The Co-Moderator recognized the Rev. Ben Herbster, Co-Chairman of the Executive Council, who presented "A Resolution by Which the General Synod May Acknowledge and Record Acting Conferences and Acting Associations" as follows:

WHEREAS the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Church of

Christ provides:

Article VI. Associations and Conferences.

Pending their reorganization on a territorial basis, Synods, Conferences, Conventions and Associations in existence at the time this Constitution is declared to be in force may act as Conferences and Associations of the United Church of Christ and may perform the functions thereof in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution and the By-Laws of the United Church of Christ with regard to such responsibilities as they may have heretofore discharged. The Synods, Conferences, Conventions and Associations, with the counsel and confirmation of the General Synod, shall take the initiative in their reorganization which shall proceed with utmost dispatch." (Paragraph 33) and

WHEREAS in manner appropriate to the structures and controlling documents of the respective uniting communions notice has been given to the General Synod that Synods and Conferences purpose to act as and to perform the functions of Conferences of the United Church of Christ, and in the case of Synods and certain Conferences also to act as and to perform the functions of Associations of the United Church of Christ, during the time in which they are perfecting "reorganization" in terms of the Basis of Union with Interpretations and Constitution and By-Laws of the United Church of Christ, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that, understanding that the status of acting Conference and acting Association shall terminate upon the completion of "reorganization" of several and respective Synods, Conferences, and Associations, and understanding that the progress in "reorganization" shall be reviewed from time to time by the Executive Council and reported biennially to the General Synod and at least biennially to the Synods, Conferences and Associations, the following Conferences, Conventions and Synods are recorded as acting Conferences, and, in certain instances, as acting Associations, and the following associations as acting Associations of the United Church of Christ:

# Synods

Missouri Valley Synod New York Synod Northeast Ohio Synod Northern Synod North Illinois Synod Northwest Ohio Synod North Wisconsin Synod Southwest Ohio Synod Pacific Northwest Synod South Wisconsin Synod Philadelphia Synod Pittsburgh Synod Potomac Synod

Reading Synod Rocky Mountain Synod Southeast Ohio Synod Southern Synod South Illinois Synod South Indiana Synod Susquehanna Synod Texas Synod West New York Synod

# Conferences and Associations

Conferences

Northern California Congregational

Conference

**Associations** 

Bay Assoc. Central Assoc.

Redwood Empire Assoc. Sacramento Valley Assoc. San Joaquin Valley Assoc.

Santa Clara Assoc. Upper Bay Assoc.

Congregational Conference of Southern California and the Southwest

Arizona Assoc. Kern Assoc.

Los Angeles Assoc. San Bernadino Assoc. San Diego Assoc.

Central South Conference, Congregational Christian Churches Central Oklahoma Assoc. Northwest Oklahoma Assoc. Texas Assoc.

Arkansas Valley Assoc.

The Colorado Congregational Conference

(The Connecticut Conference of Congregational Christian Churches has no spring meeting and will recommend a resolution to act this fall.)

Denver Assoc. Western Assoc.

Central Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Fairfield County Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Farmington Valley Assoc. of Churches and Ministers

Hartford Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Hartford East Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Litchfield North Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Litchfield South Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

Naugatuck Valley Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

New Haven Assoc. of Churches & Ministers

New Haven East Consociation of Churches & Ministers

New London Association of Churches & Ministers

Tolland Association of Churches & Ministers

Windham Assoc. of Churches & Min-

Convention of the South of Congregational Christian Churches

Conferences of the Convention of the South to act in fall on issue of becoming acting Associations

## Conferences

Florida Congregational Christian

Conference

(Congregational Christian Churches of German background work with the Conferences within whose boundaries they are located.)

Hawaiian Evangelical Association of Congregational Christian Churches

Idaho Conference of Congregational Christian Churches

Congregational and Christian Conference of Illinois

The Indiana Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches

Congregational Christian Conference of Iowa

Kansas Congregational and Christian Conference

Congregational - Christian Conference of Maine

Massachusetts Congregational Christian Conference

**Associations** 

Florida Northeast Assoc. Florida Southeast Coast Assoc. Florida West Central Asoc.

Colorado Assoc. Illinois Assoc. Montana Assoc. Nebraska Assoc. North Dakota Assoc.

Pacific Assoc.

South Dakota Assoc. Southern Assoc.

Hawaii Island Assoc. Kauai Island Assoc.

Maui, Molokai & Lanai Assoc.

Oahu Island Assoc.

(Associations will be considering action at their fall meetings.)

Central Assoc. Eastern Assoc. Northern Assoc. Southern Assoc.

Davenport Assoc. Denmark Assoc. Des Moines Assoc. Grinnell Assoc. Northeastern Assoc. Sioux Assoc. Southwestern Assoc. Webster City Assoc.

Eastern Assoc. Southern Assoc. Western Assoc.

Aroostook Assoc. Cumberland Assoc. Kennebec Valley Assoc. Penobscot Assoc. Waldo Assoc. York Assoc.

Andover Assoc. Berkshire Assoc. Brookfield Assoc. Essex North Assoc. Essex South Assoc.

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Franklin Assoc.
Middlesex-Mendon Assoc.
Middlesex Union Assoc.
Pilgrim Assoc.
Suffolk North Assoc.
Suffolk West Assoc.
Woburn Assoc.
Worcester Central Assoc.
Worcester North Assoc.
Worcester South Assoc.

Michigan Congregational Christian Conference

Central Assoc.
Cheboygan Assoc.
Detroit Assoc.
Eastern Assoc.
Grand Rapids Assoc.
Kalamazoo Assoc.
Muskegon Assoc.

The Middle Atlantic Conference of Congregational Christian Churches New Jersey Assoc. Washington Assoc.

The Congregational Conference of Minnesota

Central Assoc.
Duluth Assoc.
Northern Pacific Assoc.
Rainy River Assoc.
Southeastern Assoc.
Southwestern Assoc.
Twin Cities Assoc.

Congregational Christian Conference of Missouri

St. Louis Assoc. Springfield Assoc. Western Assoc.

Montana Congregational Conference

Eastern Assoc. Western Assoc. Yellowstone Assoc.

Congregational Conference of Nebraska

Blue Valley Assoc. Elkhorn Valley Assoc. Lincoln Assoc. Loup Valley Assoc. Northwestern Assoc. Omaha Assoc. Southwestern Assoc.

N e w Hampshire Congregational Christian Conference

Carroll-Strafford Assoc. Cheshire Assoc. Coos-Essex Assoc. Grafton-Orange Assoc. Hillsborough Assoc. Merrimack Assoc. Rockingham Assoc. Sullivan Assoc.

# Conferences

#### **Associations**

New York Congregational Christian Conference, Inc.

Black River-St. Lawrence Assoc.

Essex Assoc.

Hudson River Assoc.

Oneida Assoc. Suffolk Assoc.

Susquehanna Assoc. Western Assoc.

Congregational Christian Conference of North Dakota

North Dakota Assoc. of U.C.C.

Northeast Assoc. Northwestern Assoc. Southeast Assoc. Southwestern Assoc.

The Ohio Conference of Congregational Christian Churches

Central North Assoc. Cincinnati Assoc.

Cong'l Union of Cleveland Hamersville District Assoc.

Medina Assoc.

Northwestern Ohio Assoc.

Ohio Central Assoc. Plymouth Rock Assoc.

Puritan Assoc. Southeastern Assoc. Southwestern Assoc.

Congregational Conference of Oregon

East Willamette Assoc. Mid-Columbia Assoc. Portland Assoc.

West Willamette Assoc.

Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches of Pennsylvania

Delaware Valley

Rays Hill & Southern Pennsylvania Western Pennsylvania Assoc.

Congregational Christian Conference of Puerto Rico

Puerto Rico

Rhode Island Congregational Conference, Inc.

Rhode Island Assoc. of Ministers

Congregational Conference of South Dakota Black Hills Assoc. Central Assoc. Dakota Assoc. Yankton Assoc. Northwestern Assoc.

Southeast Convention of Congregational Christian Churches, Inc.

(Other East Alabama Associations will be considering action at fall meetings.)

The Southern Convention of Congregational Christian Churches

Western North Carolina Assoc.

Utah Conference

Utah Conference of Congregational Christian Churches

## Conferences

#### Associations

Vermont Congregational Conference and Domestic Missionary Society,

Addison Assoc. Caledonia Assoc.

Grafton-Orange Assoc.

Lamoille Assoc. Orleans Assoc. Washington Assoc.

Washington Congregational Christian Conference

Eastern Washington-Northern Idaho

Assoc. Seattle Assoc.

Wisconsin Congregational Conference

Beloit Assoc. Eau Claire Assoc. LaCrosse Assoc. Madison Assoc. Superior Assoc. Winnebago Assoc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Council be requested promptly to record as acting Conferences, and in some instances as acting Associations, of the United Church of Christ, as may be appropriate and consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Church such Conferences and Associations of the Congregational Christian Churches as may hereafter give proper notice of their intention to act as and to perform the functions of Conferences of the United Church of Christ or to act and to perform the functions of Associations of the United Church of Christ.

61-GS-20 VOTED: To adopt the resolution with such editorial changes as may be necessary.

The Co-Moderator asked Mr. Bladen to present the Resolution by which the General Synod may authorize the Executive Council to apply for membership in the name of the United Church of Christ in the World Alliance of Reformed and Presbyterian Churches and in the International Congregational Council:

WHEREAS the Second General Synod approved and made its own the actions of the Executive Council reported to it in Oberlin in 1959, including the following resolution:

"To encourage the two uniting constituencies to continue to maintain their present memberships in the confessional bodies to which they respectively belong.

"To anticipate the desirability that the United Church, when it functions fully as one corporate entity, should continue its membership in both confessional bodies as they move through the present stage of ecumenical development." (Appendix 6, pages 78-79, Minutes of Second General Synod.)

and

WHEREAS the General Synod has declared the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Church of Christ in force, therefore