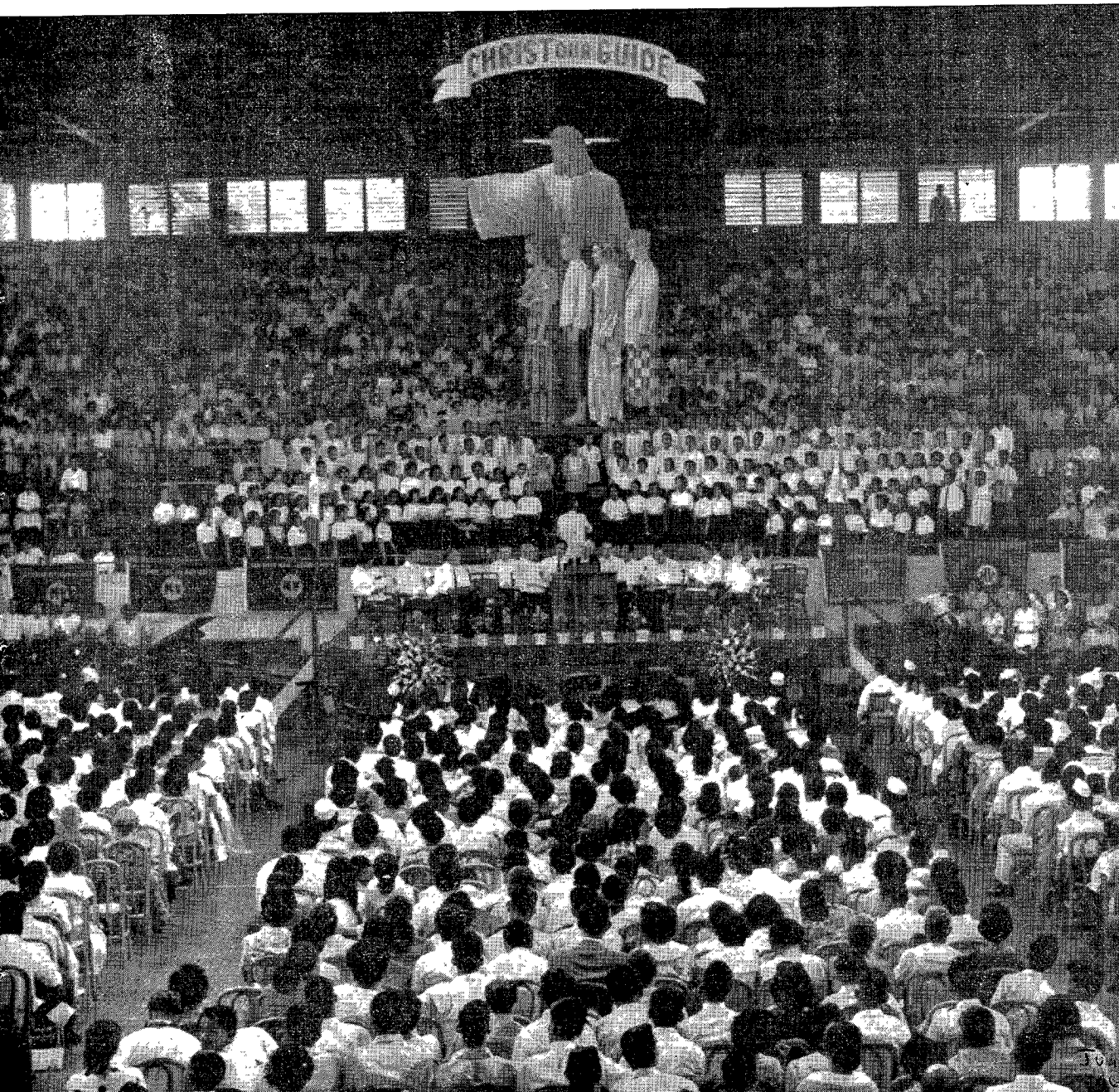


I. M. S. Richards Speaking to an Audience of 12,000 at the Youth Congress





Pastor L. A. Skinner speaking on "Christ Our Reward," at the Friday morning devotional hour. A congress delegate from Japan serves as translator.

Far Eastern Youth Congress

**By L. A. Skinner, Associate Secretary
General Conference MV Department**

The Far Eastern Youth Congress is over but thousands of young men and women who received their enlarged vision April 4-9 in Manila are now sharing their faith. About 100 young men dedicated their lives to the gospel ministry and additional hundreds pledged active participation in carrying the "Message to Millions" on the Sabbath in Rizal Memorial Coliseum, as the audience of more than 12,000 joined in the congress service. What an inspiration to see this response from youth representing Japan, Korea, Taiwan Hong Kong, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam, Malaya, Singapore, North Borneo, Sarawak, Indonesia, Netherlands New Guinea, Guam and the host country, the Republic of the Philippines.

What wonderful hosts! What hospitality! The Filipino Missionary Volunteers had made thorough preparation. The auditorium on the campus of Philippine Union College had been newly painted and improved. A very efficient food service had been set up. Housing seemed a difficult problem but

the friendly Filipinos made it appear easy. The reception committee met planes, boats and buses with leis, smiles and banners of welcome. MCC men and women in uniform performed a valuable service as guards, guides, ushers and messengers.

It was plain to see that Pastor C. D. Martin, Far Eastern Division MV secretary, had spent many days during the past three years planning the details of the congress. He had splendid support from the Division staff and his hard-working MV secretaries. Registration was handled with ease; the sound system was engineered to accommodate the listeners; music of the finest was provided by many willing helpers.

Yes, a moment longer should be devoted to the congress music for it inspired all who were present. Faithfully, the congress choir of nearly 200 voices provided music of the highest type. Male quartets, ladies' trios, a splendid male chorus, and excellent instrumental groups all added their parts. The

music committee made a valuable contribution to the success of the congress.

The opening night was a parade of color and animation. Upon entering the auditorium one's eye caught the theme, "Christ Our Guide," prominently displayed near a huge figure of Christ pointing to the needy millions of the Far East. The 1,700 delegates from 18 nations were dressed in their colorful costumes and answered the roll call. Their respective flags were posted on the platform. Green palms and beautiful flowers made the stage attractive.

A deep spiritual tone characterized the five days of the congress. The 6:00 a. m. Morning Watch service struck the keynote for each day. The international prayer circle was a feature long to be remembered. Following the worship message, all delegates marched out on the campus to form two huge circles. Small groups of prayer partners asked for God's guidance and blessing. More than a thousand youth made up these prayer circles each morning. The devotional messages at 8:00 a. m. strengthened all hearers and the Sabbath messages by Pastor H. M. S. Richards were high peaks of worship. On Friday evening in answer to an appeal for ministers, more than 100 young men came forward to dedicate their lives to this sacred calling.

A positive evangelistic thrust marked the sessions. Leadership and evangelism workshops attracted great interest. Experiences of soul-winning youth inspired the audiences. The Voice of Youth was featured in a presentation which resulted in hundreds pledging to organize VOY evangelistic teams in their home societies. Thursday night a most impressive presentation unfolded the "Story of the Light." The development of the work of Seventh-day Adventists in the Far East was depicted in pageant, music and pantomime. Everyone in the audience was gripped with the providences of God in the past and the tremendous challenge of the present. The final closing ceremony on Sabbath night concluded with a response from all Union Mission MV secretaries and delegates. A large map of the Division territory lighted up brightly as all present joined in a pledge to carry the "Message to Millions" in 1961.

With hands clasped as a symbol of the unity of commitment, Pastor C. P. Sorensen prayed for the spirit of loving service to take possession of all in fulfilling their pledge.

Space will not permit further details but we must mention the very attractive exhibits of the various Union Missions, the 10 runners carrying the torch from the first Seventh-day Adventist church—Santa Ana—to the campus auditorium, the 10 cyclists who rode all the way from Davao, Mindanao, to Manila in three weeks, travelling 1,700 kilometers, the Indonesia bamboo orchestra, the investing of 93 new Master Guides, the excellent drill demonstration by the Pathfinder Club of Baesa, the efficient Medical Cadet Corps Battalion, and the theme song:

Step by step with Jesus,
He will lead the way.
He alone can guide us
On our pilgrim way.
Keep your eyes on Jesus,
Make your heart His throne.
Love Him! Trust Him!
Serve Him!
He will guide you home.

Seventh-day Adventists young people and older people as was assembled in Manila over the Sabbath!

Thirdly, we do feel that every one went the second mile in participation. Not only those who had a part on the program but the many who served on committees that had to do with the details of the arrangements for the congress—all went the second mile in doing their share to make the congress the success that it was.

Lastly, we do want to say a word about co-operation. I have never known of a group of workers and leaders who worked together in a more cooperative spirit than our men and women did during this gathering of our youth. The entire Division staff was in attendance and they took part and did everything they possibly could to make the meetings a success and blessing to the youth. The department secretaries and others lent their full support and every endeavor to the end that the congress might be the inspiration to the

youth we so much hoped it would be. And so to one and all we want to say Thank you for your support, for your prayers, for your untiring efforts before and during the congress to the end that this gathering of youth might go down in the history of our work in the Far East as a never-to-be-forgotten occasion, and one that will, we are confident, result in many souls saved when the great Congress convenes in the hereafter. There we will meet not only youth from the far corners of the Far Eastern Division but from every part of God's universe. We thank our Heavenly Father for sending the Holy Spirit, the unseen Guest, to impress hearts and minds with the seriousness of this the last hour of earth's history. A spirit of dedication and consecration pervaded throughout the entire congress. We truly believe that great things are in store for the many thousands of youth in the Far East. They will in a greater measure than ever before answer the call to bring the "Message to Millions."

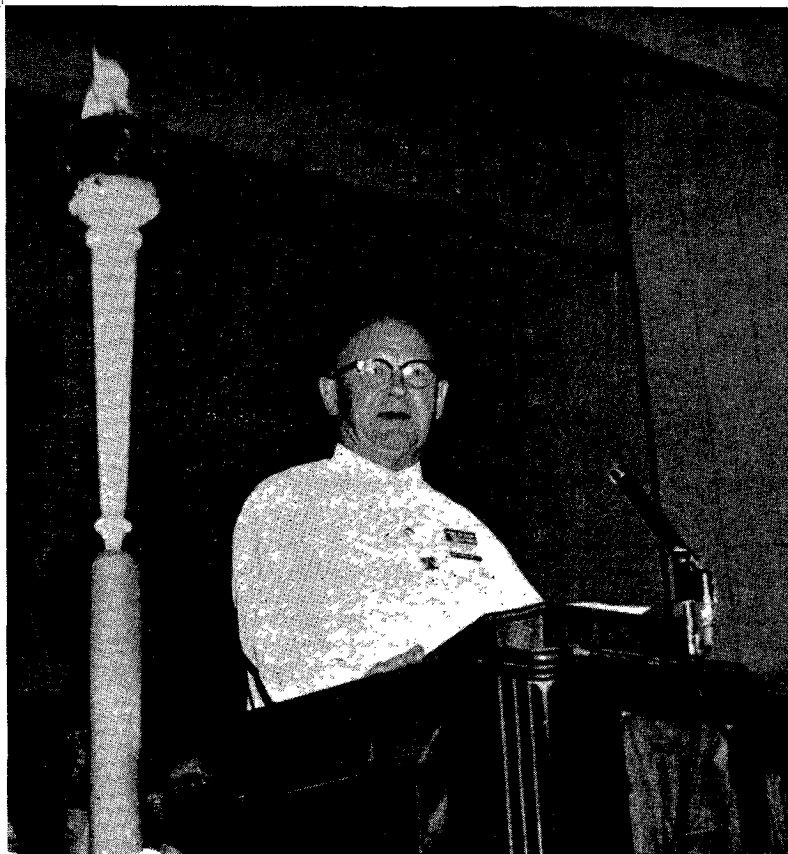
Beyond Our Expectations

By **Chris P. Sorensen, President**
Far Eastern Division

I think I am expressing the opinion of many when I say that the Far Eastern Division Youth Congress went beyond our fondest expectations. We had laid certain plans; we had anticipated a certain attendance; and we had encouraged Pastor Martin and his committees and co-workers to outline as ambitious a program as possible but when it actually came to the realization, I think we must all agree that the congress exceeded our expectations in several ways.

First of all, every one who had a part on the program put his very best efforts into that program and so we can truly say that as the different parts of the program were carried out all went far beyond what we in our minds had anticipated.

Secondly, the attendance at the congress both from the Philippines and from every part of the Division field was in excess of what we had expected. What a thrill it was to the young people, especially those from outlying areas of our field, to see such a vast audience of



Pastor C. P. Sorensen on behalf of the Far Eastern Division welcomes the delegates to the first Division-wide Youth Congress.



Charter members of the Santa Ana church in the North Philippine Union Mission light the Torch of Truth and send the bearer (left) on his way to Manila. The Santa Ana church was the first Seventh-day Adventist church to be organized in the Philippines. This year marks the golden anniversary of that church—50 golden years since 1911.

Workshops at the Congress

By J. O. Bautista

Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary,
North Philippine Union Mission

That the first Far Eastern Division Youth Congress, which was held in Manila, Philippines, April 4-9, 1961, was a big success no one who was privileged to attend will deny. However, all will agree that the real impact of this history-making gathering will be felt in the coming days when the delegates from every part of the far-flung territory of the Division will have brought home to their local churches the inspiration they received, and will have carried out the program for a more aggressive evangelism as outlined for them during the meetings. In view of this, the workshops held during the congress take on great significance. Proper implementation of the plans presented at said workshops, fittingly termed "Youth in Action," will determine in a big measure the success of the congress.

Time and Place

One hour and fifteen minutes were allotted to the workshops each morning for three days, Wednesday to Friday from 9:15 to 10:40. Upon registration, every delegate was assigned to one of the four groups: "Voice of Youth Evangelism," led by W. K. Nelson in the college auditorium; "Personal Evangelism," under the leadership of R. E. Klimes in the gymnasium; "MV Leadercraft," presided over by T. V. Zytoskee at the academy chapel; and "Pathfinder Leadership" with P. H. Romulo in charge in the Tagalog church building. Inasmuch as these different buildings are widely separated, the writer was able to spend only about fifteen minutes at each place as he went about to observe what was going on.

Day-by-Day Observations

Voice of Youth Public Evangelism. First day: L. A. Skinner gave the keynote message with an appeal for faith-sharing based on the experience of the four lepers as recorded in 2 Kings 7. To us as a people has been entrusted the "good tidings" and like the lepers "we do not well" if we hold our peace and keep the blessings of the gospel of salvation to ourselves. He was followed by W. K. Nelson, chairman, who brought to the attention of all the fact that the program of world evangelization is composed of three phases, namely construction, cooperation, and completion. **Second day:** After reviewing what he had presented the previous day, W. K. Nelson interviewed H. M. S. Richards regarding the story of our work in broadcasting the Advent Message. From a humble beginning in 1942, the presentation of the message over the air has made a remarkable stride forward so that today it is being given in 65 languages from about 800 stations. **Third day:** L. A. Skinner interviewed representatives of various countries about their



The Torch of Truth is presented to Pastor P. H. Romulo, MV secretary of the North Philippine Union Mission.

Pastor C. D. Martin, Division MV secretary, holding the Torch of Truth after receiving it from Pastor Romulo.



soul-winning activities. First to relate his experience was youthful Earl Anchant of Singapore, leader of an association called Brotherhood of Missionary-Minded Youth. The membership of the association has grown from 12 to 63. A Youth Center is being built at the rear of the Balestier Road church. As a result of evangelistic meetings they held, 16 souls were baptized in about a year's time. Ng Sui Koon from Penang followed with an account of three Voice of Youth meetings which were held in that city. The next to report was Abraham Frias, ministerial association leader at PUC. He told of plans to hold an evangelistic effort in Binan, Laguna, which is 35 kilometers from Manila. Ten members will compose the team. First colporteurs sold Bibles in the town; two weeks later a public rally was held for the purpose of getting VOP Bible correspondence course enrollments. At this writing the effort is in full swing.

2. Personal Evangelism. First day: A poster caught our attention as we entered the room. On it were inscribed the words: "Personal labor—Reach people where they are." A leaflet was distributed entitled "Operation Guiding Light." It outlines a one-man evangelism plan for Missionary Volunteers

which includes literature distribution, enrolling people in the Bible correspondence courses and personal contacts. T. C. Murdoch and R. C. Hill demonstrated how to lead a conversation into a discussion of religious matters. Then two ladies showed us how to carry on missionary work by correspondence. **Second day:** Milton Lee explained the three steps in giving a Bible study—arouse the interest of the prospect, develop in him a desire to receive the provisions of the gospel, and then implant conviction and get him to decide. A helpful hint was given: allow the Bible to answer the questions of the inquirer. **Third day:** H. M. S. Richards spoke on power. "We are God's motors," he said, "but we need to be charged with power from on high. People can feel it when we have the power of God in our lives. How is this acquired? Through the study of the Bible and memorizing portions of the same, meditation, and prayer." He was followed by H. E. McClure who demonstrated how to operate the Hope for Today projector.

3. MV Leadership. First day: A big poster was on display on which was printed the text Colossians 3:2. B. R. Arit was discussing "Three-Dimension Leadership" when we arrived. Modern

successful leaders work in the following dimensions: a) Training in particular knowledges and skills required for particular jobs; b) Developing generalized understanding of group behaviour that is applicable to all groups in all situations; c) Training all group members, not just designated leaders, to be able to perform group functions. **Second day:** Dr. R. S. Manalaysay, wife of the president of Philippine Union College, gave a talk on the importance of visual aids in giving instruction to the people. **Third day:** A panel discussion was in progress as we reached the room. The subject was on the elements of success. To succeed one must desire to do the job, must have ability to do it, must have knowledge of human relations in doing it. Success, we were told, is 80 percent human relations and 20 percent ability.

4. Pathfinder Leadership. First day: We found P. H. Romulo giving instruction on the organization of a MV Pathfinder Club. He mentioned the places that can be utilized as meeting places and also the proper time to hold meetings. L. A. Skinner followed with



Pastor T. V. Zytoskee, president of Korean Union College, shown in action as he directed the MV Leadercraft Workshop at the Youth Congress.



Many congress delegates participated in the Pathfinder Leadership Workshop. MV Secretary Romulo, chairman of the workshop, here instructs an attentive group of people.

some pointers on how to keep the interest of club members in the organization, namely through interesting programs and varied activities. **Second day.** A demonstration of the instruction given the previous day on club organization and the holding of meetings was given by Nestor Arít. **Third day:** Led by T. V. Barizo and assisted by other MV leaders, this last period was spent in demonstrating how to teach different crafts which included the following: moulding, plastic weaving, flower making and coconut crafts.

Fully equipped with these "tools" and practical suggestions, we hope that the Advent youth will rally to the task of carrying the "Message to Millions" in the Far East.

The Trophy Hour

By Irene Wakeham, Registrar
Mountain View College

In dialogue and interview, in pantomime and song, delegations from the different Union Missions told their stories of successful soul-winning by youthful Missionary Volunteers at the Sabbath afternoon Trophy Hour.

In the Far Eastern Island Mission, eleven-year-old Edwina Aki visited ten homes for twelve weeks distributing literature. When Pastor J. R. Spangler came for a three-week effort, one of these families, Mr. and Mrs. Reyes, attended every meeting, were baptized, and are now giving Bible studies to their friends.

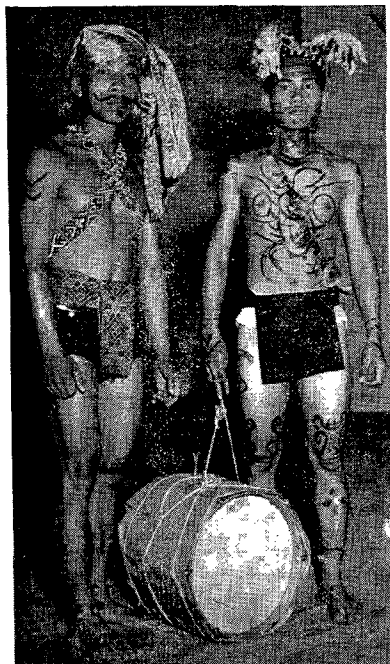
Called to the platform were Pastor and Mrs. J. O. Bautista, first Filipino foreign missionaries, who went to Palau in 1934. The daughter, born to them there and named Caroline for the islands, joined them on the platform as the first second generation Filipino foreign missionary, now under appointment as a nurse to the Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore. With Caroline were two other Filipino appointees, Luna Atil and Nobleza Pilar, also soon on their way to Singapore.

Another delegate, Nobou Willy, 23, son of a priest of the native Palau spirit religion, told of sharing his faith in his work as public defender (prosecuting attorney).

In West New Guinea, opposition to the spreading truth reached the point where one father entered an evening meeting with a stick to beat his child, but in the darkness attacked the wrong person, causing quite a disturbance. One of the converts, Kaway Darius, with those for whom he was working, was beaten by the village headman so severely that the stick broke. The only revenge he hopes for is their conversion. One of the first Papuan Master Guides ever to be invested, Darius had appeared in a morning program in his pagan garb, but in the afternoon showed the contrast by his conversion.

The Island of Borneo brought the story of Anton, a land Dyak from Sarawak who studied at Sunny Hill school till the principal dismissed him from the overcrowded school, advising him to help his widowed mother rather than waste more money on tuition, since he seemed unable to learn. Bitterly disappointed, he nevertheless continued sharing his faith, and soon was invited by a patient at the hospital to come to his village to teach. With his Bible, songbook, and a few school books, he crossed the rivers and presently sent word for the pastor to come and baptize his six converts. One of them, Jipem, whose father was a famous witch doctor, was present at the Congress as a delegate, while Anton himself is still teaching in a remote area.

Against a beautiful backdrop portraying the interior of a Japanese home, the story of two young converts was portrayed. One of them, facing trouble in the public school she attended because of Sabbath observance, under severe pressure from her parents relinquished her faith. Her friend continued to be faithful, took the nurses



Left to right are Gindok from North Borneo and Jipem from Sarawak dressed as witch doctors.

training course, and worked at the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital. When the backslider became seriously ill and needed major surgery, she entered the Tokyo Sanitarium, only to find her old school friend assigned as her nurse and to be won again to the faith she had earlier loved.

In addition to their soul-winning stories, the Indonesia delegation delighted the audience by playing "Missionary Volunteers" on their bamboo instruments, as well as joining their voices in song.

From Korea came the story of a Seventh-day Adventist seamstress who shared her faith with three non-Christians who came to order suits from her. From this small beginning there grew a church of about 300 members in approximately two years' time.

Language study as a method of soul-winning was illustrated in the story presented by the South China Island Union Mission delegation. A Japanese girl attending evangelistic meetings had trouble understanding Chinese and a young medical student was assigned to translate for her and to teach her Chinese. As they studied together, their interest in each other deepened as well as their interest in their new found faith. After her baptism, when the young man was facing Sabbath problems in the

medical school, she encouraged him to continue, even though he lost a year because of his faithfulness. After their marriage, they won to the truth another of the delegates, now the Missionary Volunteer secretary in his field.

From the South Philippines came the story of an active MV group at Aluran, Misamis Occidental (a province of Mindanao). They conducted a full evangelistic effort, financed entirely by the young people themselves. At the end of the first two months, after preaching every night, they had 15 ready for baptism; and after two more months of services twice a week, another 18 were added. With the help of older members, they raised more than P1,000 with which they bought evangelistic equipment—a projector, generator, tape recorder, and a public address system. They also erected a chapel and are now subsidizing a church school in Oroquieta. The present MV leader, Hermogenes Mano-og, one of those in the second baptism, was present at the congress as a delegate.

Launching the "Message to Millions" Evangelistic Crusade

By C. D. Martin

It was Saturday night, the closing night of the Far Eastern Youth Congress and thousands had crowded into the Rizal Memorial Coliseum to hear the message by Pastor L. A. Skinner, associate MV secretary of the General Conference. The climax of the congress had been reached and this closing program was set aside as a commitment service for all present. This was the final evangelistic thrust of the congress; many prayers had been offered in connection with this program. Here would be seen the pattern of youth evangelism for the year ahead. The stage had been set for action!

In the sermon, "Christ's Messengers" a stirring challenge was presented to all delegates and visiting youth and then an opportunity

On Saturday night at the closing service of the congress, the crusade "Message to Millions" was launched. In the picture we see Pastor Skinner calling for a response from youth leaders by union missions. As each union mission MV secretary came to the platform to respond, a light appeared on the large map of our Division behind the platform.



was given for the response. It was heart-warming. Delegation after delegation stood in consecration for service; then in harmony with the spirit of the evening, the MV secretaries of the nine unions and detached missions began coming toward the platform. Each of these men brought with him several representatives from his field. The sight was wonderful!

One by one these youth leaders spoke on behalf of the Missionary Volunteers of Indonesia, the Far Eastern Islands, Japan and Korea. Behind the large platform stood a mammoth map of the Far East, and as each youth leader spoke, a light flashed on in his country. Then from South China, Southeast Asia, and West New Guinea the MV secretaries spoke for their youth pledging their support in active service. The lights were now burning brightly over most of the map as the response came in from the host country, the Philippine Islands. As the lights of these two large union missions were added to the other seven areas, a wonderful feeling swept through the vast audience. It was a thrilling moment for everyone! It was apparent that the inspiration of this hour would reach into the far corners of the Division field. This was the hour that many had been looking forward to, and again the response of the youth demonstrated what can be accomplished by united action.

The closing moments of the service approached, and as the thousands of youth stood quietly, Pastor Skinner directed their attention to the green leaflet each held in his hand. Printed boldly on the cover were the words "MESSAGE TO MILLIONS." The significance was crystal clear. There, standing together were young people from nearly every corner of the Far East representing millions of people yet in darkness. The invitation was given for them to take pens or pencils and sign the pledge at the bottom of the page. It read:

MY DEDICATION . . . By the grace of God I now pledge my service to the Master promising that I will assist in carrying the "MESSAGE TO MILLIONS" by sharing in Family Evangelism —, School Evangelism —, Neighborhood Evangelism —, Community Evangelism —.

Name

There was a slight stir that swept the entire coliseum as thousands of pens and pencils went into action that evening. It was a convincing evidence that the youth who were signing the pledge would soon be returning to their homes to go into action as they helped to carry the "MESSAGE TO MILLIONS." As they checked the type of evangelism they chose to engage in, it was with a prayer

in their hearts that this message would soon reach the millions in this part of the world so that Jesus can come. This was the determination of each delegate as the great Far Eastern Youth Congress came to a close. A new pattern of soul-winning had been set before the Missionary Volunteers of the Far East. Each delegate gave the response, "Here am I; send me."

Youth Want to Know

By J. R. Spangler

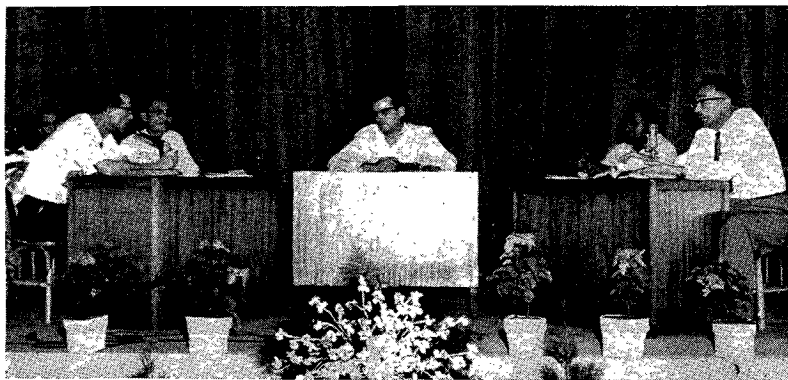
Division Ministerial Association Secretary

Can Adventist youth know how to choose between Christian and non-Christian recreation and amusement? What is the difference between recreation and amusement? Are there any amusements which Seventh-day Adventist Christians can safely engage in? What does the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy say regarding recreation and amusement?

Answers to these vital questions were given at the Wednesday afternoon YOUTH WANT TO KNOW panel discussion period. Four well-prepared panel members charted a well-defined course for our

religious information. The terms "recreation" and "amusement" are really synonymous. However, recreation usually involves the edifying of the physical nature. Amusements perhaps stress mental activities, but not to the exclusion of physical exercise. Therefore, it is possible and desirable for Seventh-day Adventist youth to find satisfaction in the right types of recreation and amusement.

The panel came to three major and important conclusions which can be used as guides in selecting Christian recreation and amusements:



The "Youth Want to Know" panel with Pastor J. R. Spangler as moderator. Other members of the panel are: (left to right) T. H. Blincoe, E. C. Saw, J. R. Obregon and P. G. Miller.

young people to follow. The participants were: P. G. Miller, president of Southeast Asia Union College; J. R. Obregon, president of East Visayan Mission (SPUM); Saw Eng Chuan, MV secretary of the Malaya Mission; T. H. Blincoe, Ministerial Association secretary and Bible teacher, Japan Union Mission. J. R. Spangler was the moderator.

Definitions of terms played an important part in this exchange of

1) Time should be a deciding factor. Satan engineers an endless variety of pleasing shows, entertainments and even countless enterprises, harmless in themselves, but the real danger is one calculated to consume the Christian's time to the extent that he has neither the energy or willingness to win souls and develop a Christian character. Thus God must always take "first place" while recreation

and amusements are secondary. A well-balanced Christian young person will meet this standard by putting God above all! Then, time spent in edifying recreation will neither be lost or wasted.

2) A second standard for measuring recreation and amusement involves money. If means which are desperately needed in the cause of God are devoted to expensive types of recreation and amusement, then the danger signal is to be hoisted. All are accountable to God for every single dollar wasted. In choosing our recreation, let us keep it simple and inexpensive.

3) The final all-inclusive principle in the choice of Christian recreation and amusement is summed up in the following statement from **Testimonies**, vol. 3, p. 222. "Any amusement in which they can engage asking the blessing of God upon it in faith will not be dangerous, but amusement which disqualifies them for secret prayer, or for devotion at the hour of prayer, or for taking part in the prayer meeting is not safe, but dangerous." In other words, can we invoke God's presence and guidance in the recreation and amusements we participate in?

These three guideposts were fully developed by the panel members and we trust that our young people in the Far Eastern Division will always remember these points when seeking the relaxation and harmless enjoyment found in Christian recreation and amusement.

Congress Praises

By **Mrs. P. G. Poblete, Registrar**
Philippine Union College

Make me a blessing,
Out of my life may Jesus
shine;
Make me a blessing
O Saviour, I pray,
Make me a blessing
to someone today.

The familiar strains came from twenty-four bamboo percussion instruments, called "angklongs," making mellow music in the gentle and rhythmic hands of twenty-four Indonesian delegates who shook them, each in his turn, as Pastor Boas Dompas directed.

The ingenious bamboo orchestra represents the beautiful working together at Youth Congress time of all the musical talents present, thus lending life and meaning to the first Far Eastern Division mammoth youth gathering.



The opening meeting of the congress which was held in the new Philippine Union College Auditorium. In the background of the picture we see the large Congress Choir conducted by Pastor E. H. Wallace.



At the feature hour by the publishing department entitled "Highways and Byways," Mrs. J. B. Emralino, magazine leader in the Philippines, presented the Colporteur Choir in challenging song and music.



"The Ambassadors," the famous Philippine Union College male chorus with their director, Pastor E. H. Wallace.

Starting from the opening night with Handel's "And the Glory, the Glory of the Lord" chorus, the congress choir, an assembly of musical talents from various churches, served each evening with selected choruses from **The Messiah**. Out of its center each night, one church choir arose to fill our moments with sacred music before the ministers' entry. There were Mrs. E. H. Wallace's PUC A Capella Choir, Professor Eliseo Arevalo's Fellowship Choir, Dr. U. M. Carbajal's Pasay Choral Society and the gaily-tied Ambassadors with Professor Wallace.

Another ensemble was much appreciated during the Sabbath School hour: Mrs. A. A. Domocles' Baguio Church Choir, dressed in the colorful typical costumes of Benguet.

Lift up the trumpet
And loud let it ring . . .

PUC's King's Men (David Dee, Abraham Constantino, Edward Pan, and Lorenzo Lacson, the last-named pinch-hitting for David Feng) served as VOP King's Herald's each time Pastor H. M. S. Richards went "on the air."

Other male quartets came from Indonesia, Korea, Manila, and three from PUC in addition to the Kings' Men. After singing singly during a Sabbath Moments of Music program, the three PUC male groups sang together—twelve men singing lustily, "Send the Light."

Indeed, those precious Moments of Music offered excellent opportunities to the friend-collecting delegate to get acquainted with Far Eastern musical talents. There were Vita Mallari-Jamandre and Cora Arevalo at the organ and the piano and Nobleza Pilar and Juanita Fabriga at the same instruments at another hour; the beautiful soloists—Christine Tauran, Esther Medenilla, James Wong, Belle Castro, Minerva Arit, Miss Yu from Korea, Rudolf Matahari and many others. Instrumental music was furnished by David Yang, the Ekvall man-and-wife-team, Pastor L. E. Gonzaga, Dr. R. G. Manalaysay, Mrs. P. G. Poblete and many others.

Two larger musical programs projected "The Plan of Redemption in Music," as Pastor L. V. Tucker called his program, and rehearsed the story of "Esther, the beautiful Queen," in song with Dr. U. M. Carbajal directing.

In the collection of taped and selected Congress music, one hopes to hear the haunting strains of Handel's "Water Music" as played for the Sabbath offertory by the College string orchestra, Dr. Manalaysay, concert master; Lily Pan's piano solo, "On Wings of Song"; Mrs. Lee's "Divine Redeemer;" the Ekvall clarinet-vibraharp number; and the choice bits from the Esther Cantata. Although the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps may not have been recorded, delegates cannot easily forget the fulness of its sounds at that Temperance Program Thursday afternoon.

Yet, still other musical moments

there were: those moments when one stopped his singing to thrill to the mighty singing of 10,000 Adventists from all over the Division—"like the sound of many waters" entoning

Keep your eyes on Jesus;
Make your heart His throne;
Love Him, Trust Him,
Serve Him;

He will guide you home.

This was the Congress theme song.

The Music Committee which started the echoes ringing long before April 4-9, wishes to acknowledge the faithfulness of all participating fellow-musicians and invites each to a greater consecration of his talents to the Lord's service.

The Story of the Light

By Mrs. A. J. Robbins

The story of the gospel light and how it began to shine in the Far East was the theme of the inspiring mission pageant presented at the Far Eastern Division Youth Congress on Thursday evening, April 6, 1961. It was written and directed by Mrs. Elwood Sherrard. More than 60 delegates from the fields represented at the Congress took part, many of them wearing the colorful costumes of their countries.

In the center of the stage was a large torch which lighted the platform brightly as a young man and a young woman representing "Youth" entered, carrying small lighted torches. They were greeted by white-bearded "Time" who asked them where they were going and what they would do with their lights. "Youth" answered, "We hope

to find some use for our small lights, but the large torch illumines every corner and we fear there is no need for our lights. We have been told that darkness still exists in the world, but surely this cannot be when the gospel torch glows so brightly. We stand in wonder at its glorious light." "Time" agreed that the light was indeed to be wondered at but assured them that it had not always been so and that the great torch had been lighted by many small lights such as they carried.

"Would you like to hear the story?" asked "Time." When "Youth" answered that they would, "Time" instructed the recording angel to turn back the pages of the **Book of the Years**. Back ten years, twenty, forty, fifty, seventy years. As each page was turned the

Closing scene of "Panorama of Youth and Advent Message in the Far East."



large torch dimmed until at last the year 1888 was reached and the stage was in total darkness. With the arrival of Abram LaRue, the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary to the Far East, the torch glowed faintly. The work spread to Japan, Korea, Indonesia and other countries and with each advance of the church program the torch shone brighter until it finally reached its original brightness.

"Youth" was again happy to see the brightness of the light, but felt there could still be no use for their small lights. To answer this doubt, "Time" showed them a panorama of unentered places in every field where superstition and heathenism still hold sway. "Youth" deeply moved exclaimed, "Our lights are so small, what can we do in such darkness?" "Time" again assured them that the great torch had been lighted by small lights such as they carried. "Youth" convinced of the need for and the importance of the lights they carried, pledged to hold the torches high and carry forward the work of the pioneers.

The inspiration and challenge of this program was one of the high points of the Congress and the youth of the Far Eastern Division will surely answer with courage and determination.

Evangelism Was the Keynote

By J. R. Spangler

"Youth in Action!" "Family Evangelism!" "School Evangelism!" "Neighborhood Evangelism!" "Community Evangelism!" "Voice of Youth Efforts!" These were some of the most frequently heard terms and expressions during the gigantic Far Eastern Youth Congress. Next to the appealing theme of full and complete surrender and consecration to God, was the challenge to our youth to return home and put into operation a massive evangelistic drive. Who can storm the gates of Satan's fortress any better than our consecrated Seventh-day Adventist youth? Our young people are the ones chosen by Christ to bring the hope of freedom from the bondage of sin to the multitudes.

Every morning at 9:15, the Voice of Youth Public Evangelism Workshop was held in the main auditorium. The tremendous size of the audience in attendance at this work-

shop was a positive indication that our young people have a burden to go forth and publicly proclaim the love of Christ. Panel discussions, demonstrations, visual aids, and other helpful suggestions were given to our young people during this workshop.

The Congress "Target Hour" was the Voice of Youth Public Evangelism program given on Thursday afternoon. In pantomime, thirty young people gave an actual demonstration on how to change a drab, lifeless, sleepy young people's MV society into a vibrant, thrilling, electrifying tool of God for the winning of souls. Step by step, this program revealed how to set up various committees, such as the advertising, music, program, literature and equipment. The unique device of a spiritual count-down was given in the script. On V-Day minus 2, scenes were enacted depicting our young people searching the highways and byways for the purpose of urging and compelling people in all walks of life to attend the Voice of Youth evangelistic meeting. V-Day arrived at last. The church auditorium was in complete readiness. From washer-woman to business man; from jeepney driver to doctor; from a cracker barrel politician to a mother with a baby in arms—the call of these young people was responded to and they came to the opening service. Three future ministers delivered the message of Daniel 2 and the program climaxed with a stirring appeal for

our youth of the Far East to return home and march forward to victory! This means victory over sin! Victory over indolence! Victory over worldliness! Victory over timidity! It means stepping forth by faith. It means we must revive the forces of our MV societies.

From the opening remarks of our Division youth leader, Pastor C. D. Martin, through the appeal of Pastor H. M. S. Richards for young men to enter the evangelistic forces of the Advent army to the last challenge of Pastor L. A. Skinner on Saturday night—**EVANGELISM WAS THE KEY-NOTE!**

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If to be a Christian is worth while, then the most ordinary interest in those with whom we come in contact should prompt us to speak to them of Christ.

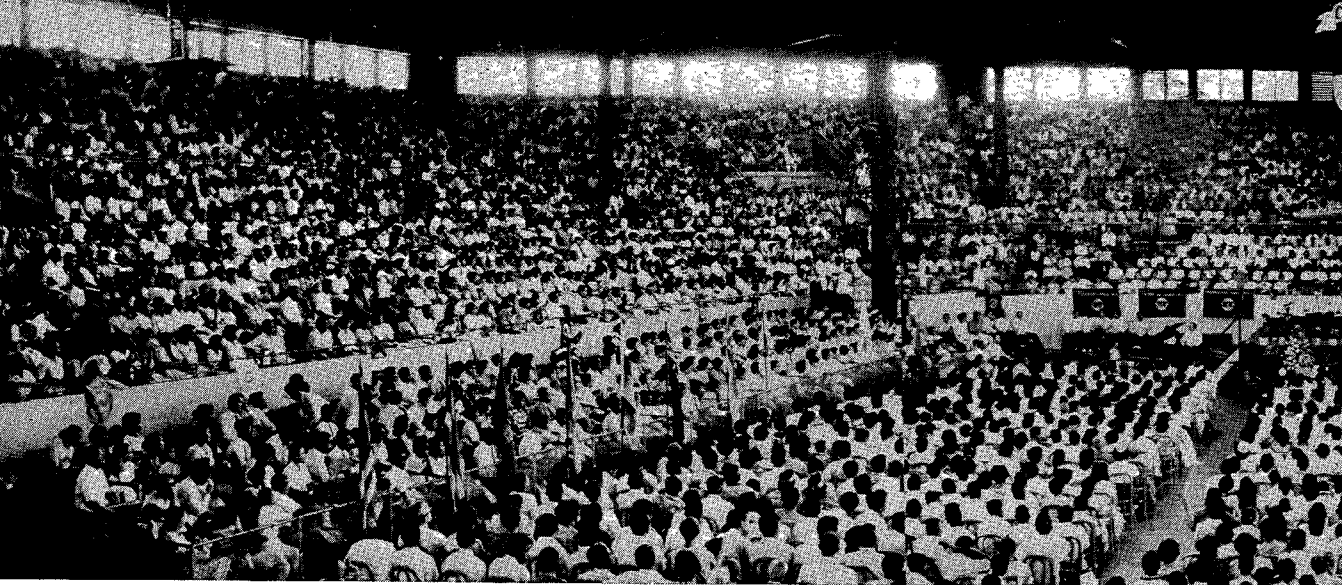
If I am to stand at the judgment seat of Christ to render an account for the deeds done in the body, what shall I say to Him if my relatives and my friends are not saved, or if my employer or employee should miss the way because I have been faithless?

If I wish to be approved at the last, then let me remember that no intellectual superiority, no eloquence in preaching, no absorption in business, no shrinking temperament, no spirit of timidity, can take the place of or be an excuse for my not making an honest, sincere, prayerful effort to win others to Christ by means of the personal touch.

—J. Wilbur Chapman



"Voice of Youth Evangelism" demonstration. Thirty young people participated in the program as told in the accompanying story.



THE YOUTH CONGRESS RECORD CROWD OF NEARLY 12,000 ASSEMBLED

A scene from the panorama of missions, "The Story of the Light" which was written and directed by Mrs. Elwood Sherrard and proved to be one of the outstanding programs of the Youth Congress.



The Rizal Memorial Coliseum where the Sabbath services were held.

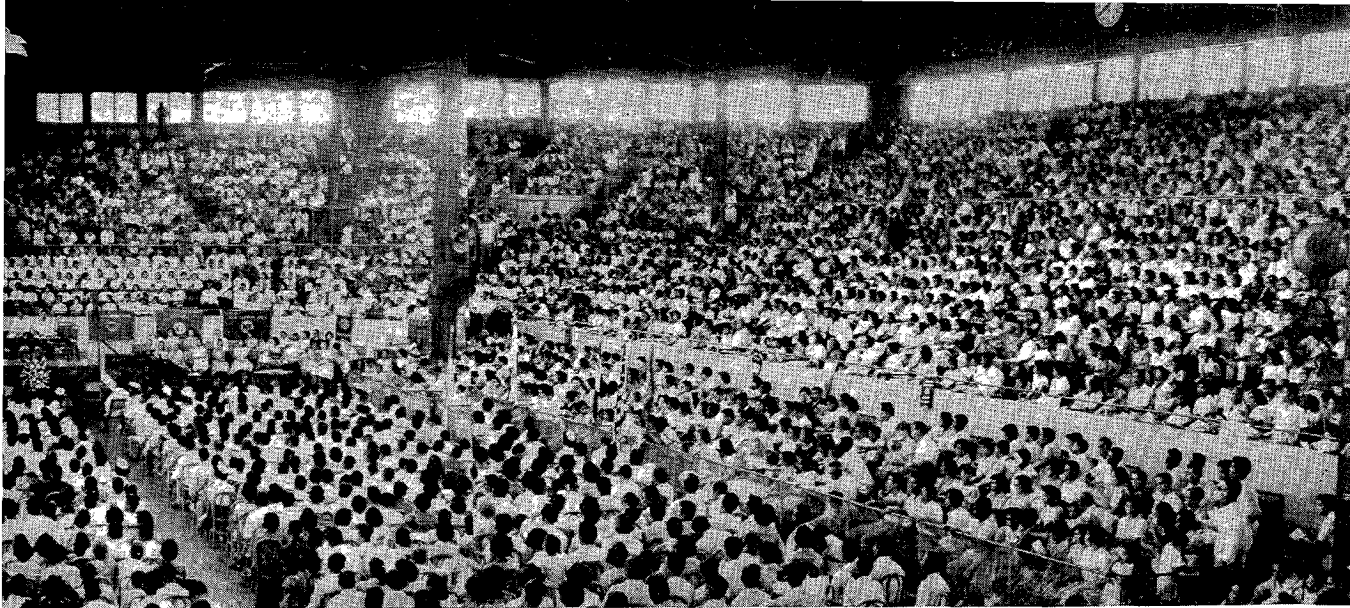


This large poster at a busy intersection of streets pointed the way to the Rizal Memorial Coliseum.



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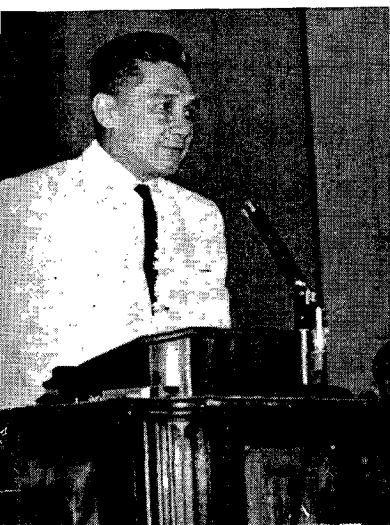




IN THE RIZAL MEMORIAL COLISEUM FOR THE SABBATH SERVICES.

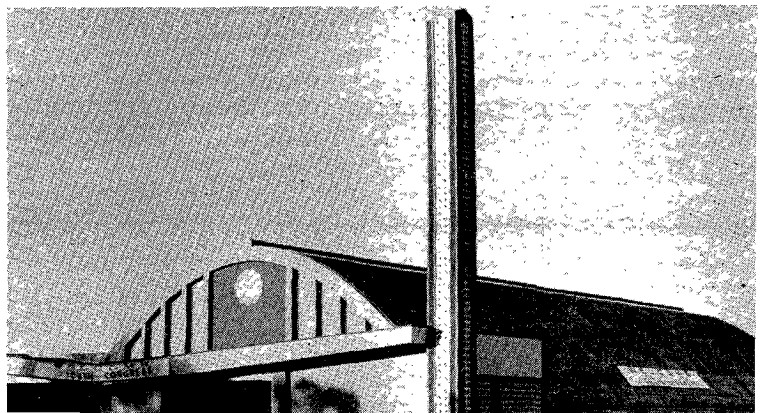
Rodriguez, Governor of Rizal Province, welcomed the Youth Congress delegates to the Philippines and to the City of Manila.

The Indonesian delegates with their twenty-four "angklongs," bamboo percussion instruments, made mellow music much to the enjoyment of all privileged to hear them. MV Secretary Boas Dompas directed the orchestra.



The new Philippine Union College auditorium where the Youth Congress meetings were held during the week. The building was completed just prior to the opening of the congress and will seat 5,000 people.

Indonesia pose together by the airplane which brought them. In the back is the Welcome Banner which was carried by Pathfinders in uniform.





The ten hardy cyclists who pedaled their way from Davao in the South Philippines to Manila to attend the Youth Congress.



Delegates came to the Youth Congress by plane, by train, by bus, by bicycle, by automobile and the South Philippine Union Mission delegation came by ship—The President Magsaysay.

South China Island Union Mission delegates arriving in Manila on a chartered plane—all seats occupied by congress delegates.



Ten Cyclists Complete 1,700—Kilometer Tour*

Ten hardy cyclists completed yesterday a formidable tour of the southern Philippines, traveling from Davao to Manila by bike overland and by boat at sea, over a route about 1,700 kilometers long.

They made the energy-sapping tour to attend the first Far Eastern Division youth congress of Seventh-day Adventists which commenced last night at Philippine Union College in Caloocan.

The 10 cyclists, pedaling at about a 25-kilometer-per-hour clip, wheeled into the Philippine Union College campus at about 2 p. m. They were greeted by a large number of the 1,700 delegates who attended the opening day of the conference, many of them from countries in Asia and in the South Pacific.

Isabelo Perez, a Cotabato city mechanic, led the iron-legged group of travellers, all of whom were either from Davao or Cotabato. The trip took them through 13 Philippine provinces for only two reasons, one of them to attend the youth conference and the other for adventure. There were no cash prizes dangling at the end of the trip for them. The only reward they got was the satisfaction of having completed such a long journey by bike.

The cyclists did not show much of the strain of the long journey although their bikes looked badly worn. The tour took 17 days. One of the cyclists said, "We pedaled on third class roads most of the way, specially in Samar and Leyte, where we travelled on what looked like cart trails more rugged than those you see in Luzon." They rested on Saturdays. Fourteen started the journey at 8 a. m. in Davao City last March 14. Two had to quit at the outskirts of the city. Their bikes took a lot of punishment. There were times when the road was so rough that the boys had to carry their bikes on their shoulders and leg it.

They pedaled into the city of Manila at noontime yesterday, entering the city through the concrete south road. They turned at Taft Avenue and headed for the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital where they ate lunch. After lunch they resumed their trip and caused mild traffic snarls in places. At

2 p.m. they wheeled into the Philippine Union College compound.

This tour was accomplished with considerable financial sacrifice. Most of them who started out with 100 pesos in their pockets said they had only 5 pesos left after the journey. The leader of the group

said, "Unless we get financial assistance from somewhere it looks like we'll have to bike our way back home—it's a pleasant trip though!"

(Excerpts from the story of the cyclists as it appeared in the **Manila Bulletin**, Wednesday, April 5, 1961.)

tinued contact and encouragement. Let us all pray for these youth who have dedicated their lives to God's ministry.

Congress Sightseeing Trip

To the many out-of-Manila delegates and visitors the day of sightseeing Sunday, April 9, was a happy occasion. Twenty buses with nearly 50 people in each, pulled away from the Philippine Union College campus early that morning and toured the city and beautiful countryside for the entire day. The group, well over 800 in number, visited the Rizal Monument, the Luneta, Malacanan Palace, beautiful Tagaytay Ridge over 2250 feet above sea level, and other scenic spots. It was a full day for all but a day that helped to enrich the experience of those attending the first division-wide youth congress.

Serving God and Country

One of the highlights of the Friday afternoon congress program was the Medical Cadet Hour. The entire afternoon had been devoted to MV's in uniform, but here the seriousness of the times added emphasis. Many of the delegates

Congress Highlights

Countries Represented at Congress

The international atmosphere of the Far Eastern Youth Congress was enjoyed to the fullest as 1650 delegates from 18 different countries assembled in Manila. It was thrilling to fully realize the vast extent of the Missionary Volunteer movement in the Far East. Even remote and almost inaccessible areas were represented by such delegates as Sandnuan Kitpuari from Laos wearing her colorful Laotian costume. Delegates came from the following countries: Korea, Japan, Okinawa, Hong Kong, Macao, Philippines, Taiwan, Guam, Palau Islands, West New Guinea, Vietnam, Laos, Thailand, Malaya, Singapore, North Borneo, Sarawak and Indonesia. It was also a pleasure to welcome unofficial delegates from the United States and India.

Asian Fellowship Reception

One of the features of the congress that will long be remembered by the delegates who came from outside the Philippines was the Monday night dinner and program. Through the kindness of Dr. R. G. Manalaysay, president of Philippine Union College, it was arranged that the Asia Foundation with Mr. Patrick Judge as chairman, should provide funds for the occasion. It was a very enjoyable evening as the 250 delegates and friends were seated around the twenty-eight circular tables. Instrumental and vocal selections were given; choirs and other groups presented features representing the various countries. The fellowship and goodwill shared by all present made it a unique social gathering. All agreed that the ties of friendship binding together the lives of Far Eastern Missionary Volunteers were greatly strengthened that evening after the congress.

Youth Answer the Call to the Ministry

The spiritual appeal of the Far

Eastern Youth Congress reached a high point on Friday night as Pastor H. M. S. Richards clearly outlined "God's Call to Us All." Using this as his sermon title, he presented a powerful challenge to the thousands of youth gathered in the large Rizal Memorial Coliseum. At the close of his sermon he made a stirring call for all young men who would dedicate their lives to the gospel ministry if God should place His hand upon them. It was a moment of great inspiration to all to see 144 youth move down the aisles to the platform. There an earnest prayer of consecration was offered for them. The names and addresses of these fine young men have all been recorded and sent out to the union mission MV secretaries and presidents for con-



Chaplain William S. Hall, who is stationed on Okinawa, was present at the congress and was the speaker at the Medical Cadet Hour.

had come from countries where serving God and country requires great wisdom and courage. The stir of drums and the Medical Cadet color guard made an impressive introduction. Then came the thrilling story of one of our Korean delegates who told how the Medical Cadet Corps training aided him in the days of severe testing in the army. He was speaking from personal experience. The youth who listened were impressed.

It was a special privilege to have at the congress Chaplain William S. Hall, one of our Seventh-day Adventist military chaplains now stationed on Okinawa. His challenging message to the young men was to prepare earnestly and be ready to stand faithful to God when called into military service. It was a pleasure to have Chaplain Hall present during the entire congress.

Following the indoor program, the Medical Cadets of Philippine Union College presented a sham battle on the campus giving graphic display, with sound effects, of the medical soldiers' work during time of war. Through it all our congress delegates felt anew the need of being true as they are called to serve God and country.

They Came from the East and the West

A special tribute should be paid to Pastor P. H. Romulo and his faithful reception committee, including many of the secretaries working in the North Philippine Union Mission office. All overseas delegates felt the warmth of the welcome as they saw the lovely flower leis, friendly smiles, beautiful Filipino costumes, and the colorful "Welcome" banner carried by uniformed Pathfinders.

And in turn the reception committee was thrilled to see the delegates arrive from Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan. They arrived in a chartered plane with all seats occupied by congress delegates. This was in truth a "Far Eastern Youth Congress Airplane."

Then there were the Missionary Volunteers arriving from Indonesia. In their Convair, which had flown directly from Java to Manila, all but three seats were filled with congress delegates. It was an inspiration to see the gaily-costumed youth with their Batik sarongs, black Indonesian hats, and bamboo "angklong" musical instruments in



The reception committee in their beautiful Filipino costumes who with flower leis and friendly smiles welcomed the delegates to Manila and to the Youth Congress.

their hands as they stepped out of their Garuda Indonesian Airways plane.

Then another plane arrived. This plane was also filled with Adventist youth. Having traveled all the way from Seoul, Korea, these delegates were glad to see the happy faces of the Filipino young people as they welcomed them to Manila. This plane had stopped long enough in Taiwan to take on board several Chinese delegates who joined the Korean youth on the last part of their trip to the Philippines.

And so they came from the east and from the west—they came by airplane, by bus, by train, by automobile, and by bicycle—to the first Division-wide youth congress. They flew in from New Guinea, Guam, Palau Islands, Borneo, Thailand and many other interesting countries. Yes, April 4-9, 1961, will long be remembered by the Missionary Volunteers of the Far Eastern Division. These were the dates when all roads led to the great Far Eastern Youth Congress in Manila.

Youth Congress Devotional Hours

**By L. E. Gonzaga, Chaplain,
Manila Sanitarium and Hospital**

The theme for the devotional hours of the Far Eastern Division Youth Congress was "United with Christ." Wednesday morning, April 5, C. P. Sorensen, president of the Far Eastern Division, was the

speaker. His subject was, "Christ Our Authority." He began his talk with the question, "How did Christ meet the issues of life?" As an answer to this question, he cited the story of Jesus' baptism and His temptations in the wilderness as recorded in the fourth chapter of the book of Matthew. The speaker emphasized the thought that Christ did not go to the wilderness to place Himself in the way of temptation but to commune with God. However, when He was weak from hunger, the devil no doubt thought there was a possibility that Jesus might yield to temptation. But He overcame. The devil tempted Jesus to perform a miracle but no miracle was performed. Pastor Sorensen made it clear to the delegates that the way to meet temptations is not by argument and debate but by the Word of God.

When Satan came to Jesus with the third temptation, he offered Jesus the universe. When Satan comes to us he offers us but small things in comparison. Christ, our Guide, overcame the enemy by quoting from Holy Writ. Appealing to the delegates the speaker said, "Let us fill our minds and hearts with the Word of God, the best fortification against temptation."

On Thursday morning, April 6, Pastor H. M. S. Richards, Voice of Prophecy director, spoke on the subject, "Christ Our Assurance." Assurance means something we know. Christ is the One we really know. Pastor Richards said that in

dealing with this topic there were three questions that needed to be considered. How can we get rid of our sins? How will we meet the troubles of life? How shall we meet the mystery of death?

In answer to the first question, Pastor Richards cited 11 Timothy 1:12, "... for I know whom I have believed" He contended that Jesus came to receive death so that we can have life. When we accept Him, He covers our life with His life and thus God is looking on His Son's life.

"How about the second question—troubles and sickness that come to us?" Pastor Richards continued. His answer: "If you live the life of Jesus you can be assured of being able to meet these troubles. In Romans 8:28 we read, 'And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God,' So we do not need to worry.

"Soon we will die. The world is covered with graves. Everywhere in the world we are face to face with the question, What about death? When the doctor tells us we not going to live, let us not worry about it because in Christ we have eternal life."

Friday, April 7, Pastor L. A. Skinner, General Conference associate MV secretary, spoke on "Christ Our Reward." He introduced his talk with the story of the rich young man spoken of in

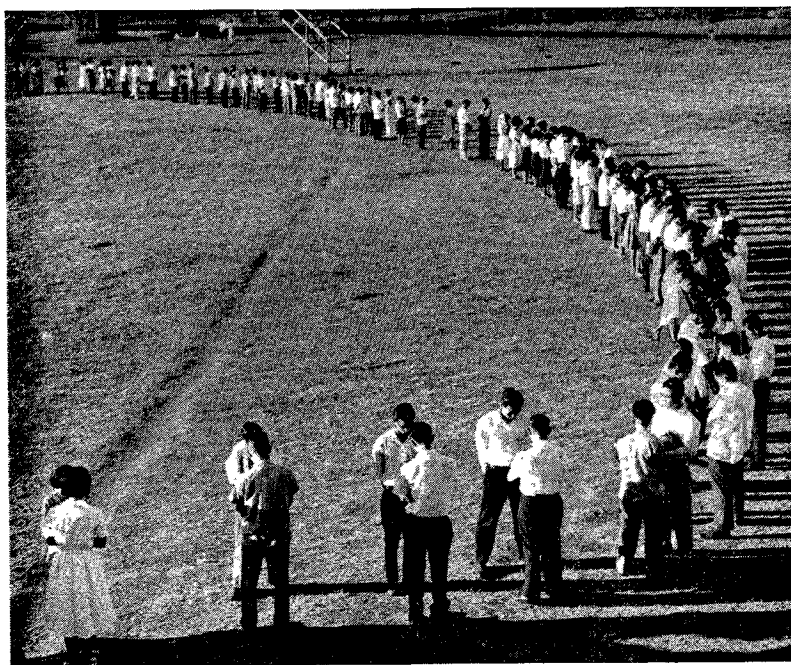


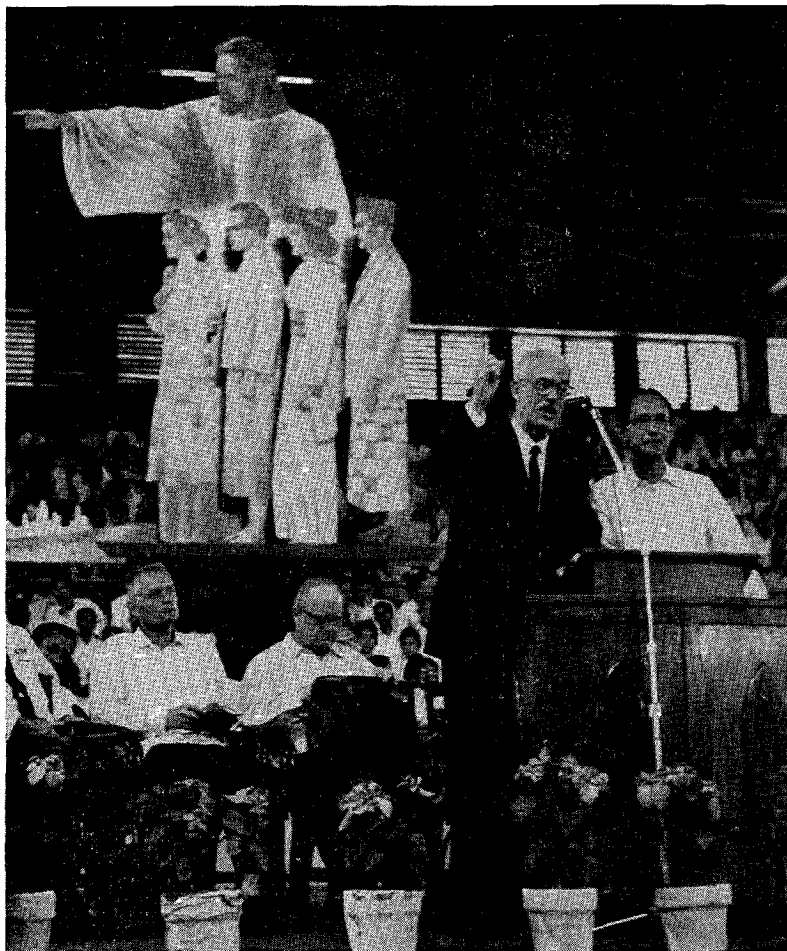
Each morning of the congress, a large prayer circle formed on each side of the college auditorium following the Morning Watch devotional hour. More than 1,000 young people participated in these prayer bands.

Matthew 19:20. "What lack I yet?" He said, "This question has been asked by everyone here this morning. Many of us have the knowledge of the truth and Bible prophecy but we are still lacking the power of the Holy Spirit." To give force to his contention, Pastor Skinner

quoted from "The Faith I Live By," p. 92. "All who join themselves to the church but not the Lord will in time develop their true character ... God is dishonored before the world by all such professors. ... They are, Satan knows, his best working agents ... What an account will those have to give in the day of final reckoning, who profess to be keeping the commandments of God, while their lives contradict their profession." "They have hold of the truth; but the truth has not hold of them." **Testimonies**, vol. 1, p. 138. "Many take it for granted that they are Christians ... they have not received the power and grace that come through sanctification of the truth ... it does not make them sincere, kind, patient, forbearing, heavenly minded, it is a curse to its possessors and through their influence it is a curse to the world." **D. A.** p. 309, 310.

Pastor Skinner mentioned three marks of sanctification, namely 1) hates iniquity, 2) produces spiritual truth and grace, and 3) yearns for lost souls. Pastor Skinner concluded his talk with this appeal: "Dear young people, let us withdraw our allegiance to the world and cry unto the Lord for a fullness of consecration."





Pastor H. M. S. Richards speaking at the Friday evening devotional service in the Rizal Memorial Coliseum. Pastor P. C. Banaag translated for him. A quartet of Filipino youth, "The King's Men," substituted for "The King's Herald."

The Voice of Prophecy in Manila

**By T. C. Murdoch, President
Mountain View College**

Ten thousand hearts were warmed and thrilled to hear the familiar strains of "Lift up the trumpet, And loud let it ring. Jesus is coming again." This was not a recording. It was real with Pastor H. M. S. Richards on the rostrum of the Rizal Coliseum in Manila and a quartet of Filipino youth, "The King's Men," ably substituting for the "King's Herald." The time and the occasion was the Friday evening devotional service of the Far Eastern Youth Congress.

"Christ's Call to Us All" was the theme of Pastor Richard's sermon and by the blessing of God it

brought a rich response from the waiting audience. Over one hundred young men came forward and answered the call to be willing to study, work for God, to read the Bible and to preach.

This was only one of the precious hours when Pastor Richards spoke during the congress. The Thursday morning devotional service in the Philippine Union College auditorium made a tremendous impact on the youth present. The subject was "Christ Our Assurance." The audience was brought face to face with the three basic problems of life which he defined as sin, trouble, and death. The solution, Pastor Richards told us, is not escape from this world. Men will not be allowed to contaminate other planets. The whole world is in quarantine and we are in it. Christ provides the only real solution for

the problems of mankind. Forgiveness for our sins, strength and fortitude in time of trouble, and a glorious hope beyond were vividly portrayed.

The largest meeting of the Congress was in the Rizal Memorial Coliseum on Sabbath morning when Pastor Richards was again the speaker and he gave a thrilling sermon on the topic, "Christ's Message for Today." It was a message of God's love and Pastor Richards related experiences of how youth are carrying this message in other lands. Everywhere hearts are hungry and everywhere it is being recognized that Seventh-day Adventists have something worth living for. It is a faith that must be shared.

All who listened felt a deep responsibility in that the message of God's love must be delivered by them to a dying world.

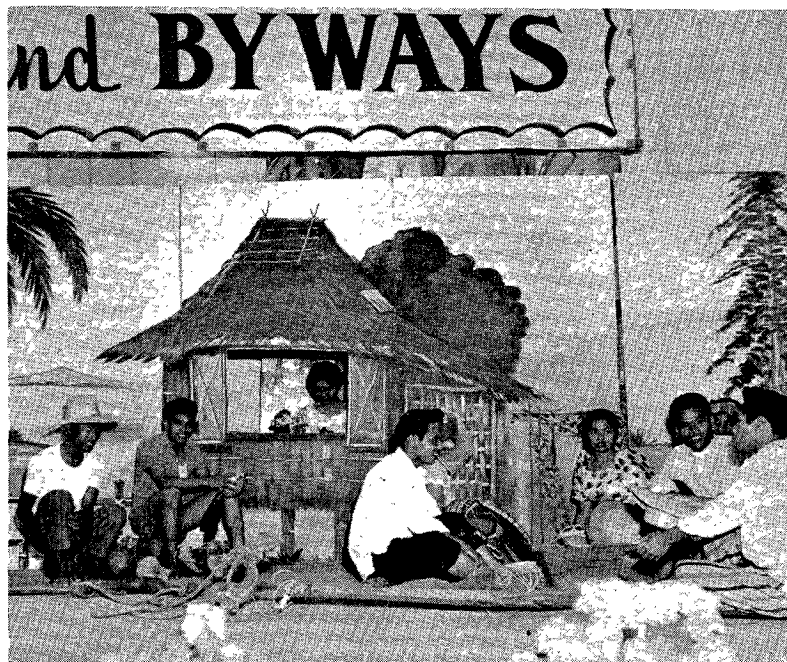
Highways and Byways

**By E. A. Brodeur
Division Publishing Secretary**

It was four o'clock in the afternoon, Wednesday, April 5, at the Youth Congress. The program at the feature hour on that day was the publishing department's "Highways and Byways." To the stage marched more than 100 literature evangelists to sing their theme song, "Ambassadors for Christ." Mrs. Emralino had worked hard and long to train the literature evangelists for this moment and the challenge of the song stirred the hearts of the audience.

As these men and women marched off the stage, the curtains were drawn back revealing a colorful backdrop depicting many of the varied occupations and walks of life in the Philippines. There were rice terraces of the mountain areas, farming areas, nipa huts, a school, an army barracks, and people representing these different occupations came into the scene as a narrator recounted the experience of their conversion to the message as a result of some literature evangelist contacting them with our truth-filled literature.

These experiences were not fictitious stories written to fit into the program but on the contrary they were the actual experiences of persons represented on the program. Farmers, business men, school teachers, fishermen, army officers, and housewives—these are all sought for by the faithful liter-



Literature evangelists in action as featured in the "Highways and Byways" program by the publishing department.

ature evangelists as they go from place to place with our books and papers.

Many individuals are contacted by our student colporteurs as they work each vacation period. Not only are they finding honest souls for the kingdom, but they are also finding the means whereby they can continue their education and become workers in the organized work upon graduation. Many of the leaders and workers in our Far Eastern Division were once student or regular colporteurs.

As the narrator came to the close of the story of soul-winning activities, the literature evangelists came forward singing, "Send the

Light, the Blessed Gospel Light." As they all assembled once more on the stage, they sang their song, "Working Hard," which is sung to the tune of the ever popular "Rice Planting" song.

As these workers marched off the stage, all in attendance realized anew the importance of placing our publications in the hands of the people. "Are they all colporteurs?" one person was heard to ask. Yes, they were all colporteurs, just a part of the more than 1,000 dedicated men and women in the Far Eastern Division who are taking our literature from home to home. Reserve a place in your prayers for these "Ambassadors for Christ."

"Message to Millions"

By C. D. Martin
Division MV Secretary

Ever since the closing night of the Far Eastern Youth Congress three words have been circulating around in our field in the conversation of Missionary Volunteers. What are they? They are the words "Message to Millions." Many have wondered just what these words mean. Perhaps we should tell you more about them.

Launched as a congress follow-up crusade, this new youth evan-

gelism program is being carried on by the young people of the Far East during 1961-62. Certainly it is not a new program in its methods, but it is another approach for earnest youth in their endeavor to reach the millions of unconverted people of this vast field.

But let us give you a few more details. There are four sections to this project. They are: family evangelism, school evangelism,

neighborhood evangelism, and community evangelism. In each section there are various suggestions for soul-winning activities. Now look at this program more closely.

FAMILY EVANGELISM

Literature: Attractive, gospel-filled leaflets placed in appealing places throughout the house, or given at appropriate times to relatives can do much to reach loved ones.

Living the Life: There is no more powerful sermon that can be preached than the consistent Christian life of a young person in the home.

Bible on the Table: The constant influence of seeing the Bible on the table each day could be the means of impressing non-converted members of the family.

SCHOOL EVANGELISM

Some thrilling stories have been revealed of dedicated youth who have let their light shine on the school campus. Your school provides a golden opportunity for you to help carry the "Message to Millions." Why not try some of these ideas:

Voice of Prophecy Enrollments: Have enrollment blanks available at all times; carry them with you. In the schoolroom, on the play field, on the bus, while visiting with school friends—all of these are excellent opportunities to enroll your fellow-youth in this splendid course.

Bible Clubs: Here's the plan—talk to your friends about the blessings of Bible study; develop interest among a group; seek permission of school officials to organize a club (or if this is just an informal type of meeting this may not be necessary); arrange for a regular period each week when this group can meet for a short time. Make it a regular thing. At one of the first meetings, elect officers to lead out in the club program. Meetings can include: prayer, reading selected portions of the Bible, Bible quizzes, testimonies and stories of personal experiences, Bible memory features, and similar projects. Continually endeavor to recruit new members in this club. Try this method of sharing your faith in your school.

"Carry Your Bible" Project: Carry your Bible on top of your other school books—carry it in

the hallways, in the classrooms, going to school and then home again. It will surprise you how many people will notice you are a Christian because of your Bible.

"Guide to God" Plan: This unique youth soul-winning project has two "tools." **First**, there is the attractive Bible Slide Card containing 24 Bible topics interesting to youth, and 10 texts for each topic. This handy-sized card, 4"x 7" can be carried by Missionary Volunteers in their pockets, and at all times they have at their finger tips 240 key Bible texts on important Bible truths. **Second**, we have an accompanying leaflet giving a Bible marking plan for simplified Bible studies enabling youth to use their Bibles very skillfully in presenting the truths to their friends. These "tools" can be secured from your MV secretary.

NEIGHBORHOOD EVANGELISM

Opportunities for soul-winning activities around our homes and among our neighboring friends are unlimited. The people living around you are your friends; you have a special advantage because you live "next door." Your neighbors understand and appreciate it when you have a kind interest in them.

Bible Studies: There is no more effective way in which to win souls than by giving Bible studies. Perhaps you are using the **Hope for Today** projector and color slides; or you may be using charts and diagrams; or you may have wooden cut-outs of the great image, the beasts, or other visual aids; or you may be using your Bible only. Whatever your method—the most important thing is to **Work It!**

Cottage Meetings: Often more and more people begin to attend the Bible studies, folks invite their friends, until soon we have a large audience—this is a cottage meeting. Or it may be you invite a large group to begin with, and have the meetings in someone's home—this, too, is an excellent plan. These cottage meetings are conducted much as a regular Bible study but with a few more formal program features included.

Friendship Teams: Let our young people's societies organize for friendship evangelism. The plan is to organize Friendship Teams composed of just two persons in each team. With captains to supervise and guide, these teams go out

visiting careless youth, back-slidden church members, non-Seventh-day Adventists, and others. These teams provide ideal support for Voice of Youth Evangelistic programs. For a complete description of this Friendship Team project see the **MV Voice of Youth Guidebook**.

"Operation Guiding Light:" This project offers a co-ordinated plan of personal soul-winning using a number of the above-mentioned methods. This plan described and introduced in the Personal Evangelism Workshop at the Far Eastern Youth Congress includes Voice of Prophecy enrollments, invitations to church and to special meetings, distribution of truth-filled literature, and other share-your-faith activities.

COMMUNITY EVANGELISM

Then as we think of the thousands of people out beyond our own neighborhoods we try to find methods of reaching these individuals. There is nothing that can take the place of public evangelism. When we enlist the help of youth in this work we see wonderful results.

Voice of Youth Public Evangelism: This program is one of the finest soul-winning ventures ever prepared for Missionary Volun-

teers. Here is a project in which the youth actually conduct public evangelistic meetings—choose the location, prepare the advertising, lead the music, provide the ushering, give the special music, offer the prayers, and yes, even do the preaching of the sermons. It is an experience our youth never forget; actual first-hand experience in reaching honest-hearted people.

This plan is fully explained and outlined in the **MV Voice of Youth Evangelism Guidebook**. This **Guidebook** is practical, clear, and makes it so simple that youth anywhere can understand the program. The VOY Public Evangelism Workshop at the Far Eastern Youth Congress thoroughly presented this program, and the 400-page books were distributed at the congress. With this material in hand, we suggest that your MV Society study the situation carefully and if possible launch a Voice of Youth Evangelistic effort in your city.

We invite all Missionary Volunteers to join this great "Message to Millions" campaign. May our MV societies around the Division choose some plan, rally their youth, and go into action. Eternity alone will reveal the results of dedicated youth who move forward in earnestness to win souls.

God's Fishers

Forth in the trough of the heaving sea

The swarthy fishers row,

Their nets to cast in the waters vast,

Despite all winds that blow;

And gale or calm or the rolling swell,

Hidden reef or the dread fog bell,

They face amain.

Nor count their labor's price too great,

Nor moan that theirs is a bitter fate,

When home again

They turn with store from the finny deep,

And sing as over the foam they sweep,

Some long refrain.

Forth in a throbbing sea of men

God's fishers daily row,

To work for Him who in ages old

Thus bade men go.

In toil mid sorrow and oft dismay,

Their bread and portion is day by day,

And weary pain;

Yet ever you hear their psalm of toil,

As long for the souls of men they moil,

Plunged in the stain,—

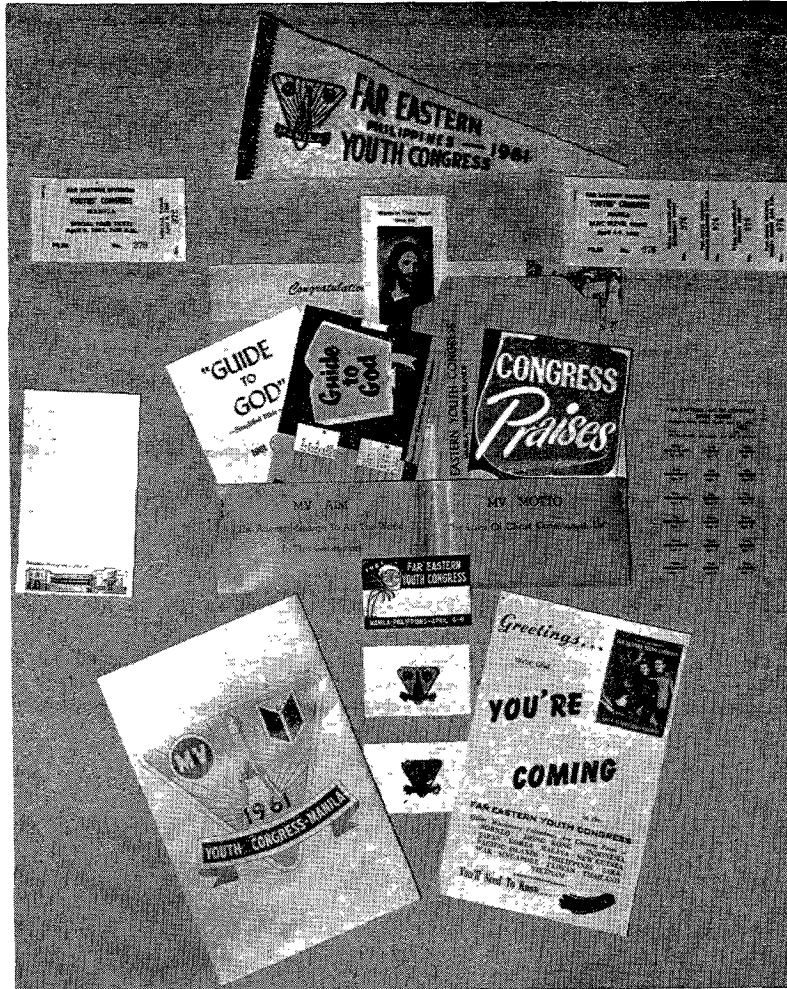
Their trust, that sin's dark night will end

With Christ's return, and peace will blend

With His glad reign.

—Willard Dessain

Youth Congress "Tools"



Congress pennant

Bus ticket from Philippine Union College to the Rizal Memorial Coliseum

Sightseeing ticket

Scratch pad

Meal ticket

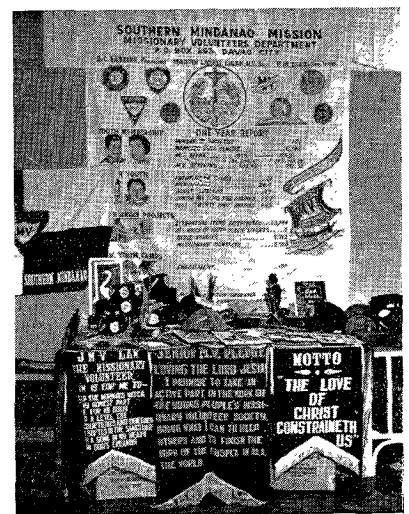
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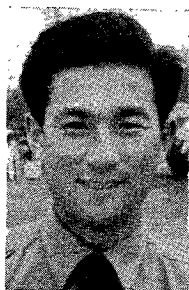
Packet in the center contains: Bible marking booklet, Bible slide card, souvenir airletter form, and the congress song-book.

Congress program (back page)

Lower right, instruction folder which was sent to each delegate before the congress

Each union mission in the Far Eastern Division had been requested to be responsible for one exhibit from their field. Below we see the exhibit from the South Central Luzon Mission in the North Philippines. At the right is the picture of the Southern Mindanao Mission exhibit.





Chang Ki Hynung



Moises A. Sumile



Barnabas Malingkas



Yasutsugu Yanami



Kaway Darius



Srirat Sorajakul



Tran Ngoc Dai



Moises G. Jereos

What the Congress Has Meant to Me

By R. H. Wentland, Jr.,
MV Secretary

South East Asia Union Mission

Words fail to express the inner reaction of the soul when it has been exposed to an inspiration such as we who attended the Youth Congress experienced. It was not only the presence of the thousands gathered in one place that impressed us; not only the heavenly music; not only the instruction given by those under conviction; not only the sermons that reached deep into our hearts by the Holy Spirit's two-edged sword; but the sum total of these which made an impact that words fail to convey. Notice the following testimonies of those trying to express what the Congress meant to them:

Moises G. Jereos, North Philippines. "The congress has certainly meant a spiritual revival for me. It has given me a new vision of my responsibility. The congress has helped me to realize that it is only as I take Christ as My Guide that I can accomplish great things for God."

Kaway Darius, West New Guinea. "I wonder to see so many Adventist young people in one place."

Tran Ngoc Dai, Vietnam. "I am proud to belong to the great Adventist family with brothers and sisters in many parts of the world. I am inspired and encouraged to serve God in a better way. How wonderful it would be if everybody in this world were an Adventist."

Yasutsugu Yanami, Japan. "This is a wonderful congress to me. I have made up my mind to give this truth to my neighbors, my countrymen, and the inhabitants of the world."



Yang Chieh-hsi

Barnabas Malingkas, Indonesia. "The wonderful messages have inspired me to hasten the finishing of the Master's work on the part of the youth of my country. Here I realized the great potentialities laid upon young men."

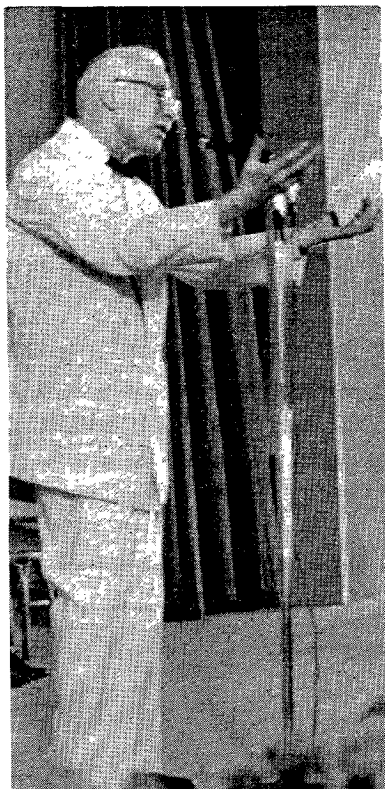
Chang Ki Hynung, Korea. "I am so thankful for this opportunity to attend the Far Eastern Division Youth Congress where we from all nations have fellowshipped together and have learned to understand each other better in preparation for the day when our Saviour will call us together in heaven."

Moises A. Sumile, South Philippines. "I have met God and He has renewed my best ideals, hopes and vision in a new sense of direction. My courage has been strengthened and my private plans reshaped to the tune of selfless love."

Srirat Sorajakul, Thailand. "This is the first time I have ever been among so many Missionary Volunteers. It is a real inspiration to me."

Yang Chieh-hsi, Taiwan. "The Youth Congress has been a feast from heaven."

Thomas Flores, Guam. "I want to bring back to my little island the spiritual instruction I have received and above all we must have Christ as our Guide throughout the coming days, weeks, months, and years." (Picture missing)



Pastor W. A. Scharffenberg, executive secretary of the International Temperance Association, addressing the congress delegates.

Master Guides Invested at Youth Congress

By C. D. Martin

Friday afternoon, April 7, was a thrilling time at the Far Eastern Youth Congress as 93 Master Guide candidates came to the platform to receive their insignia. This was one of the many colorful events of the congress as neckerchiefs, honor sashes, pins, uniforms and banners filled the auditorium with an atmosphere of eagerness and enthusiasm.

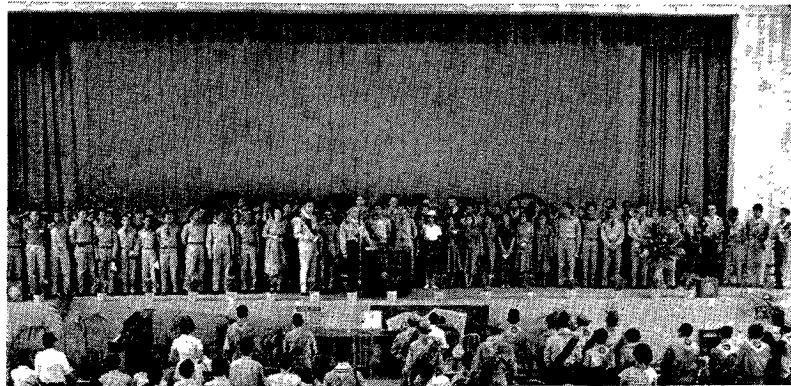
The program, directed by MV Secretary R. H. Wentland, Jr., assisted by Pastor W. A. Hilliard, was filled with action and interest. It was inspiring to see the three rows of candidates filling the spacious auditorium platform from side to side. As delegates to the Far Eastern Youth Congress they symbolized the thousands of youth back in their home fields, many of whom would soon be invested and take up leadership as Master Guides.

SABBATH SCHOOL FEATURE

An interesting feature of the Sabbath school hour at the Youth Congress was the coming to the platform of forty people, each representing a different language or dialect in which Sabbath schools are conducted in the Far Eastern Division. Texts of Scripture were quoted and in the picture Pastor H. E. McClure, congress Sabbath school superintendent, asks Darius Kaway from the West New Guinea Mission to say a word to the audience.



During the congress many young people took advantage of the opportunity to visit with Professor T. C. Murdoch, president of Mountain View College, who was the chairman of the Counseling Committee.



The 93 Master Guides who were invested Friday afternoon of the congress.



Pastor A. J. Robbins (center), president of the North Philippine Union Mission, and Mrs. Robbins were among the 93 who were invested as Master Guides.

Joining the large group of delegates receiving their pins were Pastor A. J. Robbins, president of the North Philippine Union Mission, and his wife. It seemed very fitting that the president of the host union mission should have such a part in this service. Again was demonstrated the unity of the ministry and delegates joining hands in strengthening the leadership of our youth and building up the Missionary Volunteer program throughout the Far Eastern Division.

The candidates stood at attention as Pastor C. D. Martin officially presented the group to Pastor L. A. Skinner of the General Conference. Following the charge given by Pastor Skinner, scores of Master Guides from the congregation came forward and assisted in the presentation of the pins and neckerchiefs.

As a fitting conclusion, Ng Sui Koon, a congress delegate and a Master Guide from Penang, gave a stirring testimony telling what joy and satisfaction he had gained in his work for the junior and senior youth of his home church.

His story expressed the sentiments of hundreds of others who listened.

As this special investiture service came to a close the smartly uniformed Pathfinders, under the direction of Pastor P. H. Romulo, marched onto the stage and amazed the audience with their skill in marching and their enthusiastic response to the club program. Here again was dramatically shown what can be done when our boys and girls are drawn into this splendid church-centered-activities-program.

As the color of MV uniforms and the sound of marching feet gradually left the auditorium that Friday afternoon, delegates and visitors alike had the same conviction—If you want to make a thrilling investment, make it in the lives of the fine youth of our church.

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On The Spot News

Quoting Pastor H. E. McClure: "The first quarter of 1961 report places our Sabbath school membership figure at 200,820. Thus the Far Eastern Division becomes

the second overseas division to report more than 200,000 Sabbath school members. It required 66 years, from 1889 to 1955 to gain the first hundred thousand Sabbath school members in our Division. The second hundred thousand were gained in but five and three-fourths years, from June 1955 to March 1961, To God be the praise for this marvelous report."

Quoting from recent letters from Pastor C. H. Davis, president of the Korean Union Mission: "Central and Southeast Korean Missions report 33 new Sabbath schools opened during the first quarter of this year with an attendance of 2400 people . . . At the Central Korean Mission session in Seoul we found our new auditorium too small. The congregation was Seventh-day Adventist. The building seats 1,500 but more were crowded onto the benches than that . . . Groups of hundreds are still coming to us, pleading for help to put up some kind of meeting place for them—we are unable to respond . . . Our MV membership is well over 12,000. The MV's are the ones who will put across a successful Vacation Bible School campaign this summer. We are preparing for between 30,000 and 40,000 enrollments. . . . Work is now being carried on in Korea in 500 places . . . Ministers of other congregations are coming to us bringing their people with them. One minister brought 100 people with him and also a nice stone church building only about four years old."

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