

# Tragic Happenings in Vietnam

By R. Tilstra, President

Quoting from a letter received by Pastor H. D. Johnson from Pastor Tilstra under date of April 10, 1962:

"Yesterday morning before leaving for Dalat, I sent you a cable reporting the fire that had struck our mountain village. I had just returned from Tourane Sunday afternoon when we received a telegram from our pastor in Dalat mentioning the tragedy. So yesterday morning we drove to Dalat 10 get more information. At first I thought I would have to hike urinto the village but when our mountain pastor arrived last night in Dalat he was able to give us a full report.

"The fire was not caused by communist activities. The mountain people have the habit of burning down the mountainsides before sowing their rice and corn. The villagers next to our Adventist village decided to burn the mountain right back of our village. Our pastor, Ha Hang, told them to wait till night time when the wind would die down. But after he had left to work in his own field that morning, these men decided to burn the mountain anyway. A freak whirlwind threw the fire from the mountain right on to the tinder dry roofs of the houses in our Adventist village. The result was that the whole village burned down including our church. Also the church in an Adventist village near by caught fire and burned down. The tragic part of it all is that it all happened so quickly that five people were burned to death and several were severely burned. The most pathetic part is that when our pastor, Ha Hang, returned he found his house burned down and with the house his mother and his little eight-year-old daughter perished. The sight of their charred bodies gave him a shock from which he has not yet recovered. His house represented his life savings and with it he lost about 2500 piastres in cash.

"Our mountain villagers have not had an easy time. They are out in the territory where the communists come and go freely. Last year our five villages were scattered over a rather large area but this year they have all moved into one area so that they can be close together. They still build their own churches. These mountain churches are not quite like the rest of the churches in Vietnam. These mour taineers do not ask for appropriations and help for church buildings. They simply go out in the jungle and hack down some bamboo and build their own church. Considering the materials used, the churches are not bad looking buildings... I am planning to go up to these villages as soon as school is out. That will probably be about the first of May. At that time we hope to have one of our doctors go along.

"I believe the time has come that we must do something more for our mountain people. We have approached the Military Governor of Dalat for a piece of land near Dalat... Today we spent some time with his assistant showing him the land we would like to have. We have in mind building a church on this land and then when the mountaineers come to Dalat on business they can stay at that place over the Sabbath and attend services. In connection with this I would like to put up a school building where we can give summer school training for the mountain young people. They can then go back to their villages as teachers.

"I had a good trip to Tourane last weekend. We were able to lay final plans for a new church building in Tam Ky which is about 60 kilometers south of Tourane... The weekend before I was with our southernmost church in Van Nhon.

"I believe I wrote you already that our pastor there was taken by the communists but later released. .. Brother Giao, our Press manager, is still not in the army though he does not have an official deferment. .. Our second edition of our Life and Health is selling as well if not better than the first so the colporteurs are happy."

#### An Appeal from the Northern European Division

#### By A. F. Tarr, President

From the Northern European Division we extend to every Sabbath school and church member in the Far Eastern Division a very earnest appeal for a record offering on this coming Thirteenth Sabbath, June 30th. The missions readings throughout this quarter have pre-sented some of the urgent reasons why we so greatly need your help. We give you in brief some of these reasons:

1. Because our hospital in Addis Ababa is in urgent need of reconstruction. The buildings are old and in poor condition. Nearly all were already there when we took over the property many years ago. Some are unhygienic, very inconvenient to operate in and very unrepresentative of the medical programme our church is trying to follow in its world-wide endeavor. To make the situation more distressing, our hospital, which once lay on the outskirts of the city, now occupies a central point, some of the city's largest buildings having sprung up close around it. The new palace where some of Ethiopia's most distinguished guests are entertained and where the Emperor himself sometimes resides, has been erected on a site overlooking and adjoining our property. The new United Nations of Africa building is in close proximity, and also the large and palatial Gihon Hotel. Situated so close to these and, in fact, almost in the grounds of the palace itself, our ageing and dilapidated buildings are completely out of harmony with their new surroundings and are not representative of what a denominational medical unit should be. Unless we can raise our standards, our continuance in our present location will be seriously imperiled.

We want most sincerely to remain where we are and at the same time to have facilities for treating the sick that will bring confidence in rather than reproach on our work. Forty percent of our Thirteenth Sabbath overflow will be devoted to this most urgent need.

2. Over in Iceland our Mission school is presented with what seems to be a very extraordinary opportu-

nity. In many parts of the island there are copious fountains of hot water bursting from the ground. These have been most advantageously harnessed to industrial and domestic use. Greenhouses are heated by this water; hotels and public buildings and homes use it for bathrooms and central heating; our own church in Reykjavik is centrally heated in this way. As yet, however, our mission school has seemed too far away from such a supply to benefit. There are indications, however, that further exploration of our property would produce gratifying results. On a small area near the administration building the snow never accumulates; it melts almost as soon as it falls and this in the coldest weather. The brethren are confident that a stream of hot water, passing or lying at some point beneath the surface, is responsible. They believe that drilling operations will substantiate this and that when the water has been discovered the installation of a large, insulated tank will ensure to the school, as has happened at other places, an adequate supply of hot water for domestic and industrial purposes. What a wonderful boon this would be to our school, to the summer sanitarium (which the school becomes during every summer vacation) and to our work at large in Iceland! A portion of the Thirteenth Sabbath overflow is going to be devoted to this most worthy project.

3. The third great need that we present is that of a men's dormitory for Newbold College. As a senior college, Newbold serves six union conferences, two union missions and one detached conference. The student body this year represents twenty-eight different countries. Present housing is both inadequate and unsatisfactory. That portion which the new accommodation will release can be reconstructed to provide quarters for worker families from our home and mission fields who return to college to complete their senior college education. Thus the benefits of the new dormitory which the Thirteenth Sabbath overflow will provide will reverberate in inestimable blessing throughout our entire division territory.

For the many blessings we have already enjoyed we are profoundly grateful. During the past nine

months of 1961, 3,905 members were added to our churches by baptism. Approximately young people are attending our schools and 99.860 are in our Sabbath schools, and our doctors and nurses during 1960 treated 506,689 patients in our hospitals and dispensaries. What a cloud of witnesses to the energetic, loving service evangelical, educational and medical workers throughout the Northern European Division! And it is to advance this three-fold phase of our work that we appeal to you for just as generous and loving a gift as each individual member can place in the Thirteenth Sabbath offering plate on Sabbath, the 30th of June.

May God bless you richly as

you bring this sacrificial offering

to Him.

## Recordings for the General Conference

#### Session

#### By E. W. Dunbar, Associate Secretary, General Conference

In view of certain problems which would be faced in the promiscuous making and use of recordings of the General Conference session, the General Conference finds it necessary to make the following announcement governing recordings at the forthcoming session:

The making of private recordings will not be permissible because any unauthorized recording of copyrighted music is a violation of the copyright law. Most copyright owners allow public rendition of their copyrighted selections; however, almost without exception, every copyright owner retains the recording rights. Many may have the opinion that as long as they make the recordings for their own use and not for sale they are thus relieved of responsibility under the copyright law, but such is not the case. The law does not differentiate between recording for sale and recording for private use.

Another reason for regulating the recording privilege is the present sensitive state of world affairs. It is not always appropriate for the church at home and abroad to have the work of the General Conference session released for indiscriminate use. When allowing personal recordings of General Conference meetings, there is no control over the use of such material.

In view of these and other considerations the General Conference is issuing this notice, that no provision is being made for private recordings at the forthcoming General Conference session. However, it has been arranged for authorized master recordings to be made of all meetings at the Civic Auditorium and the Sabbath meetings at the Cow Palace. Immediately after the meeting the tapes will be edited, duplicated, and made available through the Audio Visual Department of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, at a small handling charge in addition to the actual cost of the tapes. This plan eliminates the necessity on the part of delegates and visitors of bringing recorders and taking time to supervise them. All are left free to attend the meetings.

We trust everyone will cheerfully cooperate with this arrangement, and that with the official recordings and the very ample coverage of the session in the **Review and Herald**, the messages and actions of the General Conference will be carried to many who are not able to attend, and that the blessings of this great meeting will be felt in all parts of the world.

#### Grateful Hearts Give Thanks

The Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital carries its aid beyond the confines of its compound quite frequently. Last month some who had received this help during an inspection tour of one of the offshore islands of Free China made tangible expression of their appreciation. They presented Sanitarium Dr. Roger Heald and business manager O. L. Aaby with a banner bearing the Chinese inscription: "Your kindness has been extended to those who suffered."

Besides medical aid on the islands, the hospital has brought the more difficult cases to Taiwan for hospital care. Mr. Aaby reports that it has spent some US\$2,000 on medical activities of this nature.

Word of the banner and the hospital's itinerant clinics was carried in the China News. --Tell February, 1962

#### Faith for Today Sabbath-Breaking Trial

The Faith for Today presses were busily turning out literature on Sunday, January 7. The presses do not ordinarily operate on Sunday, but the full crew was on duty this day, preparing for the February campaign. Two policemen entered the building and issued a summons for Sabbath breaking. Our men appeared before the magistrate on January 11 and stated that they had observed the Sabbath. The magistrate set February 20 as the date for the hearing of the evidence.

In the meantime, the officers of Faith for Today got in touch with the General Conference, and it was decided to employ Dr. Leo Pfeffer, a noted constitutional lawyer on church-state affairs, to represent them. On February 20 the officers of Faith for Today, with Dr. Leo Pfeffer appeared in the magistrate's court and requested that the case be transferred to the Court of Special Sessions, which is presided over by three judges. This request was granted.

No definite date has been scheduled for the trial, which probably will be sometime in April. It is considered that this incident will provide an excellent opportunity to test the constitutionality of a Sunday law as applied to a religious organization worshiping on another day. If an adverse decision is received in the Special Sessions Court, this case will be appealed to higher courts. Should it reach the Supreme Court of the United States, a definite ruling on this point of law would be forthcoming.

--M. E. Loewen Review and Herald March 29, 1962

## Southeast Asia

#### A Letter from War-Torn Vietnam

We are privileged to share with our **Outlook** readers a letter John Bernet, publishing secretary of the Southeast Asia Union Mission, received from Le Cong Giao, manager of the Vietnam Publishing House.

"Yesterday afternoon, April 1, 1962, at 4:00 p. m. Brother Truong Khoi's house was burned down to the ground together with another 200 houses in the same area where he lives which is about 500 meters from the Publishing House. At present Brother Khoi is not at home for he is on a trip to Nhatrang where he plans to stay for many months to work as a literature evangelist. The fire started in a neighbor's house and in just ten minutes' time Khoi's house was completely burned. His wife and children were able to get out of the house in time but they could not take anything with them. One of his children, a 12-year-old boy, was slightly burned because he tried to enter the house to get a few things. The boy is now in our

"We sent Brother Khoi a telegram yesterday evening informing him of the disaster and in the meantime we are trying to do what we can to come to the assistance of Sister Khoi. She and the children are temporarily housed in my home. An offering is now being taken to assist Brother Khoi and family. The colporteurs in Vietnam are planning to set aside one day's work and earnings to put into a fund for Truong Khoi. We are also calling for help from you and the Union Mission, too. Brother Khoi is in desperate need. He has lost everything and it is very hard for him to sustain his seven children without our help. So whatever you may do to assist our brother will surely be appreciated.

"Brother Do Binh just escaped a train disaster when he was on his way to Tourane to work with Brother Cuu and the colporteurs in that area. Brother Binh boarded a train for Tourane on Monday, the 26th and left Saigon at 5 p. m. At 10 p. m. that night his train was derailed by the communists and ambushed. The engine ran off the track and many cars followed. At the same time communists, ambushed on both sides of the track, shot at the car Brother Binh was in. He immediately dropped to the floor for he realized that he was facing real trouble. The soldiers on the train shot back into the jungle. The shooting continued for two hours before the communists fled into the jungle. Early the next morning reinforcements arrived and also fighter planes.

"Brother Binh had to return to Saigon for the train had been severely damaged and so could not continue the trip. He had experienced a fearful night but he thanked God for His protection over him. He is now waiting in Saigon and ready to leave as soon as the train will run again."

#### Thailand Workers' Retreat

By H. W. Bedwell, Secretary-Treasurer, Southeast Asia Union Mission

More than 80 people were in attendance at the Thailand Mission workers' retreat held recently at the YMCA Camp on Pataya Beach. This number included the workers and some of the workers' families. It was a large increase over the number who attended our last retreat. The increase was made possible in part because nine students who recently graduated from the Thailand Mission training school were present at the retreat.

Also in attendance at the retreat were Pastors Johnson, Bedwell and Guild from the Southeast Asia Union Mission office. These men gave good counsel during the meetings and brought much spiritual help to the workers. Pastor Guild presented a series of studies on "How to Get Decisions," and gave instruction on Voice of Prophecy follow-up work. The morning devotions were conducted by the pastors from our various churches and on Sabbath afternoon a communion service was conducted.

As usual, the question and answer forum, held the last part of the afternoon, was of special interest. The discussions covered everything from the proper behavior of workers' wives to the explanation of some of the new Far Eastern Division and Southeast Asia Union Mission policies. Following the discussion period there was time for volley ball and swimming. However, the recreation ceased on Sunday afternoon when the workers gathered around a little transistor radio to hear the Thai language Voice of Prophecy program. This was the first time that some of our workers had an opportunity to hear the broadcast.

After studying ways to expand our work. a few changes have been made which we believe will be of benefit. Pastor D. K. Smith will be moving to Ubol to supervise our work there while Pastor Wick is on furlough. Pastor Sopon, who is the speaker for the Voice of Prophecy program, will move to Bangkok so that he can devote more time to the Voice of Prophecy and he will also be the pastor of the Sanitarium church. Brother Cheun, a recent training school graduate, is replacing Pastor Sopon in Bhuket. Brother Chalaw will be

chased adjoining land to be used for worker housing.

As the workers met together during the seven days of this retreat, it was with a feeling of inadequacy for the work yet to be accomplished. Latest figures show the population of Thailand has reached 27.9 million with nearly three million more in Laos. We realize that only by the power of God can these millions be reached with the news of a soon coming Christ. Please pray with us that God will bless our work abundantly during the coming months.



Thailand Mission workers and their families who gathered at the YMCA camp at Pataya Beach for a workers' retreat and mission session.

in charge of the Chiengmai district and will have working with him three graduates of our training school.

Another important decision made by the mission committee was to purchase a piece of land situated near the Ekamai School in Bangkok. This land is in a convenient location and will be the site for the new Mission Publishing House and office building which will soon be under construction. The transaction for the land has now been completed. It was made possible through the cooperation and help of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital management who pur-

#### Orion Pathfinder Camp By Peter Wong Koon Lun

The Orion Pathfinder Club (Southeast Asia Union College Church) held its first weekend camp at Tanah Merah Holiday Camp from February 23 to 25, 1962. Tanah Merah is a famous seaside resort of Singapore and it is visited by hundreds of people each weekend.

The Tanah Merah Holiday Camp has very good facilities. Two big blocks of buildings served as chapel, social hall with kitchen adjoining it, and sleeping rooms for the boys and girls. The building where



Happy Orion Pathfinders at a famous seaside resort of Singapore for a weekend of camping.

the boys and girls slept is partitioned by a strong wall and it is large enough to accommodate 48 active and restless boys and girls. Six tents were pitched around the campus for counsellors, instructors and directors.

C. Balan, the director of the Orion Pathfinder Club, was the camp director. He planned all of the camp activities and the pathfinders are very grateful to him. Every minute of the two-day camp was occupied. When the whistle blew there was a change of activity but the whistle which was the most pleasant to hear was the one announcing "makan" for the 48 young people were hungry when that time came. Pastor and Mrs. S. F. Chu and Pastor and Mrs. K. T. Kong were our chief cooks. They prepared very wholesome and delicious meals. For this excellent food each camper paid only M\$1.80 per day.

Vesper service was in charge of Earl Anchant and David Hor. Earl spoke on "How God Answered His Prayers," and David told how he became a Seventh-day Adventist. At the close of the meeting, David made an appeal to which all the Pathfinders responded.

B. C. Goh, our astronomer, gave us a birds-eye view of the gigantic heavenly bodies. This helped us to appreciate more the great love and power of God. We could not have star study for the sky was too bright, it being full moon. We had the regular Sabbath school and church service in the morning. In the afternoon we went out to distribute literature and to invite the people we met to enroll in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence School. We distributed 500 pieces of literature and we were able to get 16 people to enroll in the correspondence school. The area around Tanah Merah is scantily populated. Our missionary work ended with a hike along the seashore.

Also on Sabbath afternoon some of us went to the Crippled Children's Home to sing songs and to tell stories to the crippled boys and girls. The children were very attentive and asked the folks to come back again to tell them more stories.

We were privileged to have Pastor R. H. Wentland, Jr., with us at camp. The Bible games he played with us on Sabbath afternoon were much enjoyed.

Campfire time is the high light of any camp. Without it camping would be incomplete. We had our campfire on Saturday night and all enjoyed singing songs, hearing stories and playing games around the campfire. What an enjoyable time we had! Soon after campfire we had another game called "Flash Light Game." In this all took part and it was a most exciting game. Other high lights of the camp were track and trail, treasure hunt, tug-

of-war, boiling water contest and swimming.

Sabbath was indeed a very fine day. The sea was calm with gentle breezes blowing the waves to the shore. The cloud formations were beautiful. All of this brought us very close to God and to our Lord Jesus Chirst.

Time passed by altogether too fast and at 4:30 on Sunday we left the campsite for home. As we were leaving, one Pathfinder remarked that it would be more fun to have a week-long camp. The Orion Pathfinder Club will plan for a week of camping sometime in December of this year.

#### Eighty-One Youth Invested

#### By Chester H. Damron, Pastor

Several weeks ago we witnessed the largest MV investiture service ever held in Thailand. It was on a Friday evening in the Sanitarium church and before the investiture an excellent program was presented by our youth. In this program the young people gave nature talks, memory work was recited, and demonstrations were given which revealed many of the things they had learned in preparing for their investiture in their MV class work.

That evening of recognition had been preceded with many hours and days of work with these young people to prepare them for the big day. To Miss Rose Meister, our instructor in the MV classes, goes much of the credit in assisting these young people in attaining their worthy achievement. greatest award one receives in MV class work is to be found in the work done in order to attain the token or honor--not in the material which makes up the merit. Here is a brief summary of awards given: Primary Reading Club, 11; Junior Reading Club, 70; Senior Reading Club, 1; Senior Bible Year, 26: Vocational Honors, 307.

Our greatest thrill came when 14 young men and women came forward to be invested as Master Guides. Now they are helping the younger members of the church family to attain the highest of all awards in the MV class work. What a thrill it was to see a total of 81 young people receive their pins and scarfs in this the biggest investiture service in the history of Thailand!



A MV Voice of Youth effort was held in the Balestier Road English Church (Singapore) from April 1-22 with meetings three nights each week--Sunday, Wednesday and Friday. There were three speakers each evening. The handbills and the big billboard were designed by the young people. Young people served on committees for ushering, music, etc. Seven signed decision cards indicating that they had never accepted Christianity but now wanted to take their stand for Christ. More than 100 signed cards to the effect that though they are now Christians yet they desire a closer walk with Christ. Of these 10 were from non-Seventh-day Adventist homes. All of the young people in the church cooperated well which was much appreciated inasmuch as our pastor was in Manila at the time attending the Seminary Extension School. In the picture we see most of the young floks who participated in the youth effort. Miss Rosemary Richards, MV sponsor, is seen at the extreme left.

#### Forty-One Bangkok MV's Honored

By Chester H. Damron, Pastor

In an impressive and inspiring service recently, forty-four certificates were awarded to forty-one Bangkok youth who had completed the MV Leadership Courses. Fourteen received certificates in Public Evangelism; fourteen were invested as Master Guides; fourteen received certificates in Sabbath School Leadership and three in Recreational Leadership. Three of the young people received two certificates for having completed two of the courses.

These Leadership Training Courses demand much study and work. The programs are designed to better prepare our youth for responsibility and leadership. Each course requires two to six months to complete the same. When satisfactorily completed a certificate is awarded. To date nine courses are being offered. The completion of eight of them will entitle the student to a diploma of graduation from the Missionary Volunteer

Leadership Training Course. Earning one of these diplomas will be a real achievement and we trust that many of our young people

will succeed. With the forty-four certificates just awarded, we are off to a good start.

The group in Public Evangelism successfully conducted a "Voice of Youth" evangelistic crusade. They spent many weeks studying and practicing for this effort. We are proud of these young people and are thankful for their dedicated work. The Sabbath School Leadership Class had a concentrated course in "Teaching Teachers to Teach" followed by another course in Sabbath school organization. They were given experience in the various departments and branches of the Sabbath school in their extensive laboratory assignments. The Master Guide course was one of the most difficult. However, the training is such that we have incorporated it into our leadership program. We desire to see each of our leader's of youth become a Master Guide. We are happy for the large class that just finished-the largest in the history of our work in Thailand.

The class in Recreational Leadership found their laboratory work particularly challenging. After a concentrated course from the books, they learned how to play many games. They also learned how to supervise groups at play which included planning parties for groups of youth, adults and even all-day outings.



A part of the group of young people who received certificates for completing courses in the MV Leadership Training Course. Dr. Aileen Ludington, sponsor of this program, stands fifth from the right in the back row.



Pleng Vitiamyalaksana, assistant business manager of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital and one of the instructors for the leadership course, presents a certificate to Miss Eyhui.

We are very happy over the good start that has been made. Many thanks go to Dr. Aileen Ludington, sponsor of our Leadership courses, for her excellent leadership and organization of the program. It is proving to be a blessing to the youth of our church. Dr. Aileen states that, "We hope to be able to report many more graduation ceremonies in the future as more and more of our youth complete the various courses in Leadership."

# Korea

#### Korean President Now KTS President By Rudy E. Klimes, Secretary Korean Temperance Society

Dr. Posun Yun, president of Korea, recently accepted the honorary presidency of the Korean Temperance Society. Dr. Yun's acceptance came November 8 of last year when Dr. Rueben Manalaysay, president of Philippine Union College, and Rudy E. Klimes, temperance secretary of the Korean Union Mission, called on him in the interest of temperance.

President Yun showed great interest in the subject and expressed his concern for the health of his nation. A graduate of an English university, Dr. Yun has served his country as president of the Korean Red Cross and also as a member of the House of Representatives.

A man with personal convictions which do not allow him to smoke or drink, Dr. Yun signed with pleasure the regular KTS pledge of total abstinence from alcohol and tobacco. He never serves alcohol at his private home functions and never urges anyone to drink at official presidential palace functions.

Upon learning about the activities of the International Temperance Association, the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism, and the Korean Temperance Society, Dr. Yun encouraged these organizations to strengthen their temperance and educational work.

At the conclusion of the visit with this head of state, Dr. Manalaysay, who is also director of the Manila Institute of Scientific Studies, prayed for Korea and for the world temperance program.

I. T. A Activities
March, 1962

## First Korean Nation-Wide Temperance Rally

Six youth from four missions took part in the first Korean union-wide Temperance Oratorical Program, held on World Temperance Sabbath, October 28, 1961, in connection with the first nation-wide rally of the Korean Temperance Society.

Pastor Boyd Olson, temperance secretary of the Far Eastern Division, was the rally guest speaker and presented the outstanding orator of the last evening, Miss Kyong

Suk Lee, with the special award of merit, while more than 2,000 people crowded the Seoul Academy Auditorium.

All orators and poster prize winners received identical prizes. During the Sabbath afternoon institute, union and mission temperance leaders instructed on temperance organization for action, and Dr. Chong performed eye-catching experiments on the effects of alcohol and narcotics.

Korean youth not only speak on temperance to our church members, they also go out and make the temperance message the entering wedge of the gospel.

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#### Indonesia

#### Spotlight on Indonesia

Pastor C. C. Cleveland, president of the Indonesia Union Mission, under date of March 30 wrote a letter to Pastor C. P. Sorensen telling of his visit to Menado, Makassar and Surabaja for committee meetings and mission sessions. From his letter we gleaned the following news and progress items:

#### North Celebes

We now have about 10,000 Seventh-day Adventists in the North Celebes. The workers there have set their goal for 2,000 baptisms this year. Dr. Hann, from the Bandung Mission Hospital, is now in North Celebes looking over the possibility of opening a clinic in Menado. A big problem in that field is in regard to church schools. They have about 15 schools now but they want many more. One difficulty is the getting of Seventh-day Adventist teachers and another is the matter of financing the schools.

#### Makassar

In Makassar we found the brethren planning for nearly twice as many baptisms this year as last. Brother Patuli from Toradjaland accounted for 28 baptisms last year and this year he is looking forward to baptizing 50. He already has a number ready for baptism.

Surabaja

The meetings at Surabaja for the East Java Mission were well attended. It is inspiring to see a number of graduates from the Indonesia Union Seminary making good there and building up the working force. The new Chinese church is completed and dedicated. It is no longer known as a church just for the Chinese for others in that area are attending this church which is a good thing. They are about ready to start building the church at Perak. The church at Kederi has been remodelled at heavy expense-this was demanded by the government.

# Japan

#### After Many Years

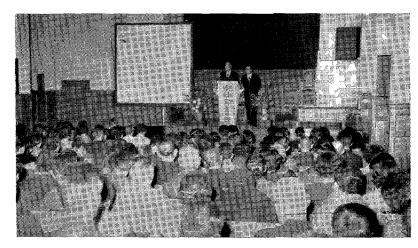
After many years, the Ookayama group of believers have their own church home. This building was redicated on March 4, 1962, and below are seen the members attendance on this important occasion.

Many thanks for this fine building should go to our dear Brother Hakasugi Minejiro. He was born in this part of Japan and ever since he became a Seventh-day Adventist he has wanted to do something for his home town. This church which will seat 75 persons is a real monument for the Lord's work. Space around the building would not permit a picture of the church for one could not get back far enough to get the building in the picture.

--H. B. Ludden Secretary-Treasurer, Japan Union Mission



Seven young men were ordained to the gospel ministry at the time of the Japan Union Mission biennial session held late in 1961. In the picture we see them with General, Division, Union and Local Mission representatives. Left to right: W. T. Clark, president of the Japan Union Mission; Kensaku Yasui, president of the North Japan Mission; Joji Yokoyama, Toyosaburo Koide, Nobuo Nakagawa; W. E. Murray, vice-president of the General Conference; Kenji Soneda, Minoru Hirota, Yonezo Okafugi, Takashi Nakatani, Kiyomitsu Hatada, president of the South Japan Mission; Tsumoru Kajiyama, union mission home missionary secretary; and A. E. Gibb, secretary, Far Eastern Division.



During the Seminary Extension School at Japan Missionary College, R. A. Anderson conducted a thirteen-night-series of meetings in the Tokyo Evangelistic Center. Jack Sager, director of the Center, reports that they had a fine attendance at all of the meetings and he anticipates a good harvest of souls as a result of the meetings. In the above picture we see Pastor Anderson with his interpreter Pastor Jack Sager.



## South Philippines

#### The Three R's of the Mountain View College Colporteur Club By President T. C. Murdoch

Mountain View College has 34 organized departments where students earn while they learn. However, during the summer vacation, which is usually the dry season of the year, we encourage all who have the desire to leave the work departments and join what we consider to be the most lucrative and most important industry of all--the colporteur ministry.

We could call this department one of our industries and it is a good one because when the students go out and earn money in this way there is no expense to the school. It so often hap-pens that school industries lose money but the colporteur ministry is profitable in every way.

Last year there were three Rudys who topped the sales list. Rudy Corpus delivered books to the value of 1,694.92 pesos and Rudy Ruiz to the value of 1,631.10 pesos. faithful student colporteur. Rudy's escape unhurt was all the more remarkable when we realize that he was sitting in the danger seat beside the driver. Ruddy, however, did come third in the group of colporteurs with a total of 880.30 pesos.

This year again a very successful and enthusiastic colporteur institute convened from February 5 to 9. Pastor Santiago, the South Philippine Union Mission publishing secretary, directed and supervised the well-organized classes of instruction. He was ably assisted by the six publishing department secretaries of the six missions in the South Philippine Union Mission. Our publishing secretaries pleased to report that 102 students have already signed the contract signifying their desire to join the colporteur ministry this coming summer. This is the highest record for Mountain View College thus far. Eighteen will be working in the Negros Island Mission; twelve in the West Visayan Mission; eighteen in the East Visayan Mission while fifty-eight will spread our literature throughout the three missions of Mindanao.

A strong Colporteur Club has been organized under the energetic leadership of one of our colimmediately begin their summer canvassing. The faculty members feel that our colporteurs this year are a mature group and that under the blessing of the Lord they will break all records again.

We know you will join us in the prayer that this fine army of colporteur youth will be blessed with souls as well as sales as they go from door to door this coming

summer vacation.

#### Reflections on a Good $\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{ear}}$

We glean these items of progress in the Parent and Home Education work in the East Visayan Mission from a report by the secretary of that department, Mrs. J. R. Obre-

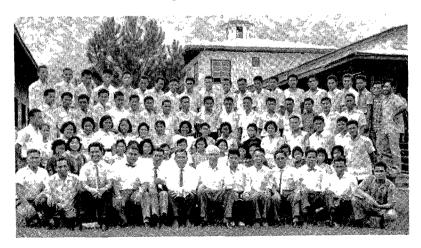
Mrs. Obregon reports that for the past two years they have held five conventions for parents in order to give them ample training in guiding the spiritual phase of home training. Definite instruction was given on how to tell Bible stories to the children in an interesting way. They supplied their Sabbath school children's divisions with visual aid materials for teaching the truth to the small tots.

Fourteen cooking demonstrations were given in various churches so that the parents might learn how to cook and serve nutritious meals to their families. Seventeen rallies were conducted in various areas of the mission to follow up that which had been taught at parents' and officers' conventions.

Not only were church members taught but they also extended the help to non-Adventists. Three public cooking demonstrations and lectures were presented to the friends in places visited.

Their church-to-church helped to strengthen the parent and home societies and also helped to increase their membership. Many churches are now getting interested in these societies who before scarcely paid attention to them. This increase in interest is detected in the increased orders for parent's lessons and songsheafs.

Mrs. Obregon paid tribute to Mrs. C. C. Llaguno, union mission secretary for parent and home education, for the help she extended to the parents and children of the East Visayan Mission during the conventions and rallies which were held.



The Colporteur Club of Mountain View College. The club has 102 members, some of whom are not in the picture. Pastor Tumangday, a colporteur-experienced member of the faculty, and Rudy Ruiz are the leaders of this club.

Rudy Yap would undoubtedly have reached the same high level or total had not his time been cut in half due to a serious bus accident in which many were killed and all were wounded except our

porteur-experienced faculty members, Pastor Tumangday. Rudy Ruiz is the club leader. This group will meet regularly every Saturday evening until the close of the school year when our students will

# West New Guinea Mission

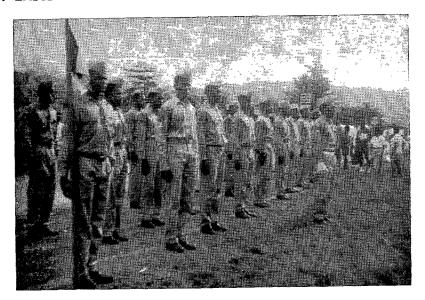
# West New Guinea Pathfinders Honored By L. E. Keizer, MV Secretary

Ding, Dong, Ding, Dong, sounded the first of the eight bells from the distant Police Headquarters. There was a sudden stir among the group of people gathered at the District Officer's headquarters. Amateur photographers were bringing their cameras into readiness, turning knobs, handles, etc., furiously in order not to be caught unprepared for the scene that was about to take place. Soon they were focusing their cameras on the group that was coming down the road. Closer and closer they came and with the last sound of the police bells, this special group stood in front of the double flagpole.

"Afdeling, G-e-e-f-t Acht" (Platoon Attention) sounded clearly in the early morning hours. A platoon of policemen under the direction of the police officer and a platoon of MV Pathfinders of the West New Guinea Training School under the direction of Mr. Solomon Umbora, a native teacher, stood at attention. With the next command, "Present Arms," the police presented their arms and the Pathfinders saluted. As the Papuan National Anthem was played, the first Papuan flag was hoisted slowly to be flown side by side with the Dutch flag.

What was this occasion that again brought the Pathfinders into the limelight? On December 1, the first Papuan National Flag was officially hoisted. From this time on, this was to be their national flag. In all of West Papua the flag was raised on that day and to our Pathfinders had been granted the coveted privilege to stand as honor guards at this ceremony.

It was a thrill to see our youth standing at attention in well pressed uniforms, doing a snappy salute and graciously dipping their guidon. This was not their first public appearance. Our Pathfinders had the privilege of being the honor guard at the Queen's birthday. But December 1 was a special day for West Papua for on that day the country received its own flag. These



MV Pathfinders of the West New Guinea Training School with their director, Solomon Umbora, a native teacher.



Pastor K. Tilstra (back row, extreme left) with the 27 candidates he baptized on March 10. Seven women and twenty men were baptized and of this number 15 were students from the West New Guinea Training School.

Pathfinders demonstrated what Seventh-day Adventist young people can do. Let me share with you some of the remarks that were made about our Pathfinders.

One of our students was recuperating at the government hospital. As he was walking around one day, he overheard two marine officers in uniform talking. One officer was telling the other one about the Adventist Pathfinders he

had seen at the airport when they were welcoming Pastor C. D. Martin. He said, "You should have seen them there. They were neatly dressed and looked very smart. The execution of the commands were perfect. We in the Marines cannot do any better."

A Boy Scout leader complained: "We have been here for years training the boys but see the Adventists. They have not been here

a very long time and yet their uniforms, insignias, etc., are neat and attractive. Their shoes are well polished. And now they have the opportunity of taking part in this flag raising ceremony. We have never had such an opportunity. We better go home and cut grass or join the Adventists."

A guru (teacher) of another denomination who had previously opposed us very severely, asked, "Who are they?" "They are the Pathfinders of Dojo," (the location of our West New Guinea Training School) came back the answer. "My", he added, "they are dressed well and look very smart. You young people had better join them."

A group of young people from the island where we opened our first branch Sabbath school saw our Pathfinders. They said, "The Seventh-day Adventists young people now cannot be resisted and the whole district around the lake will soon be engulfed by the Adventist movement."

One witness at the flag ceremony who lives in the village where we have our branch Sabbath school asked the government-appointed village head, "Who are those people who joined in the ceremony with the police? Are they marines or soldiers?" The village headman replied, "They are Adventist Path-finders." The questioner then said, "If that is true then the government also knows and recognizes the Adventists. But the other day you said that the government does not know the Adventists. How can this be? How can you harmonize this with what you said before?" The headman hung his head in shame and did not answer.

A native woman who was standing with her friend noticed the white teeth our boys had. She said, "What greatly attracted my attention was the sparkling white teeth of all these Pathfinders." "Yes," the other woman added, "the secret of the beauty of all Adventist young people is in the cleanlines of their teeth." The reader must understand that the chewing of beetlenut is one of the greatest vices of the native people in West Papua.

From the above remarks one can readily see what is being accomplished as far as public relations is concerned by our Pathfinders. Some persons requested a government official to take certain actions to stop the inhabitants of

a village from going to the Adventist school in Dojo-Baru. They received this stern rebuke from this official: "Stop talking about Dojo-Baru. Look first at your own village. See the filth about your places because of the pigs. Your houses are falling down. Your people are not clean. See how the people are at Dojo-Baru. There is cleanliness. There are no pigs. The students are healthy. I do not want anything more said about Dojo-Baru. They know how to take care of themselves. They are more progressive than you are.'

All of these statements make us happy. Surely our Pathfinders are not behind in doing their best to enlighten the earth with the glory of Christ's everlasting gospel.

# North Philippines

# Candon Church Dedicated By J. A. Bangloy, President Northern Luzon Mission

Sabbath, March 3, 1962, was a happy day and a day that will long be remembered by the 25 members of the Candon (Ilocos Sur) church for it was the day their new church was dedicated.

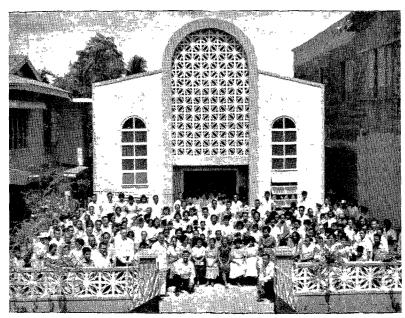
The occasion was graced by the

presence of a representative group from our organizations and institutions--the North Philippine Union Mission, Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, Philippine Publishing House, Philippine Union College, Northern Luzon Mission and the Northern Luzon Academy. Many brethren from the surrounding churches also came for the special service.

The church elder, Eutiquio Balbiu, and the district leader, C. P. Miguel, voiced words of welcome to all and the mission president introduced the visitors. Miss Fely R. Abaya, North Philippine Union Mission accountant, and the moving spirit behind the project, expressed the thanks and appreciation of the church members for the support given them which had made their dream a reality. She especially mentioned Mrs. R. E. Hay, wife of the first president of the Northern Luzon Mission, who gave a sizeable contribution to the project. She also mentioned the officers of the Union Mission and the local mission and many others for their financial and moral support but above all she gave thanks to God for His guidance through the years even to the time of this dedication service.

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The new Candon church in the Northern Luzon Mission which was dedicated on March 3, 1962. The church has a seating capacity of 100 and it was filled to capacity the day of the dedication.



# NEWS FROM HERE&THERE

- Returning from furlough, Pastor and Mrs. C. G. Oliver spent a few hours in Singapore before returning to North Borneo. Pastor Oliver is the president of the North Borneo Mission. Their son Ronald is a student at Pacific Union College in Angwin, California.
- Pastor and Mrs. A. R. Musgrave and daughter were guests on the Southeast Asia Union Mission compound recently. Pastor Musgrave is the president of the Sarawak Mission and also principal of the Aver Manis School, a school for training Dyaks. A second daughter of the Musgraves has been attending the church school on the Division compound. The Musgraves are due their furlough but because of the heavy pressure of work they have elected to remain over for another year.
- Pastor and Mrs. C. C. Cleveland en route to the States by steamship had a brief stop-over in Singapore. They arrived the morning of May 7 and left the same afternoon. Pastor Cleveland gave a brief report of the work in Indonesia to the Division office staff at their morning worship period.
- The many friends and coworkers of Pastor Y. S. Oh will be made sad to learn of his death on May 4. Pastor Oh was the president of the Central Korean Mission and worked untiringly for God's cause. We know our Division family joins in extending to Sister Oh and other members of the family our sincerest sympathy.
- Pastor and Mrs. C. H. Davis were guests on the Division compound for a day enroute to Australia. While in that country, Pastor Davis will contact the students at Australiasian Missionary College and in the Sydney area from the Far Eastern Division. Later the Davises go the States to have a few weeks with their children before going to San Francisco to attend the General Conference Session July 26 to August 4.
- Pastor R. A. Anderson, ministerial association secretary of the General Conference, and Mrs. Anderson visited friends in Singapore following their attendance at the Seminary Extension Schools in Japan and Manila where Pastor Anderson served as one of the instructors

The year-end statistical report for the Division has been compiled and one figure in this report is of great interest to all, namely the number of baptisms. The total number baptized in this Division during 1961 is 13,875 which brings our church membership to 133,161. These wonderful results have been made possible through the blessing of God and the intiring labors of ministry and laity alike.

#### Overflow Offering Breaks All Records

We could hardly believe it--an overflow of US\$89,108.87 from the fourth quarter 1961 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. The offering of US \$88,844.60 for Inter-America a year ago was likewise an all-time record.

Now Diakarta, on the island of Java in Indonesia, can have its evangelistic center; Bangkok, can have its Voice of Prophecy building; and the Ayer Manis Training School in Kuching, Sarawak, can have its new buildings. I can easily imagine the smiles of happiness that came over the faces of the brethren in the Far Eastern Division office and those more directly connected with these projects as they heard of this most liberal offering.

We here in the General Conference Sabbath School Department say Thank you! to all of our Sabbath school members around the world who had a part in this outstanding offering.

-- Eric B. Hare Review and Herald

Many of the readers of the Far Eastern Division Outlook will be interested to learn that a quarterly bulletin is being issued for Seventhday Adventist stamp collectors around the world to help them in locating desirable stamp contacts. Anyone wishing to receive this bulletin and/or be listed in it should write for details to

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Box 37, Union Springs, New York, U. S. A. (Notice received from Mrs. Kathryn Cash, Union Springs Academy, Union Springs, New York)

#### Candon Church Dedicated (Continued from page 11)

The genesis and progress of the church was related by Pastor Juan O. Afenir. He stressed the fact that the work at Candon was begun in 1917 by four men, namely Tito P. Atiga, Dominador Javier, Manuel Oliva and J. O. Afenir. They were selling the magazine, Ti Damag ti Pagarian (The Herald of the Kingdom). As the field began to ripen, the late Pastor Leon Z Roda conducted evangelistic meetings. Among the first converts was the Abaya family, this small group forming the nucleus of the Candon Church. This was the second church organized in the Northern Luzon Mission, the first one being the Amarao church in Sta. Cruz in this same province.

Pastor A. J. Robbins preached the stirring dedicatory sermon. He expounded on the text "And let them build me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them." Everyone responded to the call for renewed consecration. The mission president led in the dedicatory act and dedicatory prayer. "Bless this house, O Lord," was sung by Mrs. P. A. Catalou of Philippine Union College.

The Candon church cost some 13,000 pesos and has a seating capacity of 100. We are happy to be able to build beautiful churches in various parts of the Northern Luzon Mission.

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