

*Set Apart
to the
Work of the Ministry*

By Chris P. Sorensen, President
Far Eastern Division

THE LARGEST ordination service ever held in Korea, and as far as we know in the Far Eastern Division, was held in connection with the Korean Union Biennial Session on Sabbath, February 8, 1964. On a previous occasion twenty-three had been ordained. It is now two years since the last ordination service and, rather than ordain any of the men in the local missions, the leaders much preferred having a large ordination service in connection with the union biennial session.

After carefully screening the names of those submitted by the local and union missions, twenty-five names were approved for ordination. These were all present for

The twenty-five workers who were ordained to the gospel ministry during the Korean Union biennial session. First row: M. H. Choi, B. S. Cho, Daniel H. Peckham, C. U. Pak, Y. H. Lin, H. C. Pak, Y. C. Sul, S. I. Ro, D. H. Ha. Second row: K. H. Chang, K. B. Chung, C. S. Pak, Y. M. Cho, B. H. Shin, M. K. Shin, D. Y. Kim, K. C. Kim. Third row: S. R. Oh, Y. D. Kim, H. M. Hur, C. M. Yu, H. H. Yu, D. C. Kim, Dr. K. H. Lee, C. Y. Kim.



the service which was held on Sabbath, February 8, in the large auditorium near the union headquarters. The program and those participating were as follows: Sermon, Pastor R. S. Watts, Sr.; Prayer of Ordination, Pastor Chung Tong Shim; Charge, Pastor A. E. Gibb; and Welcome, Pastor C. A. Williams.

The men ordained represent every phase of our work and all of the local missions were represented. Ten of the men were from the union mission staff or union institutions. The local missions were represented as follows: Central, 5; Middle East, 1; Middle West, 3; Southeast, 3; and Southwest, 3. Nine of the candidates for ordination are evangelists and district pastors; seven represent the departments of the union and/or local missions; three are secretary-treasurers; three are connected with educational institutions; and one, Doctor Clarence Lee Keun Wha, union medical secretary, is on the staff of the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital. Others ordained whom we might mention by name were: C. U. Pak, union secretary, D. H. Peckham, union treasurer, and Ih Hao Lin, Chinese evangelist. Brother Lin came to Korea from Taiwan just a little over a year ago, having previously worked in that field. We now have two Chinese church groups in Korea as a result of his labors.

With a rapidly growing membership in Korea, there has been the feeling on the part of our workers and believers that they were short-handed in ministerial help. It was an inspiration to note that during the ordination service, we had no less than 66 ordained ministers on the platform. As a result of this service, the number was increased to 91. We did a bit of rapid calculation. The Korean Union has about 14 percent of the present membership of the Far Eastern Division, and better than 16 percent of the ordained ministry in this Division is in the Korean Union. The average age of the men ordained is 39 years and they have had an average of eleven or twelve years of experience in denominational work.

We rejoice with Korea! The ordination of this large group of men came in connection with or at the time of their 60th anniversary of the beginning of Adventism in Korea.

Southeast Asia

Formal Opening of the New Auditorium at Christian Training Center

By Mrs. R. M. Milne, Principal

January 30, 1964, will go down in the history of the Christian Training Center in Bangkok as one of its "high days." Six months ago the first load of piling came onto the building site, and now there stands a beautiful building with a library, classrooms for domestic science and laboratory, projection room, and teachers' lounge on the ground floor and a chapel on the second floor large enough to accommodate 700 persons without utilizing the generous side aisles.

Two numbers by the Center's choir, massed on the stairs behind the ribbon, prefaced the program after which the invocation was given by Pastor V. L. Kon in the Chinese, and in the Thai by Nai Banjong Tonasudh, principal of the Thai section of the school.

Our veteran solicitors, Pastors R. M. Milne and V. L. Kon, who have labored so long to obtain the necessary funds for the building, shared the honors of cutting the ribbons which closed off the two stairways. All were then invited to the auditorium where the 400 or more guests could be comfortably seated for the rest of the program. Representatives from various city groups had been invited as well as many parents, church members and friends.

Nai Banjurd Chotvijarn, chairman of the Thai Chamber of Commerce and Board of Trade, and also chairman and director of many other enterprises, was the leading speaker. He was for nine pre-war years principal of our Thai school. Nai Prayuth Sawathising of the private schools section of the educational department of the Thai Government, also spoke, as did also the chairman of the Hakka Association. Pastor P. G. Wick, president of the Thailand Mission, gave a talk on "Christian Education in Thailand" and he concluded his remarks by naming the new building "The Milne Auditorium."

Drs. Louis Ludington and Effie Jean Ketting played a beautiful violin and cello duet, accompanied on the piano by Miss Gertrude Green.

After Pastor Milne had expressed our deep appreciation to the donors for their generous assistance in providing funds, two of the parents, Nai Chana Samittianam and Khoo Soi Kian responded with words of appreciation for what the school is doing for their children.

Pastor H. W. Bedwell, president of the Southeast Asia Union Mission, prefaced his prayer of dedication with a brief history of the school and a statement of its aims and objectives. The choir furnished three more beautiful numbers and Pastor Sunti Sohrajjakul pronounced the benediction.

All were then invited to make a tour through the building. Light refreshments were served in the well-lighted library with its yellow formica-topped tables, brand new chairs, and lovely, long charge desk, which made an ideal place from which to serve.

Many baskets of lovely orchids and African daisies, two new clocks, three vases, and two tablecloths were among the gifts received.

A Visit to the Murut Tribe

By Mrs. Hazel Howard Peters

Unable to secure plane bookings, Pastor and Mrs. Andrew Peters, son Jimmy, and a translator travelled several hours by train and jeep from Jesselton, the capital of Sabah, to Keningau. Proceeding two miles farther by jeep, we crossed the Pengalan River by ferry-raft. Our young Murut worker, Inauk Gullah, met us and introduced us to the young couple, Bakusut and Cinema, both Murut tribespeople whom he had prepared for baptism. Some time ago on one of Inauk's frequent journeys to this area of his field, he needed to stay over night here. Since Bakusut works for the government, helping to operate the river ferry, he and his wife and son live in a tiny kampong by the river. Inauk inquired if he might spend the night at their place. This was the beginning and it resulted in Bible studies and now the young couple desired to join God's family.

Now we had arrived. Pastor Peters and his translator visited with the family, studied the various



On the trail to Sook in the Interior Residency, in Sabah.



Bakusut, his wife Cinema, and son Maidin, of the Murut tribe, standing in front of their home by the Pengalan River. The couple was baptized near Sook, our nearest church in the area, about 25 miles distant.

doctrines and points of our faith, and found the couple ready for baptism. We spent the night with them and enjoyed their hospitality in their bamboo house on stilts.

Early Friday morning, our group went by jeep to the end of the road. From there it was mostly up-grade by foot or on bicycle. At times the trails were rather steep and the bicycles had to be pushed! After about an eight hours' hike through the most beautiful jungle and entertained along the way by the melodies of numerous lovely birds, we were welcomed to the home of the Murut Chief near the village of Sook. Here we spent the next two nights.

We found the Sook church a primitive structure of poles and atap, dirt floor, and backless planks across a framework served as seats. On the pulpit was a small white cloth as a cover and a bouquet of red hibiscus. The Murut Chief and his wife are both interested in this message and are attending services together with a small group of believers.

Late Sabbath afternoon, November 9, the Murut Chief, his wife and the company of believers and friends witnessed the baptism by Pastor Peters of Bakusut and Cinema in the river.

Soon after dawn we found ourselves on the path again. The jungle

was radiant after a short, heavy downpour of rain during the night. The birds, butterflies, snakes, and leeches were out also. About six hours later our hike was ended and after going by jeep to Bakusut's and Cinema's home, we bade them farewell and we proceeded on to Keningau.

The next morning as our plane headed for Jesselton, we looked down on the vast jungle carpet below us, spreading out in all directions, over hills, valleys, veined by rivers, and thought of the Murut tribespeople scattered throughout this part of the interior of Sabah, the majority of whom still wait for the Light.

VOP Students Extoll the "Signs"

Pastor D. M. Barnett has passed on to us two copies of letters he has received from VOP students to whom he has been sending the "Signs." We wish to share these testimonies with our readers.

"It gives me great pleasure to write a few lines concerning the **Signs of the Times**. This is a wonderful and touching periodical, which I shall pass on to many of my friends. I find this magazine to be a real blessing in our home. It leads us to the kingdom of God

Our Sabah Training School in Tamparuli, Sabah, was invited to enter a float and to participate in the September 16 and 17 Malaysia Day celebrations. On the float were the words: "We serve Malaysia through our Medical, Welfare, and Educational Work." The float had the country's flags, a map of Sabah, and a canvas-draped representation of Mt. Kinabalu. The picture shows some of the girls from the school who rode on the float, wearing local costumes. Three lorry loads of Pathfinders marched behind the float, and Jimmy Peters led the float down the highway riding his flag-colored red, white and blue decorated unicycle. The judges awarded the Sabah Training School first prize, a cash award of M\$150.00 and presented to them a silver cup.



and it brings us hope and courage in this life. I appreciate the magazine very much." Signed: Benedict Ong, Jitra, Kedah, Malaysia

"The **Signs of the Times**, with its many vital inspirational messages, articles of counsel and encouragement, has been more than just a magazine to me. Its pages are like sermons in writings, particularly so

to those not able to attend church services regularly. It is surely one of the few publications that really preaches God's Message in the very true sense. May God bless this publication as it continues to bring light to those who are in darkness, and to keep the light burning in those who have been enlightened, is my sincere prayer."—Raymond Kwong Leong Onn, Singapore.

Thailand Pathfinder Camporee

By **D. Kenneth Smith, MV**
Secretary, Thailand Mission

More than 160 boys and girls, young people, and their leaders came together from all over Thailand for the second mission-wide Pathfinder Camporee which was held on the island of Bhuket, South Thailand. For the group from the North and Central Thailand, it meant a three-day journey through dust and mud to reach their destination. A friend in need was provided by the ever-watchful God of heaven and the free services of a tractor and roadgrader were supplied to help the chartered busses through the three and four-foot deep mud.

Daily swimming periods, a class in the study of shells leading to the vocational honor in that subject, games and contests, outings and campfires, and the daily camp council talks made every day of camp a delightful experience. At the Friday night investiture service, more than 50 young people were invested

and 200 honor tokens were presented. During the consecration service which followed, at the invitation of camp pastor John Harris, over 50 young people came forward to stand with their counselors to indicate their desire to become Christians and to prepare for baptism.



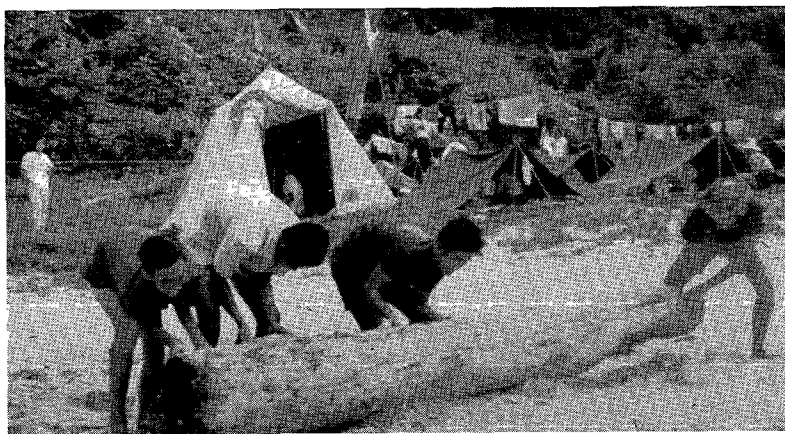
A cable is hooked to the bus so that it can be pulled out of the mud. The bus is carrying Pathfinders to the Camporee in Bhuket, Thailand.



The Pathfinder work in Thailand is strong and growing stronger. Every church in the mission has a Pathfinder Club and all of the Pathfinders are looking forward to another Camporee next year.

◀ **The elephant was willing to pull the busses through the mud but a tractor and roadgrader helped the Pathfinders reach their Camporee.**

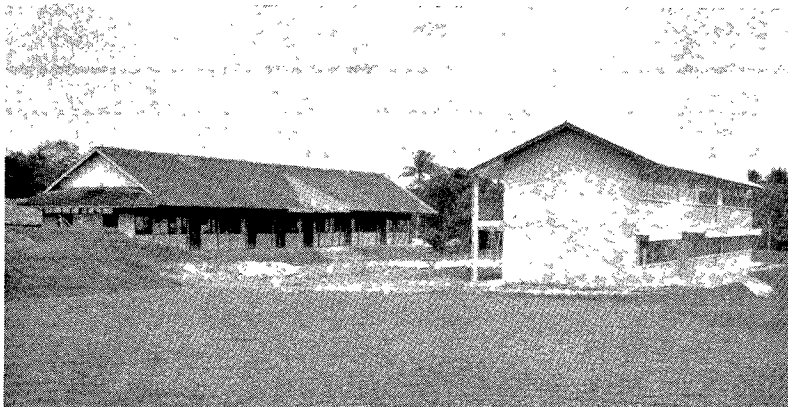
Preparing for the evening campfire at the Bhuket Pathfinder Camporee.





Three views of the new administration building at the Sunny Hill School in Kuching, Sarawak. It has ten spacious classrooms with plans to build four more onto the farther end as soon as funds are available.

In the picture to the right is the old Sunny Hill school building (left). Pastor James Wong is the principal of the school and he has also supervised the construction work.



Child Training Center News

The first Sabbath afternoon after the formal opening of the Center, a group of mission officers met with the teachers and students, who had that morning been voted out of the Thai-English church at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital, to organize a new church at the school to be known as the Child Training Center Church. Forty-seven charter members became the nucleus of this new church. Officers were elected and they began to function the following Sabbath, February 8, when all met in the new chapel for the first Sabbath service. Two Sabbath schools are conducted, one in the English and the other in Thai. For the church services, the two sections are combined and the sermon is translated. About 700 students attend and most of the teachers, although some of the teachers attend the Chinese church.

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One of the first uses made of the new auditorium was by the teachers of the Thai section, who put on a program, food sale and showed a film to raise funds for the projected four-room addition to our building. This extension will provide classrooms for matyoms seven and eight, a science room and a library. They raised 5,800 baht in this effort.

Piling is now being driven into what used to be our big pond and soon the new addition will begin to take shape. The contractor who built the auditorium promises to have the addition ready by June 5, two weeks after the new school year begins.

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Another project to raise funds, this time for domestic science equipment, was put on by Mrs. Lacson. "Old Yaller," a Walt Disney film, brought in 2,910 baht for dishes, pots and pans, etc. Soon the domestic science kitchen will be shining with its new equipment. The C. T. C. choir presented a sacred choral concert at the U. S. Information Center, January 16, 1964. The choir was assisted by Herbert Sormin who sang two numbers; by Mr. and Mrs. John Falconbridge who also sang two numbers; and by the faculty mixed quartet.

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Three new teachers joined the

C. T. C. faculty in January. Mrs. Amy Chung came to us from Australia, and Mr. and Mrs. Ulangca who were transferred here after their furlough in the Philippines. Mrs. Chung is teaching the third and fourth-grade boys in the forenoon and typing to the tenth grade in the afternoon. Mrs. Ulangca is teaching first and second grade girls and Mr. Ulangca teaches the algebra, geometry and biology classes for both boys and girls. We are very happy for this added strength to the teaching force and we welcome them most heartily.

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Pastor Chester Damron has just concluded a Week of Prayer at C.T.C. At the closing meeting, when a call was made for those who wished to become Christians, many came forward to join the Christian group already standing. We rejoice to see these young people deciding for Jesus and hope that many will go forward in baptism as soon as they are ready.

West New Guinea Mission

The Olivers Face the Challenge*

Our work started in West New Guinea (now Irian Barat) just a little over ten years ago. The mission headquarters are near Hollandia harbor which is now called Kota Baru, meaning New City. Our mission stations are widely separated and transportation is irregular and expensive. Our farthest away worker is in Sorong which is 2000 miles from Hollandia. We have native workers in Manokwari, the Sarmi area, Serui Island area and five groups in the Hollandia area.

There are 14 or 15 village schools scattered about in the jungle and along rivers. Our mission junior academy, which offers eight years of training, is in a beautiful location out a winding road some 26 miles from the mission office. One hundred and ten boys and five or six girls attend the school. The staff is all Indonesian except one Papuan. We hope soon to have adequate space for girls in the dormitory. It is difficult for our boys to find suitable wives when the girls do not go to school. One of the boys went back to his jungle village during the last vacation. His family had a wife picked out for him. He had carried a goodly supply of matches with him and before he knew it his ignorant wife had eaten all the match heads. She liked the taste!

Our mission house is in a crowded Papuan neighborhood. It is a bit lonely for no one near speaks any English. Our house is nicely built and offers a lovely view of the bay and the wooded hills. The church and mission office are near by up a steep rocky path from the house. The docks and stores are about one mile on the other side of the hill. A very nice swimming beach is about four miles away.

All commodities for this country, except native fruits and vegetables, must be imported. Sago is the staple food but much polished rice is imported. We import quite a few items from Australia, and we have a store here and at the school where we stock powdered milk, whole wheat



Beria Japon and his wife are the workers in the Sarmi district.

flour, vegetarian protein foods and honey. These are the main items we have in stock.

To move to a new country and then to have our son Ronald come from Pacific Union College to visit us really made it a big year. While he was here we had an eventful day. The mission-owned "Catamarin" was moved from the sea to a large fresh water lake about five miles inland. The lake stretches for 20 to 30 miles along the valleys and there are dozens of villages along the shore and on the islands. We are now making trips on the boat and holding clinics and gospel meetings. One difficulty that looms up is the numerous languages. Tribes just a few miles apart do not understand each other. Translators are hard to find and we do not have any who can translate directly from the English. The Indonesian language is used in our schools. Our efforts and budget go mostly to train native workers to go back to uplift their own people. The men in the field are doing well but we need so many more. Surely current events indicate that the time remaining to bring light to those in darkness may be very short. Have we done our best for Jesus?

A Memorable Boat Trip

I cannot resist sharing a few of

the experiences we had on our trip up the great Membramo River. We went 150 miles west on an Indonesian steamer, then 70 miles on from Sarmi in a 30-foot outboard (75HP Mercury) motor launch. We slept on the boat and before the two weeks were over we were quite used to hearing the millions of mosquitoes humming just outside or inside our nets. With us were Pastor Smith, the district missionary, and Moses, a Papuan helper. The first village we stayed in could well be the mosquito capital of the world.

I never felt more needed than I did on this trip. When we first arrived,



Pastor and Mrs. L. A. Smith and their three children. In the background stands a War Memorial.

an old crippled woman came running begging me to come and help her son. I did not wait for the men and when I got there I was really shocked for the man was lying in blood. There was blood all over his chest and in a banana leaf basin.

I thought he had been shot or speared but then I saw a girl with blood all over her face. I could not find a wound. He had a high fever and a painful cough so I decided that it must be pneumonia. But why the blood! It was from his young wife. She had rubbed her tongue over a sharp sago leaf to make it bleed freely. Then she let the blood run over the painful area. There was a lot of blood and I told her it was enough. He was very sick and there were four others sick with pneumonia. There was whooping cough and many big sores. God blessed our efforts. After only two days of penicillin shots, Vitamin C and plenty of water,

every one was much better. We had meetings and I did what I could to help them understand how to keep well. I explained that the blood treatment could not heal the sick, although it is very common.

Child Marriages

Little girls are married when seven or eight years old and are forced into childbearing at puberty. Some old fellows have three and four wives while younger men, who have no sister or child of their own to trade, get no wife at all. Pregnancies are many but surviving children are few. The women wear a dirty piece of bark suspended by a piece of rattan or a dirty string. They came to our meetings dressed in that fashion. They are pitiful with their sagging breasts, huge worm-distended abdomens and sores from yaws. I gave dozens of shots for yaws. A single, large dose of penicillin in oil does wonders for that condition.

In Burmesso, 110 miles up the river, I had the unique experience of staying alone with the village people for two days and nights while the rest of our group went on foot up 7 miles along the river. I visited inside many of the shelters the people call homes. There is nothing in them, not even a platform or mat to sleep on. I saw and treated a truly wild man of the Boudi tribe who came to get treated for malaria.

A Stormy Voyage

Back at the river mouth we found the sea very forbidding. We found ourselves in treacherous waves. Moses was sitting out on the front of the boat to watch for floating logs. He soon began motioning wildly for Pastor Smith to turn back. This was easier said than done. Presently we found ourselves in a calm valley for an instant and we got headed back for the river. It was a long day and night in the swift river, bobbing up and down, and jerking at the anchor. We needed to get back to Sarmi to catch the steamer back home. We gained courage after having a season of prayer and reading about the children of Israel at the Red Sea. In the morning we were again out in the boisterous, green mountains. But there was no turning back. For a whole hour we faced the waves, going north-

east when we should be going west. Pastor Smith at the wheel looked pale and tense. He was working hard to keep us right side up. Moses and the two Membramo boys, who were going back to school, were grimly holding on. Gilbert stood next to Pastor Smith and looked calm. I sat on top of a gasoline drum with a good view and not really feeling scared for I found my self singing over and over again the chorus, "Fear thou not, for I'll be with thee. I will still thy pilot be. Never mind the tossing billows, Take my hand and trust in me," Back in Sarmi we were thankful for a safe resting place and even for the perils that had taught us to rely more on God.



V. Hutabarat, secretary-treasurer of the West Irian Mission, with his wife and children.

*We are taking the liberty of quoting from a letter sent us by Mrs. Oliver, it being a copy of a letter that the Olivers were sending to friends and relatives back in the homeland. The story was not written for publication in the **Outlook** but we feel that we must share it with our readers. The Olivers are thankful for the letters they receive and for the prayers that they know are offered in their behalf.

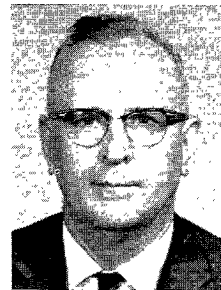
South China Island

A Grain of Mustard Seed

**By E. L. Longway
Division Field Secretary**

On January 11 it was the writer's privilege to conduct the first cele-

bration of the Lord's Supper with the infant church at Aberdeen, Hong Kong. Forty-one were present



Pastor E. L. Longway

and took part in the ordinances. Most of the people present were young people who have been won by other youth.

The work of the church at Aberdeen has waited a long time before

getting started. Last year Pastor Handel Luke, headmaster of the Happy Valley Sam Yuk Middle School, with some of his teachers and students from the school, put on a youth for youth evangelistic effort in Aberdeen. Nearly 30 young people were baptized as a result of that effort. A branch of the Sam Yuk School has also been started in Aberdeen.

In December of 1963 this company of youthful believers was organized into a church, most of the officers being chosen from among the faculty members of the parent school. It was thrilling to observe the earnest response of these babes in Christ to the explanation of the meaning of the Lord's Supper.

How full of meaning and what courage and hope the words of the Master bring us in these latter days! "... The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof." (Matthew 13:31, 32).

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But too much time has been given to those who already know the truth... go to the people who have never heard your message.

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Korea

The Story of Pok Ja

By Mrs. R. M. Johnston
Korean Union College

A few years ago in the southern-most province of Korea a Presbyterian deaconess came to her pastor with a problem.

"Pastor, what can I do? Can you help me? A neighbor of mine has influenced my daughter Pok Ja to be baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church. You know I don't want my daughter to be a backslider. I have done everything I can think of to prevent it. I even threatened her, but now what can I do?"

The pastor thought a minute and then suddenly his face lit up. "I have a good idea," he said, "I have a good friend who is a fine young ministerial intern. If we marry Pok Ja to him, she will be faithful."

So the date was set and plans were made without informing the girl of the idea. When she learned of it, she prayed much and tried her best to prevent the marriage. But as the day approached, she realized that her mother would not change and she would have to go through with it. So she decided in her heart that she would convert her husband. Not knowing Pok Ja's inner feelings, those concerned were happy to think they had been wise enough to bring back a backslider.

One year passed. Then one day Pok Ja said quietly to her husband, "You know, there are many, many churches in the world, but the true church is the Seventh-day Adventist church."

Stunned, her husband turned to her and said sternly, "Don't you ever say those words again." So she didn't — for a long time. Then once more she mentioned the same thought to him again. Again he would not listen. However, her words stuck in his mind, and his curiosity was aroused. Secretly he wanted to know more.

Four more years passed. Then a son was born to them. In Korea a first-born son is a cause for much rejoicing. Her husband was overjoyed. Pok saw in his happiness a new opportunity, so she mentioned her idea to him again. This

time he did not oppose her. She realized her opportunity and told him for the first time that she herself is a Seventh-day Adventist and gave definite witness to him.

He told her of his desire to learn more, so she arranged for Pastor Pahn, one of our pastors, to come

and hold meetings in her husband's church. Eight were baptized and others are studying. One of the baptized, Pok Ja's husband, plans to attend Korean Union College for further training. Surely God honored the faithfulness of this young woman.



Bible School Director, Pak Won Sil, (left), and a recent convert to our message, Y. K. Lee, a farmer living about 12 miles from the town. One of our Adventist brethren had an old rickety bicycle and he rode to the farmer's home each Tuesday and Friday evening to give Bible studies. There are now 100 people meeting in this home and Y. K. Lee and six other believers were baptized recently. One hundred new students are studying the Bible course.



Chaplain (Captain) Christy Taylor who is stationed at the U. S. Air Force Base near Seoul, Korea. Chaplain Taylor attended the Division biennial session in Baguio, Philippines.

Far Eastern Island Mission

Guam Church Officers' Convention

By Mrs. Irene Sibley
Public Relations Secretary

A convention for the 1964 church officers was held on February 2, 1964, in the Agana Heights church on Guam. All newly-elected officers from the Talofofo, Agana Heights, and Dededo churches assembled from all parts of the island for an afternoon of instruction on the responsibilities of each church office.

The program was sponsored by the Agana Heights church under the direction of Frank Taitague, assistant pastor. After a devotional hour by Pastor E. A. Jimeno, acting



Church and Sabbath School officers who met for instruction in the Agana Heights church on Guam. A Sabbath school workshop was one of the activities of the day.

district leader of the island, the officers divided into departmental groups for instruction. An experienced leader from the host church met with each group and outlined the duties of that department. Discussion was encouraged in order that each member would fully understand the responsibility of his office.

The Sabbath school department sponsored a workshop for division

leaders in addition to the regular instructional period. Ideas were exchanged among the participants of the workshop.

Before the session adjourned, the convention delegates assembled for an open question and answer period. The information gained from this meeting will strengthen the work in each church and make for better co-operation within the various departments.

West Indonesia

A Record Year at Our New Hospital

By Jess C. Holm, M. D.
Medical Director

We have just received a letter from Dr. Jess Holm, medical director of Rumah Sakit Advent important aspect stems from our

chaplain's office and the spiritual tempo of our institution. Chaplain Burhanuddin reports 50 persons taking Bible studies during the year, and an average of 30 to 40 patients attending Sabbath school weekly. Of these 20 have been baptized, seven of whom were Muslims. During the year he gave out 600 copies of our health magazine and 300 Sudanese tracts. One hundred and fifty books were given to patients, including Bibles. The results we have witnessed have gladdened our hearts.

"The school of nursing graduated its first fully accredited class with all of the members obtaining government approval. Miss Tauran is getting the school nicely organized and we expect real progress in the quality of training for our young people. We keenly feel the need of our own Seventh-day Adventist instructors. Our own busy doctors are instructors but they have the handicap of teaching in the English language.

"At the time of the union meetings we were happy to add an assistant chaplain and a ministerial intern is yet to come. We voted to install a public address system which we hope is on its way from Europe by this time. We also considered plans for expansion and for the greatly needed service building.

As our funds trickle in we hope to buy the necessary supplies to complete this building during the year.

"We expect a heavier surgical experience during the year since we have made the effort to secure enough instruments to run two operating theaters at the same time. We also look forward to the second graduating class under the new "Ikatan Dinas" which will greatly facilitate our nursing staff.

"On February 9 we capped 15 of our young people and we hope to be able to graduate all of them. Pastor W. W. Pohle from our college gave an outstanding challenge in his address on 'The Art of Gentleness'. It was with a fervent prayer that I gave the challenge to this class expressing the hope that this class will help us finish the great task allotted to us. We hope other medical directors of the Far Eastern Division have found 1963 a most fruitful year and that they have courage for an even greater challenge in '64."

(Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital), in which he tells of the progress made this past year. We take pleasure in sharing excerpts from this letter with our **Outlook** readers.

"As we would expect in our new quarters, it was a record high in almost every way. These things are all fine and we appreciate the interest and faith the community seems to have in Rumah Sakit Advent, but we know that the most

North Philippines

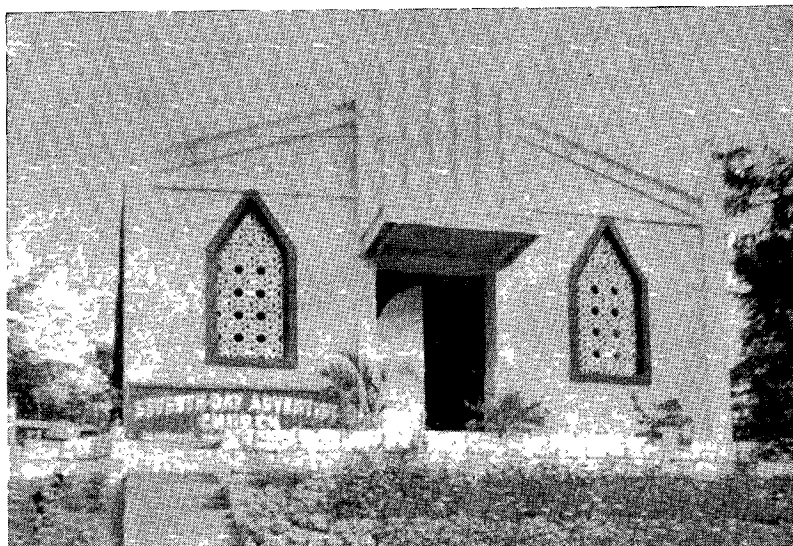
Two Churches Dedicated

By J. O. Bautista

Two churches were dedicated in the North Philippine Union Mission recently. The first one was in Almaguer, Bambang, Nueva Vizcaya in the Northern Luzon Mission, and the other in Calamba, Laguna, in the South-Central Luzon Mission. We had the privilege of being present on both of these occasions. The one dedication was held on December 28, 1963, and the other on January 4, 1964.

The church at Almaguer is ideally situated, being literally set on a hill on a lot donated by Elino Tomas, the church elder. More than a year ago the brethren launched a campaign to raise the needed funds. With some financial aid from neighboring churches in the district, as well as from the mission, the brethren manifested a willingness to sacrifice by shouldering a major portion of the burden of the project.

The writer preached the dedicatory sermon. J. C. Medina, president-elect of the Mountain Province Mission, led in the act of dedication. S. R. Quines, district leader, offered the dedicatory prayer. The Almaguer church is one of our growing churches. Even while the new building was under construction, soul winning activities were



This new Seventh-day Adventist church, which was dedicated on December 28, 1963, is located at Almaguer, Bambang, Nueva Vizcaya.

not neglected. Eight new members were added to the church.

After Forty-Four Years

The long-cherished dream of putting up a fitting and respectable memorial to the third angel's message in the historic town of Calamba, the birthplace of the national hero, Dr. Jose Rizal, became a reality after forty-four years of the existence of the local Seventh-day Adventist church.

As a result of the first evangelistic campaign in that town in 1919 eighty precious souls were baptized by Emilio Manalaysay on May 2, 1919. A subsequent baptism a

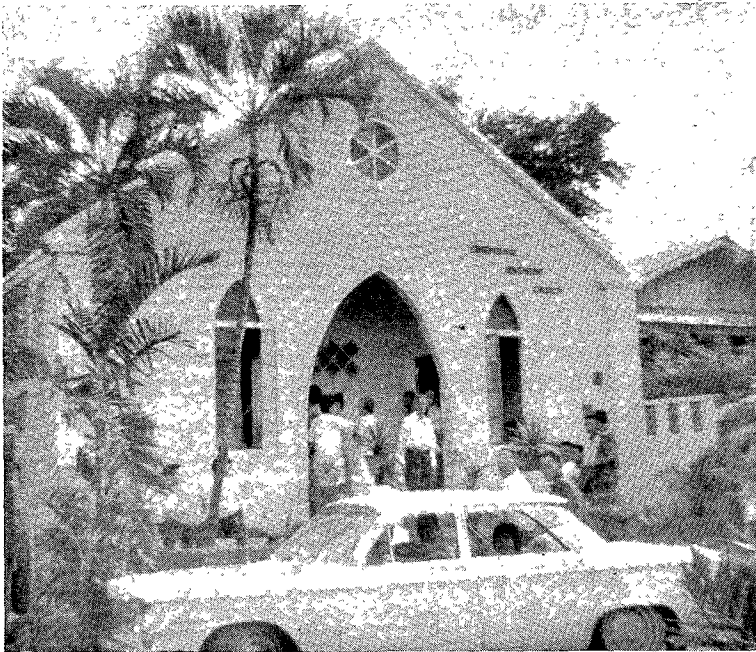
month later by L. V. Finster brought the number of believers to 94 and they were organized into a church on June 21.

A modest house of worship was built in 1922. A strong typhoon destroyed this chapel on November 6, 1926, and again in 1942 two devastating typhoons almost razed the re-built building to the ground. A new building was built on a lot donated by Pablo Alcalá and this was dedicated on May 15, 1943.

The year 1961 was Rizal Centennial year and a nation-wide celebration was held on the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of

One hundred and ninety-six elementary pupils (55.4 per cent of the enrollment) were invested into the different MV classes on Saturday, January 25, 1964, in the Philippine Union College Academy chapel. They were grouped as follows: Sunbeams, 27; Fireflies, 36; Builders, 36; Helping Hand, 27; Friends, 43; and Companions, 27. Dr. L. L. Quirante, formerly NPUM educational secretary, (standing, rear, topmost) was assisted in the mass investiture by sixteen Master Guides headed by Dr. Benjamin E. Bandiola, elementary school supervisor. —B. B. Alsaybar





The new Seventh-day Adventist church at Calamba, Laguna, which was dedicated on January 4, 1964.



Six of the seven new members recently added to the Calamba church. Aniceto Lanzanas (left) is the missionary leader of the church.

the hero's birthday. Thousands of tourists made pilgrimages to the house of Dr. Rizal which has become a national shrine. On June 17 of that same year our church held a celebration commemorating the 42nd anniversary of its organization. Definite plans were then laid to initiate a drive for funds to erect a new edifice. Supervised by R. P. Alinso, the district leader, work on the new building began on August 19 and the building was completed on November 1, 1963. Dedication services were set for

the first Sabbath of the new year, January 4, 1964.

G. de Guzman, out-going mission president, delivered the dedicatory sermon. P. B. Gonzales, a native son of Calamba and former president of the mission, led out in the act of dedication. P. C. Banaag, another past president of the mission, offered the dedicatory prayer. The new president of the mission, E. J. Tambunan, then inducted the new officers of the church.

Like the Almaguer church, it is a growing church because of its active lay workers who carry on soul-winning activities without let-up. Seven new members were recently baptized as the result of the work of laymen. The examples of these newly-dedicated churches are worth emulating.

Brief News from PUC

By B. B. Alsaybar, Public Relations Officer

Twenty-two persons were baptized on January 18 as a result mainly of the revival meetings conducted last Christmas vacation in the Nabagan Church, Cagayan, by Zineo Manalo, a junior ministerial student. One of the candidates was his brother and another was a woman pastor of the Pentecostal church. Goronimo Calangan's revival meet-

ings during the same period yielded two souls. Geronimo is a senior ministerial student.

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"The Lord's Prayer" was the theme of the Student Devotion Week held early this year and sponsored by the Student Association's Religious Activities Committee under the leadership of Pastor Jose Leones.

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"Sunshine of the Orphanage" was a special Christmas presentation sponsored by the PUC Home and School Association to raise funds for the repair and improvement of the gymnasium. Dr. B. E. Bandiola directed the program.

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A five-year development committee was appointed by the college board to make plans for the development of PUC to the fullest extent inasmuch as, according to plans, PUC is to be "re-established" in Baesa. The members of the committee are: Pastors T. C. Murdoch, B. G. Mary and H. M. Baldwin, Dr. R. G. Manalaysay, G. D. Brion, and Dr. A. R. Corder.

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A Voice of Prophecy graduation was held at the Pasig Jail on January 18 as a result of the efforts of the PUC Crusaders Club. Dr. G. Oosterwal was the speaker.

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One hundred and ninety-six pupils, or 54.4 per cent of the total elementary enrollment, were invested by Dr. L. L. Quiranti, assisted by 16 Master Guides, into the different MV classes from Sunbeams to Companions on January 25 at the academy chapel. It is believed that this was the biggest off-conference investiture in PUC's history.

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Dr. R. G. Manalaysay was elected first vice-president of the Philippine Association for Graduate Education and to the membership of its board for another two-year term. Induction was at the Manila Hotel.

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The faculty of PUC sent a wire of congratulation to Professor A. P. Roda who has just received his B.D. degree (Bachelor of Divinity) from Andrews University. The Rodas plan to return to the Philippines via Europe and the Holy Land. He is scheduled to teach this coming summer at PUC.

Professor S. S. Flores of the class of 1938 was recently appointed by President Manalaysay to head the Golden Jubilee Committee of seven to prepare for the coming 50th anniversary in 1967 of PUC's founding. The members of the committee are: Q. G. Tamayo, P. M. Poblete, R. C. Poblete, U. M. Carbaljal, F. S. Mina and B. B. Alsaybar.

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Our new union mission president, Pastor T. C. Murdoch, was the dedicatory service speaker at the January 16 Christian Schools' Day celebration at the Union Theological Seminary in Dasmariñas, Cavite. PUC was in charge of the service.

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PUC will again play host to the Christian Schools Day celebration in 1965 as she did in 1960. Members of the committee, chaired by the college public relations officer, are: Drs. B. E. Bandiola, E. A. de Leon, G. Oosterwal and Professor Q. G. Tamayo, and representatives from ten other denominational schools.

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Drs. B. E. Bandiola and G. Oosterwal are the newly-appointed deans of the school of education and the school of liberal arts, respectively. Dr. Bandiola is also the acting dean of the college and Dr. Corder is acting manager since Dr. D. K. Brown left for Mountain View College to assume the presidency of that growing institution.

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Mrs. Elisa M. de Leon, home economics department head, was invited by Northern Luzon Academy to be the guest lecturer on vegetarian meal preparation on January 29. The occasion was a meeting of some 20 private school teachers which was requested by the private school area supervisor.

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The PUC family broke tradition by not having the traditional Christmas supper-of-the-year. Instead, they gave the \$100, that would have been spent, to a project—evangelistic trailer for Indonesia. A self-denial box at the business office is expected to yield an amount to reach the goal of \$250, the estimated cost of the trailer.

Vicente Tigno, Jr., Central Luzon Mission evangelist, has been asked to teach for a few months in the PUC school of theology to relieve the situation caused by the absence of A. P. Roda, and the delayed arrival of the one expected to head the school of theology.

Progress in Prison Work

By J. O. Bautista
NPUM Home Missionary Secretary

Regarding the work being carried on by Rafael G. Gonzales and other lay members at the Tarlac Provincial Jail, mention was made of the baptismal class that was formed to prepare candidates for the sacred rite. As the firstfruits, eight of the inmates went forward with their Lord in the watery grave on November 30, 1963. Pastor J. D. Leones administered the rite.

To bring cheer to the inmates during the holiday season, a special program was given on the jail compound on December 21. The writer and lay workers in the persons of Coronado Castro of the Manila Central Church, Iluminador Santos, local church elder, Col. Eliseo Mallari, a retired U. S. Army officer, and Rafael Gonzales took turns in giving brief messages which were interspersed by special songs by groups from the nearby churches

of Bamgan and San Miguel. Tape-recorded Christmas carols were played by Lewis Anderson, another enthusiastic lay worker.

At the conclusion of the program, gift packages were distributed to all the inmates. The assistant warden spoke on behalf of the warden who was away at the time. He was lavish in his words of thanks and appreciation. He stated, among other things, that in the ten years he had been connected with the institution, this was the first of its kind to be held on that compound.

Cesar Gerospe, the leading member of the baptized group, is at present in charge of indoctrinating other inmates who are interested in the message. He is one of the best qualified inasmuch as he was in second year college in civil engineering when he was committed to the penitentiary. He has been provided with a copy of **Bible**

Readings for the Home and other materials. This young man now has a deep burden for the salvation of his loved ones and looks forward to the time when he will be out of confinement and can bring to them the message which has brought hope and comfort to his own soul. Five cases have been filed against him in court. Four have already been dismissed, leaving only one still pending. He asked



Seated with the eight inmates baptized at the Tarlac Provincial Jail are Rafael G. Gonzales, two of our sisters and two wardens. Standing at the back are B. O. David, district leader (left), and J. D. Leones who administered the baptism.



Gift distribution after the special program which was held on the Tarlac Provincial Jail compound on December 21, 1963.

an interest in our prayers for his immediate release so he can be used of God in winning not only his own relatives but many others to the truth for these last days.

Others in various places, we are happy to report, have caught the inspiration of also engaging in this phase of missionary endeavor. Work has been begun in Lingayen, Pangasinan, and also in San Fernando, La Union. We will report on the activities of these later.

A Week of Spiritual Emphasis

**By T. C. Murdoch, President
North Philippine Union**

From February 16 to 22, a week of spiritual emphasis was enjoyed by the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital family. This large group included the teachers and students of the Collegiate School of Nursing.

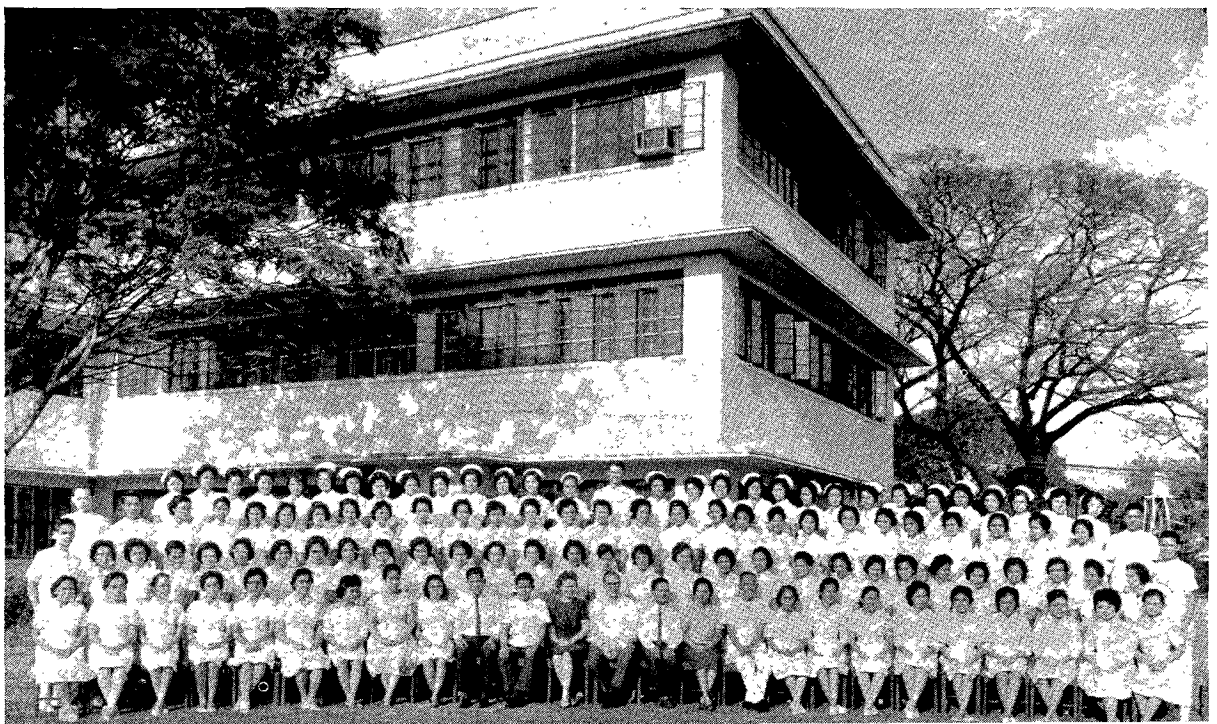
As the meetings progressed from day to day, an increasing number of patients were in attendance. The theme of the week was centered around the Christian graces as outlined in Galatians 5:22, 23.

There is much evidence that these dedicated workers in our hospital are practicing these graces daily as they give loving service to the sick. Recent reports from our evangelists remind us again that the medical work is still a "great entering wedge." In some of the islands prejudice has been strongly against us, but now because of care given to the sick from these places, the way has opened up for the preaching of the gospel.

God is surely blessing the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital. At the moment a program of renovation and remodeling is in progress and in the near future plans envisage a new four-story wing with larger facilities and better equipment. This news is encouraging and gives promise of a bright future for this worthy institution.

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Pictured below are the members of the faculty and the students of the Collegiate School of Nursing at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, Dr. Clarence Ekvall, director of the hospital, is shown with his wife in the center of the picture. In the background is one wing of the 130 bed hospital.



South Philippines

Introducing a New Union

By V. M. Montalban, President

The sunset days of the old union ushered in the dawn of the new South Philippine Union Mission. The territory is the Mindanao Island, the second largest island in the Philippines, and the Sulu Archipelago. There are 6,000,000 inhabitants in this area, 26,000 of whom are Seventh-day Adventists organized into 252 churches. They are distributed among three local missions, namely Northern, Southern and Western Mindanao, with headquarters in Cagayan de Oro City, Davao City and Ozamis City, respectively.

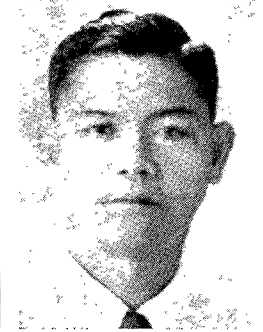
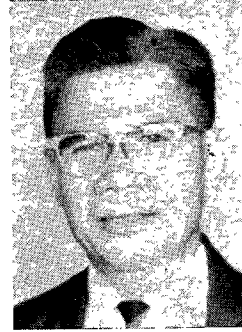
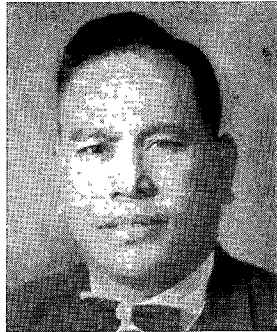
In harmony with the action and the creation and organization of this new union, January 1, 1964, was the official date for the start of its operation in administering and supervising this territory with its churches. The office for the new union mission will be at Davao City in the Davao province. The following officers were elected and with them we list the departmental secretaries and members of the executive committee.

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Pastors T. A. Layon, E. L. Lamera and T. C. Cabaluna, presidents of the three Mindanao Missions in the South Philippine Union Mission.

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The name of our organization spells primarily our objective and secondarily our plans. S stands for SAVING; P for PEOPLE; U for UNIVERSAL; and M for MESSAGE.

May the Lord guide and direct the affairs of His church by His prospering hands and tender loving care. May He bless His chosen vessels in their ministry is our earnest pleading and humble supplication.

The Pasonanca Ministerial Retreat

By A. Z. Roda

One of the most beautiful spots in the Philippines is Pasonanca Park, Zamboanga City. This famous park has sufficient buildings to accommodate a thousand tourists at one time. Especially convenient for camping are the two-bed cabins, "a la Indian wigwam," numbering more than sixty. The social hall called the "Hall of Friends," provides an ideal place for seminars. This beautiful park was chosen for

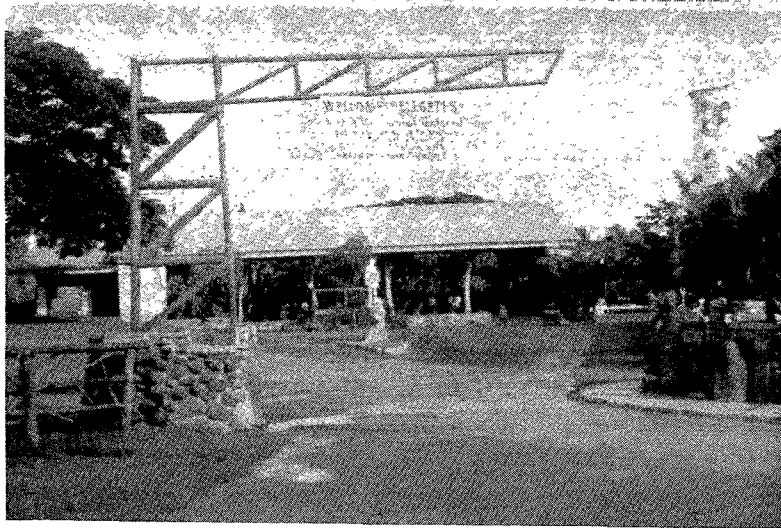
the second ministerial retreat for the South Philippine Union Mission. The meetings began on October 28 and ended November 4. In attendance were 250 ministers, pastors, evangelists and other workers.

Every morning the workers gathered at the flagpole, sang the doxology and prayer was offered. We also sang the Philippine National Anthem and this was followed by announcements for the day. After breakfast we gathered for the devotional service which was conducted by a leading worker from the Division, General Conference or from the union mission. Pastor C. P. Sorensen was with us at the beginning and Pastor A. C. Fearing and P. H. Eldridge from the General Conference ministerial association and the Division, respectively, were present throughout the entire retreat. We were reminded of the sacredness of the ministry and counsel was given on how to do our ministerial work in an efficient, dignified and effective way to the end that our ministry and evangelism might be fruitful.

Pastor R. C. Williams of the North Philippine Union was also with us and so were Pastor and Mrs. T. C. Murdoch. Mrs. Murdoch's counsel to the wives was much appreciated.

Toward the end of the retreat, Brother and Sister Clyde Harris of Pendleton, Oregon, visited us, accompanied by H. B. Ludden of the Division staff. We enjoyed the talk given by Brother Harris as he told of his giving the Pine Mills to the cause of God. They enjoyed their stay in "the tree house" where they slept.

Our ministerial retreat was cli-



Entrance to Pasonanca Park, Zamboanga City. The second ministerial retreat for the workers in the South Philippine Union Mission was held in this beautiful park.

maxed with the dedication of the Zamboanga City church on Sunday morning, November 3. In the afternoon we had a tour around the city and we also visited the famous Penal Colony of San Ramon.

All enjoyed the workers' institute and went home to their respective missions and assignments with the wish in their hearts that we might have more ministerial retreats. We do believe that it pays to hold meetings of this type for our workers.

the religious and political field, appeared at our meeting place. He walked through the main street of the town to the baptismal beach, behind the Municipal Hall, and just a stone's throw from the churchyard, and he and two others were baptized in the presence of many of his blood relatives and political friends.

Brother Minoza was born 82 years ago into a prominent family. At an early age he developed a hatred for the priesthood. When the Filipinos revolted against Spanish the actual field of combat, and in

ish tyranny, he became an officer in the revolutionary army at the age of 17 and he participated in the first encounter against the Spaniards on April 3, 1898. When the Philippines were ceded to the Americans, he fought against the Americans.

When peace came, his father sent him to the Catholic Seminary in order to prepare for the priesthood. He left the Seminary before completing his studies. He entered politics and served as a chief of police. Eight years later he became the owner, publisher and editor of a weekly paper. He fearlessly exposed the abuses and corruptions of the Catholic church and fourteen cases of libel were filed against him but he defended himself and was freed of all charges. This was in 1914 when Protestantism and Adventism were just beginning to become active.

Beginning in 1916, he again entered politics and became a most respected member of the council up until 1963. Brother Minoza had his first contact with our truths when Dr. Carlos Fattedbert, the first Adventist missionary to East Visaya, began work in his town. During the second World War he began to study seriously the Bible which led to his accepting the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week. When we began our evangelistic meetings in the town of Argao last January 28, 1963, we gave him together with some interested souls among his neighbors, a series of

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Councilor Bonifacio Minoza at his baptism by Evangelist L. E. Montana last December 30, 1963.

Central Philippines

Fearless Fighter Becomes Child of God

**By L. E. Montana, Evangelist
Central Philippine Union**

The morning of December 30, 1963, was a high day in our evangelistic program in Argao, Cebu. Bonifacio Minoza, a former fearless revolutionary officer, editor, and politician, was baptized by the Adventist church. That morning there were many who did not believe that he would follow through his decision. A delegation of leading citizens, including the vice mayor and acting parish priest, visited him the night before and made a last minute attempt to dissuade him from carrying out his decision. But at the appointed time, Mr. Minoza, a veteran of many battles both in



NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

● We were made sad to learn of the death of Mrs. Martha Innocent, mother of Doctor George G. Innocent, in California on November 21 of last year. Dr Innocent and family came to Singapore late in 1947 and under his direction the Youngberg Memorial Hospital was established in 1948. Mother Innocent accompanied the Innocent family to Singapore and won her way into the hearts of all on our two compounds. Her death followed a severe stroke and Dr. Innocent was at her bedside, having flown to California from Washington, D. C., where he is the director of radiology at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital.

● Pastor V. M. Montalban, president of the new South Philippine Union Mission, writes: "We are looking forward to holding an evangelistic effort at Malaybalay in April by the ministerial interns and students at MVC, assisted by Pastor P. P. Ramos. Plans are also being made for a major effort in Davao City later in the year." During the first two months of 1964 there were 356 baptisms in this union mission.

● Pastor and Mrs. Samuel Tsai left for Jesselton, Sabah, on March 6, 1964. Pastor Tsai is the pastor of the Jesselton Chinese church. He has for many years served as editor of the Overseas edition of the Chinese *Signs of the Times*. His successor in that office is Pastor Daniel Lee.

Balan Cholly and Susan Bridget were married in Nuzvid, India on March 5, 1964, Brother Cholly is the anesthetist at Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore, and Mrs. Cholly is a graduate of the school of nursing at the Giffard Memorial Hospital in Nuzvid. Brother Cholly has returned to his duties at the hospital and his wife will join him just as soon as passport and other necessary papers can be cleared. Congratulations to the happy couple!



● Pastor S. J. Lee, formerly auditor for the Southeast Asia Union Mission, has been appointed president of the Malaya Mission with headquarters in Kuala Lumpur. Pastor T. C. Chin, who was formerly the president, has accepted a call to the Haad Yai Mission Hospital where he will be the business manager.

● The membership of the Taiwan Mission had grown to the extent that it was necessary to divide the mission. The presidents of the North and South Taiwan Missions, are Pastors H. C. Currie and J. E. Christensen, respectively.

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Bible studies. He was convinced of all the doctrines and began practicing them except the rite of baptism.

Elections were approaching and his party needed his support but before the elections he fell seriously ill. His illness was taken by Brother Minoza as God's urgent call to surrender to Him and to join His church. Arrangements were made for his baptism. He first had a pamphlet printed. In it were his picture and his reasons for joining the Adventists, and an invitation to his friends and relatives to do the same. The pamphlet was widely circulated. It created a stir of excitement in the town. December 30 was chosen as the day for his baptism—the day Dr. Jose Rizal, the Filipino National hero

gave his life for the sake of his country. His former church, sensing the significance of his decision, sent a delegation to plead with him to reconsider his decision. Undaunted by political and blood ties, he stood by his decision to bury his sinful past in the cold waters of Argao. And so a fearless fighter for political and religious freedom became a humble child of God.

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