief shepherd of the Philadelphia, Wyoming, and Puerto Rican Conferences, and WHEREAS sufficient time is not now available to salute our episcopal shepherd adequately, BE IT RESOLVED that we the delegates of the Philadelphia Area do here and now declare our Christian love and brotherly affection for Bishop Fred Pierce Corson, commending him upon his faithful stewardship among us and respectfully requesting that we be granted the privilege of expanding these sentiments of appreciation through the preparation of a more complete tribute to be published elsewhere in *The Daily Christian Advocate*.

Privilege Resolution—Ralph H. Seiler

Dr. McDavid: Dr. Ralph H. Seiler of the New Mexico delegation has presented a resolution of appreciation for Bishop Angie Smith and his outstanding statesmanlike leadership. I move that we record this in the minutes without reading.

Bishop Palmer: Is there a second? All in favor will show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It is ordered.

WHEREAS, Bishop W. Angie Smith has given most outstanding and statesmanlike leadership as a Bishop of The Methodist Church for a quarter of a century;

AND WHEREAS, he now comes to the time of retirement at the next session of the South Central Jurisdictional Conference;

AND WHEREAS, when he called the General Conference to order for the Thursday evening session, it was the seventh time that he presided over a session of the General Conference;

AND WHEREAS, he once again demonstrated his ability, fairness, understanding, and leadership which has so characterized his churchmanship;

THEREFORE, we the delegates of the Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Indian Mission Annual Conferences do hereby express our appreciation and respect for our presiding Bishop W. Angie Smith.

Ralph H. Seiler, New Mexico

Privilege Resolution—O. F. Landis

Dr. McDavid: Now Dr. O. F. Landis, of Illinois, former EUB delegation, has a resolution. I move that we grant him the floor for such privilege.

Bishop Palmer: Yes, proceed.

O. F. Landis (Illinois): Bishop Palmer, this relates to the retirement of Bishop H. R. Heininger, and as a voice from the former Evangelical United Brethren fellowship in general and particularly from the Northwestern Area where his episcopal leadership was given, I propose this resolution:

From a professorship in the Evangelical Theological Seminary the Reverend H. R. Heininger, Ph.D., was called by the General Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1954 to the episcopal office. For fourteen years he has tirelessly served with creative skill and evangelical zeal. The Northwestern Area of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church wishes to inscribe into the record of this conference this public word of affection, esteem,

and appreciation for the fruitful ministry of Bishop H. R. Heininger among us. I move the adoption.

Bishop Palmer: Is there a second? All in favor will show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. Thank you.

Privilege Resolution—Benjamin Asis

Dr. McDavid: We have one more, Mr. Chairman, Dr. Benjamin Asis of the Northern Philippines delegation requests the floor for a personal privilege. I move that we grant it.

Bishop Palmer: Thank you.

Benjamin Asis (Northern Philippines): Mr. Chairman, and brethren of this General Conference. Brother Clemente Zurriga and the other members of our Philippine delegation join me in expressing our thanks and gratitude for this privilege afforded me to present this deep concern of personal privilege.

The Philippine delegation to this Uniting General Conference at Dallas, Texas, is well aware of the great contribution which the Board of Missions of The Methodist Church has given to the growth of Methodism in the Philippines.

Methodism in the Philippines is just over fifty years old, but since it has become a regular Annual Conference and become the strongest single Protestant denomination in the Island, it has shared its faith in the most constructive way to all peoples, making the Philippines the only Christian country in the Far East. Philippine Methodism is not only concerned with its own life, alone, but also for the welfare of the whole world. It has sent out missionaries from its own people to the nearby countries of Okinawa and Sarawak. For this cause we are most grateful to God.

We, too, are well aware, I believe, even this General Conference, that after the World War II, The Methodist Church in the Philippines has become two episcopal areas, the Manila and the Baguio Area, composing five regular Annual Conferences. By authority of this General Conference it is again ready to create another provisional Annual Conference.

This growth of Philippine Methodism has been made possible due to the dedicated and fine episcopal leadership rendered by Bishop and Mrs. Jose L. Valencia who has served as bishop of The Methodist Church in the Philippines for twelve years, since 1948 to 1960, and Bishop of the Baguio Area for eight years since 1960 to the present. Bishop Valencia, since his election to the episcopacy in 1948 to the present, has continuously served The Methodist Church as bishop for this past twenty years.

I believe this General Conference will join us in expressing our song of praise and gratitude to God for the fine example of a dedicated life of a godly man whom God has ordained to be pastor and episcopal leader for the work of His Kingdom through The Methodist Church in the Philippines in the person of Bishop Jose Valencia.

We urge you to continue with us in prayer to God and that you continue to intercede for us that, as we forge on the work of faith committed to us by God, we may be found faithful and worthy of the trust given us. Thank you.

Personal Privilege—Roy L. Turnage

Roy L. Turnage (North Carolina—SE) requested a matter of personal privilege, but Bishop Palmer ruled the order of the day had come.

Report from Joint Commissions on Church Union—Charles C. Parlin

Dr. Parlin: The Blue Book, page 368, paragraph 8. The Enabling Legislation provides beginning with the second sentence: "In unifying the work of the agencies there shall be, as between the two churches, an equitable distribution of administrative posts and no person presently employed shall be expected to serve at less than such person's compensation immediately prior to union. If, as a result of unification of agencies, personnel are required to change residences the agency responsible will be expected to make reasonable provision for the cost involved." Yesterday this body adopted a resolution defining in principle the allocation. Your Joint Commissions on Church Union now bring you a specific recommendation for allocation of the senior posts.

The resolution is that in carrying out the obligation for an equitable distribution of administrative posts, enabling legislation paragraph 8, Blue Book page 368, it is resolved that persons coming from the former Evangelical United Brethren Church shall be elected to the following posts: (a) Presidencies: 1. President of the Board of Laity, 2. President of the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs, (b) General Secretaries: (1) General Secretary of the Board of Evangelism, 2. General Secretary of the Program Council. (c) The following secondary posts in secretariats: 1. Board of Education, Division of Higher Education, Associate General Secretary, 2. Board of Pensions, Associate General Secretary, 3. Board of Publications, a vice-president and an Associate Editorial Director of General Church Periodicals. 4. Board of Missions, an Associate General Secretary.

We further resolve that the Council of Bishops be requested and cooperate with the Boards and Agencies in carrying out this directive of the United Conference. If there is a second I will speak briefly.

Bishop Palmer: Yes.

Dr. Parlin: This applies only to these senior posts. All of the people employed by the agencies of the EUB will find places, if they want them. You will note that among these senior posts there is no EUB name for the Board of Christian Concerns, Board of Health and Welfare, Council of Chaplains, Commission on Public Relations, Commission on Religion and Race, Council on World Service and Finance, Commission on Archives and History, but there is no control of bishop against having one in any of those secondary posts.

This has been the cause of tremendous amount of work over almost a year's period, negotiations have been had with the agencies involved and with the persons involved, and I think I bring to you this report on behalf of the Joint Commissions agreed to by everybody.

F. K. Kirchner (Troy): I wonder if he would repeat, please, at the very beginning of his listing of the various agencies the title that he used. I think this had to do with the Board of Lay Activities, Mr. Parlin.

Dr. Parlin: I used the word "president." Is that the wrong word?

Mr. Kirchner: Yes sir, that is an elective office of the General Board of Laity. We have the general secretary, I believe.

Mr. Parlin: No this is chairman or president of the board, not the general secretary. This is not staff, this is your board.

Mr. Kirchner: I thought you were listing the various general secretaries where these people might be eligible. I had always assumed that any member of the general board would be eligible for the presidency if he were elected by the general board.

Dr. Parlin: Except that the agreement is there shall be a fair equitable distribution of these posts. This includes the presidency of the

board, and so we would have two former EUBs as president of boards, and the two boards designated by this action would be Board of Lay Activities and the Commission on Ecumenical Affairs.

Mr. Kirchner: Do I understand, then, that the General Board of Lay Activities must elect an EUB man as its president.

Dr. Parlin: That is so sir.

Mr. Kirchner: That is the purpose of this motion, that this Uniting Conference would make these directives.

Bishop Palmer: That is part of the gentleman's agreement in this marriage. Do you wish to debate this, or may we put it to a vote?

All who wish to honor the previous question would show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It is before you. All in favor will show the right hand. Opposed same sign. It is passed. Thank you Dr. Parlin.

Motion on Housing of Agencies—Charles C. Parlin

Dr. Parlin: Another problem that has been very difficult to work out is the housing of the agencies. We were to bring a recommendation on that. The Joint Commissions propose the following resolution. That the Program Council be housed in Dayton, that the staff of *Methodist Story* of the Division of Interpretation be moved from Chicago to Dayton and that no other moves of agencies be required at this time. If I have a second I will speak briefly.

Bishop Palmer: All right Dr. Parlin.

Dr. Parlin: I believe this has been agreed to pretty much all through the agencies.

Bishop Palmer: Are you ready? You wish to vote? All who support this recommendation show their right hand. Opposed the same sign. It is carried. Dr. Parlin.

Statement on Saturday's Session—Charles C. Parlin

Dr. Parlin: Thirdly, and the last item, the Joint Commissions have asked me to make a brief explanation of the understanding of the Joint Commissions about our General Conference session tomorrow.

There is a sharp distinction between the Uniting Conference of today and the General Conference of tomorrow. The main distinction is the number of people seated. Our General Conference by its Constitution will have a ceiling of 1,000 members, of whom 87 percent or 870 will be Methodist, and 13 percent, or 130, will be EUB's. There are seated in this Uniting Conference less than 870 Methodist delegates. Therefore, every Methodist delegate seated in the Uniting Conference will be eligible to sit tomorrow as a member of the General Conference.

On the other hand, there are seated here in the Uniting Conference approximately 410 EUBs, but tomorrow they will be entitled to seat only 130. This has been thoroughly understood by the EUB groups. They have themselves designated which of their 410 members will be eligible to be seated tomorrow, and you will find those names checked in the Handbook.

The question is raised, "Are the balance over the 130 entitled to come tomorrow and sit at their desk?" The recommendation of the Joint Commissions is yes, that they be entitled to come and sit at their desk, use their materials, but realize that if we have a vote, they would not be entitled to vote.

Now, it is the strong hope of the Joint Commissions that no efforts will be made tomorrow to try to do Legislative or Constitutional

Amendments. It is a feeling that this Uniting Conference was specifically authorized to make amendments to this Blue Book, and secondly it was specifically authorized to initiate recommendations for constitutional amendments. The feeling of the General Commission is it would not be fair or sporting to attempt any such actions tomorrow when the EUB representation is cut down from 410 to 130.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 20— Calendar No. 266—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): In line with what Dr. Parlin just said. I would like to inform you that some time this evening it will be our purpose to make a motion which would authorize that all calendar items not yet dealt with be concurred in by this body in the manner in which the Legislative Committee concurred, and that likewise matters in the Blue Book not covered otherwise by legislative action be concurred in.

We inform you of that now so it might be clear, and not taken by surprise when the time comes. The way to avoid that is to cover all the items between now and the time you are ready to adjourn.

Would you turn to page 461 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*, 461, Calendar Item 266. This is report No. 20 from the Committee on Christian Social Concerns. May I correct an error, for needless to say printing here of the membership of the Committee and the voting has been made legal by a later meeting of that committee. Number present 56, instead of 47. Number present 56, number voting 48, voting against 5, not voting 3.

This action reminds us of the fact that Article IV—The Constitution—prohibits racial structures. Secondly, calls to mind that in the former Methodist Church the Judicial Council rendered Decision 242 which in effect held up this provision from going into effect under certain circumstances. This present item, 266, calls on the General Conference to declare that Article 4 of the Constitution is an essential part of the basic law of The United Methodist Church, and arrangements shall be made forthwith for its implementation.

If you will turn to page 519 you will find the same precise item coming from another committee, Page 519, Calendar Item 368. Chairman of that committee, Committee on Conferences, is present and would like for us to consider Calendar Item 266. I place it before you from the Committee.

Amendment—William D. White

William White (Rock River): I would like to place an amendment on page 461, Calendar Item 266. If you will read down the last paragraph of that Calendar item, down to the word church. At that point I would put a period, and I would ask that we delete the remaining words and that we add these words "the Jurisdictional Conferences are required to complete and implement Article IV no later than June 30, 1969" and if I have a second I should like to speak to it.

Bishop Palmer: You may.

Mr. White: This amendment by deletion, Mr. Chairman, allows for Jurisdictional and Annual Conference sessions, and therefore is a much more realistic date than the 1968 date which was originally noted in this petition. We note the very clear vote that was given in favor of this petition, and so, secondly, in addition to giving a more realistic date for the completion of our inclusive church, it also provides a clear voice from this Uniting Conference in support of Article IV. We ask for your backing on this particular amendment.

Henry A. Rickey (Louisiana—SC) spoke against the amendment.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) asked if this resolution challenged the report of the Judicial Council or contradicted a ruling of the Council. Bishop Palmer ruled that it did not.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 81—Calendar No. 392—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dow Kirkpatrick: I want to yield to the chairman of the Committee on Conferences to bring a similar resolution.

Kenneth Hulit (Ohio East—EUB): Mr. Chairman, as a member of the Committee on Conferences, we not only proposed to put this matter before you but also on page 527, Calendar item 392, and we would like very much to have this debated with the one which is down here. In order to get a proper setting for it, we would like very much for a report from the majority, and you will find on page 527 the minority report, so that all of us clearly can understand the issues. If it is in order, Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask that Mr. Slutz, the secretary of our committee, give to us the majority report, and Mr. William James would give us the minority report, so that we might proceed with debate.

Before action was taken on this report, Bishop Palmer reminded the Conference that the White amendment was pending and asked the Secretary to read it.

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) asked if the Committee on Conferences was not to make a report before anything else was acted upon.

Point of Order—G. Eliot Jones

G. Eliot Jones (Mississippi—SE) raised a point of order concerning voting by a simple majority on a matter which concerned a constitutional amendment. Dr. Hulit replied that his report would deal with a constitutional amendment.

Walter Muller (Illinois—EUB) wanted to know if he could try a motion. Bishop Palmer stated that he could not.

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) stated that three reports were before the house and some procedure should be established whereby votes were taken.

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River—NC) suggested a vote on the amendment, then on Calendar No. 368, then Calendar No. 392.

The vote was taken on the White amendment and lost.

Eric A. Mitchell (Bombay—OS) spoke for ending of discrimination immediately.

Irving L. Smith (Oklahoma—SC) asked if Calendar No. 266 were acted upon, would opportunity be given to act on Calendar No. 392. Mr. Parlin stated it was his hope that Calendar No. 392 might be gotten to as quickly as possible.

Point of Order—Richard Tholin

Richard Tholin (Illinois—EUB) raised the point of order that he had been granted the floor and desired the privilege to speak. Bishop Palmer granted it, and Dr. Tholin spoke for the report.

Motion to Defer—Merrill W. Drennan

Merrill Drennan (Baltimore): I move it, sir, that we defer action on calendar item number 266, report number 20 in order that we might consider calendar item 392 which is report number 81 on page 527.

Bishop Palmer: All right, the motion is to defer, is there a motion for this, I mean a speech for this? Speech against it?

Dr. Drennan: If it has been seconded, sir, I merely wish to say that I believe that Mr. Parlin has indicated to us that this matter would be clearly before us without confusion if in fact we were to consider calendar item 392 and that is the purpose of the deferral.

Alvin J. Lindgren (East Wisconsin—NC) spoke against the motion to defer.

The motion to defer passed.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 81—Calendar No. 392—Kenneth W. Hulit—Leonard D. Slutz

Kenneth Hulit (Ohio East): Mr. Chairman, as we begin this debate, I only request that the time used in the last discussion not be charged against the conference, the Committee on Conferences. We are supposed to have an hour to present material and we do not want that time you have wasted taken from us. I would like to call upon Mr. Leonard Slutz to present the majority report.

Bishop Palmer: Brother Slutz.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I speak on behalf of the majority on the Committee on Conferences and also as chairman of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations, the report of which was before you previously and which does bear also on this same subject. We are most regretful and frustrated that we have had all this hassle and haggle for the last hour because we have tried very hard to present this matter to you squarely and directly and simply and without legal technicalities or parliamentary maneuvers. We felt that we had an opportunity to do that. This is the first time this General Conference has had a majority report and a minority report, so that both sides are presented to you.

We think we have a simple issue where you should not be able to find ways to amend and to substitute but rather to decide for or against, because we are dealing here with a very simple basic issue, and we should get it in front of you and you should decide it. I want to read very briefly that statement of the majority which is summarized on page 527, the majority of 54 as opposed to the minority of 24; we moved non-concurrence on a constitutional amendment because we believe the entire church has unmistakably expressed determination to end all remaining racial structure not later than the Jurisdictional Conference of 1972.

It is working expeditiously and in good faith and will reach that goal. We believe adoption of compulsory legislation at this time would tend to delay and hinder plans now in progress and more importantly, much more importantly, seriously jeopardize the spirit of good will

and understanding so necessary to make structural changes a significant step toward the much greater objective of genuine brotherhood and an inclusive church.

I ask you to think back just seventeen months to the General Conference of The Methodist Church in Chicago. At that time the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations came before the Conference and presented a plan and we have been trying to merge annual conferences for the last four years, and we felt we had power to do everything that we could to bring that about. Now we did not have the constitutional power to put the conferences together and neither does anybody else except the Jurisdictional Conference, unless we have a constitutional amendment. So that is the reason this issue should be squarely in front of you, so that you decide whether it should be done or whether it shouldn't.

We had been debating for a long time the question of mandatory, compulsory legislation as opposed to urging, persuading, encouraging, facilitating and we came to that conference with a recommendation of a plan of action that was carefully detailed to carry out that program. We did that largely because we believed that the entire church was ready and willing to accept the challenge.

We presented a detailed resolution, setting the details, including the protection of the rights of ministers, the rights of all to serve on boards and agencies and fully participate in Christian service. That resolution, which has been adopted by the entire church and by the adoption of that resolution each annual conference, each Jurisdictional Conference, the General Conference, each College of Bishops and the Council of Bishops, expressed their determination to do everything possible to bring about the elimination of any structural organization in The Methodist Church based on race at the earliest possible date and not later than the close of the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1972.

Then we so often ignore that last sentence which really is, in the long run, more important. They further expressed earnest determination to do everything possible to develop greater understanding and brotherhood in Methodism as well as in the world. That resolution was opposed on the one side as putting too much pressure on those that had not yet merged. That effort was overwhelmingly defeated by the General Conference. It was then opposed on the other side at least four different times by efforts to make it mandatory and compulsory rather than voluntary. That was voted down by more than 90 percent on four different occasions, and finally the plan was adopted by better than 95 percent of the General Conference.

The plan was submitted to the EUB General Conference which was meeting across the hall and that General Conference agreed to the insertion of the language in the Enabling Legislation which was read to you a little while ago. That resolution was then adopted by the General Conference. It went to the Council of Bishops and was adopted unanimously. It was adopted unanimously by every College of Bishops. It was voted on by every Annual Conference just about a year ago, last May and June, it was approved by a vote of 93.6 percent across the South Central Jurisdiction, 67.7 percent in the Southeastern Jurisdiction and 76 percent in the Central Jurisdiction.

The effect of that vote was, we then transferred from the Central Jurisdiction all but three conferences. We would have then ended and abolished the Central Jurisdiction except that the resolution did not get a two-thirds vote in one of the Central Jurisdiction Conferences and was voted negatively in two others. That resolution affected the merger of the four conferences in North Carolina and Virginia and after the Central Jurisdiction Conference in Tennessee and Kentucky voted a second time about a month ago it affected the merger of the six conferences in those states.

Far more important, far more important than these transfers and these mergers that have taken place and even in the abolition of the Central Jurisdiction, because that is only structure. Far more important, it was an acceptance of a challenge and pledge, to move forward together in good faith and harmony, to complete the plan that we all believe in and want to see finished. Now, we are here, our commission again has earnestly studied the developments of the past year, we are convinced that there is good faith, we are convinced that there is intent to accomplish this goal. Therefore, we again recommend no compulsive legislation, but we did attempt to facilitate and to further the progress.

We presented legislation which you have adopted to give financial aid to make these mergers more possible, and you have created a great new Commission on Race and Religion. You have given it considerable budget and staff so that that commission can go forward with what we have been trying to do. It can try to merge conferences and encourage them and persuade them and lead them and help them just as we have tried to do with the preceding commission.

Now, we have presented a constitutional amendment, what would it do? Would it speed up the process? Would it get these conferences merged any sooner? We sincerely submit that it would not. It would in some cases, at least, delay and obstruct and would mean that if constitutional amendment were passed, some of these mergers would be deferred until 1972 that are ready to be voted on this year, within the next month, if we don't upset the apple cart. Would this constitutional amendment, and this is far more important, far more important in the long run, would it promote harmony, would it promote good will, would it promote brotherhood so that over the long period the church would move forward together? That is the principal reason that we are opposing a constitutional amendment. We are convinced that it would endanger such harmony.

There are eight newly merged conferences that are going to meet for the first time within the next sixty days. They are rejoicing in what they have decided to do and have done, and I am sure that the adoption of a compulsory amendment would interfere with that harmony with which they are trying to begin their life together. There are ten additional conferences that are about to vote on resolutions this year to effectuate mergers, and we fear those also would be interfered with and delayed and the harmony would be destroyed.

Suppose we had an act of compulsory legislation in Chicago 17 months ago, it is our earnest opinion that the mergers that have taken place would not yet have been in effect as they now are. I ask you finally to look ahead five or six years and then think what the situation is going to be.

Would you like to think five or six years from now that these conferences are merged because you helped make them merge, you helped compel them to merge or would you want to think that these conferences are merged, and I am confident they will be, but they were merged because you encouraged, because you persuaded, because you helped and see that they are then pressing forward as United Conferences toward that much greater goal of genuine understanding and brotherhood?

Therefore, we strongly urge that you do not substitute the minority for the majority, that we proceed with the plan that is well along, that we don't throw a monkey wrench just as we are reaching the goal line but you do continue to facilitate and encourage in every conceivable way.

Amendment—William B. Grove

William Grove (Western Pennsylvania): Is an amendment to a majority report in order?

Bishop Palmer: It is, sir.

Dr. Grove: I'll read it and I won't speak to it. I think it is self-explanatory. Add after the word church the last word in the majority report these words: The General Conference requests the Commission on Religion and Race to present to the adjourned session scheduled for 1970 a progress report on the elimination of racial structures in The United Methodist Church to aid the General Conference in determining whether or not compulsory legislation is then necessary.

Mr. Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I would gladly accept that amendment. It's entirely within the spirit of our report and is what I would expect them to do anyhow.

Minority Report—William James

William James (New York): Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference I would move that we would substitute the minority report as found on page 527 and 528 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* in Calendar 392 for the majority report. If I could get a second, I'd speak to it.

Bishop Palmer: You may proceed, sir.

Dr. James: I would like to say in the Committee on Conferences there were various petitions that came before that Committee on making 1972 a mandatory date. Part of these petitions were for the changing of the Constitution to make this so. We voted on—it came out of the subcommittee—we voted on those petitions, and those petitions they voted concurrence with them by a pretty large majority. Then the chairman asked that a single resolution be drawn in order that this might be put into form to get before you for this report. Sometime was delayed, and then the next day we came back and this action was presented and we report as you now have them. I am saying this because the Committee on Conferences did not give the big majority, etc. in the first instance that you find in the list of your calendar as stated.

Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, it's the time they called the church to bring in line its action with its preaching and its pronouncements. This Conference has opened the way for giant steps towards a better relationship among us, especially in the establishing of this Commission on Religion and Race and also in voting the Reconciliation Funds. Now we are asking to remove the barriers of structural separation by this recommendation, so that our structure will be of such nature that it will provide means to enter into a working relationship with others across the Church.

This amendment does not propose to force anybody to do anything; it is not a question of forcing people to do something or forcing them not to do something. It is a question of setting our house in order, of tearing down the barriers so that negotiations can be made on equal levels among people.

I think that if we see this that we will go along with the minority report. It is not a matter of voluntarism or coercion but is a matter to move toward an opportunity for reconciliation that we are asking here. For a long time we have had target dates, but I submit to you that those targets move as we actually approach them. Now, if we are going to have a target, let it be kind of stable. I remember it was 12 years ago that we got an amendment saying that this is the way the voluntary amendment is going to help in so many ways to do this job, and then we came back and appointed seventy people, a kind of Sanhedrin, to this thing.

We went out and we negotiated and we came back and reduced the number to thirty-six. That was a good number, and we went out again and negotiated, and then we came back the four years let us set up another Committee of twenty-four, and that probably would help the situation, but I am going to submit to you that twelve years ago there were peaceful sit-ins in this nation, and young men and women said that we will not take the segregated structure anymore. You can do what you please to us, but we have a right to non-violently protest against this.

Eight years ago you had the situation where the fire hoses and dogs, etc. were turned loose on these people. Then four years ago in the same time that we were discussing, you had riots out in the streets all over this nation, and I think that if the church had been in a position for reconciliation a great deal of this could have been avoided.

The moral idea that we were protecting, we did not practice it in our action or in our structure. How could we practice it? So therefore, I would say it is time now for us to move toward some definitive action. I want to say one other thing. We came last time at Chicago with a constitutional amendment, and some of us rejoiced and thought that this will be the solution and then when the amendment got to be interpreted it began to do things and this amendment began to be used to say that you must not instruct your Committees that will have a racial number on it, but you can instruct your Conferences that will be racially separate.

I think we have got to come to the place where we see that we cannot have our cake and eat it too. That somewhere we have to fix a definite time. Now what I mean about a definite time, this amendment would do this. We have made our pronouncements that we should work together in a Church—that we should be Christians—that we should be inclusive, and we have written the amendments on the inclusiveness of the Church, and we've made these as pronouncements.

I think what we would do here if we substituted this minority report would be to do this. We would announce, make an announcement, that now as brethren all over the country we are saying that we are giving you a time to get your house in order, financially and other ways, but there must be an end to this thing so that we can get on in the Church reconciling the world to God and not reconciling ourselves to each other but reconciling the world to God as he said in Jesus Christ.

Point of Order—K. Morgan Edwards

Bishop Palmer called time on Dr. James, and *K. Morgan Edwards* (Southern California-Arizona—W) raised the point of order that Mr. Slutz had used more than his time. Bishop Palmer did not so agree. Dr. James concluded his argument by asking the house to support the minority report.

Harold D. Flood (Philadelphia—NE) spoke for the majority report.

Point of Order—G. Eliot Jones

G. Eliot Jones (Mississippi—SE) raised the point of order that the Uniting Conference could not send down Constitutional Amendments. Bishop Palmer ruled it could and asked the house to sustain him, which it did.

Mrs. William H. McCallum (Rock River—NC) spoke for the minority report. George H. Atkinson (California-Nevada—W) spoke against the minority report.

Amendment—Walter R. Hazzard

Walter Hazzard (Philadelphia): Mr. Chairman, is this the proper time to offer an amendment?

Bishop Palmer: Yes, you may offer an amendment.

Dr. Hazzard: Mr. Chairman, I move to amend the minority report. Page 528, the last sentence in the report. I move to substitute the words "General Conference—1972."

Bishop Palmer: To delete and substitute to delete and insert, right?

Mr. Hazzard: To substitute the words "General Conference of 1972" for "Jurisdictional Conference of 1972." If I can get a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Palmer: Is there a second? Yes you may speak Brother Hazzard.

Dr. Hazzard: Mr. Chairman and members of the Conference, I am in favor of setting a definite date for the termination of the segregated structure of The Methodist Church of 1972. Since this will be, we hope, a mandate of this General Conference, we hope that the report will be made to the 1972 Session of the General Conference on the progress that has been made in the implementation of this policy.

We may be reluctant to set a mandatory date for elimination of segregation in The Methodist Church, but we must not forget that since the day that Black Harry traveled with Francis Asbury and often preached for him, many black Methodists have given their lives for The Methodist Church. We believe that the black Methodists of the church who have been related to this great church in its inception in America should have better treatment with more evidence of justice and equality than we have experienced.

You will not find more loyal members than some of the black members have been, and because of their fidelity, and their co-operation with the movement of The Methodist Church, I feel that this conference should not adjourn without first taking a positive action leading toward the elimination of segregated structure where it is found in The Methodist Church, and not only that we should proceed to eliminate all evidences of segregation wherever it may be found in The Methodist Church.

Carl J. Sanders (Virginia—SE) spoke against the minority report and the amendment.

Harry B. Gibson, Jr. (Rock River—NC) asked where the Conference would be if the Judicial Council ruled unfavorably on the section referred to it. Mr. Slutz replied that he did not think it would.

Previous Question—Franklin Blackstone, Jr.

On call for the previous question on all before the house by Franklin Blackstone, Jr. (Western Pennsylvania—NE), the house ordered it.

James E. Lowery (Central Alabama—SE) stated that a Constitutional amendment would allow Annual Conferences to consider action in terms of their own commitment.

Summation of debate

Dr. James: Mr. Chairman, I will not take very much of the Conference time. I would just like to say this: The question that we must ask ourselves in the light of the arguments made, is the Constitution of the church mandatory? Does it give a mandate? Is the Constitution of the Church a voluntary document in which each section of the church can do as it pleases?

I submit that it has been said that we need time to negotiate. I said once before that we have had a long time to negotiate, and now we have four years more to negotiate. How long shall we wait?

Bishop Palmer: Thank You. Now from the Chairman of the Majority Report, Brother Slutz.

Mr. Slutz: I think the question you must ask yourself did the people of the Southeastern and the South Central Jurisdictions mean what they said when they voted less than a year ago saying that they were determined to get this job done as soon as possible, and in no event later than 1972. Now, if you believe they mean what they said and they are going to live up to what they said, this constitutional amendment would accomplish nothing except antagonism.

I submit to you that the Jurisdictional Conference has power to merge Annual Conferences by a bare majority vote, except for EUB conferences in the first 12 years, but that does not apply to conferences based on race.

Now, the Southeastern Jurisdiction voted 67 percent saying they are going to get this job done in 1972, if not sooner; 93.6 percent in the South Central Jurisdiction. Don't you think they mean what they said, and don't you think they are going to do it? If I didn't think so, I would be supporting a mandatory constitutional amendment right now, and if we come back in 1970 and we see there is bad faith, and that they are not moving forward, and they don't intend to move forward and get it done, I certainly would favor a constitutional amendment, but I believe they meant what they said.

Let me give you two quotations from distinguished theologians because I am only a layman. Harold Bosley: "We do not make a moral witness under the gun." Georgia Harkness: "Choose to do good works voluntarily, and not under compulsion." One last thought, the other night they asked us to make our pledges to the fund for reconciliation, and we did it.

Now we are urged, we were persuaded, we weren't quite compelled, but we made those pledges, and I think we intend to live up to them, intend to pay them, and I don't want to see legislation saying that there is law that says I have to pay that at the time I said I was going to pay it, or else they are going to crack down on me. I hope you will defeat the substitute.

Bishop Palmer put the question on the Hazzard amendment, and it lost.

Bishop Palmer called for a vote on the report.

Point of Order—Woodie W. White

Woodie W. White (Detroit—NC) raised a point of order that the house was not sure which report was being voted upon.

The minority report lost.

The majority report No. 81 passed. (See *DCA* page 527; appendix page 1325.)

Motion to Refer—Charles C. Peterson

Charles Peterson (Rock River): I move that this Uniting Conference requests that the Judicial Council be asked to rule on whether the Constitution as presently interpreted and applied does not in fact leave the effectiveness of Division I, Article IV subject to prior actions of a Jurisdictional Conference in spite of the judgment expressed in Judicial Council decision 232 of the former Methodist Church that the racial inclusiveness of the church is a "distinctly connectional matter."

Bishop Palmer: All right.

Dr. Peterson: If I have a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Palmer: Is there a second?

Dr. Peterson: We are dealing here, sir, with a very complex matter. We have been dealing with it for a long time. We did not deal with it as well in 1966 as we might have or should have. The problem is that we have a fundamental conflict in the constitution. The rights of Jurisdictional Conferences are opposed to the question of the elimination of racially based structures. To many of us the priorities are clear, morally, and I believe also legally. I would ask for support of this request.

The motion did not pass.

Privilege Motion—Carl F. Lueg

Carl Lueg (Louisiana): Bishop and delegates as a matter of privilege, I move that the General Conference of The United Methodist Church send its greeting to President Lyndon B. Johnson and assure him of our prayers in his behalf in the approaching negotiations in Paris for a just and lasting peace in Viet Nam.

Bishop Palmer: I think that by the applause you are in favor. Any negative voice? It prevails.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 16—Calendar No. 167—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 389, the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 167, dealing with the establishment of a Puerto Rican Annual Conference. The committee moved concurrence.

Bishop Palmer: Are you ready? Any debate? All in favor show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It is ordered.

(See *DCA* page 389; appendix page 1292.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 23—Calendar No. 174—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 389, the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 174, dealing with the salaries of district superintendents, making it the responsibility that these salaries be paid by the conference treasurer. The committee concurred.

Bishop Palmer: Are you ready to vote? Any debate? All in favor show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It prevails.

(See *DCA* page 389; appendix page 1293.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 30—Calendar No. 181—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 390, the *Daily Christian Advocate*, Calendar No. 181, dealing with the Annual Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns providing for a means by which vacancies can be filled. The committee concurred.

Bishop Palmer: All in favor show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It prevails.

(See *DCA* page 390; appendix page 1294.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 35—Calendar No. 186—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: The *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 390, Calendar No. 186, with reference to the White Book page 151, Revision 31, asking for a commission dealing with the structure of the church, the commission to study the structure of the church. The committee concurred.

Bishop Palmer: All in favor show the right hand. Opposed the same sign. It prevails.

(See *DCA* page 390; appendix page 1296.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 37—Calendar No. 188—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: There seems to be a conflict with the Committee on Ministry which we want to be sure we have straightened out. Let's move down to page 390 again, Calendar No. 188, and I would call attention to the Conference that this should be the reading subject Revision 29 and 30. They are found in the White Book on page 148 and 150.

What we have done is to amend this by including representatives from the Central Conferences, feeling that when we are dealing with creedal matters we need to have representatives from overseas churches. The Committee concurs with the amendment, and the original.

Bishop Palmer: Are you ready to vote? All in favor, show the right hand. Opposed, the same sign. It prevails.

(See *DCA* page 390; appendix page 1296.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 40—Calendar No. 210—Kenneth W. Hulit

Kenneth Hulit (Ohio East): Page 401, calendar number 210 dealing with Conference Commission on Ecumenical Affairs—we have amended this to include the words that you will find on page 402 "in local conferences or federations of churches and studies sponsored by interchurch agencies." We concur as amended.

Bishop Palmer: All in favor, show the right hand. Those opposed, the same sign. It prevails.

(See *DCA* page 401; appendix page 1297.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 47—Calendar No. 217—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 402, Calendar 217 the subject is the election of delegates to the General Conference in the year preceding the General Conference. The committee concurred.

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) spoke against the report.

Report No. 47 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 402; appendix page 1298.)

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 53—Calendar No. 223—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 402, calendar report 223, has to do with the continuation of the Commission of Unity of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church and it has come to us as a request from the General Conference of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church. We concurred.

Bishop Palmer: Are you ready? All in favor, show the right hand. Those opposed, the same sign. It is carried.

(See *DCA* page 402; appendix page 1300.)

Motion to Reconsider—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John Rixse (Virginia): In moving along here pretty fast, we approved calendar item 174 on *DCA* page 389 and I would like to move reconsideration of that, if I may. It is on page 389 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Palmer: It is in order to reconsider if a person who voted for it asks. Did you vote for it?

Mr. Rixse: Yes.

Bishop Palmer: All right, is it seconded? The motion is that we reconsider item 174, on page 389. All who wish to reconsider, show the hands. Those who opposed? It is lost.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 58—Calendar No. 275—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 462, *Daily Christian Advocate* calendar number 275 has the effect of creating a 15th Legislative Committee of the General Conference dealing with such matters as communication, television, radio, public relations and related matters. The committee concurred.

Motion to Refer—D. S. Patterson

D. S. Patterson (Baltimore): Mr. Chairman, yesterday we authorized a special committee to study the total problem of committees and matters to be referred to the Legislative Committee. I think it would be in order to move reference of this item to that committee which is to report to the next General Conference.

Bishop Palmer: The motion to refer is in order. Do you wish to discuss it?

Dr. Hulit: I'll accept that Mr. Chairman.

The report was referred.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 61—Calendar No. 278—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 462, calendar item 278 dealing with the constitutional amendment to eliminate North-West Canada Conference from the Western Jurisdiction. This is a problem of the former conference

Evangelical United Brethren Church. It desires to seek an independent relationship but in order to do this it must be released from the Western Jurisdiction. The committee concurred.

Earl W. Riddle (Idaho—W) asked concerning this report, and *Charles C. Parlin* (Northern New Jersey—NC) stated it would take this Conference out of the Jurisdictional system and allow COSMOS to take over.

Report No. 61 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 462; appendix page 1302.)

Question on Report—J. Robert Nelson

J. Robert Nelson (North East Ohio—NC) asked Dr. Hulit if revisions of the Joint Commissions had been included in Calendar Report No. 188; he stated they had.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 64—Calendar No. 281—Kenneth W. Hulit

Dr. Hulit: Page 463, *Daily Christian Advocate*, calendar item 281, having to deal with the deadline for petitions to General Conference. We are suggesting an amendment to the Blue Book page 103, in line 10 to read "15 days prior to General Conference" instead of "30 days prior to General Conference."

W. Carroll Beatty (Baltimore—NE) chairman of the Committee on Reference, and *J. Wesley Hole* (Southern California-Arizona—W) spoke against the report.

The report was not adopted.

Committee on Conferences—Report No. 63—Calendar No. 280—Leonard D. Slutz

Dr. Hulit: I have to turn back, Mr. Chairman, to page 462, item 280. I missed this one which was rejecting the amendment, Revision 4, page 55 of the White Book, which would return us back to the Blue Book, which makes it possible for anyone to send petitions to General Conference. I did not support this, and Mr. Slutz will have to present it.

Bishop Palmer: All right, Mr. Slutz.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): I doubt if it needs much support, but we very strongly believe it is a part of our fundamental and traditional democracy that anybody in The Methodist Church has a right to send a petition to General Conference and that it has to be considered. A committee can't pigeon-hole it, and the General Conference can't ignore it. We have to vote on it one way or the other, and we have seen petitions come from way back in the hills where some little church or some member has an idea that this General Conference should consider. We need more ideas, not fewer.

Dr. Hulit spoke against the report.

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) desired clarification about what was being voted upon.

The report was adopted. (See *DCA* page 462; appendix page 1303.)

Motion to Extend Time—Dow Kirkpatrick

On motion of *Dow Kirkpatrick* (Rock River—NC) time of adjournment was extended to 5:30 p.m.

Privilege Matter—Leonard D. Slutz

Dr. Kirkpatrick: We have a motion of high privilege that has cleared the Committee on Courtesies. Leonard Slutz.

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, I though I would be the last person to ever present a motion of courtesy because I so consistently and so zealously try to guard the right of the floor and to avoid ceremony and pagentry. There is, however, a motion that I feel we must make.

This has been a tremendous General Conference as we have come to know each other and to celebrate the birth of our new United Church, and I think we should pause for just a moment to honor those who were most happiest, most involved in the long process that brought us to the glorious triumph of this Uniting Conference.

I therefore ask that we stand for just a moment. I put the motion, to honor Bishop Reuben Mueller and Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke, the joint presidents of the Commissions on Church Union, Bishop Paul Washburn and Mr. Charles C. Parlin, secretaries of the commission and I'm sure that they would be the first to say that when we honor them, through them we honor the many people who have worked with them over the years, both members of this Conference and others.

I leave you this final thought. We honor them here, but we will honor them far more as we go on together in harmony and unity in a great church. I move that we stand in a moment of appreciation for these men.

Committee on Ministry—Report No. 1—Calendar No. 196—Don W. Holter

Don Holter (Kansas): If you will turn to page 393 *Daily Christian Advocate* beginning with paragraph 319. I'd like to make second corrections in this whole material that is in this particular part. If you will turn to page 394, paragraph 323, no. 2 at the end of that add these words "no more than one year of which may be taken by correspondence." And exactly the same phrase on page 395 in the middle column, paragraph 330 at the end of no. 6 exactly the same phrase "no more than one year of which may be taken by correspondence."

And then in the third column 395, paragraph 332, four lines from the end of that paragraph after Jurisdictional Conferences add the words "under the provision of the Constitution. Paragraph 39, article IV." In 333 in No. 1, we eliminate the last few words after it says "for one year following completion of the," strike out the rest of that No. 1 and substitute these words "educational requirements specified below No. 3." That in no way changes it but it includes it in both sections. And then one minor change, clear at the end of this section page 398, the middle column, add the third word from the last "as retired lay pastors." Add the word "retired." With these corrections, Mr. Chairman, as far as I am concerned I would be willing to put the whole of this before you from paragraph 319 over to the end of this on page 398, including these footnotes, or over to Calendar Number 197.

Amendment—Carl H. Douglas, Jr.

Carl H. Douglas, Jr. (Virginia): If you'll turn to page 398, paragraph 349, number 1, concerning the duties and limitations of a lay pastor. Have you got it? The committee did not concur in what I am about to move as I bring it to you, while respecting them also. I make the motion that in that sentence, paragraph 349, number 1, delete the words "except that he shall not be authorized to administer the Sacraments." If I have a second to it I would like to speak very briefly.

Bishop Palmer: It is an amendment. You may speak, sir.

Dr. Douglas: I think we have two problems, to put this very quickly. The lay pastor, the term used here, signifies the man who has been our approved supply pastor. We have allowed the approved supply pastors to administer the Sacraments if they were ordained, and we have had a number of approved supplies who were not ordained that have been serving the Sacraments provided they have done their introductory studies and stayed successfully in the course of study as prescribed. Now we are cutting that privilege off.

In our conference there are fifty-one men who will be affected and their churches. Now multiply this by our conferences throughout our connection that are served by these pastors. We have a practical problem.

The second thing that I would call your attention to is that ordination in my opinion is not legitimizing a man to pass the Communion. I think it is a far more serious thing to turn a man loose in the pulpit than it is with a Communion tray. What I am saying—I know I am being emotional, sir. I apologize—but what I am saying is, I think we will hurt these churches and these men and we will not strengthen our church.

Walter G. Muelder (New England—NE) spoke against the amendment.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—Floyd V. Brower

Floyd Brower (Missouri East): I want to add one other thing. The other day we put this matter of extending some time to July 1, 1971. I want to amend this to read that we shall continue what the word says and add this after July 1, 1971. My reason for his is this. You see, well in the first place, I think it is—oh, where abouts? 196, Report number 1, DCA on 398, and it is immediately after the deletion that was suggested in the last amendment.

Bishop Palmer: Yes, go ahead brother.

Dr. Brower: You see, we have this problem in our town and country churches. We get bugged on things in this church of ours, and we forget that there are some things that are remaining. I realize that we have a tremendous urban program, but we still have thousands of churches in town and country. I think this is a matter of not being able to adjust.

Now maybe by 1971 we will be able to work it out, but simply to cut this off leaves us high and dry. We talk about flexibility, and we are trying to make the ministry inflexible in this regard. So, I simply add this amendment that we extend it to 1971.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—C. C. Herbert, Jr.

C. C. Herbert (Western North Carolina): 395, at the first column at the very top, first line, I move to amend by adding a parenthesis at

the end of the first line, parenthesis after "The United Methodist Church": (which include abstinence from alcoholic beverages) so that the last words of this section reads: "dedication of yourself to the highest ideals of the Christian life as set forth in Paragraphs 93, 94 and 95, *Discipline of The United Methodist Church* (which include abstinence from alcoholic beverages).

Motion to Table—Ted I. Richardson

Ted I. Richardson (Southwest Texas—SC) made a motion to lay the amendment on the table.

Point of Order—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul C. Calkins (Ohio—NC) raised a point of order that this would lay the whole report on the table. Bishop Palmer sustained this.

The motion to table lost.

The Secretary was requested to read the Herbert amendment. *Wesley H. Hager* (Missouri-East—SC) stated that there was a misunderstanding on the Brower amendment; Bishop Palmer ruled the Herbert amendment was before the house. *J. Kenneth Forbes* (Indiana—NC) wanted to speak against it, but Bishop Palmer ruled there had been enough speeches.

The Herbert amendment lost.

Amendment—Sam N. Varnell

Sam Varnell (Holston): I move to amend on page 394 of the *Daily Christian Advocate* Section 322, No. 4, by striking out the word "and" at the end of the sentence before retirement, and then changing the period to a comma add "minimum salary and pension." It would then read "an associate member shall be subject to the provisions governing sabbatical leave, supernumerary relations, location, retirement, minimum salary, and pensions." If I can get a second I would like to say a word about it.

Dr. Holter: I think we will accept that sir.

Amendment—Harry S. Crede

Harry Crede (Central Illinois): I want to move to substitute for the requirement listed in paragraph 333.1, on page 395, requiring that a probationary member must serve full time, one year under an episcopal appointment, under the supervision of a district superintendent, following the completion of the bachelor of divinity degree.

Now that bachelor of Divinity Degree was changed, but it means the same thing, just a moment ago, and I want to substitute the following for that: 1. Serve two consecutive years under episcopal appointment and under a district superintendent as a probationer. If there is a second I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Palmer: There is a second.

Mr. Crede: This is increasing the requirements for those who go to seminaries. I had thought that we were rather encouraging our boys to go to seminaries, but this means when they graduate from seminaries they still cannot become a member of the conference as they do today. It rather assumes that they have not had experience, when as a matter of fact most of our boys going through seminaries have preached quite a number of years by the time they are through,

and they have to preach at least two years under the present arrangement in order to be received in the conference in full connection.

I do not think that we should discourage our boys going to seminaries by prolonging the time they are left out of the conference. I believe that we should follow the policy as it is today, two years on trial, and then they can at the time of ordainment and the time of graduating from seminary become a full member of the conference.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) spoke against the amendment.

The Crede amendment lost.

Previous Question—*Joe A. Harding*

Joe A. Harding (Pacific Northwest—W) called for the previous question on all before us.

His motion prevailed.

A. Glen O'Dell (Indiana South—EUB) asked whether a minister's membership would be placed in a church or in the Annual Conference. Dr. Holter asked *Gene E. Sease* (Western Pennsylvania—EUB) to speak to this. Dr. Sease stated the Commission felt this should be studied by the special Commission being set up.

A. LeRoy Lightner (Philadelphia—NE) asked to what church did paragraph 326.3f refer. *Mack B. Stokes* (Holston—SE) replied it meant "The United Methodist Church, the particular local church."

R. R. MacCanon (Iowa—EUB) asked if there was a conflict between paragraph 307 and paragraph 349. Dr. Holter asked *D. Frederick Wertz* (Central Pennsylvania—NE) to reply.

Dr. Wertz: I can then answer that question. For all lay pastors who were permanently guaranteed that right by the former Methodist Church will continue to have it because it was permanently guaranteed to them by ordination and ordination is not being taken from them.

Carlton G. Van Ornum (Northern New York—NE) asked if paragraph 324 and 328 were identical, and is confusing to have these two references. Dr. Holter replied that one dealt with full-time ministers and the other associate ministers.

Report No. 196 was adopted, as amended. (See *DCA* page 391; appendix page 1430.)

Committee on Ministry—Report No. 2—Calendar No. 379—*Don W. Holter*

Dr. Holter: Will you turn to page 520, the third paragraph, third column? We will now come to paragraph 350 to 399 which is the end of our report. I want to correct the text first, make certain changes that are partly our mistake and partly editorial. Page 521 the middle column, paragraph 354, number 2 it is only adding "the church con-

ference" to then read "the annual church conference." It is only a correction.

There is a more major one which was passed by the Committee and was left out of the *DCA*, and if you will look on page 522, the middle column, paragraph 362, we need to add another paragraph, therefore, paragraph 362, what is here will be subsection A, then there is to be added to this subparagraph B and I will read it to you:

"Any member of the Annual Conference who has completed 20 years or more of full-time approved service prior to the opening date of the session of the conference may request the Annual Conference to place him in the retired relation with the privilege of receiving his annuity claims for the number of effective years served at the Annual Conference following his 65th birthday provided he shall have had his character passed annually since retirement."

I am sorry this is so long, it has to be repeated, but it is one of these things that we approved and then was left out. The essence of it is that if any man has been in the conference for 20 years or more of full-time approved service and then goes into, say college teaching or something else, that would not be thereby appointed, he will not be deprived of using these 20 years when he comes to retirement as far as his annuity claim is concerned.

This has been approved by the pension board, and I think it is something which will render a service to a man in this relationship. Therefore, I would like to add that, as we go through to perfect this. Then if you will look over on page 524, the middle column at the end of paragraph 391, just after number 3 should be added a 4 and then renumber the rest of the numbers throughout the paragraph.

Now this is to insert, again, something from the White Book which by some inadvertence was not referred to us but needs to be in this very place and has been approved by the committee. This is to insert in that place revision number 3, the White Book page 54.

This has to do with regard to the former EUB district superintendent who has served a number of years but as they come into The United Methodist Church according to this and this has been agreed—according to this any one of these men, even if he has served longer than the 6 years can still serve 3 years but no more than 3 years as a district superintendent in The United Methodist Church.

This is the White Book, revision number 3 on page 54 of the White Book. That is one that was left out inadvertently. May I go up to number 9 and make one correction on number 9 "to consecrate bishops and to ordain" rather than "obtain," page 524 the same column on page 524, it is paragraph 390, second column, number 9 to "consecrate bishops to ordain elders" rather than "obtain elders." It might have been "and" I think it needs to go back.

Then in the third column on the same pages, this comes to us from the Board of Pensions, third column in number 9 which will become number 10, after the words "on sabbatical leave," add the words "on disability leave." So that it would read "every traveling preacher, unless retired, supernumerary, on sabbatical leave, on disability leave or under arrest of character must receive an appointment." The middle column, page 525, change the third line of number 2 to "may" rather than "shall" in the third line of number 2. Page 525, middle column number 2, paragraph 396, number 2 "A bishop who has been released under any of the foregoing provisions may request . . ." Paragraph 397, and this is a printer's error, in the third line change 5 to 6. The same change would be made lower when it says "entitled to 5 bishops" where it appears again "such jurisdiction shall be entitled to 6 bishops."

Now over on page 526, these are among the recommendations in the recommendations 6, where it goes on in the fifth line "the struc-

ture of The United Methodist Church" and "to bring to the next General Conference its recommendations" in other words it is deleting the several conferences, deleting the several conferences and placing in that place "to bring to the next General Conference."

Now I think, Mr. Chairman, to go back to the beginning of this, we have spent, may I say Mr. Chairman, that the committee has spent any number of hours on this considering, as we told you in the beginning, when we presented this on the first day, this is not only a work of this Legislative Committee, rather this is the work that goes back eight years for some, four years for some, two years for others.

A very good committee made a study of this. The Committee on the Study of the Ministry, has dealt with this since the last Methodist General Conference in 1964 and then the last two years since 1966, they were joined by the former Evangelical United Brethren representatives on this study committee. Their report in return went to the Ad Hoc Committee. The Ad Hoc Committee made certain revisions and then we have taken this and in a matter of many hours during this conference we have also studied this.

I would ask Mr. Chairman, would you want to take this section by section or—all right, if that is your wish I would move that this report from paragraphs 350 over to 399 and include the recommendations on page 526 up to calendar number 380 on page 526 and I would so move.

Previous Question—Charles E. Kachel

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) called for the previous question. Bishop Palmer asked if the house wanted to suspend the rules and foreclose debate. The house voted to suspend the rules.

Point of Order—Marvin A. Schilling

Marvin A. Schilling (East Wisconsin—NC) raised the point of order that the delegate from India had been promised the floor. Bishop Palmer sustained this.

R. D. Joshi (North India—OS) asked if paragraph 394.4 had had to do with overseas bishops. Dr. Wertz replied that it did. Dr. Joshi wanted to make an amendment, but Bishop Palmer ruled it out of order on the grounds that the previous question had been called.

Point of Order—Robert E. Cushman

Robert E. Cushman (North Carolina—SE) raised a point of order that the Conference was out of order in calling for the previous question. Bishop Palmer ruled the call for the previous question was in order.

The vote on the call for the previous question was taken, and it did not carry.

Motion to Extend Time—John B. Howes

Time was extended to hear Dr. Joshi's motion upon motion of *John B. Howes* (Central Pennsylvania—NE).

Amendment—R. D. Joshi

Dr. Joshi: Mr. Chairman, I have a motion, an amendment to make by deletion but if the suggestion I wish to make is considered as a

case of reference to the Judicial Council before we take this action on legislation, I will be satisfied. Now I would like to state before this General Conference that we are taking an action which infringes the rights. My motion is, bishop, that we delete the paragraph number 4.

Bishop Palmer: Pardon me, Mr. Joshi, the committee will be pleased to let you submit this to the Judicial Council.

Dr. Holter: We have no objection to your referring this to the Judicial Council.

Dr. Joshi: I would like to move, Bishop, that before the Judicial Council takes action, we place this section on the table.

Bishop Palmer: Why?

Dr. Joshi: Because this very seriously affects the rights of the Central Conference to decide the tenure of their own bishops.

Bishop Palmer: Pardon me, Brother Joshi, you put everything on the table, you can't lay part of this on the table. It all goes on the table.

Dr. Joshi: Well, could I make a motion for deletion?

Bishop Palmer: Yes, you may make a motion to delete.

Dr. Joshi: Then, Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that section number 4, of paragraph 394, Retired Bishops, on page 524 of *Daily Christian Advocate* be deleted, and if I have a second, I would like to make a statement.

Bishop Palmer: All right, this is seconded, go ahead, Brother Joshi.

Dr. Joshi: Mr. Chairman, this legislation is absolutely unnecessary. It will create more problems than it will solve. There is already provision in the *Discipline* whereby a Central Conference has the power to elect bishops and fix the tenure of the bishops, paragraph 531, page 109. The Central Conference can elect bishops with life tenure or limited tenure for 4, 6 or 8 years as it wishes.

Why is it necessary for this General Conference to enact a legislation which will make an elder a retired bishop for the rest of his life after he has ceased to be a bishop by the action of his own Central Conference?

Supposing a Central Conference elects an elder as bishop for a 4 year term when he is already 67 or 68 years old, and this has happened. He retires after four years and because his term of office as a bishop coincides with the time of retirement, he will have the status of a retired bishop with all the privileges of membership in the Council of Bishops the rest of his life.

If the Central Conference concerned wishes a retired bishop to have all these privileges, it is up to that body, the Central Conference, to elect him for life. This legislation which is before us in this paragraph will create, as I said, more problems than it will solve. Moreover, there are two Judicial Council decisions on this matter, number 236 and 251. I have a copy of those decisions.

This legislation will conflict with these decisions. Before we act on this recommendation of the committee, it is only fair that we refer this decision to the Judicial Council whether it is legal and constitutional. If this is done prior to the enactment of this legislation I, shall have no objection. For the present I feel that we are voting on a proposition of questionable merit.

The Joshi amendment lost.

Before the vote was taken, Dr. Holter asked to withdraw section 6 under recommendations. This was allowed.

Report No. 2 as amended was adopted. (See *DCA* page 520; appendix page 1448.)

Statement from Judicial Council—Murray H. Leiffer

Murray Leiffer (Judicial Council): This morning the Uniting Conference requested the Interim Judicial Council to rule on the constitutionality of its action in adopting report number 17.

The decision of the council is as follows: "It is the decision of the interim Judicial Council that report number 17 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns entitled *The Rule of Law and The Right of Dissent* as adopted by the Uniting Conference is not unconstitutional." The full decision will be printed in the *Advocate*. (See appendix, page 973.)

Appreciation—Bishop Palmer

Bishop Palmer thanked the Conference for their help throughout the session.

Privilege Statement—Mrs. John Eby

Mrs. John Eby (Pacific Northwest): We of the Pacific Northwest Conference would like to commend our presiding officer Bishop Everett W. Palmer and express deep appreciation of the body. We know that it requires both courage and patience to preside over this great conference. Both of these he has demonstrated, for this we are grateful and we thank you, Bishop.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary made the announcements.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Many requests have come to the Committee on Agenda, as to what the plans are for tomorrow. May I remind you that the Agenda has been prepared, we feel that we can keep within the Agenda, beginning at 8:30 and closing at 11:30. May I announce that according to the plans of the Agenda Committee, you are to return to this hall for the evening session at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to Change Time—John R. Van Sickle

On motion of John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) the Conference voted to suspend the rules and meet at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment

The afternoon session adjourned.

TENTH DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1968 EVENING SESSION

Opening—Bishop T. Otto Nall

Pursuant to adjournment, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the evening session of the tenth day, Friday, May 3, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. in Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, with Bishop T. Otto Nall, Minnesota Area, presiding.

Carlton R. Young (North East Ohio—NC) led in singing Hymn No. 470, "God of Grace and God of Glory." The Conference united in the Unison Prayer for the Church, No. 748.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley: Mr. Chairman, the Journal Committee has examined the *Journal* record for all the sessions of the Conferences through the session of Thursday evening. We approve the record except for minor corrections which are being made by the Journal Secretary. Since this is the last opportunity for this Committee to report to the Uniting Conference, the Journal Committee recommends that the Journal Secretary be empowered to complete the necessary corrections required for accuracy, and that he be empowered to examine and correct the record of the sessions of today. I move adoption and approval, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Nall: You've heard the motion, as many as will receive this report and pass this motion with thanks to the chairman and members of the committee please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, you will find the agenda printed on the front page of your *Daily Christian Advocate*. I should ask the chairman to pencil in two or three notations. The Council on World Service and Finance Report will be given by Bishop Martin. Before you come to that order of the day we recommend that you hear some nominations from the Secretary of the conference, which will take just a few minutes. Then as a final word before we adjourn this session this evening, we ask for a final word to be given from the Joint Commissions on Church Union. Dr. Charles Parlin.

Bishop Nall: As many as will adopt this as the agenda for the evening will indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? Motion is passed.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel McDavid (Alabama-West Florida): Bishop Nall and members of the Conference, I would like to express my appreciation to our Committee for their fine efforts and our Committee in turn would like to express appreciation to you for your patience and your splendid assistance as we have tried to handle these matters of courtesies. You have helped us immeasurably, and we are grateful to you.

There are several courtesies for us this evening. Several of our delegates have wanted to express their gratitude to their presiding Bishops and have presented resolutions so stating, but because of the pressure of time they have agreed that these should be recorded. One of these is the Virginia Delegation who would like to express their affection and appreciation to Bishop Walter Gum. I move that we have this recorded in the minutes.

Bishop Nall: You've heard the motion. Any seconds? Those in favor of this motion would indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Resolution of Tribute

"Tribute to Bishop Walter C. Gum, Richmond Area"

After fifty years among us, Bishop and Mrs. Walter C. Gum have come to the time of retirement. Bishop Gum became a member of the Virginia Conference in 1918, and has been held in great love and esteem by the members of his Area—so much so that he was the only member of our Conference ever to be elected to the General Conference on the first ballot for four successive quadrenniums.

Before being elected to the episcopacy in 1960, Bishop Gum served as chairman of the Crusade for Christ in the Virginia Conference. Our goal was \$750,000.00, and the Conference raised over \$2,000,000.00 of which half was directed to Randolph-Macon College.

He also served as the Chairman of the Advance, following the Crusade for Christ, which raised more than \$1,000,000.00 by the end of the first quadrennium.

No Bishop has had more loyal support and strength from his wife and daughter, than Mrs. Gum and their daughter, Mrs. John Mason, have given. We are grateful for all they have done for Methodism and the Church Universal.

Bishop Gum has been a forthright leader in evangelism. He is not only a gifted Preacher, but he has had a Passion to bring men to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. In addition, he has led many campaigns for the support of our higher educational institutions, and he has served as a trustee of six institutions. He has served, and is now serving, as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Randolph-Macon College. He was on the Committee to choose a site for Alaska Methodist University.

We shall miss the responsible leadership of Bishop and Mrs. Gum, but we are grateful to God for all they have meant to us and for their dedication to our Lord. We wish them a much deserved retirement.

—Virginia Conference Delegation

Dr. McDavid: The California-Nevada delegation would like to express similar gratitude and good wishes to Bishop Donald H. Tippett. I move that this be recorded in the minutes.

Bishop Nall: You have heard the motion and seconded by its Committee. As many as favor this motion please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Resolution of Tribute

"Tribute to Bishop Donald H. Tippett"

Bishop Donald Harvey Tippett came to the San Francisco Area in 1948 out of a wide background of experience in the life of The Methodist Church. Through the twenty years that have followed, Bishop Tippett has given abundant evidence of his leadership as one of the great bishops of the Church.

Year after year he has carried major responsibilities in the general church programs as Chairman of the Commission on Chaplains (1960-64); President of TRAFCO; Chairman of Study on Seminaries (1956-60); Chairman of Study on Ministry (1960-64); Chairman of Commission on Cultivation and Promotion; President of Council of Bishops, and many other similar responsibilities of high significance to the entire Church.

We who have served under him have found Bishop Tippet to be perceptive in his Episcopal assignments: brotherly in relation to those who serve under his appointment; warm of heart and genuine in the giving of himself to the cause of the Kingdom.

The San Francisco Area has moved forward to a new day under his leadership. We salute him as he comes to the hour of his retirement. He has left a legacy of high accomplishment and great hope for the coming day.

—California-Nevada Delegation

Privilege Matter—Henry R. High

Dr. McDavid: Now Mr. Henry R. High from the West Virginia delegation would like the floor for a brief presentation.

Bishop Nall: Brother High. Microphone 6 please.

Henry R. High (West Virginia): Mr. Chairman, and brethren, at the session of the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference next, Bishop Fred G. Holloway will have attained the age of retirement. Now, herefore, be it resolved

WHEREAS, Fred G. and Winifred Holloway were drafted from a comfortable university post for the episcopacy, and

WHEREAS, the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference listened to the plea of Appalachia and appointed them to the West Virginia area, and,

WHEREAS, here they have given eight years of faithful fruitful service to the Area and,

WHEREAS, their lives and compassionate nature have been an inspiration to all who have been privileged to know them, and

WHEREAS, much progress has been made in the ongoing cause of Christ;

THEREFORE, we the delegates from the Conference of the area do petition this General Conference to spread upon the minutes of the Conference our expression of deepest appreciation and love to Bishop and Mrs. Fred G. Holloway. I move the adoption.

Bishop Nall: You have heard the motion. Is it seconded? It is seconded. As many as will favor this motion please indicate it by the uplifted hand. I am sure there are none opposed. The motion is carried.

Privilege Matter

A delegate from the floor requested that Bishop Shungu's elephant story be included in the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Bishop Nall: As many as favor printing the elephant story in the *Daily Christian Advocate* please lift your hands. And your applause indicates that you are willing for this to be done.

Dr. McDavid: Brother Tomas Rico Soltero of the Puerto Rico Annual Conference has asked for the full floor for a special privilege. I move that we grant it.

Privilege Matter—Tomás Rico Soltero

Tomás Rico Soltero (Puerto Rico): Mr. Chairman, and members of the General Conference, our delegation wishes to thank you for your gracious specific action given to our petition by which action we become a full Annual Conference. We wish to recognize Bishop Fred P. Corson that under his leadership and because of his wise and strong leadership we have become a full annual conference. We bring greetings to you from all the Puerto Rico Methodists in the Puerto Rico Annual Conference. I thank you.

Bishop Nall: Thank you very much. We are glad to have these greetings from Puerto Rico.

Privilege Matter—Roy L. Turnage

Dr. McDavid: Now, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Roy Turnage, of the North Carolina delegation, requests the floor for a special privilege. I move we grant it.

Bishop Nall: Thank you. If you will grant this special privilege please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any who are opposed? The permission is granted.

Roy Turnage (North Carolina): I have two matters, both of which have been cleared with Dr. McDavid. The first is a resolution. The North Carolina delegation would like to express to this General Conference their deep appreciation for Bishop Paul Neff Garber, of the Raleigh Area, for the outstanding episcopal leadership he has given our Annual Conference over the past 17 years.

Since 1951 Bishop Garber has led the North Carolina Annual Conference with notable distinction. Over 100 new congregations have been organized. Four new districts have been formed. Two new senior colleges have been founded and one junior college revitalized. To Bishop and Mrs. Garber go our abiding love and deep admiration for their ministry among us. Mr. Chairman, I submit the resolution for adoption.

Bishop Nall: Thank you very much. You have heard the resolution. As many as favor this will lift the hand. Are there any opposed? And the motion is carried.

Privilege Matter—Roy L. Turnage

Mr. Turnage: Bishop Nall, I am sure this is of interest to all of our delegates here. I so move that an offering of appreciation be received during the closing session on Saturday morning on behalf of the marshals and pages who have served so well the needs of this conference in their stated capacities, I further move that this matter be referred to the Commission on Entertainment and Program for implementation.

Bishop Nall: As many as will adopt this motion of reference will indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed. And it is so referred.

Committee on Credentials—O. F. Landis

O. F. Landis (Illinois): Bishop Nall and members of the Conference, I have two reports. One pertains to the morning session and one to the afternoon session. The language is identical, but they are two separate reports. The Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made in the seating of all delegates reported by chairmen of the Annual Conference delegations for the plenary session of the morning of May 3 and a similar language and report for the afternoon

of May 3. I bring this report at the request of the Chairman, Mr. Walker. I move the adoption of these reports of the Committee on Credentials.

Bishop Nall: As many as will adopt and approve these two reports by the Committee on Credentials with thanks to Dr. Landis, Mr. Walker and the other members of the Committee, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Motion for Reconsideration—Albert C. Outler

Albert Outler (North Texas): I wish to move reconsideration of the Report on Ministry in order to move an amendment on Paragraph 396.

Bishop Nall: Thank you. Now is this motion seconded? It is seconded.

As many as will reconsider for this purpose will indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? It is reconsidered.

Amendment—Albert C. Outler

Dr. Outler: Mr. Chairman, I move that this section—Paragraph 396, section 2, be deleted, and the reason for it, I know that there is no time for debate, but if there is a second I can explain it in less than 60 seconds.

Bishop Nall: Is there a second? It is seconded.

Dr. Outler: This deletion is crucial on both theoretical and practical grounds. The theory since Asbury, at least in the Methodist tradition, is that the baptized belong to the congregation, the ordained elder belongs to the Annual Conference, the consecrated bishop belongs to the Council. To re-encardinate a retired bishop into an Annual Conference would therefore be a real anomaly which would produce all sorts of awkward and unintelligible relationships.

Practically, there is the obvious difficulty of problems posed by presiding bishops and to presiding bishops by the presence of retired bishops having membership with voice and vote in the Annual Conference. Is this really necessary?

A retired bishop still retains his ministerial character and ample opportunities for the exercise of his ministerial office. The proposal has no precedent of which I am aware in the former Methodist Church nor does it seem to me to belong to the present plan of the episcopacy as it stands here.

I would like it deleted and then the whole matter subject to reconsideration in 1970.

Charles E. Kachel (Eastern—EUB) spoke against the amendment; *D. Frederick Wertz* (Central Pennsylvania—NE) spoke in favor of the amendment.

The Outler amendment carried.

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) asked about another paragraph. Bishop Nall ruled it was not before the house.

Motion to Readopt—John R. Van Sickle

John Van Sickle (Rock River): We should now readopt the Report of the Committee on Ministry.

Bishop Nall: I think so, yes.

Dr. Van Sickle: I so move.

David L. Dykes, Jr. (Louisiana—SC) asked if all of paragraph 396 was deleted. The Secretary answered that only the second paragraph was deleted; Dr. Outler confirmed this. Rodolfo C. Beltran (Middle Philippines—OS) wanted to know if paragraph 394.4 was withdrawn. Bishop Nall replied that it was not under consideration.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Ministry was readopted as amended.

Nominations—Charles D. White

Secretary White: In the Plan of Union it is provided that initially the Commission on Archives and History of the United Methodist Church shall have 10 members nominated by the Association of Methodist Historical Societies, to be elected by this Uniting Conference. They have made these nominations, and they must be elected by this Uniting Conference, so I am making them for the Commission on Archives and History.

Ten members from the former Methodist Church: Robert E. L. Bearden, Robert J. Bull, Ernest R. Case, Leland D. Case, Joseph C. Evers, Elizabeth Hughey, Warren M. Jenkins, Frederick A. Norwood, George H. Jones, Charles B. Way.

Four members from the former Evangelical United Brethren Church: William Beal, Donald Gorrell, Bruce Souders, James Stein.

Bishop Nall: As many as will elect—we do elect them, do we not? As many as will elect these persons, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Are there any opposed? And they are elected.

Commission on World Service and Finance—Bishop Paul E. Martin—James Crippen

Bishop Paul Martin (Houston Area): Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, in presenting this report tonight I think it is rather significant that again so many of the persons who are making the presentation are laymen. We have not only many worthwhile ministers on this Council, but as you have seen through this time, these are outstanding laymen who give so much of their valuable time in an inspired service. We begin tonight by the presentation by Mr. James Crippen.

Bishop Nall: Mr. Crippen.

James Crippen (Detroit): Bishop and members of the Conference, you will recall that in the last few days you have referred to the Council on World Service and Finance several items that involved expenditures of money. I think it will take us a very short time to review them with you. May I suggest that you turn to page 478 in your *Daily Christian Advocate*.

When you get to page 478 you will find that is Report No. 15 of the Council on World Service and Finance, which is what we refer to as the General Administration budget. Before I take that, however, let me address myself to another item. You do not need to look at your books for this item, but just listen, I think.

You will recall that either last night or yesterday afternoon we received a request from the Board of Evangelism for the sum of \$35,000 to be used by the Council on Chaplains, which in turn would be an effort to assist the local church in following those men who were drafted, or who served in the Armed Services, and by your action you referred that sum of \$35,000 to the Council on World Service and Finance.

For the record, this was Report No. 346 and Report No. 110. I do not think you need to look at them. The Council on World Service and Finance approved the amount of \$35,000. However, it does not amount to an addition to your budget, for it is our action that while we approved the sum of \$35,000, that this amount should be shared equally by the Board of Evangelism and also by the Council on Chaplains and the amount should come out of their respective reserves, to be shared equally, 50-50, with both of these organizations.

The second item. I think now we can begin with page 478, which is Report No. 15.

You will recall that last night the Commission on Worship asked for the sum of \$2,000 a year to be added to their budget so that they might help pay the cost of a Convocation on Worship. It is our action that we approve that additional request of \$2,000 a year. Therefore, if you will take your pen and in the right hand column about half way down where it says the Commission on Worship, \$7,750, we recommend that you add \$2,000 to that amount making that item \$9,750.

You will also recall that last night the Commission on Worship asked for another \$2,000. While their report did not ask for it in terms of amount, you may recall that the person presenting the report indicated that they needed some money to help finance the cost of publishing inexpensive hymnals and some other books of worship and other related materials.

The Council on World Service and Finance disapproves this request. However, it is referred to the new Commission on World Service and Finance for study with the request that the Commission on Worship bring in an itemized budget so that the new World Service commission might have some idea of how this money is to be spent and allocated if and when it is appropriated.

I might say incidentally to that commission that there are probably adequate reserves in that budget, so that if you do run into an unexpected emergency or a real need, you might make a special request as we go through the quadrennium, but as for our action, we have disapproved with regard to this particular budget.

If you will then move on, move back up on that same item, report No. 15 to the Commission on Archives and History you will recall that the budget item is shown as \$77,300 for each of the years of the quadrennium. This amount again was referred to us last night with the request that the Council on World Service and Finance add an additional \$25,000 for special archives preservation. In accordance with the action that you have taken twice here on the floor, which action disapproved this amount both times, the Council on World Service and Finance again recommends disapproval of this amount.

We do call your attention, however, to one further item on this same report. The contingency fund in this report is shown as some \$23,000 and while this would ordinarily probably be adequate to do the job, it is very likely, or at least we are told it is likely, that the Program Council may suggest that the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation be transferred from Evanston to Dayton, Ohio. If that proves to be the case then we will need a substantial amount of money to pay the moving cost.

We do not have an exact figure on that, but it is our best judgment that the contingency in this particular budget probably should be increased to the sum of \$100,000 to provide for this type of a move, if that turns out to be the decision of the persons working on it.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I would move that the contingency in this particular budget be increased to the sum of \$100,000. Those are the items in the report of 15. Mr. Chairman, I move that this report be amended by the items that I have indicated.

Bishop T. Otto Nall: The total please.

Mr. Crippen: The total is \$1,502,132 at the bottom of the page.

John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) asked if the study of structure of Methodism was included in this. Mr. Crippen stated it was not. *Paul A. Duffey* asked if the contingency fund had been increased to \$100,000.00. Mr. Crippen stated this was correct.

Report No. 15 as amended was adopted.

Motion—*Joel A. Cooper*

Mr. Crippen: The next items in our report will be presented by Mr. Robert Preusch.

Robert Preusch (New York): Mr. Preusch's item is going to be postponed. Mr. Cooper will speak next on apportionments.

Joel A. Cooper (Northern Arkansas): Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, I want to bring just a bit of review on the subject of apportionments and then present a motion to the Conference which we feel is very important that we handle at this time.

Last evening, when we were presenting the report of the Council on World Service and Finance and when it was adopted, we also had some talk about fiscal years and a little bit of talk about apportionments. We of the Council felt that things were pretty clear, but after the adjournment last evening and today, we've had quite a few questions from members of the Conference who have some uncertainty about the matter of the effective dates of the apportionments and with the feeling that perhaps we ought to clear this up.

The Council agrees that this is a most important matter and none of us should go away with any doubt in our minds on this subject of just exactly when the apportionments are to be effective. In my own mind, I felt that the action last evening did fully approve the report of the Council on World Service and Finance which included in it a very precise and definite statement about the effective dates for the apportionment.

But just to be sure that there is no misunderstanding, Mr. Chairman, I should like to present for the Conference's approval this motion, and I might say that these words are lifted directly out of the previous report of the Council on World Service and Finance.

Mr. Chairman, I move that for former Methodist Annual Conferences the new apportionment shall become effective on June 1, 1968, and for the former Evangelical United Brethren Annual Conferences the apportionments adopted by them in 1966 shall remain in effect through Dec. 31, 1968 and that on January 1, 1969, all Annual Conferences of The United Methodist Church will operate under the budgets and apportionments adopted by the General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

Ted Hightower (Louisville—SE) raised a question about previous action to which Mr. Cooper replied.

Mr. Cooper: Mr. Chairman, we are not dealing with fiscal years here. This is an action which has been taken by the Conference separately and our function is simply to deal at this point with the effective date of the apportionment. Actually this is not a particularly unique problem. Conferences in the past have been in the situation of having fiscal years which were different from General Conference years and many of them have been in the situation where new apportionments

have come to them during their fiscal years. This is not a unique situation.

Bishop Nall: What is the reference in the book?

Mr. Cooper: Well, if you would turn to page 4 and 62 and 63. At the bottom 62, the third column. This is a part of the Council's report that was presented to the Conference and approved, you see the heading Roman Numeral 5 conclusion.

The Cooper motion was adopted.

Commission on World Service and Finance—Robert W. Preusch

Robert W. Preusch (New York): The reports that are left to be presented now are Report No. 12 and Report No. 13. Now if you recall, these are the reports of Temporary General Aid and rather than act, the question was brought up as to what it would cost if every pastor was paid a minimum salary of \$5,000. We have done a little homework in the time we have had.

I have some information on it and then I will present those reports to you. Without doing the magnitude of work that ultimately would have to be done, but checking out on the basis of data and studies already made, I can tell you the following; that not to bring salaries to a minimum of five, but just to bring those three jurisdictions in the church that have an average of less than five up to five would require \$7,040,000 annually.

Now that would be an average, so it is reasonable to assume that to bring a minimum in would be well over \$7,000,000 and some estimates have gone as high as \$15,000,000. We don't have an exact figure beyond \$7,000,000 yet calculated. We do have another figure, though, that has been carefully calculated. This was a study that was made by the Board of National Missions, and it would cost \$2,405,306 annually if all of those churches formerly in the Central Jurisdiction were brought up to the minimum salary level of the Conference where they are geographically located. So we have \$2,405,000 to bring up to the minimum level of the geographical Conference in which they find themselves; for an average of \$5,000, it would be a figure in excess of \$7,000,000. These are the two for reference and I now would like to bring to you report No. 12 which you will find on page 116 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, which has an amendment to it which you will find on page 339. So, page 116, and page 339 of the *Daily Christian Advocate*.

Mr. Chairman, the section on Minimum Salary, paragraph No. 1 is amended; if you will hold that place in Report No. 12, and turn to report No. 13, you will see that under Temporary General Aid there is a new paragraph 1. The new paragraph 1 reads: the item of minimum salaries shall be \$500,000 and shall be apportioned as part of the Temporary General Aid Fund on the basis of five cents a member to former Methodist Conferences. Then paragraph 2 as originally written on page 116 remains. It reads: the funds received shall be distributed annually to the participating conferences in accordance with the plan adopted by the 1968 General Conference. The balance of the report deals with pension for \$500,000; the total is \$1,000,000 and I move the adoption of this report 12 as amended.

Amendment—Don S. Robb

Don S. Robb (Troy): I move a substitute for the item in Report No. 13 to read as follows. Appropriate \$2,500,000 from the Fund for Reconciliation and distribute it to the Annual Conferences in the ratio

of the number of Negro ministers transferred from the Central Jurisdiction in the period 1964 to completion of merger of conferences to be used to cover cost of minimum salaries. If I get a second.

Bishop Nall: There is a second.

Mr. Robb: Mr. Chairman, I feel that this recommendation of the World Service and Finance commission is totally inadequate as a token payment from the rest of the church to these conferences who have this problem before them. It is not right for us to dodge our responsibility.

Furthermore, I think this stands in the way of merger as much as any item may stand in the way of merger. Therefore I think if we want merger by 1972, we as a national body have got to step up and meet the obligation. I realize that two and a half million probably won't cover the situation, but it will certainly go a longer way toward covering than a half a million dollars. It seems to me this Fund for Reconciliation was for purposes such as this, and, therefore, this is a logical use for it.

Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) spoke against the amendment.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the committee.

The Robb amendment lost.

Amendment—J. C. Holler

J. C. Holler (South Carolina): I should like to move to amend by placing the figure \$3,000,000 so that we might have \$2,500,000 to adjust the salaries in the Conferences which are trying to merge.

Bishop Nall: Is there a second to Dr. Holler's motion? There is a second, go ahead.

Mr. Holler: You have this afternoon by your action expressed your faith in the Conferences that have the very difficult task of merging. The difficulty is not just one of willingness, the difficulty is one of dollars and cents.

This Conference separation is not a concern just to be where there are two Conferences, it is the concern of all of the church. All of us are involved, and we can do the job if we can get the money from the Methodist Church that is responsible for the separation in the first place. And so sir, I would like to urge this Conference with all that I have in me to give us the chance to do it without having to break the Conferences that are involved, to make it an impossible financial task before them.

William M. James (New York—NE) spoke against the motion.

Mr. Preusch spoke for the committee.

Wilbur C. Ziegler (New England—NE) asked if the motion did not have to do with the General Aid Fund. Bishop Nall stated that it did.

The Holler amendment lost.

Report No. 12 as amended by Report No. 13 was adopted. (See DCA pages 116 and 339; appendix pages 1862, 1863.)

John Iwaniuk (Michigan—EUB) wanted to know which report was adopted; Mr. Preusch told him as reported above.

Reconsideration of Report of Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations—Leonard D. Slutz

Leonard Slutz (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, back some 10 days ago we adopted the salary aid portion of the report of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations. We didn't get as much money as we asked for, and, therefore, we would like to make a change in the method of distribution so as to give a little bit less to those with a light load, give a little bit more to the conferences with a heavier load. I therefore ask reconsideration of the salary aid portion of the report of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations.

Bishop Nall: Please tell us where it is.

Mr. Slutz: Well, it's in the text of the proceedings of the General Council on pages 223 and 224. It's not printed in detail. I may say that the only thing I am going to do with it is to change the deductible from three cents a member to four cents a member, so that the conferences that would not get more than four cents a member will get nothing, and those that have the greater need would have more money available, to come more nearly to the point where we had expected it to come.

Bishop Nall: Thank you. Does the body understand what is proposed here? Would you like to say a further word?

Mr. Slutz: I'm not asking for any more money. It's just how we distribute the money that is available. The Council on World Service and Finance has been directed to distribute the Temporary General Aid Fund, which is now \$500,000, for minimum salary support to the Annual Conferences to be used by them in accordance with their own minimum salary programs as they may set up their programs. I just want to change the method in which we distribute this \$500,000 to the Conferences. I move the reconsideration of that portion of the report of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations which was adopted on page 224.

Bishop Nall: Thank you. As many as will reconsider this report for this purpose, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. And as many as there are opposed, by the same sign. It is reconsidered.

Amendment—Leonard D. Slutz

Mr. Slutz: Then my motion, Mr. Chairman, is that throughout the report, the portion relating to salary aid, wherever the item of three cents deductible is mentioned, it be changed to four cents. I have it written out in detail. It is quite long, this text, but I think you will understand it. We are simply changing the deductible from three cents to four cents, which makes a little more money available for the Conferences with the heaviest loads.

Bishop Nall: Any questions? As many as will adopt this proposal, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Down. Any opposed? The motion is carried.

Mr. Slutz: Mr. Chairman, that completes our report, which was partially amended by the establishment of the Commission on Religion and Race. It has now been amended by the change in the method of distribution, and I move that the entire report as previously presented and as it has since been amended, be approved.

Bishop Nall: All right. As many as will approve the report as amended, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Down. Are there any opposed? And it is adopted.

(See appendix page 1757.)

Council on World Service and Finance—Robert W. Preusch

Robert Preusch (New York): Mr. Chairman, I would now move that the entire report of the Council on World Service and Finance be adopted as it appears.

Lemuel Lord (New England): Mr. Bishop, I would like to move, if it is in order, that we instruct the World Service and Finance Commission to report in 1970 at the Special Session on ways of finding relief for those Conferences which have a heavy load because of the racial problem, and that we do what we can as a General Conference to relieve this. I would like to speak to this if I am in order.

Mr. Preusch: Mr. Chairman, we accept this as a recommendation. We will do so.

Bishop Nall: This is accepted.

Mr. Preusch: We have a motion to accept our report.

Bishop Nall: We need now to accept the whole report. As many as will accept the whole report, please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Down. As many as are opposed? It is accepted and adopted.

(See appendix page 1813.)

Nominations From Council of Bishops—Roy H. Short

Bishop Roy Short (Louisville): Mr. Chairman, these are additional nominations from the Council of Bishops.

COMMISSION ON ECUMENICAL AFFAIRS

From the Council of Bishops: Bishops Taylor, Hunt, Pryor, Pope, and Palmer.

From the Commission on Worship

Bishop Webb

Joe Harding

From Board of Missions

Tracey Jones

Bishop Washburn

From Board of Education

Thomas J. Van Loon

Gerald McCullough

From Methodist members of the General Board of the N. C. C.

Bishop Lord

Paul Church

From Methodist membership of W. C. C.

Bishop Mathews

Bishop Short

From Executive Committee of World Methodist Council

Bishop Hagen

Willis Tate

Lee Tuttle

From World Federation of Methodist Women

Mrs. Alvin B. Pfeiffer

Mrs. Glenn Laskey

Youth Representatives

To be named

Representatives of Methodist Schools of Theology

Thomas Trotter

Oswald Brunner

Albert Outler

Walter Muelder

John Knight

William R. Cannon
 Robert Cushman
 Don Holter
 Robert Oxnam
 Wayne Clymer
 Orville McCay
 John Dickhaut
 Lowell Swann
 Arthur Core

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 Mrs. Harold Hayden (NE)
 Robert E. Knupp (NE)
 Carl Sanders (SE)
 Paul Webb (SE)
 Mrs. A. W. Crump (SE)
 Sumpter Riley (NC)
 Wallace Graves (NC)
 Mrs. Melvin Sprescher (NC)
 Finis Crutchfield (SC)
 James Egan (SC)
 Mrs. William Deschner (SC)
 Gene Albertson (W)
 Douglas Lindsey (W)
 Mrs. Verna Miller (W)

From Central Conferences

Bishop Zunguze
 (One to be selected in Germany)

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Bishop Ralph Ward
Dudley Ward
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Bishop Finger

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Frank Webber, California-Nevada

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Walter Anderson, North Carolina
Wm. E. Savage, Kentucky
Wm. A. Byas, West Virginia
Randolph Nugent, New York
J. W. Sonneday, Missouri East
Harry E. Young, South Iowa
Robert G. Hessen, South Dakota
L. L. White, Southern Calif.-Arizona
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Harold Garman, Central New York
Jesse DeWitt, Detroit
Philip Coleman, California-Nevada
Gregory Parker, Southern Calif.-Arizona

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(OVERSEAS)

Bishop Shaw
Senior Bishop of Philippines
Bishop to be elected in Latin America
Bishop to be elected in Africa
Bishop Hagen

ALTERNATES

CONSULTATION ON UNION

Bishop Loder
Dean Cushman
James Armstrong

Those nominated were elected.

Commission on the Structure of Methodism Overseas—
Bishop Richard C. Raines

Bishop Richard C. Raines (Indiana area): Mr. Chairman, with your permission and that of the Conference, I would call your attention to the items that have not yet been approved for COSMOS.

On page 275, please. I believe that we can handle these in groups if that is your will. Page 275, number 2, 3, and 4 are routine matters which authorize Provisional Annual Conferences to be created.

Number 5 authorizes the creation of a Tamil Annual Conference; number 6 authorizes the creation of the West Berlin; number 7 authorizes the creation of an Autonomous Methodist Church in Malaysia, and number 7b also authorizes the Singapore-Tamil Provisional Annual Conference. I suggest we act favorably on this group as they are all of the same nature.

Bishop Nall: Any questions? As many as will act favorably on these proposals, please indicate it by the uplifted hands. Are there any opposed? The action has been taken favorably.

Bishop Raines: Number 9 is a housekeeping item that came from the Ad Hoc Committee concerning the German Annual Conference to use a specific name. I think we should act favorably on this.

Bishop Nall: Number 9 in this list on page 275, as many as favor this action which relates to number please indicate it by the up-lifted hands. Are there any opposed? Motion is carried.

Bishop Raines: Number 10 is already acted upon and needs no action by us. Number 11 is referred to the Council of Bishops and therefore does not need action by this group. Number 13 also was already acted upon; I'll deal with 14 later; 15 has already been acted upon and 16 has again to do with the German language name. I think it requires no action.

There are several items, 8, 12 and 14 and then 17, 18, 19 and 20 on page 548 which we voted a nonconcurrence. There will come a motion before you, shortly, that all of the nonconcurrence items should be lumped into one motion and agreed to by so that you do not have to take them all up individually. There are a 100 or more of them.

So I suggest that these be simply deferred until this covering motion is made. If that is agreeable with the body.

Bishop Nall: Thank you very much, we will consider these when the covering motion is made.

Bishop Raines: May we turn then to page 548, please. I have already suggested that 17, 18, 19 and 20 we move nonconcurrence and they will be acted upon later on the covering motion, number 21 is to concur it is the opposite of 20, which we voted to nonconcur. I think we should act on 21 separately, Mr. Chairman.

Bishop Nall: As many as will accept the recommendation on number 21 which is concurrence, please indicate it by the up-lifted hand. Are there any opposed? It is accepted.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, I believe I should read to you the greetings because they go to specific churches. Number 22. COSMOS recommends that the following greetings be sent from the Uniting Conference to the Autonomous Methodist Churches in Cuba and Burma: "The Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church meeting in Dallas, Texas, sends greetings to the Autonomous Methodist Churches in Cuba and Burma and looks forward to the mutual strengthening of relationships as sister churches working together in witness to our Christian faith and for the coming of the Kingdom of God." I suggest we act on this separately.

Bishop Nall: As many as would send this greeting, please indicate it by the up-lifted hands. Any opposed? It is so.

Bishop Raines: Number 23. COSMOS recommends the return to the original words in paragraph 3 under Section C in the middle column of page 92. I can explain this to you without your turning to it, I think. A brother felt that a more felicitous wording could be used. I accepted the wording—we later discovered that this excluded three

churches, one in the Philippines, one in Nigeria, and one elsewhere that really were a part of our fellowship and therefore we moved to restore the original words as they were found given to you by the committee. I suggest we act upon 23 separately.

Bishop Nall: As many as will accept the recommendation of number 23 in this list, please indicate by the uplifted hands. Are there any opposed? It is accepted.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, number 24 authorizes the Yugoslavia Provisional Annual Conference to be created, I suggest we act upon it.

Bishop Nall: As many as will adopt the action suggested in number 24, please indicate it by the up-lifted hands. Are there any opposed? It is done.

Bishop Raines: Number 25 can now be removed in that it was acted upon by an amendment offered by the Commission on Conferences this afternoon. You cared for this and therefore 25 does not need to be considered. Number 26, Presidential Visitation and Residential Episcopal Supervision of fields outside the United States not included in the Central Conferences and in emergency situations in Central Conferences shall be provided during the 1968-72 quadrennium as follows:

(A) The Council of Bishops shall make provision for episcopal supervision of the work in Sierra Leone Provisional Central Conference and I am pleased to announce that Bishop Howard, Bishop Gordon Howard, has been selected by the Council of Bishops to carry this responsibility.

Also the Hong Kong Provisional Annual Conference and Taiwan Annual Conference for this coming year and Bishop Otto Nall has been selected by the Council of Bishops for this responsibility. (B), the College of Bishops of the Western Jurisdiction shall provide episcopal supervision for the North-West Canada Conference and (C) the Council of Bishops shall provide episcopal supervision for the work in Pakistan Provisional Central Conference until such time as it shall become a Central Conference.

The Council of Bishops has assigned the new chairman of COSMOS, Bishop Prince Taylor, to this responsibility. And then (D) when requested by the Autonomous Methodist Churches or the Central Conferences, the Council of Bishops shall—this is the word that we would ask to be changed to “may” so rather than being mandatory it might be permissive—I hope that we may move that this shall be adopted with a change of the word shall to the word may.

Bishop Nall: As many as will make this change will indicate it by the up-lifted hand. The motion is carried.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, I believe we are ready for a motion to adopt the complete report of COSMOS, including the budgetary provisions requested by COSMOS, and approved by the Council on World Service and Finance.

Bishop Nall: As many as will accept and adopt this report please indicate it by the up-lifted hands. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Privilege Matter—Bishop Richard C. Raines

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, may I now express a word or two of appreciation. Is Mr. Robert Martin here near by? I wanted him to come to the platform if he is within a—Bob will you come. Let me say concerning Mr. Martin, the Rev. Robert Martin; he is a missionary from Brazil who has been seconded to us and COSMOS by the Board of Missions and has been working closely with us for the past two years.

He has been overseas consulting with COSMOS committees in Central Conferences, he has been attending to correspondence, he has done research, he has prepared brochures and agendas, he has been Mr. COSMOS these last two years. If the work has been done effectively there has been no one person who deserves as much appreciation from us all as does Robert Martin.

Would you come and stand beside me, Bob? Finally Mr. Chairman, a brief word of appreciation to Bishop Wicke, and to Bishop Barbieri as the vice-presidents of COSMOS, and to Bishop Palmer for carrying the Committee on Episcopal Supervision, and to Prince Taylor who has chaired the Committee on Legislation and has spent hours and hours in order to enable us to present a report as briefly and as correctly as this, we trust, has been presented.

I am happy to present to you the new chairman of COSMOS for the coming quadrennium or biennium as it may turn out to be, Bishop Prince Taylor, who will I am confident, with his committee fulfill the mandates that this General Conference has given to COSMOS during the years that lie ahead. Will you greet him and give him your loyal support?

When the new Committee on Structure of Methodism Overseas was organized, Bishop Prince Taylor was elected as chairman, Bishop Everett Palmer as vice chairman, and Mrs. Preston Harrington of Northern New Jersey Conference was elected as secretary. Also a word of deep appreciation I wish to express. The entire membership of the Committee on Structure of Methodism Overseas, who through the quadrennium served with devotion and wisdom, and also to express gratitude to the Uniting Conference for the generous and gracious hearing they gave to the COSMOS proposals. And then finally, Bishop W. Angie Smith gave distinguished leadership to COSMOS from its establishment in 1948 until 1964, as he interpreted with understanding and insight the problems, the needs, and the hopes of the Central Conferences and affiliated autonomous Methodist Churches. The present movement for considering the restructuring The United Methodist Church began under his leadership. And I would be grateful if this word of well-deserved appreciation might be confirmed by your applause.

Motions From Committee on Chairmen—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dow Kirkpatrick (Rock River): Bishop Moore, my bishop in Georgia for 20 years frequently retold the story of a young man before the judge. The judge sentenced him to 20 years and then he said to the young man, "Do you have anything to say?" He said "Yes, sir, you are powerfully generous with my time." Now we have all been saying these two weeks, somebody's wasting our time. We don't know whose time it was or who wasted it, but here we are and in accordance with the suggestion made this afternoon, after extensive consultation with experienced members of the former bodies of the General Conferences, and the Committee on Chairmen, I would like to propose a procedure which we hope will get the work done in reasonable order and with some seriousness.

I am prepared to make a series of four motions. I would like to explain all four of them so that you may know what is coming before I make them.

First, I would like to make a motion to deal with all nonconcurrent items. Second, I would like to present a motion which would approve all recommendations of the Joint Commissions on Church Union which have not been dealt with by this body if there be such; third, on behalf of the Correlation Committee which feels that they have perhaps caught all of these items more or less; and the covering motion

that in the event the same item was brought to this Conference from separate committees and treated differently, the earliest approved motion will take precedence.

Those three motions should be able to be taken care of quickly. Then I should like to propose that the rest of the evening be given to the consideration of one motion which would be the main motion. You can amend it as many times and as long as you like until you are ready to adjourn. The motion would be that we as a General Conference would concur in the recommendations of the Legislative Committees on calendar items not yet acted on.

As I say, when that is made that will be the main motion, then the procedure for the rest of the evening would be for you to have an opportunity to amend that main motion by calling up any calendar number you are concerned with, in which case as an amendment it can be spoken to, one for and one against and then voted on.

Motion No. 1—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Now Mr. Chairman, may I move first that all calendar items reporting nonconcurrence be voted nonconcurrence by the Conference.

George S. Lightner (Virginia—SE) asked what would happen where legislative committees acted differently on the same matter. *Dr. Kirkpatrick* replied this would come under his fourth motion.

Ray W. Goens (Texas—SC) objected to nonconcurrence on Calendar No. 228.

Amendment—Mrs. Richard H. Owen, III

Mary Ellen Owen (Virginia): I wish to object to nonconcurrence for Calendar Item Number 401 in the *Daily Christian Advocate*, page 528, and move to substitute concurrence in that the president of the Conference Women's Society of Christian Service shall be a member of the executive committee of the Conference Board of Missions. If I have a second to this I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Nall: Thank you.

Mrs. Owen: The Women's Society works directly through the Women's Division of The Board of Missions and is vitally concerned and involved in the total mission program. We support many mission projects within our conferences through our pledge to Missions which returns in appropriations to these projects and institutions.

I can best speak for my own Conference where the close working relationship between the Conference Board of Missions and the Conference Society has made possible an experimental project in the inner city and a cooperative school of Christian mission. Without the preliminary discussions and detailed planning in executive sessions this work might not have been possible.

We need this relationship and I feel that placing the conference president of the Women's Society on the executive committee of the Conference Board of Missions can strengthen the Conference Society as well as the Board. Thank you.

Kenneth W. Hulit (Ohio East—EUB) chairman of the Committee on Conferences, spoke for the committee.

Mrs. Owen's amendment passed, thus adopting Report No. 89, Calendar No. 401 of the Committee on Conferences as concurrent. (See *DCA* page 528; appendix page 1327.)

Amendment—John E. Rutland

John Rutland (North Alabama): The speaker just before the lady was asking a question about 59, Calendar Item 59, on page 228. It was my understanding that you said to him he was out of order because there was another motion before him. I, too, would like to object to nonconcurrence on 59, and I so move that we concur in this calendar item if I am in order.

Bishop Nall: Yes, you are, thank you. Is there a second to that? There is a second. All right, go ahead.

Dr. Rutland: I have nothing more to say except that I think the General Conference has not only the privilege but an obligation to insist that those who work with us—and work for us—should work according to our rules, and I suggest it.

Previous Question—John Bergland

John Bergland (Ohio-Miami—EUB) moved the previous question on the motion on non-concurrence on all items, and it was ordered.

J. Robert Nelson (North East Ohio—NC) spoke for the Committee on Interdenominational Relations and Activities. The Rutland amendment lost.

Mrs. Monroe Cooke (North East Ohio—NC) desired to call up a petition, but on a call of a point of order by *Charles S. Jarvis* (Rock River—NC) Bishop Nall ruled her out of order.

The previous question was ordered.

Motion No. 1 of Dr. Kirkpatrick's carried.

Motion No. 2—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I move that all the recommendations of the Joint Commissions on Church Union which have not been dealt with by the Uniting Conference be approved as recommended.

Bishop Nall: All right, you have heard this motion. Is there any question about this? All right, as many as favor this motion please indicate it by the uplifted hand. Down. Are there any opposed? The motion is carried.

Motion No. 3—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I move that in the event more than one committee has made conflicting recommendations the earliest one passed shall take precedence.

Douglas F. Verdin (New York—NE) asked if resolutions not yet acted on could be deferred until the 1970 General Conference. Dr. Kirkpatrick expressed the hope they would not be.

William H. Veale (New York—NE) tried to get a petition before the house which Bishop Nall ruled out of order.

Parliamentary Inquiry—Erwin H. Schwiebert

Erwin H. Schwiebert (Idaho): This is a point of inquiry on this motion. Is this motion now applied to actions that we may be taking from now on this evening as related to actions that may have been taken earlier?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Yes, sir.

Erwin Schwiebert (Idaho): If that is true, is it not possible that some motions or actions that were perfected in later action already in the Conference would not be accepted and the earlier action taken would be? Is it not ordinarily true that the latest motion passed is the most perfected and the last word as far as action is concerned? It had to be as far as earlier action is concerned.

Bishop Nall: Just a minute, Dr. Kirkpatrick?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: The motion is the earlier action.

Bishop Nall: This is a question now. Just a moment, this man over here is recognized.

Charles Parlin (New Jersey): We are now on a problem which has concerned the Commissions on Church Union as to how to extricate ourselves with what appears to be a pretty serious muddle. I and my co-secretary, Paul Washburn, have been unable to trace through the Legislative Committees the various things and coordinate them. We know that they are conflicting things. We don't know which is right.

I think we have got to have somebody authorized to straighten this out after tonight. We can't do it tonight on the floor. Now one alternative would be instead of this arbitrary time to refer this back to the Commission on Church Union. Let them have a hold-over life of a couple of weeks and reconcile out and take whichever one that comes nearest to fitting the Plan of Union.

I think if we take arbitrarily either the first one or the last one when we have conflicts, and this book is full of conflicts, we may get a pretty absurd result. Far from wanting any work (if you can send it to anybody else, I think it should be sent to somebody else) but somebody ought to reconcile all these conflicts in the light of the overall Plan of Union.

Mack B. Stokes (Holston—SE) expressed the view that he hoped the report of the Committee on Ministry in regard to special days would prevail over previous action. *Dr. Kirkpatrick* replied that the Correlation Committee would deal with contradictions.

Amendment—Paul M. Leininger

Paul M. Leininger (Eastern): It was my impression that Mr. Parlin made a motion.

Bishop Nall: No, he did not.

Mr. Leininger: I would like to make such a motion that where there is a conflict between actions that this Conference has taken, that those particular actions be referred to the Commissions on Church Union for study.

Dr. Kirkpatrick asked Mr. Parlin if this amendment would be acceptable. Mr. Parlin accepted it.

Point of Order—John Bowen

John Bowen (Ohio—NC) raised a point of order that a committee following adjournment would have such power; *Bishop Nall* ruled it not a point of order.

Charles S. Jarvis (Rock River—NC) asked exactly what was being voted on, which was the *Kirkpatrick* motion as amended and accepted.

Motion No. 3 as amended carried.

Motion No. 4—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Now Mr. Chairman, I move that all calendar items not yet acted on be approved by this Conference as approved by the Legislative Committees.

Amendment—John D. Herr

John D. Herr (Philadelphia): I'd like to amend that and it may be that Dr. Kirkpatrick would accept this addition. It is to be understood by those who edit the *Journal* and the *Discipline* that no enactment or pronouncement adopted by the blanket motion shall in any way negate any previously adopted action of the General Conference.

Bishop Nall: Is there a second. All right, thank you. The amendment only now is before us.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: The amendment is accepted, Mr. Chairman. Now the procedure is, Mr. Chairman, for any of the delegates who amend my motion by calling up a calendar item speaking on one side and then on another and then voting.

Amendment—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul Calkins (Ohio): I would like to call up for consideration an amendment on Page 518 of the *Daily Advocate*, the item at the top of the page entitled "Membership," which currently says—518, at the top of the left-hand column, item 2, states Membership: "The membership of the Annual Conference Program Council shall be the presiding bishop, the district superintendents, representatives of conference agencies as determined by the conference, the conference secretary, two representatives of the conference youth organization, one layman from each district, chairmen of age-level departments, and such additional members as the Annual Conference may determine."—for the purpose of moving this amendment:

That there be added after the words "youth organization," the words, "two representatives of the conference Women's Society of Christian Service, one of whom shall be the president, and also the conference lay leader."

If I have a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Nall: Is there a second? It is seconded. Go ahead.

Dr. Calkins: I am sure that all of us recognize that one of the most important organizations within any conference is the Women's Society of Christian Service. Their program activities, their work for missions, the many meetings that they have.

Amendment—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John Rixse (Virginia): Would the chair entertain a motion to . . . an amendment to separately consider Calendar item 526 on page 621 because there is a majority and a minority report?

Bishop Nall: Give us the page again, please.

Mr. Rixse: DCA, page 621, Calendar item 526. It seems that an item that has a difference of opinion, these ought to be handled separately rather than in blanket form.

Bishop Nall: All right, thank you. The motion was to lift it out and treat it separately. Let's be clear on what you want to do now, please. Mr. Rixse.

Mr. Rixse: I move that we lift Calendar item 526 out of the blanket resolution, and treat it separately.

Bishop Nall: All right. Is there a second? It is seconded.

Lawton Shroyer (Eastern): Mr. Chairman, there was a difference of opinion in our committee on this item which has to do with abandonment and the minority felt, and I guess they should speak for themselves. Mr. John Rixse, the man that just made the amendment, was chairman of that minority report, and he should speak for himself.

Speaking for the majority, we thought that this was adding to what is presently in the White Book, and we thought that it might strengthen the individual church and the Annual Conference where it was to protect the Annual Conference's interests. So we feel, the majority, that this should be added to what is presently in the White Book, be added to the *Discipline*.

Bishop Nall: Thank you. You will speak for the minority report?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Rixse's name is on the minority report.

Bishop Nall: We need to consider these two positions, if we are in order for a moment. Mr. Rixse, do you have any further—you're speaking twice, well you didn't really speak on the subject. You just asked that it be separated out.

Mr. Rixse: Our comment for the minority, I think, is brief, and it is contained in adequate form in the left column, page 621. We believe that the proposal has merit—correction, 622—the proposal has merit for a specific situation, but we believe that if it were put in the *Discipline*, it could have the effect of permitting situations whereby an Annual Conference might be able to take the property of a meeting congregation when that would not be in the best interests of the congregation. That is the essence of what the minority report has summarized in the left column on page 622.

Earl W. Riddle (Idaho—W) wanted to know if the minority report weakened the trust clause. Mr. Shroyer stated the majority felt the report would not weaken what was in the *Discipline*.

W. J. Miller (Oklahoma—SC) raised the question that the motion was to take this calendar number out of the blanket resolution.

Motion to Postpone—Harry C. Parham

Harry Parham (Florida): I rise to make a motion. I move to postpone all matters suggested in this motion before the House until the 1970 Conference, with reference to the specific committees that are germane to the items suggested in the legislation.

Bishop Hall: All right, is there a second to that? There is a second.

Dr. Parham: If you have a second, I'd like to speak to it.

Bishop Nall: All right.

Dr. Parham: As I understand it we have more than a hundred-plus legislative petitions that we are considering here that have deep theological implications, social implications, matters of controversy from one section of this country to another, matters in which we will not agree. If we accept this process, we are prostituting the legislative process, and simply rubberstamping and passing a whole series of legislation without having taken time to duly consider it. It is a prostitution of the legislative process, and we should not do it. We should take it up when we have time two years hence.

Floyd H. Coffman (Kansas—SC) spoke against the motion.

Substitute Motion—Charles C. Parlin

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): I'd like to move a substitute that the motion of the chairman, Dow Kirkpatrick, for approval of all the action coming up from Legislative Committees be limited to those actions which have to do with paragraphs of the *Discipline*, and exclude all other resolutions and other materials. If I could have a second, I would like to speak to this.

Bishop Nall: Is there a second? There is a second.

Dr. Parlin: I think this gives us a viable medium, because if we take all these provisions that deal with the *Discipline* and the structure, and with the motion approving everything in this White Book, and with the provision giving the Commissions on Church Union the right to reconcile and bring out a *Discipline*, we will have a *Discipline*. I do think it is quite unfair to ask us to vote blind on a lot of philosophical and theological resolutions.

Dr. Parham accepted the substitute.

C. Wilbourne Hancock (South Georgia—SE) spoke against the substitute.

Parliamentary Inquiry—Roy J. Grogan

Roy Grogan (Central Texas): Mr. Chairman, I would like to know what position we are in with reference to previous motions that have been made by Mr. Kirkpatrick, have been passed by the Conference, relative to the report of the Joint Committee on Union which this Conference has now adopted. Is this correct, Mr. Kirkpatrick?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Yes.

Mr. Grogan: Do I understand that, sir, to be all the materials contained in the White Book which have not yet been acted on by the Conference?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Yes, sir.

Mr. Grogan: And do I understand, sir, that those reports from the Legislative Committees which are in direct conflict with the White Book which have had unanimous concurrence by the Legislative Committees and now stand diametrically opposed in points or position will go by the board because of this blanket amendment?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: No, if you'd go ahead and vote them tonight they would take precedence over what's in the White Book if they amend the White Book.

Mr. Grogan: Mr. Kirkpatrick, did we not have a motion by one of the gentlemen seated over in the center section that where there was conflict, the blanket approval from the Legislative Committee would not contravene the prior action of the General Conference?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: No, the motion on the White Book pertained only to those items that this body does not consider.

Mr. Grogan: Well, let me be specific. The Ad Hoc Committee has come in with a report about the Program Council, for example. There is a complete change of structure of personnel, of people, of functions, out of the Legislative Committee's report. Now you have approved in principle the Ad Hoc Committee's report on the Program Council.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: No, sir.

Mr. Grogan: You have not, sir?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: No, sir.

Mr. Grogan: Will we consider it tonight, sir?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: My motion about the Ad Hoc Committee was that if there was anything in that White Book that doesn't get considered

by this body, then it remains. But if it's considered by this body, the action of this body then takes precedence.

Mr. Grogan: Well, then, will we take up the report of the Legislative Committee on Conferences tonight?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: That's what we're trying to decide right now.

Amendment—Joseph R. Graham

Joseph Graham (Ohio Sandusky): Mr. Chairman, as I understand it, Mr. Parlin has placed before the house a motion that has been accepted, and this motion has to do with limitation of action to those things that would be related to paragraphs in the *Discipline*.

It seems to me that I would like to amend that particular motion to the effect that at least one consideration which would have to do with the continuation of Annual Conference boards and agencies and personnel might be considered. It might be that Mr. Parlin would be willing to accept this additional amendment in his consideration.

Bishop Nall: Is this amendment seconded? Is there a second to this amendment? All right, Mr. Parlin.

Mr. Parlin: I will accept that. I think it would be all right without this but I accept this amendment.

Charles I. Babcock, Jr. (Florida—SE) asked Mr. Parlin if he would exempt Calendar No. 225 and 256 from his motion. Mr. Parlin stated that he would not accept this.

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke against the amendment.

The Parlin motion did not prevail.

Motion—Charles H. Hildreth

Charles Hildreth (Alabama-West Florida): I think we ought to take item by item if we stay here to six o'clock in the morning and go to breakfast and come back for the special session. If we are going to run a General Conference like this, we could have gone home Wednesday or Thursday and save four or five thousand dollars. This is a hazardous piece of business to run the church like this. I would like to make a motion that you take them item by item. We could have been through if we had gone at it to begin with. Let's get going.

Substitute Motion—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): I offer a substitute motion, Mr. Chairman. The chairman, when he called out each page, that you would allow not to exceed two speeches favoring the calling up of a given item and that the house then vote whether it wished to call it up without further debate or any motion to close it. Otherwise we will bog down on some of the earlier motions and we will never get through. There are 35 yet to be called up.

May I restate it again, that the chairman would take each page and that if there is a motion to call upon an item, you would accept two one-minute speeches after the necessity of calling up that item, and the house would express its will as to whether it be called up or not. Otherwise we will immediately get into amendments and all that sort of thing. Is my motion clear, Mr. Chairman?

Dr. Kirkpatrick accepted this and began to call page numbers.

Action on Calendar Numbers

Calendar No. 120 was not called up.

Calendar Nos. 121, 122, 123, 124, 125 were not called up.

Calendar No. 145 was not called up.

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 5—
Calendar No. 147**

A delegate called for calendar No. 147 to be brought up.

Point of Order—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific Northwest—W) raised the point of order that the speaker gets one minute; then another person could speak, and the house would decide whether it was to be called up.

Harry C. Parham (Florida—SE) and *Blaine E. Taylor* (New England—NE) asked that it be called up. John R. Van Sickle (Rock River—NC) asked if the vote was calling up an item.

Calendar No. 147 was not called up.

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 6—
Calendar No. 148**

D. S. Patterson (Baltimore—NE) wanted to make an amendment to the report.

Point of Order—Dale E. Pitcher

Dale E. Pitcher (Central Illinois—NC) raised a point of order that the speaker was to ask that an item be brought up before it was discussed. Mr. Thorpe, the maker of the motion, explained his motion.

Motion to Table—William A. Meadows

William A. Meadows (Florida): Mr. Chairman, it is impossible for a body of this size to debate this type resolution. Therefore, I move to lay it on the table, I am talking now about report number 6, of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, on page 325.

Bishop Nall ruled that it could not be tabled until it was brought up. *Harry C. Parham* (Florida—SE) asked if it was not brought up would it be adopted. Bishop Nall stated that it would be, but that under the motion it had to be asked to be brought up before it could be acted upon. Robert M. Thorpe (Pacific-Northwest—W) again explained his motion.

William C. Doenges (Oklahoma—SC) asked if another method of allowing the chairman of a committee to accept a change might be used.

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) asked that Calendar No. 148 be brought up.

Calendar No. 148 was not brought up.

Paul B. Adrian (Kansas—EUB) spoke against the method now being employed and expressed the desire that someone ask for the previous question.

George H. Atkinson (California-Nevada—W) wanted to pass the report on the Program Council which had not been adopted. *Leroy C. Hodapp* (Indiana—NC) expressed the idea that these items should be pointed out individually.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 8— Calendar No. 254

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Calendar item 254. I would like, if I may, Mr. Chairman, to make a correction here. On the third column, page 455, halfway down the page, under the paragraph c, which begins "Christians cannot . . . etc."—the ninth line we come to a statement, "participation in all wars or in particular wars," and we have a previous action in another resolution which struck out "in particular wars," and that should be stricken here.

George A. Harper (Montana—W) and Charles I. Babcock, Jr. (Florida—SE) wanted Calendar No. 254 to be brought up.

Calendar No. 254 was not brought up.

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) objected to the procedure being used. *Robert E. Cushman* (North Carolina—SE) pointed out that Calendar No. 254 was in contradiction to previous action and moved adjournment. *Marvin A. Schilling* (East Wisconsin—NC) said that with the amendment there was no conflict.

Point of Order—Jerry G. Bray

Jerry G. Bray (Virginia—SE) raised a point of order that a motion to adjourn had been made. Bishop Nall stated that he did not recognize it.

Point of Order—H. Burnham Kirkland

H. Burnham Kirkland (New York—NE) raised the point of order that Dr. Cushman made a speech before he made his motion.

Motion to Set Time to Adjourn—Dean Lanning

Dean Lanning (Northern New Jersey): Rather than see us take this motion to adjourn, I would move that we set a time to adjourn, which I believe takes precedence over a move to adjourn. I would set it to adjourn at 6:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. Or, until the work is done.

Bishop Nall: I think our rules place certain restrictions on the recognition of a motion to adjourn, for final adjournment of the body. That is the one on which I based my decision.

Point of Inquiry—Vinson M. Mouser

Vinson M. Mouser (Louisiana—SC) wanted to know if the words "or in particular wars" had been stricken from Calendar No. 254; Bishop Nall stated they had.

L. D. Tyson (North Alabama—SE) expressed the desire that some way could be found to adjourn and settle some of these issues in two years.

Motion to Recess—Dale E. Pitcher

Dale E. Pitcher (Central Illinois—NC) made a motion that the Conference take a recess for ten minutes to allow the Committee on Presiding Officers and the Committee on Chairmen to work out procedure; the motion carried.

Recess

The Conference was in recess for ten minutes.

Reconvening

Bishop Nall: Will the delegates please take their places. Before I introduce Dr. Tuell, who will make an announcement for the Committee on Presiding Officers, I would like to express my very real appreciation to you for your efforts to be cooperative as we have tried to find our way through some rather difficult situations here in this final session. I have asked to be relieved of this responsibility for the rest of this session. Thank you very much.

Committee on Presiding Officers—Jack M. Tuell

Jack Tuell (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, reporting for the Committee on Presiding Officers, recognizing the unusually long and hard session that we have had, we want to extend our profound thanks to Bishop Nall, and also to announce at this time that we are very pleased to tell you that Bishop James Mathews will now take over the Chair for this session.

Privilege Resolution—Fran H. Faber

Fran H. Faber (Minnesota): Almost eight years ago Bishop T. Otto Nall came to live among us "as one who serves." He returned to the city where he had graduated from high school and Hamline University, and to the Conference where he had always been a loyal and active member until his election to the episcopacy in 1960 which then made him ineligible for such membership. On this occasion of presiding over this, the final session of the Uniting Conference of The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church, I want to bring from Minnesota United Methodists especially, this resolution for his deep personal concern and his farsighted leadership. For his guidance, and his warm friendship which he and his gracious wife, Frances, have given us, we are grateful. We shall always be proud to claim him as ours, and we hope they will likewise be glad to claim us as their family. You can be assured, Bishop and Mrs. Nall, of our prayers for God's continued and continual blessings upon you in all your future ministries wherever they may lead you.

Judicial Council Decisions—Murray H. Leiffer

Murray Leiffer (Illinois): Three items have been referred by this body to the Judicial Council today. Decision No. 6 was given to you this afternoon. I now bring to you Decisions 7 and 8.

Decision 7 relates to the question of the constitutionality of the action of the House in denying to a lay pastor or a minister's spouse eligibility for election as lay members in an Annual Conference. I shall read only the decision. "It is the decision of the Interim Judicial Council that the action of the Uniting Conference which provides that a lay pastor may not be elected by his charge as a lay member of Annual Conference is not in violation of the Constitution and that the similar action which provides that a minister's spouse may not be elected by a charge as a lay member is in violation of the Constitution and is therefore void."

Decision No. 8 relates to the establishment and constitutionality of the Commission on Religion and Race with particular respect to the merging of Annual Conferences. The Decision is as follows: The action of the Uniting Conference establishing the Commission on Religion and Race and stating as one of its responsibilities the merging of Annual Conferences is constitutional. It being understood that such a responsibility is advisory and promotional in nature and does not convey any power or authority otherwise defined and established by the Constitution for effecting the merger of Annual Conferences. Thank you. (See appendix, pages 974, 977.)

Motion on Procedure—Charles C. Parlin

Bishop Mathews: Now, may the Chair just suggest this. I take it that the ground rules upon which we have been operating today continue the procedural rules, but are we to understand that the motion now being put forward by common consent replaces any other procedural motions which were before the Uniting General Conference? Is that the intent—what is now to be proposed?

Charles Parlin (Northern New Jersey): I move that all items coming with concurrence from Legislative Committees dealing with *Disciplinary* sections be adopted with the understanding that the Joint Commissions on Church Union will reconcile conflicts with legislation already adopted and to put together a *Discipline*. May I speak, if it is seconded.

Bishop Mathews: It is seconded, and it is now before the Conference and you may speak.

Mr. Parlin: This body has already adopted a great many legislative items. Since early this morning on the motion of Dow Kirkpatrick you adopted all the propositions brought to this Conference—to Dallas—by your Joint Commissions on Church Union. I am now proposing that we adopt all these others that are in the books and you have delegated to the Commissions on Church Union the right to reconcile conflicting legislation and put together a *Discipline*. If this motion is passed we will have the makings of a *Discipline*. This will leave the Uniting Conference free to discuss and debate resolutions as long as they are willing to sit in session, although there are certain formalities of closing which will have to be taken care of before formal adjournment.

Albert C. Outler (North Texas—SC) wanted to be sure the Joint Commissions were not given legislative powers; Mr. Parlin replied that their work would be limited to reconciling actions which have been taken.

Carl H. Douglass, Jr. (Virginia—SE) outlined the material which had been considered by the Conference—the Blue Book, the White Book, the reports of the Joint Commissions and the reports of the legislative committees.

Spencer M. Rice (South Carolina—SE) asked if any committee chairmen had changes in reports. Dr. Kirkpatrick stated there were only editorial changes.

Paul M. Ward (North East Ohio—NC) spoke against the Parlin motion.

Questions—Ernest T. Dixon—Roy J. Grogan

Ernest Dixon (West Texas): Just a question. In reading over the various legislative things—I guess I am not thinking clear this late in the hour—but there are some conflicts in terms of responsibilities that have been historically delegated to certain board and agencies.

I have conferred with the general secretary of one agency regarding some action that has been taken which is delegating responsibility to another agency that has been historically the responsibility of this particular agency. If we pass Mr. Parlin's motion, how do we handle such conflicts? This may be the only conflict. Can we lift this up, or how might we handle it?

Bishop Mathews: This is a question that would appear to come under the second part of the procedure, the reconciliation of conflicts. Would you answer this please?

Mr. Parlin: Brothers and sisters, there are so many conflicts here, and nobody knows how many. Let me give you just a couple of examples. On the structure of the Commission to Study the Structure of our Church, I think there are three resolutions that have come in from Legislative Committees with different numbers and different this and that. They all wanted a Structure Study Committee, but they all differed.

Somebody has to take the responsibility of picking out one of those and putting it in the *Discipline*. I think that the Commission on Church Union has no desire to do this, but in the absence of somebody else to wish it on to we would be willing to assume this responsibility. There are conflicts and somebody is going to have to handle the conflicts—otherwise we will have an impossible *Discipline*.

Bishop Mathews: All right. You've asked a question. Do you wish to ask a further question?

Dr. Dixon: Yes. For example, the old matter of training lay and ministerial leadership has historically been the responsibility of the Board of Education. There is an item here which is delegating this area of responsibility to the Board of Lay Activities. Now can this committee handle this responsibility, in terms of who is to assume this responsibility?

This is a question that I think we need to get some clarification on here in this assembly, or certainly provide for the heads of these agencies to come together. I am speaking out of a background of experience of having served for 12 years on a board where these conflicts came up every now and then and it somewhat affected the work of the board and agency and I think it needs to be clarified.

Bishop Mathews: Do you have a further comment?

Mr. Parlin: Yes. Your Commissions on Church Union have been working now for six years. We brought to Chicago the Blue Book. We opened it up for everybody to make suggestions and improvements. We had hearings. We considered all items that came to us, and as a

result we brought to you the White Book with amendments. Our process has been to seek consultation with all interested parties and agencies, and when we came to an impasse, and only when we came to an impasse did we have to make a decision on what to recommend to the General Conference.

Bishop Mathews: All right. Mr. Grogan over here. Remember we have a comprehensive motion before us which would sanction—would give approval—to all the concurrence recommendations of your committees and the setting up of machinery to bring about reconciliation of conflicts in this legislation. Mr. Grogan.

Roy J. Grogan (Central Texas): I would like to ask Mr. Parlin a question. As I understand the predicate you laid for this covering motion, Mr. Parlin, you said that you were going to take the action of the General Conference reconciling the Blue Book and the White Book and the acts of the General Conference and the Legislative Committee Reports. Is this not correct?

Mr. Parlin: That's correct.

Mr. Grogan: Did you not include in your predicate, Mr. Parlin, the fact that this General Conference some 35 or 40 minutes ago passed everything in this White Book that had not heretofore been brought before the General Conference.

Mr. Parlin: I did take that into consideration.

Mr. Grogan: Did I not understand, sir, that you said where the Legislative Committee Reports and the White Book were in conflict the Committee on Union would make the determination as to which course of action this church would pursue?

Mr. Parlin: That would be correct.

Mr. Grogan: The Committee on Union, sir, has brought us the White Book. It obviously has a prejudiced point of view as to what would be the best course of action, which has been offered to this General Conference and where the Legislative Committees have said, "No, we do not agree with the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Plan of Union."

Bishop Mathews: All right, a point of order has been called. This is a speech against the motion.

Mr. Grogan: I am asking simply where there is diametric conflict, Bishop, then how can the Ad Hoc Committee give us an independent judgment on which course of action to take, either the action of the General Conference or the action of the Legislative Committee?

Mr. Parlin: If I could answer that, I may say that we have accepted in total the whole new structure of the Program Council that came from the Legislative Committee and we recognized it and accepted it as an improvement on the White Book.

Mr. Grogan: Will you accept the recommendation of the Legislative Committee on Conferences as to the Program Council in toto?

Mr. Parlin: We have already done that sir.

Mr. Grogan: Thank you sir.

Point of Order—Paul Hardin, III

Paul Hardin III (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman I do this with great diffidence, I assure you, but in my point of order I would like to try to clear up what I am pretty sure are two or three misunderstandings that have been floating around the floor. And I hope that Dr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Parlin and others will stand behind me and catch me when I slip.

It seems to me, and this is in answer to that question, that under Mr. Parlin's motion first of all this should be clear. Mr. Parlin's

motion included only the committee concurrences relating to *Disciplinary* items. It does not include committee concurrences on statements of policy not amounting to *Disciplinary* items. That is very important and I don't think it has been said very often. Another thing is this, and I believe this is in answer to the question about the Committee Reports in *The Daily Christian Advocate* insofar as they alter or amend the White Book.

Here is where I want Dr. Parlin to listen carefully and correct me if I am wrong. But I took his motion to mean this—that where a committee has considered a section of the White Book and has clearly concurred—of course, this body by adopting this blanket motion also concurs and that White Book portion stands. Second, where a committee has considered a portion of the White Book and has not concurred, and has amended or made some change, then that committee action, if this blanket resolution is adopted, becomes the *Disciplinary* law of this Conference.

But, third, where two or more committees have acted on a proposal, whether it has been in the Blue Book or the White Book and there are conflicts, then and only then, I take it, would our Commission of which Mr. Parlin is one of the Secretaries, have authority under this blanket motion to coordinate and reconcile. Now I believe this is the situation and it seems to me that as late as we are in this Conference that this is a sound solution and that we ought to approve Mr. Parlin's motion.

Previous Question—C. Willard Fetter

C. Willard Fetter (Ohio-Miami—EUB) called for the previous question on the Parlin motion.

Previous Question—John D. Herr

John D. Herr (Philadelphia—NC) wanted to move the previous question on all before the house, and Bishop Mathews ruled that by common consent all that was before the house was the Parlin motion.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) wanted to know if Mr. Parlin agreed to Mr. Hardin's interpretation of his motion; Mr. Parlin did.

The Parlin motion carried.

Emmett T. Streeter (Nebraska—SC) asked a question of clarification on the earlier Thorpe motion. *Charles H. Hildreth* (Alabama-West Florida—SE) made a motion that debate be on all reports brought up. Dr. Kirkpatrick replied that this was the intent of the motion under which the Conference was now operating.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 6—
Calendar No. 148

Amendment—John E. Rutland

John Rutland (North Alabama): On page 326, paragraph 9, the first column, at the bottom of the page, the line which begins "a philosophy of Black Power"—I move that we delete the word "Black" and substitute the words "moral and social." The sentence would then read: "A philosophy of moral and social power, which epitomizes the desire for self-identity, etc. . . ."

Bishop Mathews: Is there a second to this?

Dr. Rutland: Wait a minute, sir. I'm not through. I want to add some more to this amendment, if I may. On line eight, I would like to delete the words "Black Power" and substitute the words "this philosophy;" and on line ten following the word "churchmen," add a comma and then say "which is pointedly and ably implemented by the Black Methodists for Church Renewal." This sentence would then read: "We refer to the interpretation of this philosophy as indicated in the statement by the national committee of Negro churchmen, which is pointedly and ably implemented by the Black Methodists for Church Renewal."

One other, in the middle of the page, middle column, on the line which has the words "Black Power."

Bishop Mathews: We'd better keep to one at a time on this. Otherwise, it gets rather complicated. You've made two changes in number nine.

Dr. Rutland: This is still number nine, but it's in the next column.

Bishop Mathews: All right, we will hear it and then see if it is necessary to divide to make it clear.

Dr. Rutland: All right. On line three in the middle column, delete the words "Black Power" and add the words "this philosophy." If I have a second, I would like to say just a word about it.

Bishop Mathews: Is there a second? It is seconded, and the amendment is before you. Will you speak to it briefly?

Dr. Rutland: I would like to say that words do not always say the same thing to all people. This is not the time for us to use good words. It is a time for us to use only the very best words that we can find. For instance, there is nothing wrong with the words "white citizens" in most places, but I cannot hear anything that is said in connection with or after the words "white citizens" when spoken, because I come from a part of the country where white citizens are not always that which we would like to approve. By the same token there are people in this church and throughout our world who do not hear anything when you say Black Power, except something I think the church does not want to say.

I was very thrilled with the meeting I attended night before last, this meeting of Black Methodists for Church Renewal. I was thrilled and want to do everything I can and still do to encourage them and help work with them in establishing proper relations throughout our world, but I do believe that we can take words that will not be offensive to anyone and will say what we want to say and make this resolution more meaningful to all of the church and give us a basis from which we may present Jesus Christ to the whole world. I move the adoption of this amendment.

Edgar F. Singer (Wyoming—NE) spoke against the amendment. *Harold A. Bosley* (New York—NE) called attention to an editorial correction.

The amendment lost.

Amendment—D. S. Patterson

D. S. Patterson (Baltimore): I have a brief amendment, which I hope the chair will accept and I feel, sir, the house would accept. In subparagraph "b," under twelve, page 326, this would be my statement:

Add the words, at the end of the paragraph, "At the same time we express appreciation to those police and police officials who have

conscientiously sought to discharge their responsibilities in fairness and restraint for all." I would like to say a word unless it is accepted.

Bishop Mathews: Is it accepted?

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Yes, that will be all right.

Dr. Kirkpatrick requested that 1972 as a "target date" be left as printed in the report rather than 1968 as recommended by the committee. William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) asked if the date would be voluntary. Dr. Kirkpatrick replied that it was mandatory but that he thought this phrase target date was acceptable for what had been done.

Previous Question—Donald H. McAninch

On call of *Donald H. McAninch* (New Hampshire—NE) the previous question was ordered.

Report No. 6 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 325; appendix page 1227.)

Motion on Procedure—Merrill W. Drennan

Merrill Drennan (Baltimore): This is an attempt to help us procedurally. I would like to try a motion, sir, as follows: I hope that the Committee of Chairman prepare a priority list of the remaining calendar items which will enable this Uniting Conference to consider the basic subjects on which our two former denominations have traditionally made pronouncements. If I get a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Mathews: Is there a second? Will you speak briefly? Is it a procedural matter?

Dr. Drennan: Procedural matter. My purpose, sir, is that I do not know how many items are still to be considered, but in view of Dr. Kirkpatrick's statement that there are many things which we should speak on before we adjourn, if a priority list could be prepared, we'd know then how long we will be in session.

Bishop Mathews: Does the chair accept this, is it advice? If not, we will vote. If you will approve the motion just offered, will you lift the hands? Opposed? It is not accepted.

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 8—
Calendar No. 254—Dow Kirkpatrick**

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Page 454, calendar item 254 is the one on peace, and I repeat that on page 455 in the center of the third column under small "c" we will strike out the words "in particular wars" to be consistent with the action earlier in the day. I move this item, 254.

This was adopted. (See *DCA* page 254; appendix page 1232.)

**Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 9—
Calendar No. 255—Dow Kirkpatrick**

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Page 456, item 255, Alcohol Problems. I move its adoption.

William A. Meadows (Florida—SE) spoke for the report and requested that it be placed in the *Discipline*. C. Wilbourne Hancock (South Georgia—SE) asked if the heading of the report did not indicate that it would.

Emory Bucke (Book Editor): Mr. Chairman, we passed an action yesterday which indicated that we would create a book of resolutions and that the *Discipline* would be confined to being a book of law and these—it was agreed—that these resolutions which call for printing in the *Discipline*, would be caught up in that term and you voted to refer all this to the Program Council to prepare a proper selection. I hope you hold to that action.

Report No. 9 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 456; appendix page 1238.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 10— Calendar No. 256—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: On the same page, No. 256. I move it.

Bishop Mathews: It is before you . . . discussion? All right, as many as will approve No. 256 will you show this by the up-lifted hands? Opposed? It is adopted.

(See *DCA* page 456; appendix page 1239.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 31— Calendar No. 345—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: On page 473, calendar item No. 345 . . .

Amendment—E. W. McCracken

E. W. McCracken (North Iowa): Number 345, page 473. I wish to delete the last sentence in the first paragraph, middle column, on guaranteed annual income. I would remove the statement which says we support the principle of the guaranteed annual income as a method of meeting human needs. I don't believe 11,000,000 Methodists believe that.

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke for the committee.

The McCracken amendment carried.

W. Davis Cotton (Louisiana—SC) asked what had been deleted and was told that the support of a guaranteed annual income had been.

Procedural Motion—Walter L. Underwood

Walter L. Underwood (North Texas): I would like to propose a substitute to the procedure as follows:

Bishop Mathews: A procedural motion would not be in order at this moment. We have a report before us at the moment.

Dr. Underwood: May I give a motion. . . .

Bishop Mathews: All right, we would like to hear what your procedure is then we will see.

Dr. Underwood: I move that the General Conference receive all statements of social policy not heretofore approved and release them

as study documents, with indications of the committee which voted each, indicating the number of votes for, against and abstaining. Said release to indicate that these statements do not purport to officially speak for The United Methodist Church. If I have a second, I would like to make a statement.

It was seconded, but action was withheld.

Amendment—Mack B. Stokes

Dr. Stokes: Mr. Chairman, I move that we delete that heading.

Amendment—A. C. Holler

A. C. Holler (South Carolina): I would like to offer as an amendment to that amendment that we use "Adequate Guaranteed Annual Income" if we change that heading.

Substitute Motion—P. L. Shore, Jr.

Philip Shore (Western North Carolina): Inasmuch as that entire section deals with a guaranteed annual income, I move a substitute to the substitute of the amendment, that would be a deletion of the entire section.

Bishop Mathews: All right, you may speak.

Mr. Shore: The remainder of this entire section deals with what is implied in the portion headed "Guaranteed Annual Income." It would be foolish to have the heading removed and the substance unchanged.

Edward G. Carroll (Baltimore—NE) spoke against the motions.

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke for the Committee.

The Shore substitute lost.

The Stokes motion lost.

Amendment—E. H. Schwiebert

E. H. Schwiebert (Idaho): I would like to move an amendment to this, which I think will remove the single most objectionable sentence, which disqualifies it from being a truly responsible statement that deserves study. Some of the leading business men in America have referred to this as having merit. I move this amendment.

Bishop Mathews: Will you indicate where it is?

Mr. Schwiebert: I move to amend report number 31, pertaining to Guaranteed Annual Income by striking sub-paragraph 8, under subsection 2, at the bottom of the middle column on page 473 by relettering the following sub-paragraphs accordingly: If I may have a second.

Bishop Mathews: Is there a second? There is a second you may speak.

Mr. Schwiebert: Now this is a matter that was under discussion in the committee. It was moved there and it was decided by a close vote on that occasion and I think it is well that it came before the body. Actually it is the unsound economic statement, the most unsound economic statement of the whole item. It implies that the world owes everyone a living, or in his case the United States owes everyone a living which is economically untenable.

It also contains an element of injustice in compelling the self-supporting, to support all the alleged poor without taking the trouble even to find out why they are poor or whether, in fact, they are poor. There is also an element of immorality, I think, in forcing workers to pick-up the tab for idlers, all of this is involved here.

I think it is important to know that we adopted a resolution yesterday which said that we should exercise care in our resolutions to see that good intentions and high ideals need be combined with as much practical and technical knowledge of politics and economics as possible. And this I think, by deleting this, we will have done that. We willingly support the aged, the infirmed, the handicapped, and the unwillingly unemployed, but this is a different proposition here.

So I do think we need to keep the emphasis on productivity which this tends to undermine. It undermines section E of this very statement which says we should work to keep elements of productivity an incentive. So if we don't do this, we are guilty of promoting inflation which actually has the effect of robbing the poor and rewarding the rich which is the exact opposite.

Harold A. Bosley (New York—NE) spoke against the amendment.

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke for the Committee.

The Schwiebert motion did not pass.

Robert Wix (Montana—W) spoke for adopting the entire report.

Report No. 31 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 473; appendix page 1263.)

Motion of Procedure—Walter Underwood

Walter Underwood (North Texas): I move that the General Conference receive all the statements of social policy and release them as study documents with indication of the committee which voted each, and indicating number of votes for, against, and abstaining, said release to indicate these statements do not purport to officially speak for The United Methodist Church. If I get a second, I would like to speak to it.

Bishop Mathews: Is there a second? It is seconded. Will you speak briefly.

Dr. Underwood: Mr. Chairman, we are voting too fast, we are not giving proper consideration, we are hurrying the process. I feel a little bit dishonest when I vote. This motion would allow all of these reports to be before the entire United Methodist Church and would give us all an opportunity to see them, to understand them, to read them, to digest them. It will not in any effect hurt or destroy the work of the commissions, in fact it will give them a mandate to proceed in accordance with the reports which are before us. It would also allow us to go home.

Bishop Mathews: Thank you, I think you would want to hear from the chairmen, they know how many. . . .

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I would like to accept this motion if the brother will join in an agreement here with me to certain exceptions. There are two items that I would like for you to deal with before we put this motion and then accept his motion. May I explain why. On page 461, calendar item 270 has to do with the continuation into the new quadrennium of the fund which has been in existence the last quadrennium in slightly different form. There was set up before, support of racial conscience or, I have forgotten just what it was called, for this purpose.

Bishop Mathews. You need not explain it now but indicate the ones you want accepted.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: The point is, we want to continue the fund and transfer the balances into the new quadrennium. That I would like

action on. The second item is, that there are two amendments on Viet Nam that are conflicting. The one from Social Concerns and for some reason Lay Activities and Temporal Economy has one and I think the house ought to deal with that decision. Then accept the brother's procedure for the rest.

Dr. Underwood: I'll accept that, Mr. Chairman.

Leroy C. Hodapp (Indiana—NC) asked if this would include those already acted upon. Bishop Mathews ruled that would not be possible.

The Underwood motion as amended passed.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 24— Calendar No. 270—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Page 461, Calendar item 270. I move its adoption.

Bishop Mathews: All right, the motion is before us. You heard something of an explanation a while ago. Are you ready? As many as will approve, will you lift the hand? Opposed, the same sign. It is done.

(See *DCA* page 461; appendix page 1259.)

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 5— Calendar No. 147—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: On page 325, Calendar 147 is a report with no votes against it, 4 abstaining from the Committee on Viet Nam. I move its adoption.

Bishop Mathews: The report is before you for adoption. Now is there discussion? Oh yes, where is the contradictory one? That is a proper question.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Page 621, Calendar item 523, page 621, Calendar item 523.

Bishop Mathews: Now, are you withdrawing one of those.

Dr. Kirkpatrick: I can't withdraw that one. It is from another committee, but my contention is that, if you will support the resolution on Viet Nam by Christian Social Concerns, then the correlating body can rule the other as in conflicts of the acts of this body. I move 147.

Blaine E. Taylor (New England—NE) reminded the Conference that this had been acted upon earlier. *Emmett T. Streeter* (Nebraska—SC) asked the Secretary if it had been acted upon. The Secretary replied that it was not brought to the floor when this procedure was being used.

Point of Inquiry—Paul M. Leininger

Paul M. Leininger (Eastern—EUB) raised a point of inquiry in regard to whether or not Calendar No. 523 was under consideration. Bishop Mathews ruled it was not at the present.

Amendment—Robert W. Smith

R. W. Smith (Oklahoma): I would like to make the following amendment for the last paragraph, "we commend the United Nations for

persistent and courageous leadership for peace and we urge all nations to offer the United Nations renewed and increased support." I feel that in my own heart that this is the way it ought to read.

Amendment—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia—SE) wanted to make an amendment. Dr. Smith stated he had an amendment before the house; Bishop Mathews stated he did not hear a second but was assured it had been. Mr. Rixse yielded.

C. LeGrande Moody, Jr. (South Carolina—SE) asked if the amendment just deleted "the Secretary-General of the"; Dr. Smith replied he also removed "wholeheartedly."

The Smith amendment lost.

Amendment—John H. Rixse, Jr.

John H. Rixse, Jr. (Virginia): My amendment is to add to Calendar Item 147 the text of Calendar item 523. If there is a second, I have words for it.

Bishop Mathews: It is seconded.

Mr. Rixse: The purpose of making the amendment is that in essence that I do not believe that they are in conflict, because they address themselves to different subjects. I would like to see us vote on the one subject of Viet Nam expressing concern for our people, support for our leadership, and also express our concern. By combining them we would do all of those.

Lee C. Moorehead (Ohio—NC) spoke against the amendment.

Lawton W. Shroyer (Eastern—EUB) for the Committee on Lay Activities spoke for Calendar No. 523.

Dr. Kirkpatrick spoke against the amendment.

The Rixse amendment lost.

D. L. Landrum (Texas—SC) asked if Calendar No. 523 was before the house; Bishop Mathews stated it was not.

Previous Question—John T. King

John T. King (West Texas—SC) called for the previous question, and it was ordered.

Report No. 5 was adopted. (See *DCA* page 325; appendix page 1225.)

Committee on Lay Activities and Temporal Economy—Report No. 88—Calendar No. 523

Motion to Table—D. L. Landrum

D. L. Landrum (Texas): In regard to item 523, I move to lay the item on the table.

Bishop Mathews: All right, it has been seconded. If you will lay 523 on the table, will you show this by the uplifted hand? Opposed, the same? It is tabled.

(See *DCA* page 621; appendix page 1411.)

Question of Procedure—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): Mr. Chairman, I want to be sure that the action to lay this on the table means that it will not be part of the study papers which are released. If it was, the resolution 147 which we adopted would be in our resolution book and would not be in the study papers. And we would have only 523 in the study papers, which would create a very peculiar impression of our stance. I would ask you to rule that the motion to lay it on table withdraws it from the study papers.

Bishop Mathews: The chair does so rule. It removes it from consideration or further use of the Conference. We made the two exceptions. We acted favorably to the one; we tabled the other. The procedural motion covers all the rest. They become study papers.

Motion Concerning Conscience Fund—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: Mr. Chairman, I believe Dr. Don Cooke of World Service feels that my statement a moment ago with regard to the Conscience Fund wasn't sufficient authority for him to transfer the existing balances from one to the other. Therefore, the motion that will enable that is that the balance in the Racial Witness Relief Fund be transferred to the newly established Conscience Fund, and I so move.

Bishop Mathews: All right, is there discussion? If you will approve this procedure, will you lift the hand?

David A. Duck (South Georgia—SE) objected to this handling of funds.

The motion carried.

Committee on Christian Social Concerns—Report No. 22—Calendar No. 268—Dow Kirkpatrick

Dr. Kirkpatrick: The Committee on Correlation calls my attention to page 461, one item. Calendar 268—if we leave it without action, it seems to be condemnatory, and the motion is to refer it to the committee you have set up to investigate the Publishing House. I move the reference.

Bishop Mathews: Is there discussion? The matter is before you. If you will so order, will you lift the hand? Opposed, the same? It is done.

Brief Session of Former Evangelical United Brethren Church

A brief session of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church was held. (See page 323.)

Motion Concerning Nominations—Charles C. Parlin

Charles Parlin: (Northern New Jersey): I have four motions which I believe to be essential, and important.

I move that the Council of Bishops of The United Methodist Church be authorized to complete their necessary nominations and to correct nominations previously announced, and print them in the *Daily Christian Advocate*; and further, that all nominees so named be declared by the Uniting Conference as elected.

Bishop Mathews: You move that, do you?

Mr. Parlin: I move that.

Bishop Mathews: It is moved and seconded. It is before you. Is there discussion? If not, if you approve, will you lift the hand? Opposed, the same. It is done.

Motion Regarding 1968 Jurisdictional Conferences—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: A motion to straighten out the people who go to our July Jurisdictional Conferences. I move that we add the following to paragraph 514 in the Blue Book, page 104-105, a new paragraph to read as follows:

"For the 1968 Jurisdictional Conferences the following special rule shall apply. Each Annual Conference formerly of The Methodist Church shall be entitled to not less than the number of delegates to which they would have been entitled under the 1964 Methodist *Discipline*, and each annual conference formerly of the Evangelical United Brethren Church shall be entitled to delegates so as to meet the proportional representation provided in the *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church.

If this motion is seconded, I can speak.

Bishop Mathews: It is seconded, if you wish to speak to it.

Mr. Parlin: The formula which has been inserted in the blanks of the Blue Book by the action of the Committee on Conferences has produced a count which means that some of the annual conferences who have elected delegates to the July conference will be cut down. There is one annual conference which has elected members to the Jurisdictional Conference and would be cut down by six under the formula that came to you from the Conference. This seems to be unnecessary. This is temporary, for one quadrennium only, and steps up the number so that every Methodist who has been elected to a Jurisdictional Conference will be entitled to sit; and conversely, that we have given by this thing equal upping of the EUB to meet the proportional regulations of the *Discipline*.

I move its adoption.

Bishop Mathews: It is before us. I think this is clear. As many as will approve, will you lift the hand? Opposed, the same. It is approved.

Motion on Constitutional Amendment—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: This proposition comes to us from the Council of Bishops, passed this afternoon by the Committee on Ministry by a vote of 59 to 2, and I therefore move that the Uniting Conference recommend to the annual conferences of the church that the Constitution, Division III, Article V, Paragraph 54, by adding a sentence to read: "Nothing herein shall prevent the assignment by the Council of Bishops on a quadrennial basis of one bishop for full-time secretarial responsibility in the Council of Bishops."

I move the adoption of this resolution.

Harry C. Parham (Florida—SE) wanted to know if the Council of Bishops requested this; Mr. Parlin stated they did. Dr. Parham asked if this envisioned a permanent General Secretary to speak for the Council. Mr. Parlin replied that it did not.

W. Jene Miller (Oklahoma—SC) spoke against the motion.

Merrill W. Drennan (Baltimore—NE) asked the meaning of a paragraph, "Proposed Legislation of Intent for Enact-

ment at the 1970 Special Session of the General Conference." Mr. Parlin said this was not before the Conference and would not come up until 1970 in case the Annual Conferences approved it.

Eugene Rote (Erie—EUB) asked about former EUB's representation at Jurisdictional Conferences. Mr. Parlin replied that the secretaries would work this out.

Motion to Refer—Raoul C. Calkins

Raoul Calkins (Ohio): I would like to make a motion that we refer this matter for consideration at the Special General Conference in 1970, because we would have more time to think about this and could deliberate on it a little better than we can now past midnight.

Carl H. Douglass, Jr. (Virginia—SE) spoke against referral.

Substitute Motion—Robert M. Thorpe

Robert Thorpe (Pacific Northwest): A substitute motion, Mr. Chairman, to refer this to the Commission on Structure. In one of the three reports on structure it asks for a study of the Council of Bishops. By referring this to the Commission on Structure they can be ready with recommendations in 1970 so that we will be further ahead than if we simply defer it until 1970.

A. C. Holler (South Carolina—SE) spoke against the substitute motion.

Previous Question—William C. Doenges

On motion of William C. Doenges (Oklahoma—SC) the previous question was called.

Mr. Parlin spoke for the motion.

The Thorpe motion lost.

The Calkins motion lost.

The Parlin motion was passed.

William C. Vaughan (Virginia—SE) asked if all the amendments on the Parlin motion had been cared for; Bishop Mathews stated they had.

Privilege Motion—Merlyn W. Northfelt

Merlyn Northfelt (Rock River): Mr. Chairman, this General Conference has passed an amazing amount of legislation. One of the most difficult jobs in the General Conference is the chairman of the Committee on Chairmen and I think we would want to express our appreciation to Dow Kirkpatrick for his services. (Standing Ovation.)

Privilege Matter—Lemuel K. Lord

Lemuel Lord (New England): Bishop Mathews, the New England Conference would like the privilege of saying thank you for a great job well done in a difficult situation.

Motion to Adjourn—Charles C. Parlin—Thomas B. Clay

Bishop Mathews: Now there has to be a formal motion of adjournment which I will ask Mr. Clay to second. Would you second Mr. Parlin's motion, because we have got to get the formality into it?

Mr. Parlin: After the necessary announcements I move that this Uniting Conference adjourn *sine die*.

Bishop Mathews: All right, Mr. Clay, you wanted to make a statement about this.

Thomas Clay (Western New York): I want to make the motion to adjourn for the seventh General Conference that I have done it. I thank you for giving me the opportunity to second it. I move that we do adjourn. Thank you.

The Conference voted to adjourn.

Announcements—Charles D. White

The Secretary gave the announcements.

Appreciation—Bishop Mathews

Bishop Mathews expressed appreciation to the members for their courtesies to him throughout the evening.

Benediction—Bishop T. Otto Nall

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Bishop T. Otto Nall pronounced the benediction and the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

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Opening—Bishop W. Kenneth Pope

The 1968 Session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church convened in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, on Saturday, May 4, 1968, at 8:30 a.m. with Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, Dallas-Fort Worth Area, presiding.

Devotions—Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich

The Conference sang Hymn No. 49, "Now Thank We All Our God." Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich led the prayer; special music was rendered by the Highland Park Methodist Church, and Bishop Wunderlich brought the devotional message. (See appendix page 1050.)

Conference Called to Order—Bishop Pope

Bishop Pope officially called to order the first General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

Privilege Statement—Norman Conard

Norman Conard (Oregon—W) spoke a word of appreciation for all who had helped make the Uniting Conference possible. Bishop Pope expressed the thanks of the Conference to Dr. Conard.

Rules of Order—John D. Herr

John Herr (Philadelphia): I move that the rules of the Uniting Conference be the rules of the General Conference.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? Will you adopt these as the procedure for this General Conference. If so lift the hands . . . opposed? And it is done. Thank you.

Committee on Journal—Tom Reavley

Tom Reavley: Mr. Chairman, If this is still the Journal Committee, we recommend that the Journal Secretary be empowered to examine and correct the record of this session of the General Conference, and I so move.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? It is seconded. If you will approve it lift the hand. Opposed? And it is done.

Committee on Agenda—J. Otis Young

J. Otis Young: Mr. Chairman, the agenda for the morning session is found on page one of your *Daily Christian Advocate*. I would like for you to write in one item. Just before we have the special privilege of the morning at 10:20 I would like for you to write in the offering for the ushers which you ordered in your session yesterday. With that one addition I should like to move the adopting of this agenda.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order lift the hand . . . down . . . opposed? And it is done.

Dr. Young: Now Mr. Chairman, it would be the recommendation of your Agenda Committee that when we arrive at the hour, the order of the day, for the closing message, that all matters of business be cared for (even the motion to adjourn) so that, when we have closed that period for the message of the morning, by Bishop Frank, we can leave with that feeling in our hearts.

This being the final report from your Committee on Agenda, I should like to make two statements. No. 1, that every item that has been filed with your Agenda Committee has found its way to the General from the Uniting Conference. Secondly, I should like to express the appreciation of this body for the way you have dealt with these items in order to make it possible all items might be carefully considered.

Privilege Motion—H. Paul Mathison—Leslie Black

Paul Mathison (Alabama-West Florida): I feel that this General Conference would want to express deep appreciation to Dr. Otis Young and the Committee on Agenda for their superb service in arranging for the agenda of this Uniting and General Conference. All items of the agenda have been cared for in a courteous and careful manner. I think we ought to express our appreciation to them.

Bishop Pope: I think we ought to do that. Now then, I am going to recognize, especially to second that motion, which you didn't have to have made, one of the youngest members of this occasion—Brother Leslie Black—symbolizing somewhat the tie between this body and the youth.

Leslie Black (Missouri East): Thank you Bishop Pope, I rise to second this, the first action of the first General Conference of The United Methodist Church. And as one of the youngest delegates here, to symbolize the young spirit the Uniting Conference has given to this Conference. Rising from the Missouri East Annual Conference in the midst of continental U.S. Methodism, I would also hope to symbolize the seconding of the laymen throughout the new United Church of the action taken today, and express figuratively the desire of the whole church to press on within the framework of personal renewal and commitment. Thank you.

The motion carried.

Committee on Credentials—O. F. Landis

O. F. Landis: Mr. Chairman, O. F. Landis, the secretary, reporting at the request of Mr. Walker, the chairman. This report has to do with the attendance at the evening session yesterday. The Committee on Credentials has met and approved the changes made and the seating of all delegates reported by chairmen of the Annual Conference delegation for the plenary session of the night of May third. The delegates' names will appear in the proper form in the *Journal*. Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of this report on Credentials.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order lift the hand. Opposed? It is done.

Committee on Courtesies and Privileges—Joel D. McDavid

Joel D. McDavid (Alabama-West Florida—SE) presented Bishop Richard Raines for a privilege statement.

Bishop Raines: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Conference, thank you so much. In my haste to save the time of the delegates last night, two items of privilege were omitted from the close of the COSMOS report and these are the items. When the new Committee on Structure of Methodism Overseas was organized, Bishop Prince Taylor was elected as chairman, Bishop Everett Palmer as vice chairman, and Mrs. Preston Harrington of Northern New Jersey Conference was elected as secretary. Also a word of deep appreciation I wish to express. The entire membership of the Committee on Structure of Methodism Overseas, who through the quadrennium served with devotion and wisdom, and also to express gratitude to the United Conference for the generous and gracious hearing they gave to the COSMOS proposals. And then finally, Bishop W. Angie Smith gave distinguished leadership to COSMOS from its establishment in 1948 until 1964, as he interpreted with understanding and insight the problems, the needs, and the hopes of the Central Conferences and affiliated autonomous Methodist Churches. The present movement for considering the restructuring The United Methodist Church began under his leadership. And I would be grateful if this word of well-deserved appreciation might be confirmed by your applause and then appended to the close of the COSMOS report of last night.

Privilege Statement—William G. Hawk

William G. Hawk (Florida): Mr. Chairman, I have been connected with two conferences, lately, and over this union I have been very close to some of the opposition that we found in various places. One of the things that seems to me that has certainly—if I may use the word—"sold" union to many people who were otherwise opposed has been the splendid brotherly and courteous treatment and understanding on the part of the Methodist brethren. I think this was very pronounced, whether it was in the North or whether it was in the South. I know many people who felt very negative about it, who are now very much on the affirmative.

I believe that my former EUB brethren will join me in our appreciation for the fine courtesy and brotherliness on the part of the Methodists both ministers and laymen alike. Thank you sir.

Bishop Pope: Thank you. Those are very gracious words.

Dr. McDavid: I am sure that those of us formerly of The Methodist Church would like to express our appreciation for this splendid fellowship with our formerly EUB brethren.

Privilege Statement—Edwin Kimbrough

Edwin Kimbrough (North Alabama): Mr. Chairman, we dare not, it seems to me, adjourn the Uniting and General Conferences of The United Methodist Church without expressing our real appreciation to our Secretary, Dr. Charles White. He has performed the difficult duties of this high office with courtesy and skill and we are in his debt. He has been alert and accurate and constantly considerate. And now as we prepare in a few hours to leave this place, let us cause the audible evidence of our genuine appreciation and admiration to ring in his ears until it finds lodgement in his weary heart. I move you, Mr. Chairman, that this be done.

Resolution of Appreciation

Dr. McDavid: Now, Mr. Chairman, the Nashville-Carolina Area has asked that I read to you this resolution.

WHEREAS, Bishop and Mrs. Charles F. Golden have unreservedly given of their time, substance, and selves for the benefit of the people in the Central Jurisdiction specifically, in the Nashville-Carolina Area, and

WHEREAS their contributions have been enriching to The Methodist Church, and have given direction to the development of The United Methodist Church;

WHEREAS the programs of the Conferences served by them have been given quality and a positive sense of direction,

Be it therefore resolved that this word of appreciation be extended them and made a part of the record of this Conference.

It is signed by Warren M. Jenkins, for the Area, and I move that this should be adopted and go on record.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order, lift the hand. Down. Opposed. No, and it is done.

Joint Commission on Church Union—Charles C. Parlin— Bishop Paul Washburn

Charles C. Parlin: Mr. Chairman, before I introduce about five resolutions necessary to wind up our business, just a word of personal privilege. I think the circumstances have created an unfortunate and erroneous illusion. The work of the Joint Commissions has been by thirty-eight members, nineteen from each of the former denominations. They met and they delegated a great deal of things to the executive committee of fourteen. When they met and came to an impasse and a difficult decision, a hard decision, it was referred to the officers. Those officers were from the former E.U.B. Church, Bishop Mueller, Bishop Heininger, and Paul Washburn, and from the former Methodist Church, Bishop Wicke, Bishop Ensley, and myself. When the officers met, as we did quite frequently, and had a difficult problem it was often assigned to the two secretaries. Between us there was a very unfair division of labor, because Paul Washburn was working on this job full time and I was trying to carry on my law practice and do this. I think I spent approximately half my working time since Chicago on this and half on my own profession but Paul has done full time. His office was the clearing house; all the documents were prepared in his office in Dayton, and I flew often to Dayton for conversation with him. By the rules of our Methodist Church, now adopted by The United Methodist Church, we silence all bishops, and you will note that of the officers, Bishop Mueller, Bishop Heininger, Bishop Wicke, Bishop Ensley, and then after we got to Dallas, we silenced

Washburn, I am the only man who can speak. I would just like to destroy the illusion that I have done all the work by calling to the microphone and asking for a privilege of a few words from the man who really did the work, my pal, Paul Washburn, now Bishop Washburn, I would ask the privilege of him saying a few words.

(Standing ovation).

Bishop Paul Washburn: Months ago we could characterize our spirit by saying, "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth." I trust that we do not now assume that we have arrived. We have work to do and miles of the spirit to go before we have arrived in the Christian Church at the kind of visibility for the one church of Jesus Christ which the times demand. In this spirit Dr. Parlin and I have tried to do our work and we do rejoice with the rest of you in the kind of celebration which we have had here. It has not been a celebration of doxologies only, but a celebration of a people who know that it is our life to try to do our faith. This for me has been the concept of dedication which has characterized this Conference and I am grateful for what I have beheld here. All of you know that Dr. Parlin is a lawyer and that I am just a mine-run preacher, but we have had a rather consistent experience as we've traveled about together, illustrated in what happened in Minot, North Dakota, one time. We were on a platform where there were antagonistic E.U.B.'s and antagonistic Methodists, but the majority were with us. All the questions that dealt with doctrine were directed to Dr. Parlin and all the questions that dealt with law were directed to me. This has been the character of our life together and I think you and I ought to have a chance to shake hands at the end of this affair.

Joint Commission Resolution Ratifying Acts of Uniting Conference—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: I move that the 1968 General Conference of The United Methodist Church ratifies and adopts all actions of the Uniting Conference. If I have a second, I will speak.

Bishop Pope: It's been seconded.

Mr. Parlin: I think this is a formal motion necessary to make certain that all our actions are valid. There might be a quibble as to the authority of the Uniting Conference, but if we have the acts of the Uniting Conference now ratified and adopted by this, the official General Conference, there can be no doubt. I so move.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order lift the hand. Down. Opposed, no. And it is done.

Joint Commission Resolution Transferring Property—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: There's a technical problem regarding the administrative office building of the former E.U.B. Church in Dayton. Title, it's agreed, should pass to the Program Council. I, therefore, move that the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical United Brethren Church be authorized to transfer to the Program Council title to the Dayton, Ohio, building located at 601 West Riverview.

Bishop Pope: You move?

Mr. Parlin: I move.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order, lift a hand. Down. Opposed, No. It's done.

Announcement of Assignments of Bishops—Charles C. Parlin—Bishop Roy H. Short

Mr. Parlin: Under the Plan of Union the bishops, although it only happens to be one now, coming under the Plan of Union, is to be assigned to the Jurisdiction by the Council of Bishops of the former Methodist Church. I believe Bishop Short is prepared to make the announcement of this assignment. I ask the privilege of the house to hear him for this assignment.

Bishop Pope: If you will grant this privilege, lift a hand. Down. Opposed. It is done. Bishop Short.

Bishop Roy Short: Mr. Chairman, the Council of Bishops announces the assignment of former Central Jurisdiction and E.U.B. Bishops as follows: Bishop Noah Moore to the South Central Jurisdiction; Bishop Scott Allen to the Southeastern; Bishop Charles Golden to the Western; Bishop Matthew Claire, retired, to the South Central; Bishop Willis King, retired, to the South Central; Bishop Edgar Love, retired, to the Northeastern; Bishop Mueller to the North Central; Bishop Washburn to the North Central; Bishop Paul Herrick to the Southeastern; Bishop Herbert Kaebnick to the Northeastern; Bishop J. Gordon Howard to the Northeastern; Bishop Paul Milhouse to the South Central; Bishop W. Maynard Sparks to the Western; Retired Bishops Harold Heininger to the North Central and George Edward Epp to the North Central.

Bishop Pope: This is only an announcement. This is not for action, is it, Bishop Short?

Bishop Short: Right.

Joint Commission Resolutions from The Methodist General Conference—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: I think we mentioned last night it was not necessary to bring the papers, but I find in the *Daily Christian Advocate* one item that needs attention. Page 548. At the bottom of page 548 you will find recommendations to the General Conference of the United Methodist Church adopted, and you will see this at the bottom of the third column on page 548, adopted April 22nd for reference to the General Conference of The United Methodist Church. The Secretary has called our attention to the fact this, all of them at least, did not get into the mill. Recommendation coming from the former Methodist General Conference here in Dallas, No. 1 is—The Methodist Church recommends that a program of orientation at the sessions of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church for delegates from lands outside the USA be continued as a service to such delegates and to the General Conference and that the prosecution of such plan be assigned to the appropriate committee in The United Methodist Church. I move that this be accepted and assigned to COSMOS.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order, lift a hand. Down. Opposed, No. It's done.

Mr. Parlin: Recommendation No. 2 and I'll read it, because so many do not have their books. The Methodist Church recommends that the General Conference of The United Methodist Church provide for an appropriate agency to appoint a committee for the 1968-72 Quadrennium to review the adequacy of the procedure contained in the *Discipline* for the election of members of the Judicial Council in an expeditious manner by the General Conference. The agency designated shall report its findings and recommended legislation, if any, to the 1972 General Conference of The United Methodist Church. I move that

we accept this recommendation and refer it to the new Commission for the Study of Structure.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? It's seconded. If you will so order lift a hand. Down. Opposed, lift a hand. And it is done.

Mr. Parlin: The third recommendation is: The Methodist Church recommends that the matter of designating special days for the 1968-72 Quadrennium be referred to the appropriate legislative committee of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church with the request that all proposed special days be given careful scrutiny before being recommended to the General Conference, I believe this is unnecessary to take action, because this has already been thoroughly debated and acted upon by the Uniting Conference. I, therefore, propose that we simply pass this item if the house is agreeable.

Bishop Pope: Without objection, it is so done.

Mr. Parlin: Recommendation four is that The Methodist Church recommends that The United Methodist Church cooperate with and be a part of Mission in The Seventies and this matter be referred to the General Conference of The United Methodist Church for appropriate action. I move that we accept this suggestion and refer it to the Program Council.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order, lift the hand. Down. Opposed. And it is done.

Joint Commission Resolution Concerning the Joint Commission—Charles C. Parlin

Mr. Parlin: Last night I had for presentation a nice resolution calling for the discharge of the Joint Commissions. I have had to tear that up and in lieu thereof I present the following: That the Joint Commissions on Church Union be continued for such time as may require to complete the assembling of the 1968 *Discipline* of The United Methodist Church and that when this work is finished they be discharged and further that the Council of World Service and Finance be requested to budget for their estimated expenses. I so move.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second. If you will so order, lift the hand. Down. Opposed? Lift the hand. And it is so ordered.

Mr. Parlin: May I say that the secretaries have conferred with some of the officers and members and that our plan would be to turn our attention first to the section on the local church and if in any way possible get out a paper or pamphlet copy of this section of the *Discipline* in order that it could be widely distributed and used in local churches. There has been new structure and new terminology and I am sure pastors and congregations will be happy if they can get together as quickly as possible.

Bishop Pope: I think you need no motion on that. You are ready for it.

Mr. Parlin: We will do the best we can to get out the text of the *Discipline* into the hands of the publishers, but that is going to be a pretty bad job and we'll do the best we can. Thank you.

Bishop Pope: I think this entire body would like to give him a great expression of appreciation.

Privilege Resolution—Roy L. Turnage

Bishop Pope: All right I hear a voice and I recognize you.

Roy Turnage (North Carolina): Mr. Chairman, this conference has just expressed appreciation, a very small token, of what Dr.

Charles Parlin has meant to this Uniting Conference. I as a Methodist deeply regret that it is impossible for the Methodists to reciprocate in kind with what the United Brethren did for Paul Washburn. But on second thought, it would take a very powerful voice from the debate on the floor of the conference. However, I am most confident that it is the desire of this General Conference meeting here in Dallas to give special recognition to this great man who has meant more to this Conference and to bringing us to this point than any other individual among us. I would like to recommend, sir, to the Entertainment and Program Commission that a day or evening be set aside in the special session to be called in 1970 in which it would be recognized as Charles C. Parlin Appreciation Day.

Bishop Pope: Because money may be involved maybe you had better get this into action. Will you move.

Mr. Turnage: I will so move, sir.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second. If you will so order. Lift the hand. Down. And it is done.

Announcement—Emory S. Bucke

Upon inquiry of *C. David Hancock* (Indiana South—SC) in regard to the section concerning the local church, *Emory S. Bucke* made announcements concerning proposed publication date.

Motion to Amend Rules—Lester L. Moore

Lester Moore (South Iowa): Mr. Chairman, I have a motion for referral. . . I move an amendment to section six-four, sub paragraph "A" of the Plan of Organization to include the following sentence: "Resolutions of Commendations and Appreciation shall be announced, but not read and shall appear in their entirety in the *Daily Christian Advocate*. I move that this be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? Is there a discussion, Are you ready? If you will so order lift the hand . . . down . . . opposed, no, lift the hand . . . and it is so ordered.

Privilege Motion—Josue R. Guzman

Josue Guzman (Mindanao): If it is possible and if it is true, I want to quote the word of John Wesley which may be fitting for us to ponder and make those words speak for the adjournment of this session. When Wesley said, "I am not afraid that the people called Methodists may cease to exist but what I am afraid of is that it will grow and become a strong sect or denomination, that will have form, but without power." I move, Mr. Chairman, that may we adopt this statement of John Wesley that would be a yardstick for us to ponder and examine our church during these days.

Bishop Pope: All right, is there a second? If you will so order lift the hand. Down. Opposed. And it is done.

Resolution of Appreciation—John Frey

John H. Frey (Nebraska—NC) presented the following resolution without reading:

"The delegation of the Nebraska Conference, Nebraska Area, unanimously wish to express appreciation, love and affection to Bishop

and Mrs. Kenneth W. Copeland. The fine administration and brotherly spirit of Bishop Copeland has been a continuing source of inspiration and satisfaction to ministers and laymen of the Nebraska Area."

Commission on Entertainment and Program—J. Otis Young —Edward Carroll—William R. Cannon

J. Otis Young: Mr. Chairman, members of the Conference, we bring to you at this time the final report from the Commission on Entertainment and Program. Your Commission is charged with the responsibility of selecting the site for the General Conference. By vote of the Uniting Conference you have taken action to hold a special session of the General Conference in April, 1970. Therefore your Commission is also charged with this responsibility in arranging for a site for this special session. Your Commission has been at work for some time arriving at a decision for the 1972 regular session. Fortunately, we have had more than one city visited and therefore we are ready to make the announcement of the place and the dates for both the special and the general session. May I say that subcommittees from the Commission on Entertainment and Program were sent out to visit five cities. These subcommittees made their reports to the Commission on Entertainment and Program relating the advantages and disadvantages of each city visited. If we had some way whereby we could take the excellent transportation facilities of one city and move it to the excellent facilities or auditorium of that same city and the hotels of that same city we would have an ideal situation. These subcommittees have made their report to the Commission and after careful consideration a ballot was taken by the Commission and we have arrived at the following decision. I might say that the decision has been unanimous and both the time and place for the special session and for the General Conference session. After I have announced the place for the . . . little anxious . . . all right let me say the place and date for the special session for the General Conference of The United Methodist Church will be Baltimore, Maryland. The dates will be April 20-24. I should like for this Conference to recognize a delegate, Edward Carroll, from the Baltimore Conference for a word at this time.

Bishop Pope: All right, is he here?

Edward Carroll (Baltimore): On behalf of Bishop John Wesley Lord, the resident Bishop of the Washington Area, inclusive of the Peninsula and Baltimore Conferences and I should say the churches of the former Evangelical United Brethren in the Baltimore Area, I accept this very gracious gesture on the part of The United Methodist Church to come to Baltimore. Bishop Lord wanted me to assure this Conference that we will do everything in our power to make your stay there very comfortable and creative. Thank you very much for considering Baltimore.

J. Otis Young: The place and date of the next regular session of the General Conference of the United Methodist Church will be held in Atlanta, Ga., April 16-30, 1972. I would like for this Conference to recognize Dean Cannon from the North Georgia Conference.

William R. Cannon (North Georgia): Mr. Chairman, brethren, on behalf of the resident bishop of our area, Bishop John Owen Smith, the members of the Georgia Conference, of the former Central Jurisdiction, and our brethren in South Georgia as well as North Georgia, I want to say how honored and how happy we are that Atlanta has been selected for the next meeting of the next regular session of the General Conference. We promise to do our best to entertain you according to the high standards of hospitality and in keeping with the traditions and the customs of the old South at her best. Now you note

that 1972 is the date and we feel fortunate that this is the date for Atlanta because it is also the target date for ending all signs of segregation in the Methodist Church. You people who know Methodist history realize how closely Georgia was associated with the schism of 1844. It was a Georgia Bishop, Andrews, who owned the slaves and that was the precipitating event of this schism. So it is altogether fitting and proper that Atlanta should be the city where we come together to celebrate the abolition of all racial effects that grew out of that schism. This means that we go back in a new spirit, and under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit itself to try to prepare properly for that great event. Atlanta has already done a lot. We have one fully integrated church in the North Georgia Annual Conference. We have one of the largest Methodist Churches in our jurisdiction which averages about 50 Negro worshippers in its services. The university where I teach led the move to do away with an unjust law in Georgia which prevented tax exemption for integrated private schools, and long before we urged that hearing in a legislative way, Emory accomplished that fact in the state. We have the cooperative work between the Interdenominational Center and the Candler School of Theology, and next year we are preparing a joint program of instructions leading to a new professional degree. But we haven't finished, and we pray that you will support us, brothers, as we go back to do this task, and that you will come to Atlanta and find the job done, and that segregation will belong to history, and no longer be a depressing reality in our church.

J. Otis Young: Mr. Chairman, this report which I have given to you is purely for your own information and requires no action by the conference.

Bishop Pope: But I think this Conference does want to take action in expressing to one of the finest men that I've worked with, I've considered him a personal friend for years and I can't tell you what a joy it has been to work with Dr. J. Otis Young in helping to provide for this Conference. Will you join me in expressing to him our gratitude.

Lake Junaluska—Edwin L. Jones

Edwin L. Jones (Western North Carolina—SE) invited the Conference members to visit Lake Junaluska.

Privilege Motion—J. E. Lowery

J. E. Lowery: Mr. Chairman, as we head toward Baltimore and Atlanta, much has been said at this conference about black and white. If I may for 60 seconds, I would like to offer a motion that I believe will send us in a clear sense of direction toward Baltimore and Atlanta. Whereas, this Uniting Conference has declined the opportunity to establish a mandatory date for elimination of racial structures as provided in Paragraph 4, Article IV of the Constitution, and whereas our reluctance to adopt a mandatory date is explained as continued confidence in the voluntary process, I therefore move that; one, this General Conference affirm its will and intent that racial structure in the church be eliminated at the earliest possible date; two, that members of this Conference commit themselves to work in love in the spirit of unity and brotherhood towards reconciliation and genuine inclusiveness in the church, and three, that it is the spirit, mind and direction of this Conference that in newly merged Annual Conferences, the distribution of officers and members of boards, commissions and agencies, of administrative posts on Conference and district staffs,

and in cabinets, provide for the inclusion of members of all the former Conferences in the same spirit and manner exercised in perfecting similar mergers and distribution of administrative posts in general agencies, regarding former members of the EUB Church, and that in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and in this spirit The United Methodist Church go forward boldly into the future, a new church, for a new world. Thank you sir.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? This is in line with what you have expressed again and again in the expressions of this body. Are you ready? If you will so order this lift your hand. Down. Opposed. Lift the hand. And it is done.

Resolution of Appreciation—Richard W. Cain

Richard W. Cain (Southern California): Mr. Chairman, the delegation of which I am a part has been rather severely limited during this session because we have loaned the head of our delegation to the secretary's desk. First, there is the Secretary of the General Conference of The Methodist Church, and then as an Associate Secretary of this Uniting Conference and this General Conference, Dr. J. Wesley Hole has served his local church, his Annual Conference, his Jurisdictional Conference, the Uniting Conference and this General Conference with distinction, fidelity and efficiency. Those of us who are pleased to be with him in a delegation from an Annual Conference would like to move a commendation to J. Wesley Hole, Servant of the Church, by this General Conference in recognition of his service to us, and his faithfulness to the Lord of the Church. Thank you.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? This motion of appreciation for Dr. Hole is before you. I am sure you will want to, without even voting on it, you will want to give him a great hand of appreciation.

The Methodist Church has never had a more efficient or a finer-spirited secretary, and this is what you are trying to say in this action.

Privilege Resolution—John Howes

John Howes (Central Pennsylvania): I would like to offer this resolution and I believe the House will favor it; Whereas the General Conference in attempting to lift the level of our ministry by no longer permitting unordained pastors to perform the sacraments, whereas the one way we can meet this emergency is through the establishment of cooperative ministry, I move that this General Conference go on record as pledging itself to move toward the goal of having every local church related to an ordained minister who can administer the sacraments of baptism and Holy Communion by doing everything we can to establish such cooperative parishes to make this possible. I move the adoption.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? All right. Are you ready? If you will so order this lift the hand, down. Opposed. Lift the hand. It is done.

Privilege Motion—Harold Dutt—Ted Hightower

Harold Dutt (Ohio): I would request since the *Discipline* will not be out until next February, that we would have the Program Council, or another Committee or Board create guidelines for our Annual Conference as it is related to the new structure with committees and boards, as it will be related to the new program, as it will be related to the finances for the next year. I would like to move that we get this information from the appropriate committee or board in the near future.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? May the Chair ask are you simply slinging this out for final lodgment somewhere, or are you directing it to somebody?

Dr. Dutt: I want to direct it to the Program Council if that is in order.

Bishop Pope: All right, I'll hear Dr. Hightower.

Ted Hightower (Louisville): Mr. Chairman, since the Program Council is not yet organized and cannot be for some months, let me ask if these good ideas could be referred to the Council of Bishops and ask the Secretary of the Council to prepare this set of guidelines and send them to us. If you will let me say just a word here, knowing the extreme efficiency of the Secretary of the Council of Bishops, who happens to be my Bishop as well, we can commit this to his care, I think, with confidence and expect a real hurried up job of getting it done, and I hope you will accept that as an amendment.

Bishop Pope: I don't know whether you are laughing at or for the idea. Are you moving this, Dr. Hightower.

Dr. Hightower: I am moving.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order this, lift the hand, down. Opposed lift the hand, and it is done.

Motion of Reference—M. W. Chambers—M. J. Jones

M. W. Chambers (Indiana North): Is a motion for reference in order?

Bishop Pope: Yes.

M. W. Chambers: *Whereas*, the budget of The United Methodist Church was presented in many different sections, and,

Whereas such procedure required many hours of discussion, which to say the least has been costly, I therefore move that the possibility of presenting a unified budget to the 1972 General Conference be referred to the Committee on Structure.

Bishop Pope: All right, is there a second to get it before you? All right, what is the wish of the body—yes, all right. No. 7 microphone.

M. J. Jones (Tenn.-Ky.): I would like to move a substitute for the reference that has just been made. The substitute should be that this should be referred to Council on World Service and Finance. If I can get a second.

Bishop Pope: It is seconded.

Dr. Jones: I think this is the proper body to which this reference should go, and I think they would be the most knowledgeable body to prepare such a budget for the 1970 Special Session of the General Conference.

Bishop Pope: All right, this is a substitute, is there a second? All right it has been seconded. Reference is for the World Service Commission. Are you ready? If you will so order the substitute you will lift the hand. Down. Opposed, lift the hand. And it is so ordered.

Now it becomes obviously the main motion. If you will so adopt the motion as amended you will lift the hand. Down. Opposed? Lift the hand. And it is done. Thank you.

Suggestion—Frederick K. Kirchner

Frederick K. Kirchner (Troy—NE) offered the suggestion that editors of publications might publish information concerning the local church. *Paul V. Church* remarked that this would be done.

Motion of Appreciation—Emerson S. Colaw

Emerson S. Colaw (Ohio): Mr. Chairman, in that this Uniting Conference has witnessed the minds of the Central Jurisdiction, as a member of the Ohio delegation, I move an expression of appreciation to Leonard Slutz, a layman, who has given countless hours as chairman of the Interjurisdictional Committee that has accomplished this significant objective.

Bishop Pope: It is seconded. This is your expression, and a worthy one it is.

Motion to Dispense with Recess

On motion of *Robert H. Courtney* (North East Ohio—NC) recess was dispensed with.

Offering

An offering was taken for the pages and marshalls.

Announcement—Bishop Ralph Ward

Bishop Ralph Ward announced that Bishop Mathews had been elected chairman of the Quadrennial Emphasis Committee.

Resolution of Appreciation—Robert W. Middlebrooks

Robert W. Middlebrooks (North Texas): Bishop Pope, I realize the hour is late, but this word must be said. I rise for a matter of very high privilege. You here are fully aware of the countless hours of work and planning which Bishop Kenneth Pope and Bishop Noah W. Moore as Co-Chairmen of the Local Committee have invested in the proceeding of this Conference. Countless numbers have labored behind the scene to make this Conference effective, but we could not have accomplished this without the inspired leadership and dedication of these two dedicated servants of the church. Bishop Pope's skill and leadership have been displayed this morning in his handling of the proceedings of this first historic session of The United Methodist Church. This is only an indication of the imagination and creativity which he gives to the Dallas-Fort Worth Area. We give thanks to God for his vigorous leadership and we believe the Conference would like to join us in our hearty appreciation and gratitude for his distinguished churchmanship.

Bishop Pope: Thank you very much. Naturally I don't object to that.

I think you would let me say a word or two here. We are getting near the motion for adjournment, a few final items. I think you would know what a joy it is for me to be in this chair now. I am here really because of the Dallas-Fort Worth Area which has so loyally and so generously backed the preparation for this Conference. Nevertheless, it is a high honor for me. I want to remind you, brethren, that it is not often that one bishop presides over an entire General Conference. I think only Francis Asbury has done it before. In dark days I will remember this, but I think it not inappropriate in an ecumenical day for a Pope to preside at least for a while.

It is a great joy to have had you here. If you appreciate what we have done, let us assure you being the kind of folks you are, it has been a great joy to do it for you and with you. I am grateful for this personal privilege of this personal word at this time.

Resolution of Appreciation—Kenneth B. McIntosh

The following resolution, submitted by *Kenneth B. McIntosh* (Hong Kong Provisional Conference—OS), was adopted without reading.

“WHEREAS BISHOP AND MRS. HAZEN G. WERNER have been a part of the life and work of the Hong Kong-Taiwan Episcopal Area for there past four years, and

“WHEREAS the leadership of Bishop Werner has provided continuity in initiating and carrying through of the work in this area in an expanding and helpful manner, and

“WHEREAS Bishop Werner now comes to retirement age, and will therefore not be with us in the future,

“THEREFORE we of the Hong Kong-Taiwan Area wish to express our deep appreciation to both Bishop Werner and to COSMOS for this labors in these past years as our Bishop, and also wish to commend COSMOS for guidance and aid in the growth of our church in that area.

“FURTHERMORE, we wish to welcome BISHOP T. OTTO NALL as our new Episcopal leader for these next four years, as we seek to move forward in witness and service.”

Privilege Resolution—William C. Vaughan

William Vaughan (Virginia): For a short resolution. Whereas we have had a great Uniting Conference, I want to resolve that we each and everyone go home in love and dedication and enthusiasm for this great church of ours and serve God and promote Christ and his teaching to the best of our each and several abilities.

Privilege Statement—Mrs. E. Moore Decker

Mrs. E. Moore Decker (Texas—SC) recommended that less words be used to say what is said.

Resolution of Appreciation—J. Clinton Hawkins

J. Clinton Hawkins (Missouri-East): We in Missouri, not only the delegates from the two conferences, but all Missouri Methodists are proud of our bishop for his leadership, not only in our church, but the ecumenical church. Now we take pride in his present position as president of The United Methodist Council of Bishops, so we pay tribute to him and in this way at this hour and invite the rest of the members of the General Conference to join us in this word of appreciation of Bishop Eugene M. Frank.

Bishop Pope: If you will do so you will express your appreciation by applause.

Request to Concur with Petition—William Veale

William Veale (New York): My work is highway safety. While we have been here in this Conference, 1,936 people have been killed and 55,600 people have been injured on our highways. Drive carefully going home; 55 per cent to 70 per cent of our accidents are due to drinking drivers, don't drink and drive—and don't have traffic violations. Last year there were 30,000 arrests for traffic violations, and one out of four thousand arrests for each violation. Mr. Chairman, we

have prepared a report of traffic accidents for 1967 with our report of petition 788. I move that they be reported in the *Christian Advocate* along with the approval and concurrence of our petition.

Bishop Pope: All right, is there a second? Any discussion? If you will so order lift the hand. Opposed, lift the hand. I am afraid it doesn't get in.

Motion Concerning Resolutions—A. E. Wilken

A. E. Wilken (Iowa): This will go on forever. I move that if there are any more resolutions of appreciation that they be written out and handed in and we go on with whatever is necessary business.

Bishop Pope: After that expression I don't think we will have any trouble.

The following two resolutions were submitted:

"The Michigan Area Delegates of The United Methodist Church were proud of the able way in which Bishop Dwight E. Loder chaired the Morning Session of the Uniting Conference on April 30, 1968. He has given able, creative and courageous leadership to our Area and we are thankful for him. Mrs. Dwight (Mildred) Loder is a "queen" and beloved by all. This dedicated couple challenge all of us to a deeper commitment to Christ and His Church and we are confident that we shall move forward, in The United Methodist Church, with them." (Jesse DeWitt, Detroit Annual Conference Delegation)

"The members of the Portland Area wish to express their appreciation for the faithful services of Bishop Glenn R. Phillips who was called out of retirement to serve us in our needs. He has given active and consistent leadership for the last year of this Quadrennium." (Earl Riddle, Oregon-Idaho-Alaska)

Motion to Adjourn—Thomas Clay

Thomas Clay: I move here, Mr. Chairman, that following the necessary announcements and the final message by Bishop Eugene M. Frank, that we do adjourn.

Bishop Pope: Is there a second? If you will so order adjournment following the message of Bishop Frank and the benediction, you will lift a hand. Down. Opposed, lift a hand. And it is so ordered. Now we come to the moment of the final word from the President of the Council of Bishops, Bishop Eugene M. Frank of St. Louis. Bishop Frank, we hear you sir.

Closing Statement—Bishop Eugene M. Frank

Bishop Eugene M. Frank: Our work and worship here is ended. We came to Dallas with the prayers of Christians all over the world that God Almighty would bring into being here an incarnational Church born of our earnest effort infused and transformed by the Holy Spirit.

We have known that a truly catholic, truly reformed and truly evangelical Church could only be God's gift to our waiting and obedient lives. So, we have been under a Divine commission to structure this small part of the BODY OF CHRIST in such a way that the word of God in Christ would be made real to the world so that many

would see the mission of Jesus Christ to the whole man and the whole world in and through this new church.

Today ends our opportunity to shape the form of this Church for two years. The next few months will test the materials we have used in the fires of experience. Conditions in our world of continuing and increasing crisis will test the authentic CHRISTLIKENESS of our fellowship in ways which only God knows. He alone can make us equal to the hour of our destiny.

With all of its inadequacies, this structure will suffice if we and all our fellow-members and clergy are determined to use it, not in anger or in fear, but in an honest effort to let God use this organization to one end: that Christ can become visible and tangible in the world. We need to realize that this humanly inadequate institution is God's only visible plan for the salvation of the world He has loved . . . that He has no other plan for telling the world that Jesus Christ is Lord. This humanly feeble structure is commissioned to go into the world, to reconcile brothers, to seek every separated, rejected, despised child of God and bring him into God's family.

When we reflect on this Uniting Conference, as we will do for months to come, we are going to see that our Wesleyan heritage burns its way through everything we do, sometimes in spite of our determination to put out the fire.

Our enthusiastic and pragmatic forefather, John Wesley, tested everything by its results in saving souls. He changed anything to make it more effective in extending God's kingdom. The FACADE we have built here has already been penetrated by the fire of inner compulsion, seeking ways to make real the mission and power of Christ. As United Methodists, we are victims of an evangelical enthusiasm to extend and enlarge God's family on earth. How we ought to thank God that he will not let us substitute form for spirit, organization for mission.

Reflection on this conference will teach us that the incarnational Church we desire must get its message and its mission from the New Testament.

The use of Matthew 5, 6, 7 in our Quadrennial Emphasis relates us to the oldest truth of Christianity. Christian living does not consist in abstaining from personal or social conduct that no gentleman would be guilty of anyway, BUT, rather, in doing those things which no one would ever dream of doing unless he was filled with the spirit and mind of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 5, 6, 7 save us from RELIGION. Through these passages Christianity has been saved from sterile, legalistic morality. We have been saved from practical atheism. These words of Jesus bring us to our knees before an impossible Christ who demands perfection, not casuistry or compromise. They cannot be studied without releasing a powerful imperative.

If The United Methodist Church dares to be obedient to these passages, she will pass through fires of persecution. She will be reviled and misunderstood. Some of her own members will be the first to drive nails into her body. But, this was the promise of our Lord. He also promised that whoever endured to the end would receive the crown of life. He invited us to follow him to Calvary for the sake of making God's love real to all men. He invites The United Methodist Church to mount by the way of the cross to a higher glory.

An incarnational church will get its mission and its message from the New Testament.

Look, too, at this fact: an incarnational church will get its agenda from the world. We learn this from Jesus. He got his order of business from the world. He walked down a road and a man cried, "MASTER, SAVE ME." He walked by the sea and there were fishermen with nets. He walked through a crowd and a woman touched him. He traveled to

Jericho and there was a man in a tree. He walked through the market and there was a prostitute about to be stoned to death. He went into the temple porch and they brought their sick. Wherever he went, the world was there with its business. Our new church must face the imperative of this fact. If we are an incarnational Church, we are committed to radical involvement in society. Jesus was and we cannot escape our clear commission.

You may be one of those who believe that the church has no business meddling with the world. There are Christians who do not believe the church should be involved in a sinful and sick society. They have no right to believe in this involvement because they do not really accept the manner of their own salvation. They do not accept their responsibility for the crucifixion of Jesus. They do not accept the way God Almighty involved himself in this almost unbelievable humbling, got his hands dirty in the grime and mud of our society, let passion and vengeance and pride drive nails into his body, endured shame and suffered death for our sake. Thank God with every breath you breathe that God was willing to be radically involved in our world to save us. We must risk our precious purity, too, in becoming radically involved in crisis, revolution, violence in order to make real at the place of the skull what God's love means for every man.

This radical involvement which we have not been able to escape out of our Wesleyan heritage is going to make the next few months incredibly difficult for us. We MUST secure the funds for our share in RECONCILIATION. But, we must understand clearly that there is no way yet found by which PRIVILEGE CAN SPEAK TO POVERTY without a radical involvement that reaches to the depths of IDENTIFICATION with the poor, the rejected, the despised.

The United Methodist Church suffers "middle-age spread." It is almost impossible for such a church to even hear the cries of the poor. When we do hear and try to respond, we do it with patronage, with pride, with obvious superiority. We have to learn that even we cannot hand a cup of cold water out of the window of a sleek Cadillac driving arrogantly through the slums. We cannot reconcile men to God with tear gas and machine guns. We had just as well face it right now . . . a truly incarnational church will be the message and mission of Christ in the world only by humble identification with those who suffer. God could not save us without this and we cannot be His living word in society without this.

Men can only be saved in fellowship. This was the way of Jesus. A church suffering from middle-age spread has nothing to say to poverty unless we find ways of deeper identification. "Middle-age spread" makes us completely happy with things as they are. Many a United Methodist will say publicly, "Why don't the poor settle down and be quiet?" This is a great nation and we never had it so good. And this is true for a great many people. But, if I say I love God and close my eyes and heart to these who never had a chance, I am a liar. If I want to be a Christian, if I want to accept God's love and forgiveness, I must radically involve myself in the sins of society to reconcile brothers.

No man is worthy to call this great segment of the BODY OF CHRIST to repentance and faith. But, through all you have done here, I can hear the Savior calling. If you listen, you will hear him, too. The fire of God's love is already burning through the facade we have built. Let the first burn. Let it consume every human barrier to brotherhood. Let it consume every human structure that is unnecessary. Let it burn away pride of position. Let it burn away pride of possession and race. Let it loose in the world that God may be God and the whole world be reconciled to Him through our Lord, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Adjournment

Hymn No. 184, "Make Me A Captive, Lord," was sung; Bishop William C. Martin gave the closing prayer and the benediction, and the 1968 General Conference of The United Methodist Church adjourned.

APPENDIX

HOLY COMMUNION

THE EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

and

THE METHODIST CHURCH

GENERAL CONFERENCES

Meeting in Joint Session

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 1968, AT 8 P.M.

DALLAS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

717 South Akard Street

Dallas, Texas

PRELUDE

Suite for Organ—In Praise of Merbecke *Alec Wyton*
 Prelude on the Kyrie
 Fugue on the Benedictus
 Meditation on Agnus Dei

THE OPENING HYMN (Congregation Standing)
“Praise to the Lord”

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the king of creation!
 O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salva-
 tion!

All ye who hear,
 Now to his temple draw near;
 Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously
 reigneth,
 Shieldeth thee under his wings, yea, so gently sus-
 taineth!

Hast thou not seen
 How thy desires e'er have been
 Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and
 defend thee;
 Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
 Ponder anew
 What the Almighty can do,
 If with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
 All that hath life and breath, come now with praises
 before him!

Let the Amen
 Sound from his people again;
 Gladly forever adore him. *Amen.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Congregation Standing)
Bishop Donald H. Tippett, San Francisco

Minister: Praise the Lord
Congregation: I will give thanks to the Lord with my
 whole heart.
Minister: Great are the works of the Lord.
Congregation: His righteousness endures forever.
Minister: He sent redemption to his people.
Congregation: From the rising of the sun to its setting,
 the name of the Lord is to be praised;

Minister: O magnify the Lord with me,

Congregation: And let us exalt his name together.

Psalms 111:1, 2, 4, 9; 113:3, 34:3

GLORIA PATRI (Congregation Standing)

Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son,

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning,

is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. *Amen.*

INVOCATION (Congregation Standing)

Bishop Reuben H. Mueller, Indianapolis

Minister: The Lord be with you

Congregation: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who has taught us when we pray, to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

THE LESSON FROM THE EPISTLE

Bishop Roy H. Short, Louisville

I am not ashamed of the gospel: it is the power of God for salvation to every one who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "He who through faith is righteous shall live."

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead

by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in the newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For he who has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. . . . So you must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. Do not yield your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but yield yourselves to God as men who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments of righteousness.

Romans 1:16-17; 5:1-2; 6:3-7, 11-13

HYMN

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

My faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day,
Be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!

Amen.

THE LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS

Bishop John Wesley Lord, Washington, D.C.

Jesus said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I tell you I shall not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves: for I tell you that from now on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; he

who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst. . . . I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he shall live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh. . . . For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him." . . . Many of his disciples, when they heard it, said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples murmured at it, said to them, "Do you take offense at this?" . . . It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no avail; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

Luke 22:15-19; John 6:35, 51, 55, 56, 60, 61, 63

THE ANTHEM

Bless the Lord, O my Soul

The Choir

Mikail M. Ippolitof-Ivanof

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Blessed art thou, O Lord. Bless the Lord and forget not all his benefits; Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy Name. He is full of compassion and mercy, long suffering and great in goodness. He will not always chide, nor keep his wrath, his wrath forever. Blessed art thou, O Lord.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich, Frankfort

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast built thy church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone, endow thy church with the spirit of truth and unity. Grant that all who confess thy holy name may abide in the truth and live in unity and godly love. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Christian ministers, that both by their life and doctrine, they may set forth thy true and living word, and faithfully administer thy holy Sacraments. Give thy heavenly grace to all thy people everywhere, we pray, and especially to this congregation here present, that with humble heart and proper reverence we may hear and receive thy holy word, and serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. We most humbly beseech thee, O Lord, to comfort all who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity. We bless thy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith, beseeching thee to give us grace to follow their good examples,

that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. In the name of Christ, our Savior and Lord, we pray. *Amen.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Congregation Standing)

Bishop James S. Thomas, Des Moines

Minister: Let us unite our voices in affirming our Christian faith, using the historic Apostles Creed of the church.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day he arose from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE OFFERING

Bishop Walter C. Gum, Richmond

ORGAN

THE ANTHEM

The Choir

Cantate Domino

Hans Leo Hassler

Now to the Lord we sing, singing a new song; oh sing unto the Lord, all the earth, and bless his name forever. Declare his glory, show forth his salvation daily. Sing of his glory to people of all the world. Let us sing of his glory forever.

THE SERMON

"The Communion of Saints"

Bishop Nolan B. Harmon, Atlanta

THE COMMUNION HYMN

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. *Amen.*

SELF-EXAMINATION

Bishop T. Otto Nall, Minneapolis

Minister: Hear these words of Holy Scriptures.

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

I Corinthians 10:16; 11:27-28

Let us examine ourselves with the words spoken by our Lord: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. . . . You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:30-31

Lord have mercy upon us.

Congregation: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister: Lord, write these laws upon our hearts.

Congregation: And help us to keep them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bishop Charles F. Golden, Nashville

Minister: Let us confess our sins.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the desires of our own hearts. We have transgressed against thy holy laws. We have left undone things that ought to have been done. We have done things that we ought not to have done.

O Lord, have mercy upon us. We are sorry for our misdoings. We do earnestly repent and ask thy forgiveness according to thy promises. Blot out our transgressions. Cleanse us from our sin. Create in us pure hearts.

Put a new and right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of thy salvation. To the glory of thy name, we pray.
Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Bishop Everett W. Palmer, Seattle

Minister: Hear these words of assurance

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *I John 7:8-9*

WORDS OF THANKSGIVING (Congregation Standing)

Bishop Fred P. Corson, Philadelphia

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord.

Congregation: It is meet and right to do so.

Minister: It is very meet and right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto them, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

Congregation: Therefore with angels and arch-angels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Congregation and Minister: *(to be sung by all)*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory;

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Bishop Eugene M. Frank, St. Louis

Minister: Let us come to the Lord's Table with a prayer.

Congregation and Minister: We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table, but we come with confidence that thou art the same Lord whose mercy is unfailling. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to partake of this sacrament, that we may walk in newness of life and grow in Christlikeness, that we may dwell in him and he in us. *Amen.*

CONSECRATION OF THE SACRAMENTAL ELEMENTS

Bishop Jose L. Valencia, Manila

Minister: Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, to suffer and die upon the cross for our redemption who made thereby the one offering of himself, a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world, and didst institute and in his holy Gospel command us to continue a perpetual memory of his precious death until his coming again, hear us as we pray. O merciful Father, of thy goodness bless and sanctify with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts of bread and wine, that we receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his passion, death and resurrection, may be partakers of the divine nature through him. *Amen.*

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ELEMENTS

Bishop Paul W. Milhouse, Kansas City

I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

I Corinthians 11:23-26

THE COMMUNION INVITATION: All you who do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and fellowship with your neighbors, and intend to live according to the commandments of God and walk from henceforth in his holy ways, draw near in faith and take this holy sacrament to your comfort, and make your humble confessions to Almighty God.

PARTAKING OF THE SACRAMENT

Minister (*with the giving of the bread*): The Lord Jesus Christ, who gave his body for thee, preserve thy soul into everlasting life. Take and eat this bread in remembrance that Christ died for thee. Feed on him in thy heart by faith with Thanksgiving.

Minister (*with the giving of the cup*): The Lord Jesus Christ, who shed his blood for thee, preserve thy soul unto everlasting life. Drink this cup in re-

membrance that Christ shed his blood for thee. Partake of him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

(The elements will be distributed to the congregation while in quiet meditation. When the plate of bread is received, hold it for the person who has passed it to you, in order that you may serve him, then pass it to the person seated next to you. While this person holds it for you, take bread and eat it, remembering that Christ died for you. When the tray of cups is received, hold it to serve the person passing it to you, then pass it to the person seated beside you, and while that person holds the tray for you, take a cup and drink, remembering that Christ shed his blood for you. Replace the cup. This plan for serving each other is symbolic of the mutual service of ministry which we provide one another, for we are "to be a holy priesthood" to "declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.")

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop Paul V. Galloway, Little Rock

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you

Congregation: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord.

Congregation and Minister: O Lord, our heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto thee, that all we who have been partakers of this Holy Communion may be filled with thy grace and heavenly blessing. And although we are unworthy, through our many sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

THE HYMN (Congregation Standing)

"God of Grace"

God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour. (*repeat*)

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
Free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the living of these days. (*repeat*)

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal. (*repent*)

Set our feet on lofty places,
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces
In the fight to set men free;
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor thee. (*repeat*)

Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore:
Let the search for thy salvation
Be our glory ever more.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
Serving thee whom we adore. (*repeat*) *Amen.*

THE BENEDICTION (Congregation Standing)

Bishop H. W. Kaebnick, Harrisburg

The peace of God which passeth all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love
of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the
blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you al-
ways. *Amen.*

THE POSTLUDE

Toccatà in D Minor

J. S. Bach

*This service of worship is based upon the Holy Com-
munion rituals of The Evangelical United Brethren Church*

and The Methodist Church, arranged by Bishop Paul W. Milhouse.

It is under the direction of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church and the Board of Bishops of The Evangelical United Brethren Church, with active participation of officers of both the Council and Board of Bishops and of the Jurisdictional Colleges of Bishops, and representation from the Central Conferences.

Those serving at the table are Bishop Newell S. Booth, Harrisburg; Bishop Dwight E. Loder, Detroit; Bishop Paul Hardin, Jr., Columbia; Bishop W. McFerrin Stowe, Topeka; Bishop R. Marvin Stuart, Denver; Bishop J. G. Howard, Pittsburgh.

Dr. James Evans of Kansas City is director of the choir, which is made up of members from choirs of The United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio (Aaron M. Shaffer, director), The Evangelical Theological Seminary in Naperville, Illinois (Eugene Wember, director), Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City, Missouri (James Evans, director), and Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, Texas (Carlton R. Young, director).

The organist is Mr. Phil Baker, director of music at the Highland Park Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas.

Sincere appreciation is expressed to the Rev. Tom Shipp, Pastor of Lover's Lane Methodist Church in Dallas, who had supervision of local arrangements for serving the Communion.

**Vote of the Annual Conferences of
The Evangelical United Brethren Church
on the Proposed Constitution of
The United Methodist Church**

North American Annual Conferences	Yes	No	Percentage
Florida	26	2	92.8
Kentucky	21	5	80.8
Rocky Mountain	72	3	96.0
Iowa	151	36	80.7
Indiana North	241	21	92.0
Montana	5	37	11.9
Wisconsin	197	14	93.4
Kansas	204	24	89.4
Michigan	215	12	94.7
Minnesota	103	32	76.3
West Pennsylvania	192	112	63.2

North American Annual Conferences	Yes	No	Percentage
Oklahoma-Texas	49	6	89.1
Susquehanna	318	125	71.8
West Virginia	55	104	34.6
Canada	60	14	81.1
Dakota	78	23	76.4
California	50	45	52.6
Northwest Canada	8	51	13.6
Ohio Miami	142	34	80.7
Eastern	324	112	74.3
Pacific Northwest	30	134	18.3
New York	48	1	97.9
Missouri	19	16	54.2
Ohio East	184	55	76.9
Virginia	50	65	43.5
Nebraska	123	18	87.5
Ohio Southeast	81	123	39.7
Illinois	271	49	84.7
Indiana South	203	88	69.7
Erie	28	108	20.6
Ohio Sandusky	166	120	58.0
Tennessee	26	16	61.9
North American Totals	3,740	1,606	69.9

Overseas Conferences

(Votes do not count in percentage of vote needed to amend Constitutional Law of The Evangelical United Brethren Church. They are listed here to produce a figure comparable to Methodist voting.)

Sierra Leone	39	0	100.
West Germany	87	0	100.
East Germany	74	0	100.
South Germany	115	15	87.9
Switzerland	84	12	87.5
Overseas Totals	399	27	93.7
GRAND TOTAL	4,139	1,633	71.7

Paul A. Washburn, *Executive Director*
 Commission on Church Union
 The Evangelical United Brethren Church

**Vote of the Annual Conferences of
 The Methodist Church
 on the Proposed Constitution of
 The United Methodist Church**

Annual Conference	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Agra	112	0	—
Alabama-West Florida	281	269	—
Angola			
Argentina	99	2	

Annual Conference	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Baltimore	667	0	—
Belgium	28	0	—
Bengal	63	0	—
Bolivia	45	4	—
Bombay	No Record		
California-Nevada	430	152	—
Central Alabama (C)	86	17	2
Central Congo	107	0	—
Central Germany	145	0	—
Central Illinois	489	36	—
Central Kansas	377	0	—
Central New York	238	7	—
Central Pennsylvania	344	3	1
Central Texas	403	3	—
Chile	57	0	—
Cuba	No Record		
Czechoslovakia	No Record		
Delhi	106	0	—
Denmark	35	0	—
Detroit	550	42	—
East China	No Record		
East Wisconsin	294	0	—
Florida (C)	97	0	—
Florida (SE)	763	80	—
Foochow	No Record		
Georgia (C)	101	37	—
Gujarat	No Record		
Hinghwa	No Record		
Holston	603	36	—
Hyderabad	83	0	—
Idaho	83	0	—
Indiana	379	4	—
Indus River	100	0	—
Kansas	264	7	—
Kentucky	290	3	—
Kiangsi	No Record		
Liberia	158	0	—
Little Rock	167	43	—
Louisiana (C)	115	0	—
Louisiana (SC)	189	264	—
Louisville	254	1	—
Lucknow	86	0	—
Madhya Pradesh	43	0	—
Maine	106	13	—
Malaya	60	0	—
Malaysia Chinese	63	0	—
Memphis	262	4	—
Michigan	338	0	1
Mid China	No Record		
Middle Philippines	105	0	—
Mindanao	59	1	—
Minnesota	342	12	—
Mississippi (C)	97	4	—
Mississippi (SE)	140	307	—
Missouri East	348	2	—
Missouri West	350	0	—
Montana	112	7	—
Moradabad	79	0	—
Nebraska	333	3	—

Annual Conference	Aye	Nay	Abstain
New England	219	27	—
New England Southern	165	3	—
New Hampshire	96	0	—
New Mexico	150	17	—
New York	505	14	—
North Alabama	418	282	—
North Arkansas	267	11	—
North Carolina	343	108	—
North Carolina-Virginia (C)	127	14	—
North China	No Record		
North Dakota	96	0	—
North Georgia	435	257	—
North India	103	0	—
North Indiana	476	11	—
North Iowa	412	28	—
North Mississippi	150	145	—
North Texas	424	28	—
Northeast Germany	40	0	—
North-East Ohio	782	13	—
Northern New Jersey	344	9	—
Northern New York	169	4	—
Northern Philippines	121	0	—
Northwest Germany	58	0	—
Northwest Indiana	312	2	—
Northwest Philippines	139	0	—
Northwest Texas	350	0	—
Norway	90	0	—
Ohio	816	268	1
Oklahoma	466	25	—
Oregon	197	52	—
Pacific Northwest	387	32	—
Peninsula	292	4	—
Philadelphia	360	28	—
Philippines	132	0	—
Poland	61	1	—
Puerto Rico Provisional	79	0	—
Rhodesia	No Record		
Rio Grande	103	1	—
Rock River	440	58	12
Rocky Mountain	334	1	—
Sarawak	68	0	—
Shantung	No Record		
South Carolina (C)	11	97	—
South Carolina (SE)	387	396	—
South Dakota	162	0	—
South Georgia	255	279	—
South Germany	167	0	—
South India	132	0	—
South Iowa	346	1	—
Southeast Africa	105	0	—
Southern California-Arizona	725	177	—
Southern Congo	49	0	—
Southern Illinois	284	3	—
Southern New Jersey	425	1	—
Southwest (C)	56	0	—
Southwest Germany	78	0	—
Southwest Texas	377	16	3
Sweden	163	0	—
Switzerland	133	1	—

Annual Conference	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Tennessee-Kentucky (C)	1	135	—
Tennessee	258	36	—
Texas (C)	179	0	—
Texas (SC)	495	6	—
Troy	269	0	—
Upper Mississippi (C)	87	0	—
Uruguay	39	2	—
Virginia	924	72	—
West China	No Record		
West Texas (C)	152	0	—
West Virginia	547	74	—
West Wisconsin	164	0	—
Western New York	245	1	—
Western North Carolina	907	52	4
Western Pennsylvania	665	41	—
Wyoming	223	2	—
Yenping	No Record		
Totals	31,061	4,198	24

I hereby certify that as of April 21, 1968, the total vote on the Proposed Constitution of The United Methodist Church as shown above is a true and correct record as reported to my office by the secretaries of the various conferences.

J. Wesley Hole, *Secretary*
The General Conference
The Methodist Church

(Key to abbreviations: C—Central Jurisdiction. SE—Southeastern Jurisdiction. SC—South Central Jurisdiction.)

DECISIONS
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Decision No. 246**In Re: Petition of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations for a Clarification of Decision No. 242 and a Declaratory Decision as to the Effect of Certain Paragraphs of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church on Elimination of Annual Conferences Based on Race.****DIGEST**

Paragraph 41 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church and Paragraph 9(C) of the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union permit, during the transitional period of twelve years, the continuation of overlapping Annual Conferences even though such be based on race. Nothing in our Decision No. 242 held or was intended to hold that any Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, by itself, would possess power to block the elimination of any Annual Conference based on race which would otherwise be terminated under the program outlined in Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation or other constitutional procedures undertaken to secure a racially inclusive church.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations at its meeting on October 1, 1967, voted unanimously to petition the Judicial Council for clarification of Decision No. 242 which the Commission felt had been widely misunderstood and misconstrued. It also requested a declaratory decision as to the interpretation and effect of Paragraphs 4 and 41 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council has jurisdiction under Paragraph 914.

Analysis

In our Decision No. 242 we found that the Enabling Legislation in the Plan of Union adopted by the 1966 General Conference has constitutional status as fully as the new Constitution in said Plan of Union and that they must be read and construed together. Paragraph 41 of the Constitution reads:

Paragraph 41. Art. VI—For a period of twelve years following union, Annual Conferences shall not have their names or boundaries changed without their consent; and during such period Annual Conferences formerly of The Evangelical United Brethren Church may in electing delegates to General, Jurisdictional, and Central Conferences and their Superintendents of Districts continue

their time-honored methods, the provisions of Division Two, Section VII, Arts. IV and V; Division Two, Section VIII, Art. IV; and Division Three, Art. IX, notwithstanding; *but nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the elimination of Annual Conferences based on race.* (Emphasis added)

Paragraph 9(C) of the Enabling Legislation reads as follows:

(C) Annual Conferences shall not, for a period of twelve years following union, have their names or boundaries changed without their consent. (Par. 41) (Constitution Division Two, Section VII, Art. VI.) This shall not prevent voluntary action by Annual Conferences and it is anticipated that most, and perhaps all, such Annual Conferences will have taken steps necessary to eliminate overlapping with other Annual Conferences substantially prior to the expiration of the specified time. At the end of the twelve years, if any such Annual Conferences still remain, authority to eliminate overlapping by the redefining of Annual Conference boundaries will vest in the Jurisdiction (Par. 24) (Constitution Division Two, Section IV, Art. V, Par. 4) or in the Central Conference (Par. 27) (Constitution Division Two, Section V, Art. IV, Par. 4), as the case may be; *but nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the elimination of Annual Conferences based on race.* (Emphasis added)

The essential question raised by the petition is whether, in light of these paragraphs and under our prior decisions, a twelve-year "veto" power will inhere in any Annual Conference of the new church to prevent a merger or other reorganization designed to eliminate an Annual Conference which is based on race. No possible question as to the exercise of such a veto power beyond twelve years can exist in light of the broad constitutional interdiction set forth in Paragraph 4 of the new Constitution.

It is clear to us that Paragraph 41 of the Constitution and Paragraph 9(C) of the Enabling Legislation were intended to assure the Annual Conferences of the Evangelical United Brethren Church that following merger of the two denominations they would not be hurried into mergers with Annual Conferences of The Methodist Church or into name or boundary changes, without their specific consent during the twelve-year interval. It seems equally clear that neither of the cited provisions extends this power so as to permit any conference to block the program which is described in Paragraph 9(A), (B), (D) and (E) of the Enabling Legislation, or any other constitutional procedure looking toward

the elimination of all Annual Conferences based on race. The final clause in the cited paragraphs specifically states ". . . nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the elimination of Annual Conferences based on race."

Our Decision No. 242 merely affirmed that Paragraph 4 of the new Constitution when read in the light of the Enabling Legislation did not forbid continuation of overlapping Annual Conferences even though one might be predominantly or exclusively of the Negro race and the other predominantly or even exclusively of another race. That decision *permits* the continuation of such a condition pending fulfillment and carrying out of the "step" program outlined in Paragraph 9(A), (B), (D) and (E) of the Enabling Legislation. We did not in Decision No. 242 state nor intend to state that any one Annual Conference of the new church would possess the power to block unilaterally the elimination of an Annual Conference which is based on race.

Our Decision No. 85 was based on the Constitution of The Methodist Church as it existed at that time. We therein held that a transfer of a local church of the Central Jurisdiction into an Annual Conference of a regional jurisdiction would effect a "change of boundaries" viewed from a racial standpoint, therefore necessitating the approval of both Jurisdictional Conferences involved, under then existing constitutional requirements. While certain Annual Conferences which were established on the basis of race may continue to exist for the immediate future, race may no longer be used as a basis for establishing new Annual Conferences or other units within the church. We are dealing here with a new Constitution, which has made obsolete the concept that race may be a factor in the determination of boundaries. This is the clear effect of the provisions of the new Constitution to which we have referred.

Decision

No Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church may unilaterally block the elimination of an Annual Conference based on race, even during the twelve year transitional period, if such elimination be in accord with the program outlined in Paragraph 9(A), (B), (D) and (E) of the Enabling Legislation or pursuant to any other constitutional procedure undertaken to secure a racially inclusive church.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 247

In Re: Petition from the Holston Conference for a Declaratory Decision Concerning the Responsibility to Assure that the Provisions of Paragraph 127, Sub-Paragraph 1, of the Discipline Are Followed

DIGEST

Paragraph 127, sub-paragraph 1, of the 1964 Discipline is clear and unambiguous and the petition for a declaratory decision thereupon is denied.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

On May 27, 1966 the Holston Annual Conference adopted the following resolution:

“RESOLVED by the Holston Annual Conference of The Methodist Church that its President cause to be prepared, submitted and served in the manner provided for in Paragraphs 914 and 918 and otherwise of The Discipline a petition requesting a ruling from the Judicial Council in the nature of a declaratory decision on the following question:

On whom, and in what order, devolves the progressive responsibility to assure that the provisions of Paragraph 127, sub-Paragraph 1, of The Discipline are followed as therein provided?”

Jurisdiction

Under Paragraph 914 of the Discipline the Judicial Council has authority to make a ruling in the nature of a declaratory decision as to the “meaning, application and effect” of any act or legislation of the General Conference that appears to be “subject to more than one interpretation, or when any paragraph or paragraphs of the Discipline seem to be of doubtful meaning or application.” Any Annual Conference may file a petition seeking such a declaratory decision “on matters relating to Annual Conferences or the work therein.” Since Paragraph 127 of the Discipline relates to the care of church members in a local church it might well be held that said Paragraph relates to the work within an Annual Conference. However, we do not find that the provisions of Paragraph 127, sub-Paragraph 1, are subject to more than one interpretation or of doubtful meaning or application. Rather, it appears to us that the Paragraph in question is clear and unambiguous. We, therefore, decline to take jurisdiction.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 248**In Re: Ruling of Bishop Jose L. Valencia Concerning the Legality of the Presidency of Bishop Shot K. Mondol in the Philippines Central Conference and the Legality of the Proceedings of that Conference.****DIGEST**

Bishop Shot K. Mondol had the legal right to preside over the Philippines Central Conference at its session on February 17, 1967. The proceedings of that Central Conference are legal and effective. The ruling of Bishop Jose L. Valencia in this case is affirmed.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Under the provisions of Paragraph 424 the Council of Bishops assigned retired Bishop Shot K. Mondol to episcopal supervision in the Manila Area of the Philippines Central Conference.

Bishop Mondol presided at the session of the Philippines Central Conference on Friday, February 17, 1967. On the following day Ezekias G. Gacutan, a lay delegate of the Conference, presented a written request to Bishop Jose L. Valencia for an episcopal ruling as follows:

- "1. Is the presiding of retired Bishop Shot K. Mondol over this Central Conference legal and contrary to the expressed authority granted by the General Conference to retired Bishop?
2. Are the actions and proceedings taken, acted, or done by this Philippines Central Conference during the time this retired Bishop presided, legal and effective, or illegal and without effect?"

On February 18, 1967, Bishop Valencia responded to the request for a ruling. After setting forth the facts as stated above, Bishop Valencia's ruling was as follows:

- "1. Paragraph 424 of the 1964 Discipline, states:

In the case of an emergency in a Central Conference through the death or expiration of term of service or any other disability of a bishop, the Council of Bishops may assign one of its number to furnish the necessary episcopal supervision for that field.

- "2. Paragraph 436. 5. states:

A bishop who has been retired under §1, §2, or §3 may, on vote of the Council of Bishops, be appointed to take charge of an episcopal area, or parts of an area, in case of the death, resignation, or disability of the resident bishop or because of judicial procedure . . .

- "Acting under these two provisions of the 1964 Discipline, the Council of Bishops reactivated Bishop Shot K. Mondol and assigned him to the vacant Manila Area.

- "3. Paragraph 437. 1. states:

. . . In case, however, a retired bishop shall be appointed by the Council of Bishops to take charge of a vacant episcopal area, or parts of an area, under the provisions of ¶436.5, he may preside over sessions of an Annual Conference, Provisional Annual Conference, or Mission, make appointments, and participate and vote in the meetings of the bishops.

"A retired bishop who is reactivated by this provision fulfills the functions of an active bishop.

RULING

"I, therefore, rule that Bishop Shot K. Mondol, having been reactivated by the Council of Bishops to take charge of the vacant Manila Area is, for the time being, one of the active bishops of the Philippines Central Conference and, as such, is entitled to share the chair. The question of the right of Bishop Mondol to the chair does not validate or invalidate the action of the Central Conference in acting on the report of the Committee on Episcopacy.

"This ruling was given in the afternoon session, Saturday, February 18, 1967.

JOSE L. VALENCIA
Presiding Bishop"

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council has jurisdiction under Paragraph 547 of the 1964 Discipline.

Analysis

The authority for the appointment of Bishop Mondol to episcopal supervision of the Manila Area is fully covered in Paragraph 424 of the 1964 Discipline.

The question arises only concerning the right of Bishop Mondol to preside at a session of the Philippines Central Conference, and the effect of his presidency upon the legality and effectiveness of the acts of the Central Conference under his presidency.

We believe the intent of the bishop's ruling to be correct but call attention to other disciplinary provisions which serve to enforce his ruling. Paragraph 437.1 states in its first sentence that retired bishops "may take the chair temporarily in any conference if requested to do so by the bishop presiding." It seems clear that in view of Bishop Valencia's ruling, Bishop Mondol was presiding with his approval and implied request.

Paragraph 20.5 of the Discipline, Section VI of the Constitution, "Episcopal Administration in Central Conferences," states:

"The Council of Bishops may assign one of their number to visit any Central Conference. When so assigned the bishop shall be recognized as an accredited representative of the general church; and when requested by a majority of the bishops of a Central Conference may exercise therein the functions of the episcopacy."

This provision of the Constitution applies to any bishop, effective or retired, who is in a Central Conference under the authority and appointment of the Council of Bishops, and makes it possible for him to exercise episcopal functions when requested by a majority of the bishops of a Central Conference. This limiting condition was fulfilled by the approval of Bishop Valencia who was at that time the only bishop of the Philippines Central Conference.

We call attention to the fact that, in affirming Bishop Valencia's ruling, the Judicial Council does not accept all of his reasoning and deductions. For example, we do not find any authority for the "reactivation" of a retired bishop by the Council of Bishops. Nor do we share the bishop's view that Bishop Mondol "is, for the time being, one of the active bishops of the Philippines Central Conference." The special appointment of a retired bishop to supervision in a Central Conference does not alter his relationship as a retired bishop. He is simply a retired bishop under special appointment and derives his authority through disciplinary provisions covering such appointment.

We are, therefore, in agreement with the general purport of Bishop Valencia's ruling in this case, and with the reservations referred to above it is hereby affirmed.

Decision

It is the decision of the Judicial Council that the presidency of Bishop Shot K. Mondol in the Philippines Central Conference on February 17, 1967, was legal and the proceedings of that conference under his presidency were legal and effective. The ruling of Jose L. Valencia in this case is hereby affirmed, subject to the reservations noted above.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 249

In Re: Petition from the Western North Carolina Annual Conference for a Declaratory Decision Concerning the Meaning of Paragraph 325.3(1)

DIGEST

The 1964 Discipline, Paragraph 325.3 does not require a candidate thereunder for admission on trial for the ministry to have earned the requisite college credits from a college accredited or approved by the University Senate.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

At the request of its Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications the Western North Carolina Annual Conference in its session of June 7, 1967 approved the following request for a declaratory decision from the Judicial Council:

"An Approved Supply in our Conference, applying for Admission on Trial under Discipline, Par. 325.3 has more than sixty hours of credit from a college not approved by the University Senate. The Board respectfully requests the Annual Conference to appeal to the Judicial Council for a declaratory decision as to whether the 'sixty hours of college credit' referred to in Par. 325.3(1) necessarily means credit from a college approved by the University Senate. That is, were the words 'accredited or approved by the University Senate,' as found in Par. 325.2 intentionally omitted from Par. 325.3(1)".

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council has jurisdiction to hear and determine this appeal under the provisions of Paragraph 914 of the Discipline.

Analysis

The question raised by this petition for declaratory decision is whether the words "accredited or approved by the University Senate" included in Discipline Paragraphs 325.1 and 325.2 are to be construed as being words intended to be part of subsection 325.3. We think not.

Paragraph 325 of the Discipline establishes the special conditions upon which an Annual Conference may admit on trial a candidate for the ministry who shows special promise, but who does not qualify under Paragraph 323. The three sub-Paragraphs of Paragraph 325 state the "special conditions" which apply to three separate categories of candidates. These special conditions vary in each category and were designed to fit the circumstances of each category. Under the clear wording of Paragraph 325.3 a candidate falling in that category in order to qualify must have earned sixty semester hours of college credit, but there is no requirement in subparagraph 3 that such credit must be earned by the candidate at a college accredited or approved by the University Senate as is required in subparagraph 2 of said Paragraph 325.

We believe that the legislative history of the questioned paragraph confirms our conclusion.

Decision

The 1964 Discipline, Paragraph 325.3 does not require a candidate thereunder for admission on trial for the ministry to have earned the requisite college credits from a college accredited or approved by the University Senate.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 250

In Re: Petition of the North Carolina Annual Conference for a Ruling Concerning the Legality of Filing Liens Against a Minister's Pension Annuity to Cover Unpaid Balances in Apportionments for the Conference Pension Fund and of Levying Interest Upon Such Unpaid Balances

DIGEST

Paragraphs 1624 and 1634 of the *Discipline* which provide for the filing of a lien by an Annual Conference against the annuity of a minister who is a conference claimant to cover unpaid balances in apportionments for a Conference Pension Fund, the withholding of annuity payments to cover such lien, and the levying of interest upon such lien are constitutional and lawful.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

At the 1966 session of the North Carolina Annual Conference, Item 5 of Report I of the Conference Board of Pensions contained this sentence, "Beginning with the Conference year 1966-67, those ministers failing to make payment in full toward the Conference Claimants Fund shall have a lien filed against their pension: see Paragraph 1624.3, 4, 5 and 1634."

At the 1967 session of the North Carolina Annual Conference, Item 3 of Report I of the Conference Board of Pensions read, "We remind the ministers of this Conference that the Board of Pensions is enforcing Paragraph 1634 and 1624. 3, 4, 5; which states that any Charge which does not make payment of its apportionment in full, a lien will be filed against that minister's pension annuity, and the proportionate part of this unpaid balance will be withheld from his pension at the time of his retirement."

A motion was made to delete this Item of the report and a substitute motion was adopted which read as follows:

"I move that the provision for the filing of liens against the minister's pension annuity to cover the unpaid balance of the Church's apportionment for the Conference Pension Fund, and the provision for levying interest against said unpaid balance be referred to the Judicial Council with the request that it rule upon their legality, and that enforcement of these provisions by the Conference Board of Pensions be delayed until ruling has been made."

Jurisdiction

This request for a ruling constitutes a petition for a declaratory decision under Paragraph 914 of the *Discipline* and the Judicial Council has jurisdiction.

Analysis

The first question in the petition concerns the legality of liens against a minister's pension annuity to cover unpaid balances of apportionments from Charges in the years in which he has been the appointed pastor.

Paragraph 1624, section 1, of the *Discipline* on "Proportional Payment" reads:

"When the apportionment to the pastoral charges for the support of conference claimants and for the Ministers Reserve Pension Fund has been determined . . . payments made thereon by each pastoral charge shall be exactly proportionate to payments made on the salary or salaries of the minister or ministers serving it."

Section 3 of this same Paragraph reads:

"The treasurer of the pastoral charge shall be primarily responsible for the application of §1 of this paragraph; but in the event of his failure to apply it, the pastor shall adjust his cash salary and the payment according to the proper ratio, as provided above, before he enters the respective amounts in his statistical report to the Annual Conference. . . ."

Section 4 of this same Paragraph reads:

"The Conference Board of Pensions shall render a statement annually to all ministers of the Conference who have failed to observe the provisions of this paragraph, indicating the amounts in default for that and all preceding years. Copies thereof shall be sent to the clearinghouse of the general board, and the information contained thereon shall be recorded upon the service records of the individual ministers concerned."

It is clear that these provisions of the *Discipline* consider unpaid balances of charge apportionments for conference claimants which are due to defaults in proportional payment to be an indebtedness against the appointed pastor of the charge, to be noted by the Conference Board of Pensions and recorded on his service record in the clearinghouse of the general board, and even pressed upon him when he transfers to another Conference (Paragraph 1634.2a).

Paragraph 1624, section 3, of the *Discipline* which was quoted above as it related to a minister's duty to obey the rule of proportional payment, adds this sentence:

"And, on retirement, amounts in default shall be deducted from his annuity as provided in Paragraph 1634.1."

This seems to make mandatory the withholding of annuity payments to cover an indebtedness against a minister resulting from failures in proportional payments to con-

ference claimant apportionments. It refers, however, to the provisions of Paragraph 1634.

Paragraph 1634, section 1, entitled "Liens on Annuities," reads as follows:

"Whenever a conference claimant shall be in debt to the Conference or any of its organizations on account of unpaid assessments, obligations, or pledges for the benefit of conference claimants, such debt shall constitute a lien on the annuity of the person involved, and the conference shall have power to appropriate and apply his or her annuity, or any part thereof, to the payment of such debt; provided, however, that not more than one quarter of the annuity payable by the conference in which the debt was incurred, or one quarter of the total indebtedness, whichever is greater, shall be appropriated in any year for such purpose, and provided, furthermore, that such power shall not be interpreted as applying to the settlement of other debts of a conference claimant."

This paragraph refers to a minister who is a conference claimant. It states that any indebtedness which may have accumulated against him for default in proportional payments on conference claimants apportionments constitutes a lien against his annuity at the time of his retirement.

Whether or not such a lien is exercised against the conference claimant and his annuity or part of it appropriated to be applied to cover such indebtedness, is clearly a decision for the Annual Conference to make. An Annual Conference "shall have power" to take this action. It is not mandatory but it is certainly legal. The non-vested and non-contractual nature of pension claims of the character here under consideration, and the right and discretion of the Annual Conference to grant or withhold, in whole or in part, benefits to conference claimants has long been recognized. (See Judicial Council Decision No. 81.)

Such power of an Annual Conference would certainly provide authority to levy interest on unpaid balances of conference claimants apportionments which are recorded as an indebtedness against a minister. Such authority is assumed by the *Discipline* in Paragraph 1634.3b where it is stipulated that such interest if charged shall be computed only at simple interest.

Decision

It is the decision of the Judicial Council that Paragraphs 1624 and 1634 of the *Discipline* concerning the personal responsibility of a minister in the matter of the propor-

tional payment on conference claimants apportionments, the recording of unpaid balances on such apportionments as an indebtedness against him personally, the enforcement of liens against his annuity, and the levying of interest against such unpaid balances, are constitutional and lawful.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 251

In Re: Request of the Council on World Service and Finance for Clarification of Decision No. 236

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Council on World Service and Finance at its meeting on November 10, 1966, requested the Judicial Council to "clarify its Decision No. 236 in respect to the effect of such decision upon pension benefits, if any, of all (a) former Central Conference bishops who have reached retirement age and whose last terms of office for limited terms of years have expired, and (b) the wives or widows and dependent children of such former bishops." A brief in support of the request and dated September 20, 1967, was submitted by Clarkson W. Loucks on behalf of the Council on World Service and Finance which raises additional and possibly related questions.

DIGEST

Clarification of our Decision No. 236.

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council assumes jurisdiction under Paragraph 914.

Analysis

There is no evidence that the General Conference has prescribed one rule for the retirement of bishops assigned to or elected by Jurisdictional Conferences and another for the retirement of bishops elected by the Central Conferences. It has permitted the Central Conferences to determine the length of tenure of their own bishops and, within limits, the age at which retirement must occur.

Decision No. 68 concerning which question was raised applies only to members of Annual Conferences in the United States who are elected to the episcopacy, since the Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund of The Methodist Church is restricted to the participation of such persons. All persons

elected by the Jurisdictional Conferences of the United States are elected to life terms.

We reaffirm in all respects our Decision No. 236. We believe the difficulties which this Decision seems to pose to the petitioner arise simply from a failure to understand and apply consistently the distinction between an episcopal election for a term of years and an election for life. A Central Conference may elect for a term of years or for life, but it may not choose to elect a bishop for an indeterminate term. This applies to the argument in the brief urging us to rule that a term bishop would continue in office beyond the number of years specified if his Central Conference failed to meet or, if meeting, failed to elect and consecrate a bishop for a new term. Nothing in Decisions Nos. 61, 80, 199 or 236, or in the applicable legislation was intended to suggest that a term of years could have engrafted on it any supplemental qualification which would in effect make it an indeterminate term. References therein to term bishops serving until the consecration of a successor or until the adjournment of a regular session of a Central Conference were *obiter dicta* and were included in those decisions only because they related to the usual course of events.

We believe that questions involved in the support and pension rights are not before us and we decline to deal with such hypothetically.

Decision

It is the decision that in all cases when the number of years for which a person has been elected to the episcopacy have elapsed, his term shall thereupon terminate.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 252

In Re: Ruling of Bishop James W. Henley in the Florida Annual Conference Concerning the Right of the Annual Conference to Determine the Maximum Amount Which a Local Church May Allow Its Pastor or Pastors as Reimbursement for Travel Expenses.

DIGEST

An Annual Conference is without disciplinary authority to place a limit upon the Quarterly Conferences of its local churches in their determination of amounts to be allowed their pastors as reimbursement for travel expenses.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

From the Journal of the Florida Annual Conference and other certified documents it appears that the conference at its session in 1959 (Journal, page 100) adopted an action determining a "maximum sum of \$600 as a fair limit for the pastor's travel and expense fund."

At the Quarterly Conference of St. Luke's Methodist Church in St. Petersburg, Florida, held March 16, 1966, a resolution was presented by its Commission on Stewardship and Finance as follows:

"1. The Commission on Stewardship and Finance, after consultation with the Committee on Pastoral Relations, moves herewith that the Quarterly Conference of St. Luke's Church establish a Fund of \$1,000 for the Senior Pastor, and of \$500 for the Associate Pastor, from which our ministers shall be reimbursed their actual recorded travel expenses in connection with their duties."

The presiding District Superintendent, C. Eugene West, ruled the resolution out of order because it violated the rule of the Annual Conference referred to above. Whereupon the Quarterly Conference voted to appeal the decision of the District Superintendent to the presiding bishop of the Annual Conference as provided in the 1964 Discipline, Paragraph 362.14.

This action was certified to the Annual Conference and the Judicial Council in a "Certification of Appeal" as follows:

"This certifies that the above Resolution was properly presented and ruled out of order by the District Superintendent in compliance with the action of the Florida Annual Conference ('59 Journal, p. 100) fixing an arbitrary limit of \$600 for travel allowances.

"The Quarterly Conference thereupon by unanimous vote appealed the ruling of the Superintendent to the Presiding Bishop for an episcopal ruling on Paragraph 148 which vests the power and directs the Quarterly Conference 'to fix the salary and other remuneration of the pastor, or pastors' so that St. Luke's Church could pay the actual, validated travel expenses of its pastor even though in excess of the limit fixed by the Annual Conference."

Signed by C. Eugene West, District Superintendent
Ellen Smith, Recording Steward, and
Albert Dale Hagler, Pastor

In response to this appeal Bishop Henley reported his decision to the Annual Conference as follows:

"Paragraph 148 of the Discipline provides that the Quarterly Conference 'shall fix the salary and other remuneration of the pastor or pastors.' In the Judicial Council Ruling #213 is an amplification of this Disciplinary paragraph which states: 'The Judicial Council holds that under the legislation cited above the authority to fix the salary and other compensation of the pastor rests solely with the Quarterly Conference.'

"A 1947 Ruling by Bishop William C. Martin and upheld by the Judicial Council states that 'an allowance for travel expenses to pastors is not to be regarded as supplementary compensation tending to defeat proportional payment . . . provided always that such item represents an actual expense for the purpose stated and is not a cover-up for additional salary paid to the pastor.' The implications inherent in this ruling are that travel expenses (which may be allowed by the Quarterly Conference in whole or in part) are not compensation but in fact reimbursement for the expenses entailed in the minister's pursuance of his pastoral duties.

"It is therefore to be concluded that the legislation of the Florida Annual Conference of 1959 setting a 'maximum' sum of \$600 as a limit for the pastor's travel and expense is in conflict with the Discipline and is therefore illegal."

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council has jurisdiction in this matter under Paragraph 909 of the 1964 Discipline.

Analysis

Paragraph 145.2 of the 1964 Discipline provides that the Committee on Pastoral Relations of a Quarterly Conference shall "consult with the pastor about adequate provision for his salary, housing, and travel and other expenses and recommend to the Commission or Commissions on Stewardship and Finance and the Official Board or Boards the amounts agreed upon."

Paragraph 215.2 of the 1964 Discipline requires the Official Board of the local church to "recommend to the Quarterly Conference at the session next preceding the Annual Conference the salary and expenses of the pastor, and of the associate pastor or pastors, if any."

Paragraph 148, referred to in Bishop Henley's ruling and by the Judicial Council in its Decision No. 213, provides that the Quarterly Conference "shall fix the salary and other remuneration of the pastor or pastors." By reference to the above quoted provisions of the Discipline, it seems evident that the broad term, "other remuneration," is intended to include reimbursement for travel expenses of pastor or pastors.

In Decision No. 213 we held that "the authority to fix the salary and other compensation of the pastor rests solely with the Quarterly Conference."

In the same decision the Judicial Council pointed out that "the Annual Conference has disciplinary authority to make its own procedural rules but in doing so may not invade the authority granted to other bodies by the Constitution or by the legislation of the General Conference."

We hold that the action of the Florida Annual Conference fixing a "maximum sum of \$600 as a fair limit for the pastor's travel and expense fund" is such an invasion of the powers and authority of the Quarterly Conference granted to it by the General Conference.

Decision

It is the decision of the Judicial Council that an Annual Conference is without disciplinary authority to place a limit

upon the amount which may be allowed by a Quarterly Conference as reimbursement for travel expense for its pastor or pastors.

The ruling of Bishop James W. Henley in this case is hereby affirmed.

October 27, 1967

Decision No. 253

In Re: Consolidated Petitions for a Declaratory Decision Concerning the Consequences Under Amendment IX of the Vote Taken By Annual Conferences on the So-Called Omnibus Resolutions Submitted to Them By the 1966 Session of the General Conference Insofar as Those Resolutions Purported to Authorize the Transfer of Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into Other Jurisdictional Conferences and the Merger of Certain of Such Annual Conferences With Annual Conferences of Other Jurisdictions.

DIGEST

The North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction has voted by the requisite majority to transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to merge with the Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction; and the said three Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, by aggregate vote, have given the requisite approvals, as have the several Annual Conferences of the Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions not directly involved in the merger.

The Central Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Upper Mississippi Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction have voted by the requisite majorities to transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Likewise, the Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction have voted by the requisite majorities to transfer into the South Central Jurisdiction.

The several Annual Conferences of the Central, Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions have given their consents to the foregoing transfers by the requisite aggregate majorities. The transfers will become effective upon announcements by the respective Colleges of Bishops that the transfers have been approved in the manner mandated by Amendment IX.

Upon completion of the merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction with the Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, a delegate elected by the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference to the General Conference and the Central Jurisdictional Conference will become a delegate to the General Conference and to the 1968 session of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference from that one of the three receiving Annual Conferences with which such delegate is affiliated by church member-

ship or Annual Conference relation after the transfer and merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference.

Delegates elected to the General or Jurisdictional Conference of 1968 by Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction which transfer into the Southeastern or South Central Jurisdiction prior to the date of the General or Jurisdictional Conference of 1968 will continue to be delegates to General Conference from the Annual Conference which elected them and will be delegates to the 1968 session of the Jurisdictional Conference into which their Annual Conference has transferred.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

We have before us four petitions for declaratory decisions, one each from (1) the Committee on Interjurisdictional Affairs of the North Carolina-Virginia Conference of the Central Jurisdiction; (2) the Central Jurisdictional Conference; (3) the College of Bishops of that Conference; and (4) the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations of the General Conference.

In substance, each requests an interpretation of the legal effect under Amendment IX of the votes taken by the several Annual Conferences of the Central, Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions at their 1967 sessions on a series of resolutions submitted to all Annual Conferences by the 1966 session of the General Conference (hereinafter referred to for convenience as the "Omnibus Resolutions"), particularly as they relate to the transfer of Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern or South Central Jurisdiction and to the concurrent agreement on terms of merger of two of such Annual Conferences into Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction with which they are geographically identified.

The Omnibus Resolutions read as follows:

"1. By the adoption of this Resolution each Annual Conference, each Jurisdictional Conference, the General Conference, each College of Bishops and the Council of Bishops pledge their best efforts to eliminate as soon as possible all forms of racial structure from the organization of The Methodist Church, and further pledge to do everything possible to develop greater understanding and brotherhood in all aspects of church life and work.

"2. Each Annual Conference and Jurisdictional Conference which has been part of a merger of churches or Conferences formerly separated by racial distinctions pledges its best efforts to work out all remaining adjustments, to use the ability of both clergy and laymen wherever they can be most effective in the work of the Church, and to serve all people without regard to race.

"Where such mergers have not yet been realized, each such Conference expresses its earnest determination to work toward such merger at the earliest possible date and hereby pledges to establish a Committee on Inter-Conference Relations composed of an equal number of ministers, laymen and youth to implement the recommendations and resolutions of this report and recommendation of the Plan of Action for the elimination of the Central Jurisdiction adopted by the 1964 General Conference and that each board and agency of the Church be alert for opportunities to assist each Committee in every possible way.

"3. Whenever such mergers hereafter take place the continuing Annual Conference will:

a. Accept into its membership, with all the same rights, privileges, status and obligations, all ministerial members (whether on trial

or in full connection) appointed to charges located geographically within the continuing Conference, and all ministerial members under special appointment or retired ministerial members who hold Quarterly Conference membership in a local church located geographically within the boundaries of the continuing Conference.

b. Insofar as possible, the ministerial and lay persons now serving on boards and agencies of both of the merging Conferences shall serve during the current quadrennium on like or similar boards and agencies of the continuing Conference, and thereafter membership in all such Conference boards and agencies shall be open to all persons on the basis of their qualifications without regard to race. In the event any Disciplinary provision limiting the number of members of a board or agency should prevent the continuation of all members during the current quadrennium, the Cabinet shall determine which members shall continue, in the spirit of this Resolution, being careful to provide for a continuing representation of both of the former Conferences.

c. Within the boundaries of such a continuing Conference opportunities for spiritual and intellectual growth in Christian service shall be made available to all without regard to race or color. Such equal opportunities shall be provided particularly in such aspects of Conference programs as activities of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Wesleyan Service Guild, youth work, leadership training enterprises and the Board of Lay Activities.

"4. Upon the adoption of this Resolution by the *requisite* vote in the North Carolina-Virginia Conference, *each* of the Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia Conferences, *all* of the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and *all* of the Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference will be dissolved. Each church formerly part of the North Carolina-Virginia Conference shall thereupon be merged with and become part of the other of said Annual Conferences within the geographic bounds of which it is located.

"5. Upon the adoption of this Resolution by the requisite vote in the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference, in each of the Holston, Tennessee, Memphis, Kentucky and Louisville Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, in all of the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and in all of the Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, the Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conference will be dissolved. Each church formerly part of the Tennessee-Kentucky Conference shall thereupon be merged with and become part of the other of said Annual Conferences within the geographic bounds of which it is located.

"6. Upon the adoption of this Resolution by a 2/3rds vote of those present and voting in *each* of the Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, in *all* of the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, and in *all* the Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction, the bishop formerly serving the Southwestern Area of the Central Jurisdiction shall be transferred to the South Central Jurisdiction for residential and presidential service, and the Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas Conferences formerly part of the Central Jurisdiction will be Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction.

"7. Upon the adoption of this Resolution by a 2/3rds vote of those present and voting in *each* of the Central Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Upper Mississippi and South Carolina Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and in *all* of the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and *all* of the Annual Conferences of the

Southeastern Jurisdiction, the bishops who are then serving the Atlantic Coast and Nashville-Carolina Areas of the Central Jurisdiction shall be transferred to the Southeastern Jurisdiction for residential and presidential service, and the Central Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Upper Mississippi and South Carolina Conferences formerly part of the Central Jurisdiction will be Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. The transfer and merger of Conferences under paragraphs 4 and 5, and the transfer of Conferences under paragraphs 6 and 7 will be effective upon the close of a special session of the Central Jurisdictional Conference of 1967, and the Central Jurisdiction will thereupon be dissolved.

"8. By the adoption of this Resolution by the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictional Conferences and by the Colleges of Bishops of Southeastern and South Central it is determined that beginning in 1968 the episcopal residences and Areas will be so arranged that no Area will be composed solely of Annual Conferences formerly part of the Central Jurisdiction.

"9. By the adoption of this Resolution the Council of Bishops evidences its readiness to transfer bishops across Jurisdictional lines in order to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution, and the bishops individually affirm their readiness to serve wherever they can be of greatest use.

"10. *By the adoption of this Resolution each Annual Conference, each Jurisdictional Conference, the General Conference, each College of Bishops and the Council of Bishops express their determination to do everything possible to bring about the elimination of any structural organization in The Methodist Church based on race at the earliest possible date and not later than the close of the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1972. They further express their earnest determination to do everything possible to develop greater understanding and brotherhood in Methodism as well as in the world.*" (Italics added throughout)

Five of the Omnibus Resolutions (Numbers 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7) are specifically directed to the transfer of Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern or South Central Jurisdictions and to the terms on which such Annual Conferences are to be merged, either presently or "as soon as possible," with Annual Conferences of those jurisdictions with which they are geographically identified.

We are advised that the Annual Conferences of the Central, Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions (as well as all other Annual Conferences) voted on these resolutions as though they were a single resolution, rather than seriatim. The results of that voting by the above-mentioned Conferences are listed in Appendix 1 attached hereto.

Prior to the 1966 session of the General Conference, the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction had voted by the requisite two-thirds majority to transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to merge with the North Carolina, Western North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. The terms of such proposed transfer and merger are set out in a resolution, which will be referred to hereinafter as the "Durham Resolution," a copy of which is attached as Appendix 2.

Approval of such transfer and merger was voted by more than a two-thirds majority vote of the total Annual Conference members present and voting in the North Carolina, Western North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction at their spring meetings in 1966. The sufficiency of that vote was sustained by this Council in its Decision No. 245.

In the spring of 1967 all the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction approved the Durham Resolution by an aggregate affirmative vote of 902 to 329, more than the required two-thirds affirmative vote of the total Annual Conference members present and voting.

In the spring meetings of 1966, the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction adopted a resolution concerning the transfer and merger of Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction by an aggregate affirmative vote of 5,944 to 1,808. A copy of that resolution which will be referred to hereinafter as the "Southeastern Resolution" is attached hereto as Appendix 3.

In the spring meetings of 1967, the Omnibus Resolutions, previously quoted, were approved by the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction by an aggregate affirmative vote of 5,712 to 2,719; by an aggregate affirmative vote of 4,717 to 323 in the Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction; and by an aggregate affirmative vote of 1,145 to 360 in the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction. However, the Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction, which is one of the parties to the transfer and merger proposed by Omnibus Resolution 5, voted against the adoption of that and the remaining Omnibus Resolutions by a vote of 131 to 10.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is grounded on Paragraph 914 of the 1964 Discipline.

Analysis

This decision has to do with the transfer of certain Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions and to the merger of two of those Annual Conferences with Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction with which they are geographically identified.

The questions on which rulings are requested by each of the four petitioners are the following.

1. The Committee on Interjurisdictional Affairs of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction requests a decision that the necessary authorization has been given to permit that Conference to transfer from the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to merge with the North Carolina, Western North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction under the terms of the Durham Resolution so far as action by Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction is concerned and by the requisite approval of either the Southeastern Resolution or the Omnibus Resolutions by the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

2. The Central Jurisdictional Conference of 1967 requests a decision as to whether the votes cast by the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction favorable to the Durham Resolution, coupled with the votes of the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction favorable to the Southeastern Resolution constitute an authorization to the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction to transfer from that Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction and thereafter to merge with the North Carolina, Western North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.
3. The College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction requests a ruling that the Omnibus Resolutions are not legally effective to authorize a transfer of Annual Conferences out of the Central Jurisdiction because they were not approved by the requisite vote in *each* Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction.
4. The Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations of the General Conference requests a ruling that the Omnibus Resolutions have been legally adopted and therefore authorize (a) the transfer of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction and its merger with the Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and (b) the transfer of the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern or South Central Jurisdiction, with the exception of those three Annual Conferences (Tennessee-Kentucky, Georgia and South Carolina) that did not approve the said Resolutions by the required two-thirds majority vote.

The North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference Issue

The petitions of the Committee on Interjurisdictional Affairs of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference and of the Central Jurisdictional Conference of 1967 are both addressed to this issue and will be discussed together. Both request clarification of the status of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction in the light of the various votes taken on its transfer and merger.

In Decision No. 245 we held that the approvals of the three Annual Conferences with which the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference would merge had been sufficiently obtained. Since that decision, the remaining An-

nual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction have likewise approved this transfer and merger by adoption of the Durham Resolution by the required two-thirds majority.

The Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction have not voted on the Durham Resolution but have adopted both the Southeastern Resolution and the Omnibus Resolutions by an aggregate two-thirds majority of all Annual Conference members present and voting.

We do not regard adoption of the Southeastern Resolution by the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction as an approval of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and its merger with the three previously identified Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. The Southeastern Resolution is an unqualified invitation to the several Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction located within the geographic boundaries of the Southeastern Jurisdiction to transfer into that Jurisdiction, but its commitment to the merger of such Annual Conferences with Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction is conditioned upon negotiation of terms and timing to be worked out by joint commissions to the mutual satisfaction of the Annual Conferences concerned. It is essentially a two-step program and is therefore not to be treated as an unqualified acceptance of the transfer and merger program adopted by the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference in the Durham Resolution.

However, it is our decision that the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction gave their consent to the transfer of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and to its merger with three Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction by their adoption of Omnibus Resolution 4. The terms of these resolutions, previously quoted, are in all essential respects the same transfer and merger terms as are contained in the Durham Resolution.

It is urged upon us that Omnibus Resolution 4 required the approval of "each" of the merging Annual Conferences and "all" of the Annual Conferences of the Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions, a test it failed to meet. This suggestion overlooks a key word in the resolution, "requisite," as well as Amendment IX and our Decision No. 245. Omnibus Resolution 4 was adopted by the General Conference two days before the decision in No. 245 that an *aggregate* two-thirds majority vote in the Annual Conferences of the receiving Jurisdiction meet the requirements of Amendment IX. Hence, the "requisite" vote required to

approve Omnibus Resolution 4 was obtained. If anything more were required, it would amount to a legislative attempt to change the voting test laid down in Amendment IX.

While Amendment IX deals explicitly with the transfer of Annual Conferences from one Jurisdiction to another rather than the merger of Annual Conferences, this Council ruled by a majority vote in Decision No. 233 that a merger of Annual Conferences agreed upon and consummated as part of an agreement of transfer of an Annual Conference from one Jurisdiction to another should be treated as a part of the transfer, and that both were properly adopted under the procedures spelled out in Amendment IX. Consequently, under present circumstances consent is not required of the Jurisdictional Conferences to a change in the number and boundaries of the Annual Conferences involved in the transfer of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference and its merger with Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

We therefore conclude that the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction may transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and may merge with the North Carolina, Western North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, on the terms delineated in the Durham Resolution and reiterated in the third and fourth Omnibus Resolutions, contingent only upon announcement by the Colleges of Bishops of the two Jurisdictions that the required majorities have been obtained to effect the transfer and ensuing merger.

The proposed transfer of the Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern Jurisdiction and its merger with certain Annual Conferences of that Jurisdiction as proposed in Omnibus Resolution 5, is conceded by all concerned to have been defeated by the adverse vote of that Annual Conference on Omnibus Resolution 5.

The Effect of the Omnibus Resolutions

We next address ourselves to the conflicting positions taken by the College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction and the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations of the General Conference with respect to the adoption of Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7.

These resolutions were not adopted by the required two-thirds majority of Annual Conference members present and voting in the Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction. However, they were approved by the required majorities in

each of the eight remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction; namely, Central Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Upper Mississippi, Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas. Likewise, each such proposed transfer has been approved by the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction by their adoption of Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7 by an aggregate two-thirds majority vote. The Omnibus Resolutions likewise received an aggregate favorable two-thirds majority of the members voting in the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions.

The Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations takes the position that only the Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conferences are affected by their adverse votes, but that in all other respects, the approvals mandated by Amendment IX have been given for the transfers called for in Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7. The Commission concludes from this position that the Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction by their respective approvals of Omnibus Resolution 6 have voted to transfer into the South Central Jurisdiction; that in approving the same resolution by the requisite aggregate vote, the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction have given their consents to each such transfer; and that the Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction have voted, by the requisite aggregate majority, to receive these Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the South Central Jurisdiction.

The Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations likewise contends that the Central Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Upper Mississippi Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, in severally approving Omnibus Resolution 7, have voted to transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction; that in approving the same resolution by the requisite aggregate vote, the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction have given their consents to each such transfer; and that the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction have voted to receive these Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

These positions are contested by the College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction on the grounds that Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7, by their terms, must be approved by *each* Annual Conference and, three having failed to approve, the Resolutions are defeated in their application to any and all Annual Conferences.

With deference, we cannot accept this position as sound. Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7 call for an approving two-thirds vote in "each" of the Annual Conferences for which a transfer is proposed and in "all" of the Annual Conferences of the Central, Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions. As we read the resolutions, "each" of the Annual Conferences involved in the proposed transfers must approve before the transfer can be applicable to it. But when an Annual Conference gives approval of its own transfer, that decision is not subject to veto by the refusal of another Annual Conference to vote for its transfer. Each Annual Conference makes its own decision, subject only to the necessity of obtaining an aggregate two-thirds approving majority of all Annual Conference members present and voting in all of the other Annual Conferences of its Jurisdiction and in all of the Annual Conferences of the Jurisdiction into which it is transferring. This is consistent with Amendment IX. The approval of "all" of the other Annual Conferences must also be read in the light of Amendment IX, which calls for an aggregate two-thirds approving vote of Annual Conference members present and voting in *all* Annual Conferences not directly involved in the transfer. This is also the construction we place upon Omnibus Resolutions 6 and 7 and, if we read them otherwise, they would contravene Amendment IX.

We therefore conclude that the four Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction which are identified in Omnibus Resolution 6 (Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas) have voted to transfer out of the Central Jurisdiction into the South Central Jurisdiction and that the four Annual Conferences identified in Omnibus Resolution 7 (Central Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Upper Mississippi) have voted to transfer out of the Central Jurisdiction into the Southeastern Jurisdiction. We also conclude that the requisite approvals of the remaining Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and of the Annual Conferences of the South Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions have been given in each instance. By the terms of Amendment IX, the additional approval of the Jurisdictional Conferences is not required under these circumstances. These transfers can be effected as soon as the Colleges of Bishops of the affected Jurisdictions announce the results of the voting.

The Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee-Kentucky Annual Conferences remain in the Central Jurisdiction by reason of their failure to approve Omnibus Resolution 7 by the required majority. All other Annual Conferences of the Central and Southeastern Jurisdiction have given the re-

quired consents to their transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Hence, if any of the three Annual Conferences were to reconsider their vote on the Omnibus Resolutions, they could do so at any time before the United Methodist Church replaces our present Church.

The Commitment to Merge

The Omnibus Resolutions have been approved by the General Conference of 1966 and by almost all of the Annual Conferences of the Church. They represent the concern and the commitment of The Methodist Church that racial structures within the Church be ended as soon as possible. Likewise, they represent the acceptance of responsibility on the part of the entire Church to share in every effort of the Annual Conferences to achieve this result.

These resolutions were adopted by every Annual Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction by an aggregate vote of 4,717 to 323 and by the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction by an aggregate vote of 5,712 to 2,719.

Omnibus Resolution 10 includes the commitment that each Annual Conference is determined "to do everything possible to bring about the elimination of any structural organization in The Methodist Church based on race at the earliest possible date and not later than the close of the Jurisdictional Conferences of 1972." Omnibus Resolution 2 commits each Annual Conference not yet merged with its geographical racial counterpart "to work toward such a merger at the earliest possible date." And Omnibus Resolution 3 commits the Annual Conferences continuing after merger to three definite principles calculated to eliminate racial discrimination within the Annual Conferences.

We have no doubt that these commitments were influential in persuading the eight Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction to transfer at this time into the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions.

This places a responsibility upon all bodies involved in the adoption of Omnibus Resolutions 2, 3 and 10 to implement the commitments made therein as soon as possible. We have every confidence that it will be met in good spirit and in full measure and that the Annual Conferences will proceed to negotiate the details of merger—already agreed upon in preliminary form—in the same spirit of mutual accommodation and Christian brotherhood. For this reason we do not deem it necessary to decide the question whether a vote of Jurisdictional Conference concurrence on the merger of Annual Conferences is necessary where transfer has been effected in accordance with Amendment IX and the Omnibus Resolutions adopted.

Status of Elected Delegates

There remains only to determine the status of delegates elected by the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction to the General Conference and the Central Jurisdictional Conference. These delegates will become delegates to the 1968 sessions of the General Conference and the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference from that one of the three receiving Annual Conferences with which such delegate is affiliated by church membership or Annual Conference relation.

The same reasoning will be applicable if any of the eight remaining Annual Conferences which have voted to transfer out of the Central Jurisdiction should do so before the 1968 sessions of the General and Jurisdictional Conferences. The delegates from any such transferring Annual Conference will in each instance continue to represent such Annual Conference at the 1968 sessions of the General Conference and of the Jurisdictional Conference into which the Annual Conference has transferred.

Decision

All constitutional requirements have been met to permit the transfer of the North Carolina-Virginia, Central Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Upper Mississippi Annual Conferences from the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction; to permit the contemporaneous merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference with the Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction; and to permit the transfer of the Louisiana, Southwest, Texas and West Texas Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction into the South Central Jurisdiction. Such transfers and merger will become effective upon announcement of the authorizing votes by the Colleges of Bishops of the Jurisdictions affected.

Delegates from an Annual Conference which has merged with another Annual Conference will become delegates from the merged Conference, both to the 1968 General Conference and to the Jurisdictional Conference of which the merged Conference is a member.

February 5, 1968

Appendix 1

Record of Voting in The Central, Southeastern
and South Central Jurisdictions on the OMNIBUS RESOLUTIONS
entitled
"Resolution for the Elimination of the Central Jurisdiction
and

The Development of an Inclusive Church"
Spring and Summer, 1967

<i>Central Jurisdiction</i>		<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>			
Central Alabama	86	17	S. Carolina	364	434	
Florida	96	0	S. Georgia	221	239	
Georgia	83	54	Tennessee	258	40	
Louisiana	113	0	Virginia	721	260	
Mississippi	90	16	W. N. Carolina	849	86	
N. Carolina-Virginia	140	20	Total	5,712	2,719	
S. Carolina	35	121	<i>South Central Jurisdiction</i>			
Southwest	56	0			<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
Tennessee-Kentucky	10	131	Central Kansas	323	0	
Texas	179	0	Central Texas	324	2	
Upper Mississippi	90	1	Kansas	260	0	
West Texas	167	0	Little Rock	116	59	
Total	1,145	360	Louisiana	234	176	
<i>Southeastern Jurisdiction</i>		<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>			
Alabama-W. Florida	207	267	Missouri East	243	0	
Florida	620	108	Missouri West	345	0	
Kentucky	256	5	Nebraska	306	0	
Holston	505	16	New Mexico	144	33	
Louisville	228	0	North Arkansas	204	4	
Memphis	188	10	North Texas	406	14	
Mississippi	127	291	Northwest Texas	307	0	
N. Alabama	312	339	Oklahoma	492	18	
N. Carolina	308	162	Rio Grande	104	0	
N. Georgia	425	242	Southwest Texas	403	1	
N. Mississippi	123	170	Texas	506	16	
			Total	4,717	323	

Appendix 2

THE DURHAM RESOLUTION

entitled

"Resolution for the Transfer and Ultimate Merger of The North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference of The Central Jurisdiction of The Methodist Church with The Virginia Annual Conference, The North Carolina Annual Conference and The Western North Carolina Annual Conference of The Southeastern Jurisdiction of The Methodist Church."

"WHEREAS, it is the earnest hope of the membership of the Annual Conferences referred to herein that The Methodist Church shall become truly a racially inclusive church; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the membership of the Annual Conferences referred to herein to eliminate all forms of discrimination based upon race in The Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, the General Conference of The Methodist Church has urged that action be taken to bring about transfers and mergers of Annual Conferences from the Central Jurisdiction into the regional jurisdictions of The Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference has urged that invitations be extended to the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction lying within the boundaries of the Southeastern Jurisdiction to transfer into the Southeastern Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, we believe that the time has come when the churches and membership of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference

can be transferred into and subsequently merged with the other Annual Conferences referred to herein; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of all of the Conferences involved to adopt similar resolutions with reference to the transfer and merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference, by the adoption of this resolution in accordance with the provisions of Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, shall be deemed to have voted to transfer from the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

2. The other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, and The Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, by adoption of this resolution, in accordance with the provisions of the said Amendment IX shall be deemed to have voted to approve the transfer of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference from the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

3. The North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference, the North Carolina Annual Conference, the Virginia Annual Conference, and the Western North Carolina Annual Conference, by the adoption of this resolution agree that the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference, after it shall have been transferred to the Southeastern Jurisdiction, shall no longer continue to exist as a racially segregated conference; and the said conferences further agree to proceed with the merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference, with the North Carolina, the Virginia and the Western North Carolina Annual Conferences pursuant to the aforementioned Amendment IX.

4. By the adoption of this resolution the North Carolina Annual Conference, the Virginia Annual Conference and the Western North Carolina Annual Conference shall be deemed to have agreed to accept into their respective memberships, with all the rights, privileges, status and obligations as may be enjoyed by other members of said Conferences, the following persons:

(a) All ministerial members of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference (whether on trial or in full connection) appointed to charges located geographically within their respective boundaries.

(b) All ministerial members of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference (whether on trial or in full connection) under special appointment who hold their membership in a Quarterly Conference located geographically within their respective boundaries.

(c) All retired ministerial members of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference who hold their quarterly conference membership in a local church located geographically within their respective boundaries.

5. The ministerial and lay persons now serving on boards and agencies of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference shall serve during the current quadrennium on like or similar boards and agencies of the North Carolina Annual Conference, the Virginia Annual Conference, and the Western North Carolina Annual Conference, RESPECTIVELY. And said Conferences further agree that it is their intent and purpose that henceforth all of the boards and agencies of said conferences shall be racially inclusive.

6. The North Carolina, the Virginia, and the Western North Carolina Annual Conferences, by the adoption of this resolution, shall be deemed to have agreed that within their respective boundaries opportunities for spiritual and intellectual growth and Christian service shall be made available to all without regard to race or color. It is

agreed that such equal opportunities shall be provided particularly in such aspects of conference programs as activities of the W.S.C.S., W.S.G., Youth Work, Leadership Training Enterprises, and the Board of Lay Activities.

7. It is hereby agreed that wherever necessary existing congregations of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference shall be continued until such time as a more favorable climate has been created for the consideration of possible merger of congregations in close proximity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a vote on this Resolution for the transfer and merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference, and the votes of any and all other conferences of the Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions, shall revoke and render void any and all other votes taken heretofore, relating to the plans of merger of the North Carolina-Virginia Annual Conference. This Resolution shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by appropriate action on the part of one or more of the Annual Conferences referred to herein.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Secretary of this Annual Conference shall forward certified copies of this Resolution, together with a record of the voting thereon, to (A) the College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction, (B) the College of Bishops of the Southern Jurisdiction, (C) the secretaries of the other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, and (D) the secretaries of the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Appendix 3

THE SOUTHEASTERN RESOLUTION

entitled

“Plan for Completing the Elimination of the Central Jurisdiction within the Geographical Area of the Southeastern Jurisdiction in Accordance with the Recommendations of the 1964 General Conference”

WHEREAS, it is the established policy of The Methodist Church to dissolve its Central Jurisdictional Conference, and achieve racial inclusiveness at all levels of the church, and

WHEREAS, the 1964 General Conference recommended as the first step that the Annual Conference of the Central Jurisdiction transfer to the other jurisdictions within which they are geographically located and that the second step of merging such Annual Conferences with a record of the voting thereon, to (A) the College of Bishops a Jurisdictional matter to be worked out when such merger is mutually agreeable,” and

WHEREAS, the Central Jurisdiction and its Annual Conferences, and the Southeastern Jurisdiction and its Annual Conferences desire to take such actions, individually and conjointly, as will implement as expeditiously as possible the said policy of The Methodist Church, recognizing that the problems and procedures involved in the merger of the Annual Conferences transferred from the Central Jurisdiction to the Southeastern Jurisdiction differ in many material particulars in the several areas involved, and that the best interests of The Methodist Church, of both Jurisdictions and of all the Annual Conferences will be best served by the second step of merger being taken when the same is mutually agreeable to the Annual Conferences affected,

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, as follows:

1. That the adoption of this resolution, in accordance with the requirements of Section 2 of Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, by the following Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction shall constitute a vote of each to transfer to the Southeastern Jurisdiction:

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| (a) Central Alabama | (e) Upper Mississippi |
| (b) Florida | (f) North Carolina-Virginia |
| (c) Georgia | (g) South Carolina |
| (d) Mississippi | (h) Tennessee-Kentucky |

The same vote of each of the Annual Conferences named above shall constitute the required approval of the transfer of all the other said Annual Conferences to the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

2. That adoption of this resolution (in accordance with the requirements of Section 2 of said Amendment IX) by the other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, and by the Annual Conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction shall constitute a vote to approve the transfer to the Southeastern Jurisdiction of all of the Annual Conferences named in Section 1 hereof.

3. The adoption of *this resolution* by the Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction and the Southeastern Jurisdiction shall constitute an agreement that any one or more of the Annual Conferences named in Section 1 hereof may merge, at any time subsequent to transfer, with one or more other Annual Conferences in such manner or on such basis as will eliminate one or more racially segregated Annual Conferences, provided that the details of merger shall be formulated by joint commissions of the Conferences involved in the proposed mergers and approved by such Conferences prior to merger, with due consideration to the re-drawing of district boundaries, re-organization of boards and agencies, real and other properties, equal rights and status for all ministerial members (full and on trial and approved supply pastors), pensions and minimum salary. Following the transfer of the Annual Conferences named in Section 1, we pledge continued progress toward the merging of Annual Conferences at the earliest date mutually agreeable to the Conferences concerned.

4. That this resolution shall become effective upon:

(a) A vote of the Central Jurisdictional Conference to transfer the resident bishops of its Atlantic Coast Episcopal Area and its Nashville-Carolina Episcopal Area to the Southeastern Jurisdiction; and

(b) A vote of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference to approve the transfer of the bishops of the said Episcopal Areas into its College of Bishops for residential assignment by that Jurisdictional Conference.

5. That each Annual Conference's adoption of this resolution shall constitute an urgent request of the bishops of the Central Jurisdiction, the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and the South Central Jurisdiction to convene special sessions of their respective Jurisdictional Conferences prior to the 1968 General Conference, said sessions to be held concurrently and in the same city, for the specific purposes of:

- (a) Transferring and reassigning Central Jurisdiction bishops.
- (b) Dissolving the Central Jurisdictional Conference of The Methodist Church.

6. That the secretary of each Annual Conference of the Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions shall certify the records of voting on this resolution to each of the following bodies of The Methodist Church:

- (a) College of Bishops of the Central Jurisdiction.
- (b) College of Bishops of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.
- (c) College of Bishops of the South Central Jurisdiction.
- (d) Council of Bishops.

Decision No. 254

In Re: The Right of a Bishop to Appoint a Minister in the Effective Relationship with an Annual Conference to the District Superintendency or a Pastorate in Another Annual Conference Also under His Jurisdiction without Transferring the Minister from the First to the Second Annual Conference

DIGEST OF DECISION

A bishop has acted beyond his authority if he appoints a minister in the effective relationship with an Annual Conference to a pastorate or district superintendency in another Annual Conference unless there has been a concurrent or prior transfer of the membership of the minister, in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 431.7, to the Annual Conference in which the appointment has been made.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Bishop Benjamin I. Guansing of the Manila Area of the Philippines Central Conference, appointed three members of the Philippines Annual Conference to pastorates and one to the district superintendency in the Middle Philippines Annual Conference, both Annual Conferences being under the presidency of Bishop Guansing. A request in writing was made on June 1, 1967, at a business session of the Philippines Annual Conference that Bishop Guansing rule "on certain questions of law" relating to these appointments. The questions were:

"1. Does the appointment of the said ministers to regular appointments in the Middle Philippines Annual Conference constitute a transfer of their membership to the Middle Philippines Annual Conference thereby severing their membership in the Philippines Annual Conference and rendering them ineligible to participate as members in the deliberations of the current session of the Philippines Annual Conference?

"2. If the appointment of the said ministers does not constitute a transfer of their conference membership (that is, if the ruling on number (1) is negative), then is the appointment of said ministerial members of one Annual Conference to pastoral charges and a district superintendency within the bounds of another Annual Conference without the transfer of their conference membership to that Annual Conference constitutional?"

In his letter of July 8, 1967 to the secretary of the Judicial Council Bishop Guansing lists the above two questions and adds a third on which he also ruled:

“(c) May ministerial members of the Philippines Annual Conference who have been regularly appointed to either the District Superintendency of pastoral charges in the Middle Philippines Annual Conference be elected by the 1967 regular session of the Philippines Annual Conference as its delegate(s) to either the 1968 General Conference or the 1968 Philippines Central Conference?”

Bishop Guansing in his written reply to the request for a ruling stated:

“that the appointments of the ministers in question . . . do not constitute a transfer of their membership from the Philippines Annual Conference to the Middle Philippines Annual Conference . . . that the appointments of the four ministers, which does not transfer their Annual Conference membership . . . are constitutional . . . (and) that ministerial members of the Philippines Annual Conference who have been regularly appointed to either the district superintendency or pastoral charges in the Middle Philippines Annual Conference and whose Annual Conference membership has not been transferred to the latter Annual Conference do not lose their eligibility for election by the 1967 session of the Philippines Annual Conference to membership either of the 1968 General Conference or the 1968 Philippines Central Conference.”

Jurisdiction

The Judicial Council has jurisdiction under Paragraph 908 of the *Discipline*.

Analysis

The essential question raised by the appeal is whether it is within the power of a bishop to appoint a minister in the effective relationship in one Annual Conference to serve as a pastor or district superintendent in another Annual Conference, if such appointment is made without prior or concurrent transfer of that minister's membership to the Annual Conference in which he is appointed to serve. It is our opinion that it is not within the bishop's power so to do, even though the bishop is the presiding officer of both Annual Conferences.

The provisions controlling a bishop's powers of appointment are found in Paragraphs 431 and 432, the salient portions of which, relevant to this case, are as follows:

“Par. 431.4. To fix the appointments of the preachers in the Annual Conferences, Provisional Annual Conferences, and Missions, as the Discipline may direct. . . .”

“Par. 431.7. To transfer, with the consent of the bishop of the receiving Annual Conference, a ministerial member of one Annual Conference to another, provided the ministerial member agrees to said transfer; and to send immediately to the secretaries of both conferences involved,

to the registrar of the conference in which the member is being received if he is on trial, and to the clearinghouse of the General Board of Pensions, written notices of the transfer of the member, and of his standing in the course of study if he is an undergraduate.”

“Par. 432.1. He shall appoint preachers to pastoral charges annually after consultation with the district superintendents; *provided* that, before the official declaration of the assignments of the preachers, he shall announce openly to the Cabinet his appointments; and *provided*, further, that before the final announcement of appointments is made the district superintendents shall consult with the pastors concerning their specific appointments except when the pastors involved have left the seat of the Annual Conference without the permission of the Annual Conference. . . .”

The cited legislation clearly indicates that a bishop may appoint a minister in the effective relationship to a position within the latter's own Annual Conference. There is no authority for a bishop to appoint such a minister to a position in an Annual Conference where he is not a member. This follows logically from the provisions of Paragraph 431.7 which require the consent of the member involved before he can be transferred to another Annual Conference and specifies a formal procedure to evidence such transfer. To hold that a bishop has authority to appoint a minister to a pastorate or to the district superintendency in another Annual Conference even with his consent, but without a transfer of his membership, would nullify the transfer requirements and undermine the traditional relationship between a minister and his Annual Conference.

This conclusion is in accord with our Decision No. 114 which was reaffirmed in Decisions Nos. 163 and 216.

In his ruling the bishop stated: “. . . no transfer of Annual Conference for the four ministers has been contemplated and, consequently, no effort to meet the conditions for transfer of Annual Conference membership has been made.” Thus, the provisions of Paragraph 431.7 have not been complied with and in appointing a minister in an Annual Conference other than the one in which he has his membership, even with the consent of the minister, the bishop has acted beyond his authority.

If the ministers in question are to continue to serve under their present appointments, their Annual Conference memberships must be transferred in accordance with the *Discipline*.

We have no information as to whether the persons in

question were or were not elected as delegates to the General Conference or the Philippines Central Conference. However, we call attention to the fact that standards of eligibility require that a person elected as a delegate must be a member of the Annual Conference electing him at the time of his election as well as at the time of his service as a delegate to the General Conference and the Philippines Central Conference.

Decision

It is the decision of the Judicial Council that the appointments referred to in the appeal were beyond the authority of Bishop Guansing since no prior or concurrent transfer of the membership of the ministers under consideration was made from the Philippines Annual Conference to the Middle Philippines Annual Conference. Therefore the ruling of the bishop is reversed.

October 28, 1967

Decision No. 255

In Re: Petition from the Central Kansas Annual Conference for the Determination of any Claim of Dean W. Dryden to Participation in the Benefits of the Chaplains Pension Fund.

DIGEST

Matters concerning the personal relationship of an individual minister of an Annual Conference, on the one hand, and a General Conference Board or Body, on the other, do not relate to "Annual Conferences or the work therein" within the meaning of Paragraph 914 of the Discipline.

Accordingly, the Judicial Council determines that it is without jurisdiction.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Judicial Council received from the Secretary of the Central Kansas Annual Conference the following Resolution and Petition:

"RESOLUTION AND PETITION

"The Board of Pensions of the Central Kansas Annual Conference hereby requests the Central Kansas Annual Conference to approve the following petition to the Judicial Council of the Methodist Church:

"PETITION

"The Central Kansas Annual Conference respectfully requests the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church to rule in the matter

of interpretation of Paragraph #1618, Section 3 (a) on behalf of the Reverend Dean W. Dryden, a retired member and claimant of the Central Kansas Annual Conference of The Methodist Church with respect to his claim for annuity as a Chaplain under the provisions of said paragraph, for his years of service from Jan. 1, 1947 to Jan. 29, 1958."

We are informed by Orson F. Evans, Secretary of the Central Kansas Annual Conference, that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution and Petition which was adopted by the Central Kansas Annual Conference and shown on Page 1009 of the 1967 Journal of that Annual Conference.

The facts show that Dean W. Dryden, a minister in full connection in the Central Kansas Annual Conference, entered the military service on Extended Active Duty on April 3, 1943, and remained in that status until January 29, 1958, when his military service was ended for reasons of physical disability. The Central Kansas Annual Conference granted his annuity claim for the service years April 3, 1943, to December 31, 1946. The question involved is Dean W. Dryden's right to make a claim on the Chaplains Pension Fund for the years January 1, 1947 to January 29, 1958 (Paragraph 1618.2(h) of the Discipline). He was retired from the Army for reasons of physical disability as of January 29, 1958, and granted benefits based upon the percentage of his disability and the number of his years in the military service.

We are advised that the Commission on Chaplains of The Methodist Church has interpreted the Rules and Regulations of the Chaplains Pension Fund to mean that such benefits constitute "a pension, or other benefits in lieu thereof" covering Dean W. Dryden's years of military service and that he has no right, therefore, to claim upon the Fund for the same years of service. With this interpretation Dean W. Dryden and the Board of Pensions of the Central Kansas Annual Conference are in disagreement.

Jurisdiction

While Paragraph 914 of the Discipline empowers us to render a declaratory decision concerning the meaning and interpretation of a paragraph of the Discipline thought to be of doubtful meaning, this jurisdiction may be invoked by Annual Conferences only "on matters relating to Annual Conferences or the work therein."

On oral argument, representatives of the Central Kansas Annual Conference acknowledged that the only matters sought to be raised by the petition concern the possible rights of Dean W. Dryden to receive pension benefits from the Chaplains Pension Fund, under the provisions of Paragraph 1618.2(h), by reason of his years of service as a Chaplain after December 31, 1946. It was also acknowledged that Paragraph 1618.3(a) relating to annuity claims against Annual Conferences cited in the petition is irrelevant, since the Central Kansas Annual Conference would have no pension liability for the years in question while Dean W. Dryden served as a Chaplain.

The personal rights, if any, of Dean W. Dryden to receive

payments from the Chaplains Pension Fund are in no substantial sense matters related to the Central Kansas Annual Conference or the work therein within the meaning of Paragraph 914 of the Discipline. For us to view this matter otherwise would require a sharp departure from our long established policy of construing our jurisdiction strictly and with restraint.

We therefore hold that the Judicial Council is without jurisdiction.

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DECISIONS
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INTERIM JUDICIAL COUNCIL
OF
THE UNITING CONFERENCE
OF
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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DECISION NO. 1

Re: Request of the Uniting Conference for a Declaratory Decision as to whether Annual Conferences with overlapping boundaries may change those boundaries or merge without obtaining Jurisdictional Conference approval of the number, names and boundaries of the Annual Conferences involved.

DIGEST OF DECISION

Paragraph 9 (B) and (C) of the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union does not authorize Annual Conferences with overlapping boundaries, either racial and geographic or formerly Methodist and formerly Evangelical United Brethren, to change such boundaries or to merge with another Annual Conference without approval by the appropriate Jurisdictional Conference of the number, names, and boundaries of such Annual Conferences.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Uniting Conference has requested a Declaratory Decision as to whether Paragraph 9 (B) and (C) of the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union grants to Annual Conferences with overlapping boundaries, either racial and geographic or formerly Methodist and formerly Evangelical United Brethren, the authority to merge without approval of the Jurisdictional Conference or Conferences concerned.

In context, the question arose with respect to the correctness of the position of the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations in its report to the Uniting Conference, wherein it stated at page 7 of that report:

"As we see it, however, under the new Constitution of the United Methodist Church and the Enabling Legislation, which under the Plan of Union is considered as Constitutional, no action by a Jurisdictional Conference is required. Paragraph 9 (B) and (C) of the Enabling Legislation permit overlapping Conferences to unite by their own voluntary action. That legislation appears to give such authority in all cases of overlapping Annual Conferences, either racial and geographic or formerly Methodist and formerly E.U.B."

The authority of the Jurisdictional Conferences with respect to the merger of Annual Conferences is found in Paragraphs 26.4, 41, and 45 of the Constitution. They read as follows:

"Par. 26. Art. V—The Jurisdictional Conferences shall have the following powers and duties and such others as may be conferred by the General Conferences:

....
 "4. To determine the boundaries of their Annual Conferences; . . . provided further that this provision shall not apply to Annual Conferences of the former The Evangelical United Brethren Church during the first three quadrenniums after union.

"Par. 41. Art. VI—For a period of twelve years following union, Annual Conferences shall not have their names or boundaries changed without their consent; . . . but nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the elimination of Annual Conferences based on race

"Par. 45. Art. IV—Changes in the number, names, and boundaries of the Annual Conferences may be effected by the Jurisdictional

Conferences in the United States of America and Canada and by the Central Conferences outside the United States of America and Canada according to the provisions under the respective powers of the Jurisdictional and the Central Conferences."

The Enabling Legislation pertinent to the matter now under consideration is found in Paragraph 9 which reads in part as follows:

"9. The objective toward which the new church moves is an inclusive church with no overlapping of Annual Conference boundaries. The Plan of Union contemplates that unification of church structure shall take place in steps as follows:

STEP ONE

"(A) Upon the Plan of Union becoming effective all Annual Conferences of both uniting churches will automatically become part of a Jurisdiction or a Central Conference or a Provisional Central Conference of the united church, in each case as shown on the attached schedule.

STEP TWO

"(B) Wherever in a Jurisdiction or in a Central Conference or in a Provisional Central Conference Annual Conference boundaries overlap, the Annual Conferences involved shall designate committees or agencies to study the possibility of, and *bring about as soon as practicable and mutually agreeable*, the uniting or rearranging of Annual Conferences and Annual Conference boundaries to the end that there shall be no overlapping of Annual Conference boundaries. . . .

"(C) Annual Conferences shall not, for a period of twelve years following union, have their names or boundaries changed without their consent (Par. 41, Constitution—Division Two, Section VII, Art. VI.). This shall not prevent voluntary action by Annual Conferences and *it is anticipated that most, and perhaps all, such Annual Conferences will have taken steps necessary to eliminate overlapping with other Annual Conferences* substantially prior to the expiration of the specified time. At the end of the twelve years, if any such Annual Conferences still remain, authority to eliminate overlapping by the redefining of Annual Conference boundaries will vest in the jurisdiction (Par. 26, Constitution—Division Two, Section IV, Art. V, Par. 4) or in the Central Conference (Par. 30, Constitution—Division Two, Section V, Art. IV, Par. 4), as the case may be; but nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the elimination of Annual Conferences based on race.

"(D) So far as the Annual Conferences formerly of the Methodist Central Jurisdiction are concerned, efforts shall be made to carry out the "Plan of Action for the Elimination of the Central Jurisdiction" as adopted by the Methodist General Conference of 1964.

Both denominations desire and intend that union shall in no way delay or impede, but rather facilitate, strengthen, encourage, and hasten such elimination of any racial structure or distinction.

STEP THREE

"(E) The uniting of congregations will be encouraged wherever and whenever a single church can better serve the needs of the community." (Emphasis added)

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by

the Uniting Conference (Daily Christian Advocate 190-192); and upon the request to the Council by the Uniting Conference for an advisory opinion on the matters herein discussed (D.C.A. 193-210).

Analysis

The United Methodist Church inherited its Jurisdictional structure from the former The Methodist Church. It has elected to continue in its Jurisdictional Conferences the constitutional authority which they held in the former The Methodist Church since 1939 over number, names, and boundaries of Annual Conferences, with limitations newly added in Paragraph 41 and the second proviso to Paragraph 26.4. For twelve years, Paragraph 41 protects all Annual Conferences except those based on race from changes in number, names, or boundaries imposed without their consent. The second proviso to Paragraph 26.4 makes the same protection specifically applicable to Annual Conferences of the former The Evangelical United Brethren Church.

The current program for unification of church structure by the elimination of overlapping Annual Conferences is set forth in Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation. This legislation, constitutional in status, must be read in the setting of the total Constitution of the church.

We are asked whether subparagraphs (B) and (C) of Paragraph 9 free the Annual Conferences with overlapping boundaries to adjust those boundaries by voluntary changes or by merger with another Annual Conference or Conferences, or both, without obtaining the approval of the Jurisdictional Conference.

Subparagraphs (B) and (C) do not in terms suspend the operation of Paragraphs 26.4 and 45 of the Constitution. They are simply silent as to their relationship to the permanent constitutional requirements. In our judgment, constitutional provisions re-enacted in the new Constitution simultaneously with Paragraph 9 do not need restatement in the Enabling Legislation to keep them alive. It would take explicit and unequivocal language that constitutional provisions be suspended to accomplish that result. Such language is not to be found anywhere in Paragraph 9. We therefore conclude that it did not have the effect of suspending Paragraphs 26.4 or 45 of the Constitution.

Paragraph 9 is primarily a Plan of Action to be implemented in whatever ways are legislatively available to Annual Conferences. There are few if any grants of legislative authority in the paragraph and no authorization to short-cut or ignore constitutional requirements.

Subparagraph (A) assigns all Annual Conferences to one or another of the Jurisdictional Conferences in accordance with an attached schedule. This is a major step in the unification of church structure but the result is an overlapping of Annual Conferences to which subparagraphs (B), (C), and (D) are directed.

Subparagraph (B) is a direction to Annual Conferences to appoint study committees and to "bring about as soon as practicable and mutually agreeable" the uniting or re-arranging of Annual Conferences and boundaries to the end that there shall be no overlapping. No direction is given as to how these goals shall be accomplished or what approval is required of a Jurisdictional Conference.

The same may be said of subparagraph (C). It addresses itself to the twelve-year period within which a restructuring cannot be forced on any Annual Conference except those based on race. It is primarily an exhortation to Annual Conferences to proceed voluntarily during the twelve-year moratorium period. The strongest language in the subparagraph is the statement that ". . . *it is anticipated* that most, and perhaps all, such Annual Conferences will have taken steps necessary to eliminate overlapping with other Annual Conferences substantially prior to the expiration of the specified time." The emphasized words point up the fact that the mandate of the subparagraph is more in the nature of an exhortation than a grant of new legislative powers.

Subparagraph (D) is directed to a plan for eliminating the overlapping Annual Conferences based on race. It comments favorably on the "Plan of Action for the Elimination of the Central Jurisdiction" and its subsequent implementation by the former The Methodist Church. No claim is made that any new legislative authority is granted to Annual Conferences by subparagraph (D).

In summary, one finds in Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation a program for the voluntary elimination of overlapping boundaries and ensuing mergers of Annual Conferences. No new legislative apparatus is created to enable Annual Conferences to move toward these goals beyond that already granted to them by the Discipline; nor do we find any language which reasonably can be said to suspend the constitutional duties imposed upon Jurisdictional Conferences to approve number, names, and boundaries of Annual Conferences.

We conclude, therefore, that any action taken by Annual Conferences to adjust overlapping boundaries or to merge must be done in full recognition of the approvals required of the Jurisdictional Conference involved with respect to any

change in the number, names, or boundaries of Annual Conferences. This should be particularly fortuitous in instances of multiple Conference realignments, of which there are certain to be several.

Amendment IX of the Constitution of the former The Methodist Church has no counterpart in the Constitution of The United Methodist Church. Nor can Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation be treated as an updated version of Amendment IX. If constitutional provisions are to be suspended they must be set aside directly and openly just as Amendment IX spelled out step by step the procedures by which Annual Conference transfers could be accomplished without approval of the Jurisdictional Conferences. And to make assurance doubly sure, Amendment IX included in subparagraph 4 the specific provision that transfers under Amendment IX should not be governed or restricted by other provisions of the Constitution relating to change of boundaries of Annual Conferences. We find neither new legislative procedures nor a suspension of old ones in Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation.

Decision

Changes in Annual Conference boundaries or mergers of Annual Conferences, either racial and geographic or formerly Methodist and formerly Evangelical United Brethren, will require approval by the Jurisdictional Conference within which such Annual Conferences are located of the number, names, and boundaries of any Annual Conference desiring to change its boundaries or merge with another Annual Conference.

PAUL R. ERVIN
President, Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

April 27, 1968

Dissenting Opinion

We respectfully and vigorously dissent from the foregoing decision of a majority of the members of the Interim Judicial Council.

It seems obvious to us that their decision directly contravenes Decision No. 242 adopted unanimously by the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church November 10, 1966. That case dealt with Article IV, Division One (Paragraph 4) of the Constitution which expressly forbids continuance of racial structures within the new church. Decision No. 242 held that this constitutional interdiction was to be consid-

ered to be suspended during a transitional period provided in Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation (Plan of Union) adopted concurrently with the Constitution and given constitutional effect, saying: "Read together Article IV of Division One (Par. 4) of the Constitution and Paragraph 9 of the Plan of Union reveal a pattern to move toward the inclusiveness defined in Article IV of the new Constitution by the policies and procedures set out in Paragraph 9 of the Plan of Union."

The majority of the Interim Judicial Council now declines to give equal constitutional effect to these same provisions of Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation in a matter involving terminating of the very racially structured and overlapping Annual Conferences, the continuance of which was the subject of Decision No. 242. While the majority opinion makes no reference to Decision 242, it seeks to avoid its controlling principles by narrow arguments of differentiation which we cannot accept.

A principal objective of Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation is to provide means of eliminating racial structures in The United Methodist Church and obtaining promptly a truly inclusive church. This intention appears in Paragraph 9 from start to finish. Thus, its first sentence recites: "The objective toward which the new church moves is an inclusive church with no overlapping of Annual Conference boundaries." Its penultimate sentence reads: "Both denominations desire and intend that union which in no way will delay or impede but rather will facilitate, strengthen, encourage, and hasten such elimination of any racial structure or distinction." The constitutional procedures devised to accomplish these declared goals are set forth in Paragraph 9 (B) and (C) with a specificity quite ample to permit full and direct utilization without further legislative implementation. These are the same steps referred to in Decision No. 242 and found therein to be sufficiently specific and unequivocal to suspend the operation of Paragraph 4 of the new Constitution. Now the majority opinion argues that they are not sufficiently "specific and unequivocal" to suspend the application of certain other paragraphs of the Constitution, namely Paragraphs 26.4 and 45 which the majority view as requiring Jurisdictional Conference approval of Annual Conference mergers.

The specific procedures of Paragraph 9 which in our view likewise suspend for a transitional period Paragraphs 26.4 and 45 of the Constitution are found in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation.

Paragraph 9 (B) provides for committees or agencies of the Annual Conferences to study the matter of eliminating

overlapping boundaries but, more importantly, that such Annual Conferences shall “bring about *as soon as practicable and mutually agreeable* the uniting or rearranging of Annual Conferences and Annual Conference boundaries to the end that there shall be no overlapping of Annual Conference boundaries.” (Emphasis supplied)

Paragraph 9 (C) is introduced by a statement providing that the merging of Conferences cannot be required of overlapping Annual Conferences within the twelve-year period following union but that this reservation “shall not prevent voluntary action by Annual Conferences”; also that “it is anticipated that most, and perhaps all, such Annual Conferences will have taken steps to eliminate overlapping with Annual Conferences substantially prior to the expiration of the specified time.” The emphasis in these paragraphs upon a voluntary action and mutual agreement of Annual Conferences implies an absence of any requirement of Jurisdictional Conference approval, nor is there any reference in Paragraph 9 to a Jurisdictional Conference role in the process of uniting the Annual Conferences.

While Paragraph 9 (C) clearly protects Annual Conferences of the former Evangelical United Brethren Church from compulsory changes of names or Conference boundaries, it also broadly prescribes the procedures for the elimination of all overlapping Annual Conferences, whatever may be the reason for such overlapping. That these procedures and authorizations apply equally to racially structured Annual Conferences is clear from the context and particularly the last clause of Paragraph 9 (C).

We feel the provisions of Paragraph 9 of the Enabling Legislation are more explicit and specific in defining procedures for ending overlap of Annual Conference boundaries than anything to the contrary, expressed or implied, to be found in Paragraphs 26.4 or 45 of the Constitution and that therefore Paragraph 9 has controlling constitutional effect during the transitional period, just as was determined in Decision No. 242 in closely related circumstances.

We do not believe that it was the intention or plan of The Methodist Church or The Evangelical United Brethren Church in voting union to make more difficult and time-consuming the process of ending racially structured Annual Conferences than were the process and policies in force in The Methodist Church at the time of union. The history of The Methodist Church in the long effort to eliminate racially structured Annual Conferences supports our interpretation.

Amendment IX to the Constitution of The Methodist

Church was adopted in order to expedite attainment of the inclusive church and to avoid delays in waiting for Jurisdictional Conference approval. (See Decision No. 233 of the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church.) Similarly, the so-called Omnibus Resolutions adopted widely throughout The Methodist Church following its 1966 General Conference, evidenced the then developed policy of The Methodist Church to encourage action by the Annual Conferences in bringing about the elimination of those Conferences based on race; also a policy of avoiding the delays incident to securing Jurisdictional Conference approvals.

Therefore, we believe that the decision of the majority of the Interim Judicial Council is erroneous in its failure to give effect to the Enabling Legislation, as well as the provisions of the Constitution itself. We believe therefore that the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations correctly interpreted the Constitution of the new church in its report to the Uniting Conference (page 7) where it is said:

“As we see it, however, under the new Constitution of the United Methodist Church and the Enabling Legislation, which under the Plan of Union is considered as Constitutional, no action by a Jurisdictional Conference is required. Paragraphs 9 (B) and (C) of the Enabling Legislation permit overlapping Conferences to unite by their own voluntary action. That legislation appears to give such authority in all cases of overlapping Annual Conferences, either racial and geographic or formerly Methodist and formerly E.U.B.”

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April 27, 1968

DECISION NO. 2

Re: The request of the Uniting Conference for a Declaratory Decision on the right of a Jurisdictional Conference to act upon a merger of Annual Conferences, deferring the effective date until a favorable vote is obtained in the Annual Conferences directly involved.

DIGEST

A Jurisdictional Conference of The United Methodist Church has the duty and the authority under the Constitution to determine the

boundaries of its Annual Conferences and the authority to determine their number and names. It may give its approval on proposed changes in number, names, and boundaries in advance of the completion of merger negotiations between any of its Annual Conferences. The mergers would then become effective upon agreement on the part of the Annual Conferences directly involved.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Uniting Conference has requested of the Interim Judicial Council a Declaratory Decision as to whether Paragraph 9 (B) and (C) of the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union grants to Annual Conferences with overlapping boundaries the authority to merge without the approval of the Jurisdictional Conference. In the event that the decision of the Interim Judicial Council should determine that the action of the Jurisdictional Conference is necessary, the Uniting Conference requested a ruling on a secondary question, the right of a Jurisdictional Conference to act upon a merger of Annual Conferences deferring the effective date until a favorable vote is obtained in the Annual Conferences directly involved.

The Interim Judicial Council in its Decision No. 1 has ruled that the action of the Jurisdictional Conference, approving any changes in number, names, and boundaries, is required before any mergers can be effected which involve any Annual Conference or Annual Conferences under its jurisdiction. Therefore, the secondary question is now before us.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of an Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority to it by the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. 190-192) and the request to the Council by the Uniting Conference for an advisory opinion on the matter herein discussed (D.C.A. 193-210).

Analysis

Paragraph 26.4 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church states that one of the powers and duties of Jurisdictional Conferences is "to determine the boundaries of their Annual Conferences . . .". Paragraph 45 of the Constitution states that "changes in the number, names, and boundaries of the Annual Conferences may be effected by the Jurisdictional Conferences in the United States of America and Canada and by the Central Conferences outside the United States of America and Canada according to the provisions under the respective powers of the Jurisdictional and Central Conferences."

The Jurisdictional Conference has the duty and authority under the Constitution to determine the boundaries of its Annual Conferences and the authority to determine their number and names. The Judicial Council of the former The Methodist Church ruled in Decisions No. 28 and 217 that the Jurisdictional Conference could not delegate such authority to its Annual Conferences.

This duty and authority, however, is restricted to changes in "number, names, and boundaries" and does not require the Jurisdictional Conference to approve all other aspects of mergers involving any of its Annual Conferences. There is no reason why a Jurisdictional Conference cannot take action authorizing or approving proposed changes in number, names, and boundaries either in advance of, or subsequent to, the completion of merger agreements involving any of the Annual Conferences under its jurisdiction.

Decision

It is the decision of the Interim Judicial Council that a Jurisdictional Conference may carry out the powers and duties reserved to it in the Constitution by approving in advance of merger negotiations between any of its Annual Conferences, the matters involved in such mergers which concern number, names, and boundaries of Annual Conferences.

PAUL R. ERVIN
President, Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

April 27, 1968

DECISION NO. 3

Re: The status of duly elected Delegates to the Uniting Conference who have been elected to the Interim Judicial Council of the Uniting Conference with respect to the right of such delegates to serve in the General Conference and a Jurisdictional Conference.

DIGEST

A delegate to the Uniting Conference who has been elected to serve as a member of the Interim Judicial Council of the Uniting Conference may not serve as a delegate to the Uniting Conference during his tenure as a member of the Interim Judicial Council. Upon the termination of his service on the Interim Judicial Council, he is eligible thereafter to serve as a member of the General Conference or as a member of a Jurisdictional Conference of The United Methodist Church.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

At the 1966 session of the General Conference of The Methodist Church and at the 1966 session of the General Conference of the

Evangelical United Brethren Church, a Plan of Union for the unification of the two churches was adopted. This Plan of Union included, inter alia: (1) a Constitution for the new church (Part I of said Plan), (2) a plan for the organization and administration of the new church (Part IV of said Plan), and (3) certain Enabling Legislation believed to be necessary to effect an orderly transition of the two former churches into one body. By the requisite votes, the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union was declared to have constitutional status. Part IV, Organization and Administration, was adopted in principle subject to subsequent amendment by the Uniting Conference or ensuing General Conferences.

The Uniting Conference held in Dallas, Texas, on April 24, 1968, adopted Committee Report No. 6 from the Committee on Judicial Administration (D.C.A. 164 and D.C.A. 192), creating an Interim Judicial Council to serve for the duration of the Uniting Conference, and in the same legislative act elected the members of the Interim Judicial Council of this Uniting Conference.

On April 27, 1968, the Uniting Conference requested that the Interim Judicial Council make a Declaratory Decision clarifying the status of duly elected delegates to the Uniting Conference who have been elected by the Uniting Conference to the Interim Judicial Council with respect to the right of such delegates to serve in the General Conference and a Jurisdictional Conference.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction in this matter exists under Paragraph 1717 of the Plan of Union of The Methodist Church and The Evangelical United Brethren Church, as adopted by the General Conferences of both said churches at their 1966 sessions (see Decisions of the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church No. 88 and 131).

Analysis

Neither Resolution No. 7 of the Joint Commission on Church Union, which brought to the attention of the Uniting Conference the desirability of electing a Judicial Council to serve this Uniting Conference, nor the action of the Uniting Conference itself authorizing such election spelled out in detail the powers and jurisdiction of such an Interim Judicial Council, other than to provide "to act in all matters specified in the Discipline of The United Methodist Church and, in addition thereto, to have jurisdiction to pass upon the constitutionality of any act or proposed act of the Uniting Conference." However, Part IV of the Plan of Union states in substantial detail the powers, duties, and composition of the Judicial Council (see Sections 1701 through 1719 of the Plan of Union).

We reason that the obligations, duties, and restrictions with reference to service on this Interim Judicial Council should harmonize with the obligations, duties, and restric-

tions imposed upon members of the Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church which will be elected and organized before the end of the Uniting Conference. Paragraph 1705 of the Plan of Union provides:

“1705. Members of the Council shall be ineligible for membership in the General Conference or a Jurisdictional Conference or in any General or Jurisdictional Board or for administrative service in any connectional office.” This provision in the Plan of Union is identical with the provision of Paragraph 902 of the Discipline of the former The Methodist Church. We have the benefit of the interpretations of this paragraph of the Discipline of the former The Methodist Church in Decisions No. 120 and 196 of the Judicial Council of the former The Methodist Church.

It is apparent to us that the purpose of Paragraph 1705 of the Plan of Union is to provide at all times a clear separation between the judicial branch and the legislative and administrative branches of The United Methodist Church. Paragraph 1705 of the Plan of Union expresses the will of the church that a person occupying a judicial position in the church should not at the same time hold membership in either the General Conference or a Jurisdictional Conference of said church, and we believe that this prohibition must be extended to membership in this Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church because it is essentially a legislative body.

Decision

We therefore advise the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church that any member of the Uniting Conference who is elected by said conference to a place on the Interim Judicial Council of the Uniting Conference must relinquish his seat as a member of the Uniting Conference so long as he remains on the Interim Judicial Council or until said Council has completed its responsibilities to the Uniting Conference. Thereupon, said member may serve in the ensuing General Conference or a Jurisdictional Conference or a Jurisdictional Conference of The United Methodist Church to which he may have been elected as a delegate and shall not be limited by any restrictions in Paragraph 1705.

Torrey A. Kaatz and William K. Messmer did not participate in the above Decision.

April 29, 1968

PAUL R. ERVIN
President, Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

DECISION NO. 4

Re: Constitutionality of a recommendation by the uniting conference to the Council of Bishops that an investigating committee authorized by the Uniting Conference include not less than a certain number of Negroes.

DIGEST

The Uniting Conference may recommend to the Council of Bishops that a certain number of appointees to an investigating committee that it has been empowered to appoint shall be Negroes. This ruling is based on the assumption that the recommendation is intended to be advisory rather than mandatory and that it will be so construed by the Council of Bishops.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

At a session of the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church held on April 29, 1968, during the consideration of legislative reports of its Committee on Publishing Interests, the following resolution was presented for adoption by the Uniting Conference:

"WHEREAS, During and previous to this Conference there have been circulated charges, both verbal and appearing in certain periodicals and other printed forms, criticisms and accusations widely disseminated which definitely question and impugn the integrity, motives, and practices of the administration of the Publishing Interests of the Church; and

WHEREAS, This agency through the one hundred and seventy-nine years of its history has always endeavored to be the pliant instrument of the Church in accordance with the *Discipline* in the proclamation of the Word; and

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the Church, now The United Methodist Church, has traditionally intrusted the oversight of these facilities to the board of Publication, whose members are elected by due and democratic process created by the General Conference;

THEREFORE, in the light of these questions and criticisms, the President and Publisher and the Chairman and the other officers of the Board of Publication do hereby earnestly request this General Conference to empower the Council of Bishops to appoint a committee to thoroughly investigate all such charges which are to be properly documented with supporting evidence. We request that the committee be composed of one bishop who shall be the President of the Council of Bishops, with two pastors and two laymen appointed by the Council of Bishops, none of whom should be members of the Board of Publication. We further request that this committee report to the Council of Bishops at their next scheduled meeting in the fall of 1968. We further respectfully request that the Council of Bishops make the findings of this committee available to the Church."

During discussion on the above resolution, an amendment was proposed and adopted by the Uniting Conference to change the composition of the proposed committee so that the portion of the resolution dealing with such composition would read as follows:

"We request that the committee be composed of one bishop who shall be the President of the Council of Bishops, with sixteen persons appointed by the Council of Bishops, equally divided between laymen and ministers and with the recommendation that at least five members be Negroes."

Following the adoption of the amended resolution, the Uniting Conference voted by the requisite number of delegates to refer the amended portion of the resolution to the Interim Judicial Council for a decision as to its constitutionality insofar as it recommends that five members be of the Negro race.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. 190-192); and the request to the Council by the Uniting Conference for an advisory opinion on the matters herein discussed (D.C.A. 447, 450).

Analysis

The constitutionality of the motion to empower the Council of Bishops to appoint a committee of seventeen to investigate charges against the Publishing Interests of the church is not in dispute. But the inclusion in that motion of the "recommendation" that at least five members of the committee shall be Negroes has been referred to us for an advisory opinion as to whether this constitutes an unconstitutional racial structuring of an instrumentality of the Uniting Conference.

The Constitution of the church contains two safeguards on racial inclusiveness that were not found in the Constitutions of either of the constituent churches.

Paragraph 4 of the new Constitution states in part:

"In the United Methodist Church no conference or other organizational unit of the church shall be structured so as to exclude any member or any constituent body of the church because of race, color, national origin or economic condition."

In Paragraph 15, the General Conference is given full legislative power over all matters distinctively connectional, including authority . . .

"14. To secure the rights and privileges of membership in all agencies, programs and institutions in the United Methodist Church regardless of race or status."

These are sweeping directions that our church shall be racially inclusive in membership, in structure, and in operation. There are no exceptions. They apply to the structuring of any organizational unit of the church; and they grant legislative authority to insure that membership in all agen-

cies, programs, and institutions of the church shall be [held] regardless of race or status.

This certainly applies to a committee of the Uniting Conference, temporary or permanent, and whatever its duties. Such an instrumentality is an organizational unit of the church; and the privileges of membership thereon may be secured "regardless of race," but certainly not because of race. If this committee is being so structured, we have no choice but to advise that it is being racially structured in contradiction to the Constitution of the church.

But it is not clear that such is the case. The resolution requests the Council of Bishops to appoint an investigating committee of seventeen "with the recommendation that at least five members shall be Negroes."

The crucial question before us is whether a "recommendation" from The Uniting Conference to the Council of Bishops is intended by the Conference, or will be construed by the Council, to be mandatory. If mandatory, Decision No. 5, this day determined, would be decisive.

A recommendation from The Uniting Conference or a General Conference to the Council of Bishops or any other instrumentality of The United Methodist Church must necessarily carry great weight in view of the position of a General Conference in Methodism. Only time can tell us whether there is a distinction between a recommendation and a mandate from that body.

If it becomes a pattern in The United Methodist Church for authorizing bodies to "recommend" racially structured agencies and committees, and if experience teaches us that these "recommendations" are normally treated as binding mandates, we will have hit upon a device to bring about a de facto racial structuring of the agencies of our church in violation of a sweeping condemnation of that practice in our Constitution.

If, however, "recommendations" of the authorizing body are treated as no more than advisory by the appointing power, the structuring of agencies of the church will then be based upon the qualifications of individuals even though the appointing power gives consideration to the desire of the church that its agencies and instrumentalities be broadly representative of its membership and that much is to be gained by a living demonstration that racial inclusiveness is both a reality and a deeply satisfying Christian experience.

We are faced with an initial instance of a practice that may or may not develop into a device for evading the constitutional requirement of racial inclusiveness. Only time can tell us whether the "recommendation" that we this day sustain is an advisory technique that will help but not con-

trol the appointing power or whether it is an order, politely phrased, that will lead to a racial structuring of the church. Until experience has taught us the content read into such a "recommendation" by The United Methodist Church we shall assume that it is advisory rather than mandatory; and that the Council of Bishops will so construe the "recommendation" now before it.

It will be a sorry day for The United Methodist Church if the ultimate consequence of our long struggle to end the Central Jurisdiction and integrate our Annual Conferences is a racial structuring of the boards, agencies, and committees of the church. The mandate of the Constitution is that the church be color blind, not color conscious.

Decision

The action of the Uniting Conference in empowering the Council of Bishops to appoint a committee of seventeen to investigate charges against the Publishing Interests of the church "with the recommendation that at least five members shall be Negroes" is not in violation of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

May 1, 1968

PAUL R. ERVIN
President, Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

Concurring Opinion

We concur only with the decision, but not with the analysis. It is our view that the General Conference has authority under the Constitution to accomplish the purpose of adequate representation and participation.

May 1, 1968

THEODORE M. BERRY
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WILLIAM K. MESSMER

DECISION NO. 5

Re: The request of the Uniting Conference for a Declaratory Decision to determine the constitutionality of the establishment and composition of the Commission on Religion and Race as approved by the Uniting Conference in the adoption of Report No. 7 of the Committee on Conferences.

DIGEST

Provisions for the composition of a General Conference commission mandating membership by racial and ethnic group classifications con-

stitute improper structuring on racial lines in violation of Paragraphs 4 and 15.14 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church. Accordingly, the composition of the Commission on Religion and Race established by the Uniting Conference is improper and violative of the Constitution.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Secretary of the Uniting Conference informed the Interim Judicial Council that Report No. 9 of the Committee on Conferences, requesting a Declaratory Decision, had been adopted by the Uniting Conference as follows:

"It is hereby requested that the Interim Judicial Council determine the constitutionality of the establishment and composition of the Commission on Religion and Race, [and] render to this Uniting Conference in session at the earliest possible date and not later than such time as will permit the enacting of corrective legislation if such should be judged necessary." (D.C.A. 227).

Report No. 7 of the Committee on Conferences, entitled "Commission on Religion and Race" was adopted by the Uniting Conference. It reads in part as follows:

"The General Conference of The United Methodist Church hereby establishes for this next quadrennium the Commission on Religion and Race.

This Commission will be composed of two Bishops appointed by the Council of Bishops plus five persons from each jurisdiction to be elected by the Jurisdictional Conferences, at least two of whom shall be Negroes and at least one of whom shall be of another racial or ethnic minority group; and seven members at large to be elected by the Commission, at least three of whom shall be Negroes and at least one of whom shall be of another racial or ethnic minority group.

The Commission will assume general church responsibility for such matters: . . ." (D.C.A. 226).

There follows a nine-point program designed to develop a racially inclusive church.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by the Uniting Conference (*Daily Christian Advocate*, 190-192); and upon request to the Council by the Uniting Conference for an advisory opinion on matters herein discussed (D.C.A. 193-210, Calendar items 50, 52, pp. 226-227).

Analysis

This case presents a situation unlike that before us in Decision No. 4, in which we upheld the constitutionality of a Uniting Conference recommendation that in the composition of a special investigative committee of the Conference a specified number of persons of the Negro race should be considered for appointment. Here we are asked to determine whether a commission of The United Methodist Church may be mandatorily structured so that rights and privileges of membership shall be determined on the basis of race, color, or ethnic group relationship.

Aside from this question of racial classification, it is clear the Uniting Conference had authority and power to create the Commission on Religion and Race as it did by resolution adopted April 29, 1968. The powers of a General Conference are enumerated in Paragraph 15 (Art. IV, Division One, Part I) of the Constitution. Subparagraph 13 thereof expressly empowers a General Conference "to establish such commissions for the work of the church as may be deemed advisable."

Even more specifically related to the problem of mandatory racial structuring of a General Conference commission, such as the Commission on Religion and Race, is subparagraph 14 of Paragraph 15 of the Constitution, reading:

"14. To secure the rights and privileges of membership in all agencies, programs and institutions in the United Methodist Church *regardless of race or status.*"
(Emphasis supplied)

Paragraph 15.14 of the Constitution had no counterpart in the Constitution of the former The Methodist Church. Together with a similar restriction added to subparagraph 1 governing legislation affecting rights and privileges of general church membership, the inclusion of subparagraph 14 represents a major change made in the article granting the legislative power of a General Conference (cf. Par. 8, 1964 *Discipline* of The Methodist Church). In the context of the long and continuous effort of The Methodist Church to eliminate racially structured institutions, such as the Central Jurisdiction and its segregated Annual Conferences, and the evident desire of both churches to attain an inclusive church as soon as possible after union, the purpose of these new provisions in Par. 15 of the Constitution is manifest. That purpose was to prevent establishment, at any future time, of an agency, program or institution of The United Methodist Church structured with regard to "race or status." The new church was not to return to the racially structured state in which The Methodist Church found itself years ago and from which it has long sought escape.

It is obvious that the mandated racial and ethnic composition of the Commission on Religion and Race, specifying as it does minimal percentages of representation, respectively, for persons of the Negro race and persons of other racial and ethnic minority groups, is contrary to the restriction on the General Conference power stated in subparagraph 14 of Paragraph 15 of the Constitution. While the classification would be improper no matter the particular percentage applied, it is illustrative to note that as presently provided three of five members of the Commission to be selected from each jurisdiction and four of seven of those to be selected

at-large must be racially chosen. This is precisely the converse of a Commission on which "the rights and privileges of membership" would be "regardless of race or status," as contemplated by the Constitution.

It is equally clear that the racial structuring of the Commission is in violation of Paragraph 4 (Art. IV—Division One, Part I) of the Constitution, which reads as follows:

"4. Art. IV. Inclusiveness of the Church. The United Methodist Church is a part of the Church Universal which is one Body in Christ. Therefore all persons, without regard to race, color, national origin, or economic condition, shall be eligible to attend its worship services, to participate in its programs, and, when they take the appropriate vows, to be admitted into its membership in any local church in the connection. In The United Methodist Church no conference or other organizational unit of the church shall be structured so as to exclude any member or any constituent body of the church because of race, color, national origin, or economic condition."

That the Commission is "an organizational unit of the Church" within the meaning of Paragraph 4 of the Constitution is hardly debatable considering the scope and importance of its duties. A restrictive interpretation of "organizational unit" excluding General Conference boards, agencies and commissions would not only be unreasonable but would largely defeat the purpose of Paragraph 4 and achievement of the goal of an inclusive church.

The next question is whether a commission structured to include specific percentages of one race or minority ethnic groups, in operative effect, excludes from such commission any member of the church "because of race, color, national origin or economic condition." It seems obvious that mandated inclusion by race necessarily results in enforced exclusion because of race. Again this is demonstrated by the formula enacted to determine the composition of the new commission. Persons of the Caucasian race (not of any ethnic minority group) are barred from at least 19 of the 32 positions on the commission open to persons other than bishops. If these same commission positions had been reserved and guaranteed to Caucasians no one would be questioning the patent unconstitutionality of such a measure. Thus we travel together on a "two-way" highway.

Any contention that Decision No. 242 of the Judicial Council of The Methodist Church opens anew the way to racially structured agencies, boards, commissions or institutions of the new church, evidences only a patent misunderstanding of the history, meaning and effect of Decision No. 242. When in 1966 the General Conferences of the two

denominations met to consider union there existed certain racially structured Annual Conferences of The Methodist Church. To that time it had proven difficult if not virtually impossible to effect the merger of those Annual Conferences with non-Negro Annual Conferences although The Methodist Church was embarked on a program believed to permit their elimination by 1972. The alternatives open to the two General Conferences of 1966 were either (a) to mandate merger of such Annual Conferences at the moment of union, as Paragraph 4 of the new Constitution would have done, standing alone, or (b) to adopt the Enabling Legislation, with full constitutional effect, thereby making available during a transitional period the procedures under Par. 9 of the Enabling Legislation for the termination of all racially structured Annual Conferences. The decision to choose the second of these alternative courses was that of the two churches themselves and certainly not of the Judicial Council. All that the former Judicial Council did in Decision No. 242 was to rule on the propriety and effect of that choice whereby the constitutional law of the new church would consist of both the so-called Constitution of Part I of the Plan of Union and the Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union.

Decision No. 242 fully accorded with established American constitutional law and practice. In almost every state of the Union in which new constitutions have been adopted, they have contained attached "schedules" providing a bridge during a transitional period to move from the old law to the new. The Enabling Legislation of the Plan of Union is essentially such a schedule. That Decision No. 242 was most limited in its effect, permitting for the immediate future only the existing racially structured Annual Conferences and in no manner opening the door to new racial structures within the church, is clear from Decision No. 246, interpreting the effect of Decision No. 242, in which it was said:

"While certain Annual Conferences which were established on the basis of race may continue to exist for the immediate future, *race may no longer be used as a basis for establishing new Annual Conferences or other units within the church.*" (Emphasis supplied)

The arguments of those who would now have the Interim Judicial Council ignore the express and unequivocal commands of the Constitution in Paragraphs 4 and 15.14, reflect a grave misconception of the nature and function of a constitution. We are urged to consider "the extraordinary times—in which we are not conducting business as usual." We are told that the Constitution should be made to "bend"

in recognition of the will of a majority of delegates and "the pulse" of the Uniting Conference. Also it is asserted that the racial structuring in question is "provisional" and therefore only necessary "at this instant."

Were we to approach in such manner our duties in interpreting and enforcing the Constitution we would be grossly derelict. It would not be long before the Constitution of the new church would be a dead letter, subverted and openly evaded by means of such arguments of short-term expediency. As we see it, the members of the two denominations in voting union and adopting the Constitution intended that it should constitute a statement of basic principles to serve the church in its historic mission, not a document for the passing hour with its meaning and application shifting with the passing winds.

We therefore advise the Uniting Conference that while the establishment of the Commission on Religion and Race is within the power and authority of the Uniting Conference, the mandated composition of the membership thereof on conditions of race, color, or ethnic origin, violates the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

Decision

While the action of the Uniting Conference in establishing the Commission on Religion and Race was within the constitutional authority and power of the Uniting Conference, the mandated structuring of the composition of said Commission so that membership thereon is conditioned on race, color, or ethnic group relationship violated the Constitution of The United Methodist Church.

May 1, 1968

PAUL R. ERVIN, President
Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON, Secretary
Interim Judicial Council

Dissenting Opinion

We are in full accord with and concur in the majority opinion that the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church has constitutional authority and legislative power under Article IV—Division Two (Par. 15.13) to establish the Commission on Religion and Race for the purposes and to implement the programs defined in the legislation.

It is with the rationale and judgment of the majority opinion that the composition of this Commission is unconstitutional as violative of Article IV—Division One (Par. 4)

of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church that we sharply disagree and vigorously dissent.

In preface to the burden of our dissent, we believe the Judicial Council, given the awesome power to render final decisions as to the law of the Church, should exercise that power with restraint. It should diligently avoid substituting its wisdom for the judgment of the broadly representative legislative body of the Church. Particularly, should this restraint be manifest when judicial wisdom is based on the interpretation of words and there is not a clear disparate departure from the constitutional language and purpose.

The purpose of Paragraph 4 of the Constitution and the basis for its language must be found in the history of the Church and its determination to rid itself of racial discrimination in the form of racially separated worship, churches, conferences, or other *organizational* units. The term "organizational unit" must refer to the structures into which the Church is constitutionally organized as set forth in Division Two, namely Conferences (General, Jurisdictional, Central, Annual, District, and Charge), the Episcopacy, and the Judiciary. It may not be applied to special purpose agencies. This distinction is supported by the definition of general agencies in the Methodist Church Discipline (Par. 1071) and Part IV of The United Methodist Church (Par. 702) approved in principle. It is therein provided that general agencies of The United Methodist Church do not include "boards of trustees, inter-agency committees, such commissions and committees as are created by the General Conference to fulfill a special function within the ensuing quadrennium, ecumenical groups on which The United Methodist Church is represented, or committees related to the quadrennial sessions of the General Conference." (Emphasis added)

Thus, it is our view that the ideal and objective of a racially inclusive and racially blind church is devoutly to be sought and worked toward as set forth in Par. 4. But the prohibition contained therein that "no conference or other organizational unit of the church shall be structured so as to exclude any member or any constituent body of the church because of race, color, national origin, or economic condition," does not bar or foreclose the General Conference from giving consideration to race in making certain that ethnic, national, and other groups are *included* in the work of achieving an inclusive color blind church. (Emphasis added). This principle was recognized and established in Decision No. 232.

The drafters of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church recognized this important fact by granting to the

General Conference full legislative power "to secure the rights and privileges of membership in all agencies, programs, and institutions in The United Methodist Church regardless of race or status." (Par. 15.14).

Therefore, Paragraphs 4 and 15.14 must be construed together, the constitutional powers should be accorded liberal interpretation, and the integrity of legislative purpose recognized until or unless that purpose is patently contrary to or subverts the Constitution. It is not realistic to conclude that, by the written declaration of the ideal of a racially inclusive church and a prohibition against exclusion, the result will be accomplished without positive, and in some instances, special action to correct the racial exclusion and separation historically created and currently existent in some aspects of the Church's life. That power and discretion are reserved to the legislative body of the Church—namely the General Conference.

The legislative history pertaining to the establishment of the Commission on Religion and Race, as recommended by the Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations, clearly indicates the intent to establish a commission for the special purposes of completing the work of eliminating racial separateness and fostering racial inclusiveness during the ensuing quadrennium. When the present racially defined Annual Conferences have been merged with the overlapping geographical Annual Conferences of The United Methodist Church—which is a major objective of the new commission—or when the inhibiting effect of the Enabling Legislation on Par. 4 of the Constitution has ended, whichever occurs first, for the first time, Pars. 4 and 15.14 will come into full effect. Thus, if all Annual Conferences of the former Central Jurisdiction of the former The Methodist Church shall have been merged with non-Negro Annual Conferences by the time of the 1972 General Conference, the General Conference might terminate or continue the existence of a Commission on Religion and Race for another quadrennium. In such event the use of a benign quota for composition of its membership would be of doubtful legality.

Thus it is a reasonable assumption that the General Conference of 1972, upon reviewing the required report of this Commission, may well determine that its purposes have been accomplished and terminate the Commission. This, too, is a power reserved to the General Conference and not to be pre-empted or anticipated by judicial decree. In order to make the Commission effective for its present mission the legislative judgment may well have determined that a larger number of racially identified members were essential

to demonstrate by example and to quicken the conscience and pace for inclusion and participation of all minorities in the work of the Church.

There is an increasing public recognition and a growing body of authority for the position (1) that there is an obligation to overcome the present effects of past discrimination; (2) that this obligation exists even if the discrimination was not illegal and was accepted at the time it was committed; and (3) that the effects may and should be overcome despite hardship to innocent parties. Equality is too significant to be outbalanced by efficiency or comfort. Those who have suffered discrimination over a long period need special evidence that they are being treated as full equals; while those who have benefited by the advantages of discrimination may be brought to understanding and compassion.

The right, power, and authority of the General Conference to correct racial separateness in the Church is clear and should not be impaired. The opinion of the majority in our judgment is in serious error.

THEODORE M. BERRY

We concur in the conclusion of the dissenting opinion, but do not necessarily agree with all of the argument.

WILLIAM K. MESSMER

MURRAY H. LEIFFER

DECISION NO. 6

Re: The appeal of the Uniting Conference for a ruling on the constitutionality of its action in adopting Report No. 17 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns.

DIGEST

The action of the Uniting Conference in adopting Report No. 17 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns is not unconstitutional.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Secretary of the Uniting Conference certified to the Interim Judicial Council that the Uniting Conference had appealed to the Council for an opinion on the constitutionality of one of its acts in the following communication:

"This is to certify that at the morning session, May 3, 1968, the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church requested the Interim Judicial Council to determine the constitutionality of the action adopting Calendar No. 263 (D.C.A. p. 460) in regard to Article XXV of the Constitution."

The Calendar No. 263 is Report No. 17 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns which authorizes the printing in the Discipline of 1968 a statement entitled "The Rule of Law and the Right of Dissent."

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. 190-192).

Analysis

The question to be answered is whether or not the action of the Uniting Conference referred to above is constitutional. The motion referring this matter to the Interim Judicial Council requests a determination of the constitutionality of the action of the Uniting Conference in adopting it "in regard to Article XXV of the Constitution."

The Article referred to is Article XXV of the Articles of Religion. An examination of this Article, entitled "Of a Christian Man's Oath," indicates that it is not relevant to the content of the report adopted by the Uniting Conference entitled "The Rule of Law and the Right of Dissent." We therefore assume that the reference is to the paragraph following the Articles of Religion, but not one of them, entitled, "Of the Duty of Christians to the Civil Authority." The note preceding this paragraph states:

"This statement seeks to interpret to our churches in foreign lands Article XXIII of the Articles of Religion. It is a legislative enactment but is not part of the Constitution. (See Judicial Council Decisions No. 41, 176.)" We find no provision of the Constitution violated by the action.

Decision

It is the decision of the Interim Judicial Council that Report No. 17 of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, entitled "The Rule of Law and the Right of Dissent" as adopted by the Uniting Conference is not unconstitutional.

May 3, 1968

MURRAY H. LEIFFER
Vice President, Interim Judicial Council
J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

DECISION NO. 7

Re: Request of the Uniting Conference to the Interim Judicial Council to determine the constitutionality of its action by which it denied to a Lay Pastor or a Minister's Spouse eligibility for election as Lay Members in an Annual Conference.

DIGEST

The action of the Uniting Conference, determining that a lay pastor may not be elected as the lay member of an Annual Conference, is constitutional. The action of the Uniting Conference, determining that a minister's spouse may not be elected as a lay member of an Annual Conference, is in violation of the Constitution.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Interim Judicial Council received the following certification from the Secretary of the Uniting Conference:

"This is to certify that the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church in morning session, May 3, 1968, requested a declaratory decision of the Judicial Council on the constitutionality of the adoption of Calendar 253 (D.C.A. page 454) in that section which denies the right of lay membership in the Annual Conference to a lay pastor or a minister's spouse on the basis of Article IV.14."

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based upon the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. 190-192).

Analysis

In the Report No. 14 of the Committee on Local Church of the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. p. 454), in setting forth the procedures for the election of lay members to the Annual Conference by the Charge Conference, the qualifications for such lay members are set forth. The concluding sentence of the paragraph dealing with the said qualifications reads:

"No lay pastor or minister's spouse shall be eligible as a lay member or alternate (see 36.1)."

The question submitted to us is whether such restriction upon the eligibility of "a lay pastor or a minister's spouse" is in accordance with the Constitution of The United Methodist Church. In submitting this question to us for decision, special reference is made to Paragraph 15, Article IV, 14, of the Constitution which grants to the General Conference power: "to secure the rights and privileges of membership is all agencies, programs, and institutions in The United Methodist Church regardless of race or status." The parenthetical note (see Par. 36.1) at the end of the sentence under consideration obviously refers to the constitutional provision for the election of lay members of the Annual Conference by the local charges.

For us, there are two questions involved which require separate consideration. First, we must consider the restriction placed upon the eligibility of the "lay pastor." For the

former The Methodist Church this is a new designation but for all practical purposes refers to the Methodist classification of "approved supply pastor."

Judicial Council Decision No. 112 of the former The Methodist Church deals with this question and states:

"An approved supply pastor represents his charge as a pastor in every respect except the right to vote. Therefore he cannot represent the charge in the dual capacity of Pastor and Lay Member at the same time."

Since, by the action of the Uniting Conference, such decisions of the Judicial Council of the former The Methodist Church are to be considered as precedents in The United Methodist Church, we accept the decision made in that case and reaffirm it as the decision of this Council.

The second question involves the right of a Charge Conference to elect as its lay member of the Annual Conference a "minister's spouse." The Constitution, Paragraph 15, grants to the General Conference broad legislative powers, among which is:

"3. To define and fix the powers and duties of . . . charge conferences and congregational meetings."

The Judicial Council of the former The Methodist Church has consistently held, however, that in the exercise of its power the General Conference may not invade nor abridge the powers and duties of other church bodies specifically reserved to them by the Constitution.

Paragraph 36 of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church provides that:

"The Annual Conference shall be composed of ministerial members as defined by the General Conference together with a lay member elected by each charge."

The only qualifications for eligibility to election as lay members as provided in this paragraph are as follows:

"The lay members shall be at least 21 years of age and shall have been for the four years next preceding their election members of one of the constituent churches forming this union or of The United Methodist Church."

We hold that the action of the General Conference in restricting the Charge Conference in its right to make its own choice in its election of a lay member of the Annual Conference is an abridgment of the rights and duties of the Charge Conference reserved to it by the Constitution and is therefore in violation of the Constitution.

Further strengthening our position, the Council is of the opinion that the action of the Uniting Conference in denying to a special class of persons the right to election as lay

members of the Annual Conference is also violative of Paragraph 15.1 and 15.14 of the Constitution. Par. 15.1 grants the power of the General Conference "to define and fix the conditions, privileges, and duties of church membership which shall in every case be without reference to . . . status." Par. 15.14 secures "the rights and privileges of membership in all agencies, programs, and institutions in The United Methodist Church regardless of . . . status."

Decision

It is the decision of the Interim Judicial Council that the action of the Uniting Conference which provides that a lay pastor may not be elected by his charge as lay member of an Annual Conference is not in violation of the Constitution, and that the similar action which provides that a minister's spouse may not be elected by a charge as a lay member is in violation of the Constitution and is therefore void.

May 3, 1968

MURRAY H. LEIFFER

Vice President, Interim Judicial Council

J. RUSSELL THROCKMORTON

Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

DECISION NO. 8

Re: Request of the Uniting Conference that the Interim Judicial Council of the United Methodist Church be requested to rule on the constitutionality of the authority of the Commission on Religion and Race with respect to the "Merging of Annual Conferences."

DIGEST

The action of the Uniting Conference in establishing the Commission on Religion and Race has given it responsibility for promoting and encouraging the merger of Annual Conferences but has no authority superceding that already established in our Constitution for effecting such mergers.

Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction is based on the creation of the Interim Judicial Council and the grant of authority given to it by the Uniting Conference (D.C.A. 190-192) and upon the request to the Council by the Uniting Conference for an opinion on duties relating to the Commission on Religion and Race.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

In a session of the Uniting Conference the following action was taken:

“BE IT RESOLVED by the Uniting Conference of The United Methodist Church that, in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1 of Article II, Division IV, of the Constitution of The United Methodist Church, the Interim Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church, be and it is hereby requested to rule on the constitutionality of that part of said Resolution by which the commission is given authority to assume general church responsibility for the merging of Annual Conferences.”

Analysis

The Uniting Conference has referred to the Interim Judicial Council the question of the authority granted to the Commission on Religion and Race. The action establishing such a commission states that:

“The commission will assume general church responsibility for such matters as:

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2. Merging of Annual Conferences.”

The Interim Judicial Council does not see that any new question is involved in this request. The action of the Uniting Conference in establishing a Commission on Religion and Race does not change the provisions of the Constitution which affect mergers of Annual Conferences.

In our view the function of the Commission is to be suggestive and promotional. It may not in any way intrude upon the requirements of the Constitution of the church.

Decision

The action of the Uniting Conference establishing the Commission on Religion and Race and stating as one of its responsibilities the “merging of Annual Conferences” is constitutional, it being understood that such a responsibility is advisory and promotional in nature and does not convey any power or authority otherwise defined and established by the Constitution for effecting the merger of Annual Conferences.

May 3, 1968

MURRAY H. LEIFFER
Vice President, Interim Judicial Council
Secretary, Interim Judicial Council

