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New Church Organized in Northern Japan

By Pastor K. Kuniya, President
North Japan Mission

A new church was organized in Yamagata City, Japan, on Sabbath, September 5, 1964. There was an attendance of thirty-five people

at the services on this day, including our guest speaker, Pastor W. T. Clark, president of the Japan Union Mission.

The first series of evangelistic meetings held in this city two years ago, was conducted by Pastor Eiji Shibata and his co-workers. To date eleven souls have been brought into the church by baptism and six others have been added by letter of transfer.

The church members who expressed their desire to join the newly-organized church, came up to the front and signed their names. It was a momentous occasion when, at the end of the program, Brother T. Takahashi, the newly-elected deacon of the Yamagata church, came forward and presented an envelope to Pastor Clark. This contained a very important piece of paper. On this memorable day Brother and Sister Takahashi donated to God and to the church a piece of land valued at approximately US\$14,000. The new Yamagata church will be built on this land some time in the future.

May the Lord abundantly bless this new church and the brethren and sisters, such as Brother and Sister Takahashi, who have made great sacrifices, and who have dedicated their lives to finishing the work in this area.



Church members and friends who attended the Yamagata church organization. Seated in the center of the front row are Pastor and Mrs. Shibata who raised up this new church. Seated to the right of Pastor Shibata is Pastor W. T. Clark, president of the Japan Union Mission.



Members of the newly-organized Yamagata church in northern Japan.

Home Missionary Secretary

WITH the growth of the Far Eastern Division we have from time to time added to the Division staff. Pastor H. E. McClure, who had been carrying two major departments, asked if we would consider dividing his work, and add another departmental secretary. For the past ten years now Pastor McClure has promoted every phase of home missionary and Sabbath school work, until really we felt that something must be done. We have greatly appreciated the work of Pastor McClure, and we felt it only fair that we give him the choice of which department he would choose to retain. That was hard, for both departments of the work are dear to Pastor McClure's heart, and he endeavored to share his time and talents between the two. Pastor McClure finally decided on retaining the Sabbath school department, if he must make the choice.

And so it was at the Division Council a year ago, that we made budgetary provision for a home missionary secretary, and in due course of time processed a call to the General Conference to appoint for us a home missionary secretary. The mantle has fallen on Pastor Lewis A. Shipowick, from the Al-

berta Conference in Canada. I might mention the fact that Pastor Shipowick was approached two years ago about coming to one of the unions in the Far Eastern Division in a similar capacity, and evidenced considerable interest. When we arrived in the States in mid-August we were informed that the family had accepted the appointment, had passed their medicals, and so were well cleared to come.



Pastor and Mrs. L. A. Shipowick and their four boys. Standing, left to right: Steve and David. Seated, left to right: Bryce and Lyndon.

In consultation, we authorized Brother Shipowick to attend the Home Missionary Department Advisory Committee meeting in Glendale, California, where we had the privilege of visiting and planning with him. He will also be attending the Autumn Council in Takoma Park while awaiting their passports, visas, and travel arrangements. It is hoped that the entire family can leave shortly after the Autumn Council for Singapore, so as to permit Pastor Shipowick to be at the forth-coming Division Council. This will give him an opportunity to get acquainted with the leaders and administrators from around the Division field.

We welcome the Shipowick family to the Far Eastern Division and look forward to continued progress in the home missionary department, so ably carried by Pastor McClure.

—Chris P. Sorensen, President

Japan

Japan's Medical Missionary Team

By Y. Koseki, M.D., Medical
Secretary, Japan Union Mission

AT the 23rd session of the Japan Union Mission it was voted to send a medical-missionary team to an area where there is no doctor,



Left to right: S. Hagiwara, Mrs. S. Koike, Dr. Y. Koseki, Miss A. Iizuka, Pastor K. Hori.

tying it in with our evangelistic program. The North Japan Mission selected Oga Peninsula, in Akita Prefecture, northern Honshu, as the area for the team to visit. In this area are many villages without a doctor. Their only medical services are provided by a prefectural team, consisting of a doctor and nurse, who visit once a month.

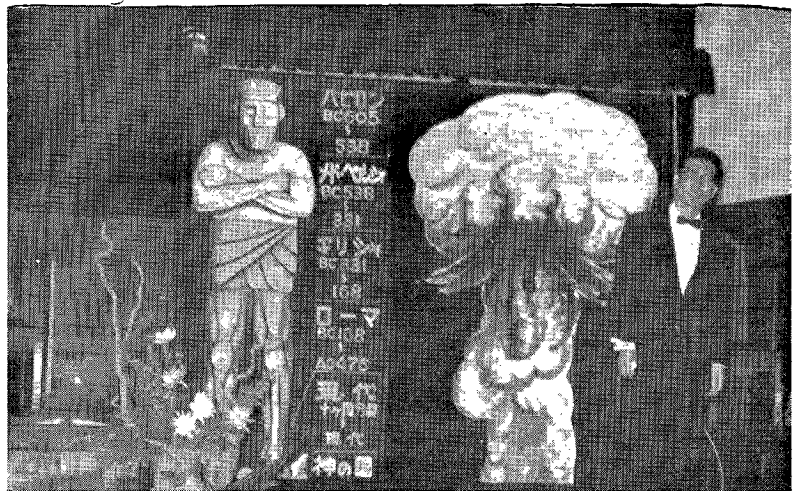
In Japan there has been established a principle that public welfare organizations do not accept relief or aid from religious organizations. But in spite of this, Akita Prefecture officials accepted our medical-missionary team. The members of the team included the following: Dr. Y. Koseki, medical secretary, Japan Union Mission, and staff physician of the Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital; Mrs. S. Koike, nurse, Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital; Miss A. Ono, dietitian, Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital; Pastor K. Hori, home missionary secretary, North Japan Mission; and Mr. S. Hagiwara, public relations secretary, North Japan Mission.

We arrived at Oga Peninsula the afternoon of September 6, and remained for one week, visiting four different villages. During this time we attended over 380 patients. In three places we showed the film "One in 20,000," which was followed with health lectures. Doctrinal tracts, and pamphlets on the principles of healthful living were also distributed. It was our desire that as a result of our morning and afternoon

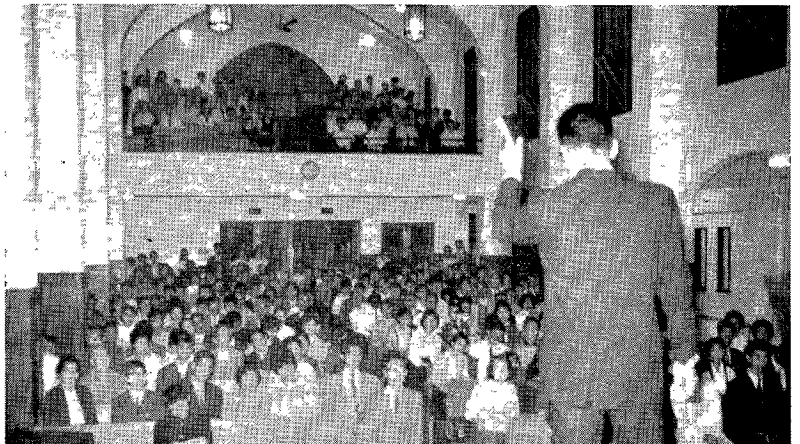
health talks the people would learn about our basic health principles. During our time there many patients with various disorders came to see us, rather than wait for the prefectural doctor's visit.

The officials of the prefecture were very co-operative and sent a nurse and an official with our team. They also offered us the use of a public school, clinic, and other facilities for our work; and when we left for Tokyo they pleaded with us to return.

As a result of the work of this team a number of interested people are studying our message with a company previously organized. We pray that many souls in this territory will accept the truth.



Between 350 and 400 people were present on the opening night of an evangelistic series of meetings which commenced September 20 in the Tokyo Evangelistic Center. Pastor Hiroshi Shibata, one of the Japan Union evangelists, is the speaker for this evangelistic effort. In these pictures we see Pastor Shibata speaking to a large audience on the opening night.





Pastor Jack Sager commenced an evangelistic campaign, "Our Day in the Light of Prophecy," on Sunday night, September 6, in an area of Tokyo, with the hopes of raising up a new church. Assisting Pastor Sager is singing evangelist, Minami Sensei, and the Amanuma church members are loyally supporting this campaign. The auditorium seats 450 people and on the opening night it was estimated that the attendance exceeded that number. About 300 of these were non-Adventists. The meetings will continue three nights a week until the end of December. A series of meetings commenced in the Tokyo Center on September 20. Pastor Sager solicits the prayers of God's people for these meetings. In the accompanying picture we see the packed auditorium on the opening night of Pastor Sager's campaign.

Nagoya Church Ground-breaking Ceremony

By E. E. Jensen, Secretary
Japan Union Mission

SEPTEMBER 16, 1964, was a day of great joy for the members of the Nagoya church in the South Japan Mission. At 3:00 p.m. on this day Pastor M. Yonami, pastor of the Nagoya church, led out in the groundbreaking ceremony for the new church building.

Following a brief service consisting of song, Scripture reading and prayer, Pastor T. Kato of the Japan Union Mission, addressed those present. His theme was one of gratitude to God for His many blessings. Pastor Kato had received letters of congratulation from the governor of Aichi Prefecture, the mayor of Nagoya City, and also from the chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of Nagoya City.

Pastor K. Hatada, president of the South Japan Mission, followed Pastor Kato with remarks suitable

to the occasion. Then Mr. Sasaki, contractor for the new building, was introduced by the pastor. Mr. Sasaki some years ago built the



Left to right: Mr. Hayakawa, Pastor T. Kato, Pastor K. Hatada, Mr. Sasaki, Pastor Yonami.

Hiroshima Kindergarten and other buildings for the denomination. He then accepted the Truth and became a member of the Hiroshima church. Since that time he has built churches for us in Okayama, Kyoto, and Kobe, as well as new office buildings, workers' homes, and dormitory for the South Japan Mission.

One hundred and fifty-four Nagoya church members signed their names in a book, thus rededicating themselves to the Lord. This book was buried in the ground on which will stand the new church edifice. These faithful members are looking forward to the completion of their new church in February, 1965. The approximate cost of the structure will be US\$ 45,833.00.

North Philippines

A Monument to Ingathering Work

By J. O. Bautista

IT is a fact that Ingathering has brought untold blessings to the cause of God not only in the Philippines but in many lands throughout the world. Aside from the many precious souls that have been brought to the truth through this annual campaign, funds have flowed into the Lord's treasury which



Teachers and students of the San Antonio Multigrade School. The two-hectare lot for this school, and the church, were donated by Brother and Sister Dumocloy, whose conversion was the result of an Ingathering contact.



Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dumocloy

have been used to finance many an important medical, educational, or welfare project.

This story is only one of many that could be told, and although it happened almost five years ago, it has only recently come to our knowledge.

During the 1959 Ingathering campaign, Catalino O. Bautista, district leader of Northern Isabela in the Northern Luzon Mission, together with a lay member, made a special

call at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angel R. Dumocloy in San Antonio, a barrio where we had no believers. Possessed with a generous and sympathetic spirit, Mr. Dumocloy suggested to his wife to double the amount she had intended to give. After the visit the brethren were impressed to enroll the couple in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence Course.

Both the man and his wife took a keen interest in the course, and together they studied each lesson with unusual earnestness. Then came the lessons dealing with the Sabbath. Being Sunday-keepers for more than thirty years, the presentation of the Sabbath truth in the lessons aroused Mr. Dumocloy's interest, and prompted him to contact some of our lay workers in the neighboring barrio of San Juan with whom he had had discussions on religious topics in the past. Further study convinced him that the seventh day is the true Sabbath. Mr. Dumocloy began to keep the Sabbath and attend church services, and after some time his wife joined him. Bible studies were given and they finally were prepared for baptism.

After attending services in San Juan for a year, the couple with another sister from Abra, began to hold Sabbath school in San Antonio.

Soon the need arose for a church and a school, but the question was where to get a piece of land big enough for the purpose. When approached on the matter, Brother and Sister Dumocloy readily expressed their willingness to donate two hectares of land.

A church was built, and an annex constructed at the back to provide more room space for the church school which was established in 1960. The following year it became a multigrade school, serving as a central school for the district. From that time until the present, the school has made good progress under the leadership of Brigido T. Esteban, and those assisting him. Huts have been erected around the campus to house the school children who come from about twelve different churches in the district. The enrollment for the 1963-1964 school year was 80 pupils.

This modest but growing institution, which represents the entrance of the message in this hitherto un-entered community, stands as an enduring monument to an Ingathering contact made five years ago.

Joint NLM-MPM Literature Evangelist Institute

**By A. N. Santiago, Publishing
Secretary, North Philippine Union
Mission**

THE last and biggest literature evangelist seminar to be held in the North Philippine Union Mission this year, was the joint Northern Luzon Mission-Mountain Province Mission literature evangelist institute held at the Dagupan Medical Society building in Dagupan City, September 22-26, 1964.

Dr. Francisco Duque, Governor of Pangasinan, and Dr. Ignacio de Guzman, president of the Dagupan Medical Society, were guests at this meeting. The North Philippine Union Mission was represented by Pastor T. C. Murdoch, president, and Mrs. R. N. Emralino and the writer from the publishing department. Representatives from the Philippine Publishing House were: W. D. Jemson, manager; E. L. Villanueva, treasurer; and A. B. Timple, foreman. Present from the Philippine Union College was Dr. P. G. Miller, academic dean. Officers from both missions, together with the publishing leaders, were also in attendance. Of the 82 literature evangelists present, eight were from Mountain Province Mission.

At the Sabbath meeting, which was held at the Dagupan City



Literature evangelists and their leaders who attended the joint Northern Luzon Mission-Mountain Province Mission literature evangelist institute, held in Dagupan City, September 22-26, 1964

Seventh-day Adventist church, Dr. Miller presented as a challenge the unfinished task to the literature evangelists and brethren from Dagupan City. All felt that the Spirit of the Lord was in the midst of the meeting.

We are confident that greater achievements will be attained in Northern Luzon Mission and Mountain Province Mission as a result of this joint institute.

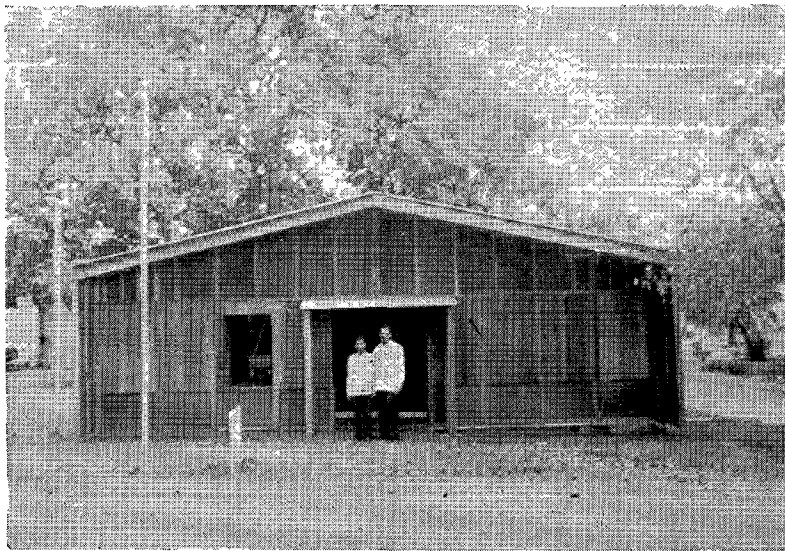
A Faithful Steward Has Fallen

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

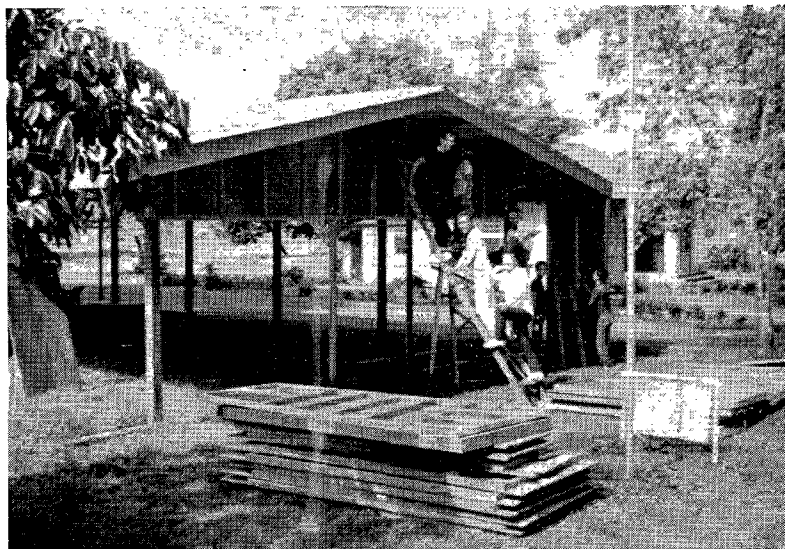
DURING our years of service in the mountains of Mindanao, it was my happy privilege to become acquainted with a dear old octogenarian who lived nearby in a little house by the side of the road and he truly was "a friend to man." Better still, he also was God's friend, and as did Abraham, Brother Esteban Claveria paid tithe of all he possessed and all he received from God's bountiful hands. He cheerfully, willingly, and freely brought his offerings into the Lord's storehouse.

This grand old Christian had no old-age pension and no social security to depend upon, but he still had his garden and his God. Many times when harvests in the Bukidnon Province were poor and neighbors were hungry, this benevolent old man would feed them. Often he would arise very early in the morning, pack his surplus vegetables and carry them off to market on his back. A sack of vegetables becomes very heavy on a four-kilometer hike, but Brother Claveria's load seemed light to him, because he was such a cheerful giver. Brother Claveria was very careful to tithe not only the vegetables he sold, but the produce he used himself, or what he gave away to his relatives and friends. He had no difficulty in recognizing that a tenth of all our income is not ours, but belongs to God. God tells us that we are free to use His bounties only after we have set aside the tenth, together with our gifts and offerings. Honestly and strictly, our brother returned to God the portion which was His.

Quite frequently, relatives and friends visited in his home. He was



A portable tabernacle used by Pastor H. L. Reyes, instructor of evangelism, and his students at Philippine Union College. Evangelism is stressed both in the undergraduate school and on the graduate level.



After use the portable tabernacle can be dismantled in five hours.



Mr. Esteban Claveria

always generous with them. When these dear ones departed from his house, he usually gave them some garden produce to carry away. If, for example, he gave them a hand of bananas, he would immediately say, "Could you give me one tenth of the value of these in cash? I want to pay my tithe." It seemed that Brother Claveria always had something to give away. Often when I saw him, I was reminded of Psalms 37:25,26 where David says: "I have been young and now am old, but never have I seen good men forsaken; they always have something to give away, something wherewith to bless their families" (Moffatt).

Just one week prior to the old man's death, his son Pastor M. M. Claveria, auditor of North Philippine Union Mission, sent him 5.00 pesos. A few days later, hearing his father was sick, Meliton rushed to his bedside. When Pastor Claveria arrived at his father's home, almost the first words spoken by the old gentleman were these: "Thank you for the five pesos. I haven't spent it yet." Then with his dying breath he said, "Son, you will find fifty centavos up there on the shelf; I separated this. It is the tithe on that five pesos you sent me. Please give it to our church treasurer for me." It was with that thought in mind that this good man of prayer fell fast asleep in Jesus.

The sweet singer of Israel exclaimed: "Mark the perfect man,

and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace." Psalms 37:37.

It was indeed a very peaceful ending, after 92 years of pilgrimage on this earth, forty-eight of which were happily spent within the fold of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

May the inspiration of Brother Claveria's long and fruitful life remain to spur us on to greater love and loyalty, and may it help us to practice stricter faithfulness in the tithing of all our increase. Should this not include the garden produce which we use ourselves? Good men are never forsaken. "They always have something to give away and something wherewith to bless their families."

May God help each one of us to live by faith according to His plan, so that we too may claim God's beautiful promises.

Workers' Conference South-Central Luzon Mission

By **A. J. Abawag, Educational
Secretary, South-Central Luzon
Mission**

ALL the workers of the South-Central Luzon Mission and a few lay preachers met for a two-day conference with their leaders at the mission office in Lucena City, September 7 and 8, 1964. Pastors T. C.

Murdoch and H. M. Baldwin, president and secretary-treasurer of the North Philippine Union Mission, respectively, were the main speakers, assisted by Pastors P. C. Banaag, J. O. Bautista, and R. C. Williams, union departmental secretaries. Able leadership was given throughout the meetings by Pastor E. J. Tangunan, mission president, and Brother C. P. Legaspi, mission secretary-treasurer.

Pastor Murdoch sounded an encouraging note at the opening meeting, which brought joy and inspiration to all present. Dark City Evangelism in 1965 caught the workers' imagination as Pastor Williams outlined plans for a strong evangelistic program in unentered territories next year. Other topics presented were: "Workers' Finance" by Pastor Baldwin, and "Establishing Proper Public Relationship" by Pastor Williams. Pastor Banaag launched a campaign for the magazine **Freedom**, while Pastor Bautista spoke on the Ingathering campaign for 1964. A combined meeting for members and workers was held the first evening in the Lucena Chapel, when Mrs. Sherrard told about Sabbath school materials for the childrens' departments.

A spirit of unity and amity was felt throughout the meetings. Problems had been solved, new inspiration gained, and all returned to their labors with fresh courage.



Group of workers who attended a two-day conference at Lucena City, during the month of September.

Educational Institute on the Island of Polillo

By **B. G. Mary**, Educational Secretary, North Philippine Union Mission

POLILLO is a small island east of Manila. It stands as a mighty fortress against the onslaught of typhoons and heavy seas. It is inhabited by no less than ten thousand people with different religious ideologies, beliefs and customs. There is merely a handful of Adventist believers on this island.

A teachers' institute for the South-Central Luzon Mission was held on the island of Polillo from July 21-25. Devotional meetings were conducted at five o'clock in the morning, and again in the evening. Periods were set aside each day for the discussion of important educational items. These meetings proved very profitable to the teachers assembled.

During the institute an invitation was extended to the writer and Pastor T. C. Murdoch to be guest speakers at an educational convention being held in the same town for public school teachers. The result of this meeting was very good, in that it placed before the teachers the vast difference between Christian education and education as taught in the schools of the world.

Those who attended the South-Central Luzon Mission Educational Institute were: E. J. Tangunan, president; C. P. Legaspi, secretary-treasurer; and A. J. Abawag, educational superintendent. The North Philippine Union Mission was re-

presented by our president, Pastor T. C. Murdoch, and Mrs. Murdoch; Pastor N. R. Arit, MV secretary; and the writer.

Southeast Asia

Miraculous Deliverance

By **Pham Cuu**, Assistant Publishing Secretary, Central Vietnam

ON April 13, 1964, two colporteurs of Central Vietnam made a trip from Phu-Yen to Phu-Bon. Before boarding the train they pray-



Pham Cuu, assistant publishing secretary, Central Vietnam.

ed, asking for God's divine protection. The train moved along about fifteen kilometers an hour. After traveling about half an hour they were suddenly ambushed by a group of men carrying armed weapons of all kinds. Their faces seemed to reveal their sinister plans. The train was stopped and everyone was ordered to get off.

The armed group introduced themselves as the revolutionists. The passengers, including our two bookmen, were petrified with fear, because they had heard stories of how the revolutionists had kidnapped many of the young men from both town and country and had made them join the anti-government guerrilla group. While the revolutionists checked all the passengers and made them move into the jungle, the colporteurs prayed for deliverance. After they had gone about 500 meters the revolutionists told them all to turn around and return to the train.

All were surprised and dumbfounded at their release. It was miraculous. How grateful these two colporteurs were. This experience has helped them to appreciate better God's promise found in Psalms 34:7: "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them."

As a result of this experience our two bookmen have greater trust in God than ever before.

MV Leaders Trained in Sabah

By **Mrs. J. H. Lantry**

IS it possible to have a Pathfinder club without uniforms? We have no money to buy them." "There is nothing about MV work translated into the Kadazan language. How do we go about teaching MV Honors and classwork?" "Most of our people do not read and write, and besides, the MV Book Club is only in English. What do we do?" "We have no MV Kit in our language and none of the helps you say we need. How do we put on a good MV program?"

These and many other questions were brought to Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Lantry and Pastor R. E. Bartolome at the Leadercraft and Pathfinder Training camp held in Sabah in July, 1964. Over eighty youth leaders from many of the small kampong churches of Sabah



The group who attended the teachers' institute on the island of Polillo, July 21-25.

came to learn the way to better Missionary Volunteering. Eagerly they listened, through translators, to the many tried methods that win and keep our youth for God.

For one week these youth of the jungles of Borneo joined in the discussions, took part in the drills, and were challenged to more Share Your Faith activities. Although there is a great lack of facilities in the small churches of Sabah, there is no lack of faith, and the Holy Spirit prompted all to pledge themselves to light up the many hills and valleys of this jungle land.

Following the training camp, a two-week teachers' institute was held for about twenty-five persons, with Miss Naomi Zalabak, Mr. J. G. Keyes, and Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Lantry assisting the local leaders of the Sabah Mission.



In this picture we see the youth leaders who attended the Leadership and Pathfinder Training camp at Sabah Training School, Tamparuli, in July. Mrs. J. H. Lantry is standing on the right of the front row.

Colporteur is Soul Winner

By David Chung, Publishing Secretary, Thailand Mission

THERE are several star colporteurs in Thailand, and one of these is Mrs. K. S. Wong. She is a busy wife and mother, but also finds time to do canvassing. Moreover, she helps in the giving of Bible studies every week to a group of six to eight educated Chinese. Among this fine group is the mother-in-law of a rich business man in the city of Bangkok. This lady was baptized by Pastor E. B. Smith on September 12, 1964. The other six or seven will be baptized shortly. The picture shows Mrs. Wong and Pastor Smith with the elderly Chinese lady.



Literature evangelists and leaders who attended the Malaya Mission literature evangelists' institute, held at Port Dickson, Malaya.

Malaya Mission Literature Evangelists' Institute

By L. Pandjaitan, Publishing Secretary, Malaya Mission

OVER 50 people attended the literature evangelists' institute at the beautiful seaside Methodist camp in Port Dickson, Malaya, during the month of September.

The writer extended a hearty welcome to all present at the opening meeting on September 7. After introducing our institute instructors, Pastor John Bernet, publishing secretary of the Southeast Asia Union, presented a thrilling report regarding the *Signs of the Times*. He en-

couraged each literature evangelist to rededicate his life fully to God, and to work earnestly in this day of opportunity.

In a morning meeting, Pastor S. J. Lee, president of the Malaya Mission, gave an encouraging message to the colporteurs.

Pastor J. T. Mason, assistant publishing secretary of the Far Eastern Division, gave instruction on the technique of Christian salesmanship. The colporteurs were encouraged by Pastor Daniel Lee and Brother Paul Tan to greatly increase the sale of the Chinese *Signs of the Times*. Miss Norma Eidridge from Youngberg Memorial Hospital, gave good instruction on first aid and preventive medicine.



One afternoon eight veteran colporteurs related some of the thrilling experiences they enjoyed when engaged in the literature ministry. We learned that many souls have been won to Christ through their efforts.

During the institute five colporteurs were awarded prizes for obtaining the highest sales during Big Week.

Goals set for 1965 are as follows: Sales M\$245,100.00; Souls 59. With God's help we hope and pray that we will be able to double our aim.

Continuous Evangelism in Sarawak

By D. R. Guild, Ministerial
Secretary, Southeast Asia Union
Mission

WHAT began as a major city effort in Kuching, Sarawak, has turned out to be a program of continuous evangelism during 1964. Lectures in Mandarin were presented during the first half of the year by Pastor Milton Lee, Division evangelist, in a temporary metal tabernacle which was constructed on government land in the heart of town.

This initial series was followed in July and August by a special series on Daniel, presented in Mandarin by Pastor Jerry Chang, the local church pastor.

During September, the writer conducted a three-week series of meet-



The tabernacle where Pastor Guild conducted a three-week series of meetings in English during the month of September, in Kuching, Sarawak.

ings in English in the same tabernacle. Although the students and faculty of Sunny Hill school had given full support to the first two efforts and were now in the midst of preparing for year-end examinations, they gave themselves wholeheartedly to make the English meetings a success. The results were that during the final weekend seventy-six souls came forward for surrender and to prepare for baptism.

At present the fourth evangelistic endeavor of the year is now in progress in this tabernacle. Pastor James Wong, Sunny Hill school

principal, is conducting a Bible-marking class in English on Friday and Saturday nights to bind off the interests from the English meetings.

Sarawak Teachers' Institute

By Mrs. J. H. Lantry

"THIS is just what we have needed and what we want," Principal James Wong told Pastor J. H. Lantry at the end of the two-week teachers' institute for the Sarawak Mission. "Our teachers have not only been upgraded in their work, but have received inspiration to go back to their classes and present God to their students in a better way."

Over forty other teachers felt that God had led in the classes conducted by Miss Naomi Zalabak, Mr. J. G. Keyes, Pastor J. H. Lantry and the writer. Sunny Hill School, Ayer Manis School, and several of our kampong schools, will have better Christ-centered teaching because better methods in the teaching of language arts with emphasis on the way the Master Teacher taught, were presented for two weeks in August, 1964.

Two semester hours of college credit were received by all teachers who had completed their Senior Cambridge work. It was of definite value in upgrading other teachers who had not reached that status. We worked in co-operation with the Ministry of Education, and in Sabah a number of government

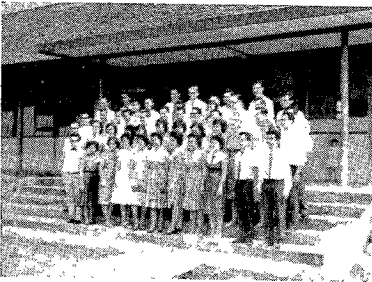


Pastor D. R. Guild preaching in the tabernacle at Kuching. Seated behind is the Sunny Hill school choir.

Seventh-day Adventist teachers were sent to us for special help.

Classes taught were in the Language Arts field. Methods in teaching, writing, speech, and spelling, were taught by Miss Zalabak. Mr. Keyes, assisted by the writer, taught Hebrew literature; and methods in teaching nature with Christ-centered spiritual lessons were taught by the writer.

Following the teachers' institute other youth leaders joined the teachers in Leadercraft and Pathfinder Training classes. Truly the Holy Spirit is blessing in the work in the Sarawak Mission.



Teachers from the Sarawak Mission who attended the two-week institute, standing in front of Sunny Hill school, Kuching.

Central Philippines

Widow Gives 9 of 10 Children to the Work

THIS is a story of a faithful "Widow in Israel" who has given nine of her ten children to the work of God. She has ten children, fifteen grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren. She is now 74 years old and still strong, happy, and loyal to the cause she loves.

In the year 1923, Pastor A. C. Same held the first tent effort in Ilog, Negros Occidental. Many were baptized as a result of that effort, among whom was a Catholic family. Their house was a gambling den in which many town officials and professional gamblers gathered. Their wonderful conversion to Adventism was the talk of the town. Gamblers no longer visited the home; the children were better cared for; and signs of conversion and changed lives were beginning to be evidenced in the home and around the neighborhood.



Mrs. H. G. Miraflores

The home of this family was near the newly-built church. Fellow Adventists living in the barrios who came to worship on Sabbaths found hospitality in this Adventist home. At that time there was just one Philippine Union and all the workers visiting that part of the field found shelter in the Miraflores home. Mr. and Mrs. Miraflores found joy in welcoming and entertaining workers in their home. These newly-converted Adventists soon discovered that Adventists are the happiest people on earth. An

early decision they made was to give their children to God and to train them for His work.

One fateful day in 1927 when Mr. Donato Miraflores was returning home from Magallon (now Moises Padilla), the bus in which he was travelling, collided with a locomotive tugging wagons of sugar cane. Twenty-seven persons were killed in one of the worst railroad accidents in Negros Occidental up to that time, one of whom was this faithful Adventist brother. This left Mrs. Honorato G. Miraflores with nine children to care for, and the tenth was born two months after her husband's death.

As can be expected, the going was hard; but she did not lose her hold on God. This mother of Israel found comfort in the story of the widow of Zarephath. In the dark and almost unbearable trials of her life she put her trust in God.

Mrs. Miraflores believed in Christian education, and because she and her husband had decided to give their children to the Lord, she somehow managed to send them all to the church school which was near their home. One by one she saw her children complete their education in church school, in academy, and college. As each one completed his education he helped the younger ones until all but two had finished college.

At the present time, nine of her ten children are in the work. Mrs. Miraflores says she has no regrets, and if she had her life to live over

Pictured below are the magazine workers in the East Visayan Mission. Seated in the front row, the third from the right, is Miss Loida Que, the leader of the magazine work in the East Visayan Mission. To her left is Miss Elena Poblacion, the younger sister of Erlinda who was drowned last year. Erlinda also was a magazine worker. Another sister is presently canvassing in the Negros Mission.



again she would give all her children to the Lord.

Asked how she felt when she was chosen as "Mother of the Year" at a general meeting of West Visayan Mission, this great mother of Israel answered with misty eyes and a voice choked with emotion, "I could not believe it. God has been so good; He has never failed me."

—B. B. Alsaybar, PRO

Largest Baptism in Negros Mission

By F. M. Arrogante, President
Negros Mission

THE morning light has broken; the darkness has disappeared in Bagtic, Tayasan, Oriental Negros (Central Philippine Union Mission). Sixty-three precious souls broke loose from their superstitious incantations to join with God's remnant people when they were baptized on September 11, 1964, by three officiating ministers. This is the largest baptism of converts from one place, and who were converted in a most singular way, in the history of God's work in Southern Philippines.

We have previously written about a group of 200 persons, forty families, who were convinced of the truth that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord, and how they had been holding meetings for nearly two years. Since that time Brother Eliseo Doble has been conducting Bible studies, and in this first baptism sixty-three (26 men and 37 women) were baptized. About thirty more are now being prepared for the next baptism.

It was thrilling and heart-warming on the morning of September 11, to see the candidates, all dressed in their white baptismal robes, led by the officiating pastors and many



Two colporteur evangelists, Arsenio Salazar and Toribio Talidong, on the left and right of the picture, who climbed steep hills, crossed rivers and creeks, for a distance of 25 kilometers, to make the first contact with a group of 200 persons who had been keeping the Sabbath for two years. Second from the left is Brother Eliseo Doble, Bible worker and a former colporteur evangelist, who prepared the 63 candidates for baptism. Pedro Calijan, second from the right, is the leader of the community, who gathered the group together to worship in the chapel, which they built two years ago when they discovered the Sabbath truth.

brethren from other places, walking in a long procession over hills and valleys, and through barrios to their watery grave, which was seven kilometers from their beautiful, hill-top chapel. One week before their baptism eight couples were married by the district leader, Pastor Andres B. Savilla.

To help keep the light of truth burning in this heathen area, it is planned to establish a mission school at the earliest opportunity.

We solicit the prayers of our people for the finishing of God's work in this part of the vineyard.



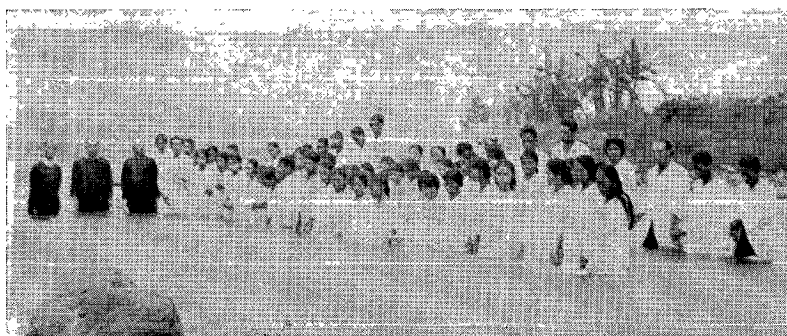
Chapel Constructions in Negros Mission

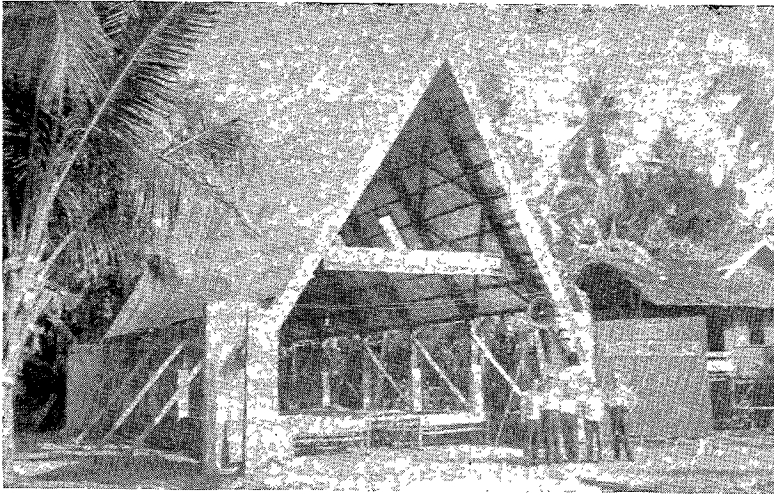
By F. M. Arrogante, President,
Negros Mission

A beautiful concrete chapel is being constructed at Calatrava, Negros Occidental. The seating capacity is 200. The foundations were laid September 1, 1963, and after putting 3,000 pesos worth of materials and labor into the building, construction ceased for a period. Work on the chapel was resumed in July, 1964. The new district leader, Pastor R. C. Cuizon, assisted by Brother R. R. Sinco, a ministerial graduate from Mountain View College, prepared the unfinished chapel for an evangelistic effort which began on September 6. Construction work continues during the day while preaching services are conducted at night. It is estimated that when completed the total cost of the building will be 12,000 pesos.

Two other chapels are now receiving their finishing touches in the towns of Manapla, Occidental Negros, and Guihulngan, Negros Oriental. Still another smaller chapel has just been completed at New

Three ministers officiated when 63 candidates went forward in baptism on September 11, 1964, in Bagtic, Oriental Negros, Philippines.





Evangelistic meetings commenced in this unfinished chapel in Calatrava, Negros Occidental, on September 6. Already twenty-three souls have been baptized, and others are being prepared for the next baptism.

Sagay, Occidental Negros. Within the next few months construction will begin on a chapel in the city of Silay, Occidental Negros.

Our slogan is: More presentable church buildings in Negros Mission.

South Philippines

Ipil Evangelistic Effort

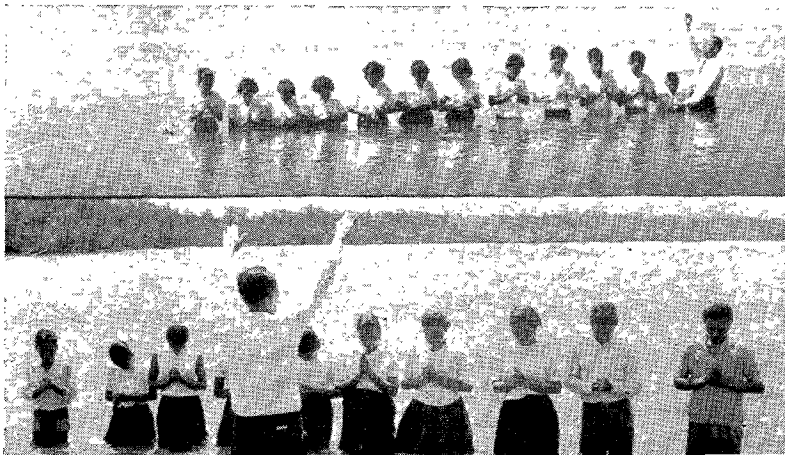
By **B. C. Calahat**, District Leader
Western Mindanao Mission

AN evangelistic series of nightly meetings was conducted in Ipil from March 14 to May 8, 1964. Realizing that the medical work is

the right arm of the message, we solicited the voluntary help of Dr. Teresita Aguilar and Dr. Robert Arrogante. Dr. Aguilar, who is a practitioner in general medicine, gave her services free to the people three times a week. This included physical examinations, prescriptions, and operations in minor surgery. Medical lectures at some of the evening meetings were also given by Dr. Aguilar. Dr. Arrogante, an optometrist, gave free optical examinations and prescriptions. This free medical service regardless of creed, color, and nationality, attracted many to our nightly meetings. Even Muslims attended.

Brother Isidro Bello assisted the writer in this evangelistic effort. In the two baptisms which have thus

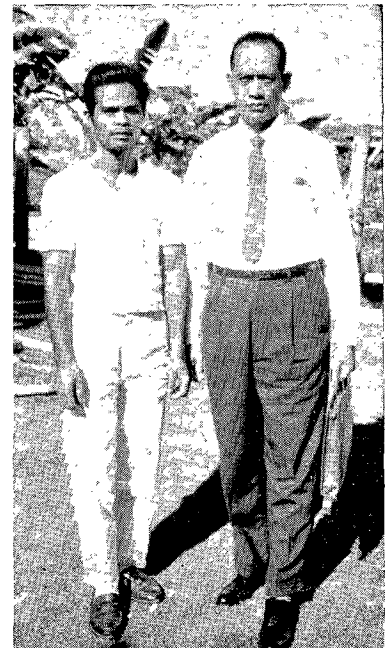
Twenty-two souls were baptized as a result of an evangelistic campaign conducted at Ipil. In the top picture we see the twelve persons who were baptized on May 30, and the lower picture shows the baptism of ten candidates on June 6.



far been conducted, twenty-two precious souls have been baptized. Bible studies are being continued, and we are hopeful that others will take their stand for the Master.

We are convinced that the Lord is calling men from all walks of life to accept the third angel's message, as Brother Palaton Palalon, who was a professional boxer, will agree. Known as "Star Mindanao" he was once an acclaimed bantam-weight champion in the Visayas and Mindanao. When he was rising toward world fame he retired from the ring and refused the offer of Mr. P. G. Kinner, an American millionaire, to bring him to America.

Why did Brother Palalon purposely retire from the boxing profession when he may have made his fortune? He had seen his fellow men hospitalized and even die as the result of boxing. He realized the magnitude of this evil in the sight of God. It was contrary to the teaching of Jesus, who taught that we should love one another. He ardently sought to do what was right and to repent of his sins. In his search for truth, he and his wife joined a religious group and were faithful members for the last four years. Because of their faithfulness they were dearly loved by



Pastor B. C. Calahat on the right, with Brother Pablito Palalon, former professional boxer.

the church members. However, some of the doctrinal teachings of this church bothered them, and so they decided to attend the evangelistic meetings when they commenced in Ipil.

When the meetings closed on May 8, Brother Palalon and his wife invited me to visit them in their home for further Bible studies. After giving them a series of studies they were convinced on all the Bible doctrines, and on May 30 they were baptized in the clear waters of Ipil beach. Brother and Sister Palalon are rejoicing in their newly-found faith. Yes, the Lord is calling people everywhere, even professional boxers, to be saved for His kingdom.

Two Colporteur Rallies in Southern Mindanao

By F. D. Lao, Publishing Secretary
South Philippine Union Mission

TWO literature evangelist rallies were held in Southern Mindanao Mission during the month of September, one in Minapan, Tulonan, Cotabato, September 16-19, and the other in Nanio, Panabo, Davao, September 23-26. Seventy-one literature evangelists, including new recruits, attended these two meetings.

In his devotional talk, Pastor E. L. Lamera, president of the mission, challenged the literature evangelists to attempt greater achievements in literature evangelism. On Sabbath, at the literature evangelists' institute held in Nanio, Panabo, Davao, a

stirring message was presented by Pastor V. M. Montalban, president of the South Philippine Union Mission.

Soul-winning experiences were related by the colporteurs during the colporteurs' symposium. Brother Severino Fulache, a colporteur from the eastern coast of Davao province, told of 20 persons he met in the hinterlands of Davao who were keeping the Sabbath as a result of reading the truth-filled literature which they secured several years ago.

Brother Carlos Manigos told of a timely visit when he called at a certain home. The woman who came to the door was in great distress. She had six children and was planning to kill all of them to appease the evil spirits that had been torturing her mind. As Brother Manigos began to canvass the lady, she revealed her problems and her plan to end the lives of all her beloved children who were gathered around her. Brother Manigos told the lady of the many promises in God's Word, which brought relief to her troubled mind. Then he suggested to the woman and her children that they kneel down for prayer, assuring them of God's love for each one of them. The Spirit of the Lord worked miraculously upon the heart of this lady. Rising from prayer and with tears in her eyes, she expressed her gratitude to Brother Manigos for his timely visit.

Experiences such as these brought great encouragement to the colporteurs. Fifty souls have taken their stand for the truth as a result

of colporteur contacts for the eight months of this year. Yes, the colporteur work is a soul-saving work.

West Indonesia

Obituary

Pastor K. Mandias

PASTOR K. Mandias was born in the northern part of the North Celebes on December 5, 1886. He left his homeland in 1918 for Surabaya, East Java. From there he went to Borneo where he taught the Dayak people for a brief period. In 1919 he returned to Djakarta where he was married. He joined the ranks of the colporteurs in 1919 soon after accepting the truth. He was baptized by Pastor I. C. Schmidt. In 1920 while canvassing, he commenced holding meetings in West Java Mission. In the cities of Tjirebon, Tegal, and Pekalongan where he worked, churches were established. In 1923 he was appointed as publishing secretary of the West Java Mission. He served as a teacher and preceptor during 1924 and 1925 at our training school in Singapore. At the end of 1925 he was transferred to Malang, East Java, to do evangelistic work. After a brief period there he was transferred to Semarang where he worked until 1928.

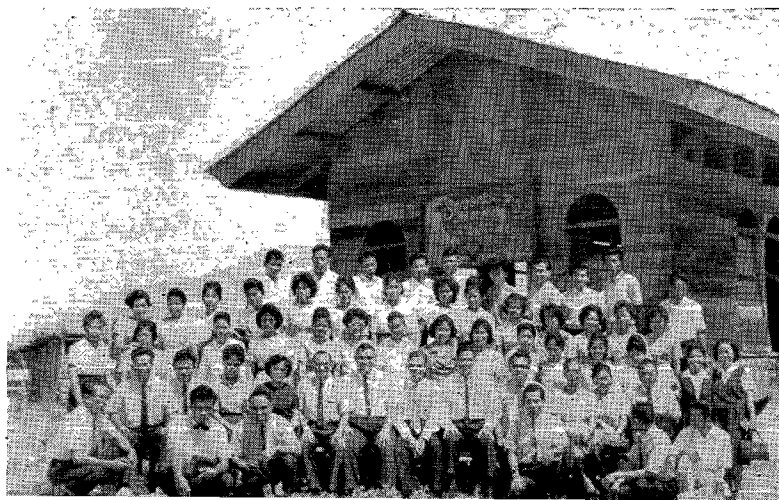
In 1929 when Indonesia was under the Central European Division, a training school was started at Tjimindi. Pastor Mandias taught at this training school from 1929 to 1932.

He was appointed as the first president of a local mission in South Celebes in 1933. Then in 1939 he was transferred to the South Sumatra Mission. During his presidency of this mission, he was elected as one of the delegates to the 1940 General Conference Session.

At the time of the Japanese occupation of Indonesia he was appointed president of the union, and served as such from 1942 to 1947. In 1948 he was appointed to the North Celebes Mission, where he worked until 1955, serving as mission president for two years. He was president of the Nusa Tenggara Mission from 1955 to 1957.

Although he was placed on sustentation in 1958 he continued to serve the Lord in the East Java

Colporteurs and leaders who attended the literature evangelists' rally in Nanio, Panabo, Davao, from September 23-26, 1964. Seated in the front row, seventh from left, is Pastor E. L. Lamera, president of Southern Mindanao Mission. To his left is Pastor F. D. Lao, publishing secretary of Southern Mindanao Mission.



Mission. He wanted to work as long as he was able.

On September 28, Pastor Mandias passed peacefully to his rest, and the funeral service was conducted in the Naripan church, Bandung, on September 30. Those taking part in the funeral service were: Pastors H. E. Mangkei, A. P. Madora, G. E. Bullock, J. B. Th. Umboh, M. E. Diredja, and the writer, Words of comfort and hope were spoken to the bereaved.

Our brother leaves to mourn his wife, a daughter, and two adopted sons. One of the sons is working in West Irian. We look forward to the glad resurrection morn when, if faithful, we may meet our brother again.

—M. Onsoe

Church Dedication Surabaja

By Pastor S. Ritonga, President
East Java Mission

THE official opening and dedication service for the new Tandjung Perak church, Surabaja, was held on March 26, 1964, at the close of the East Java Mission Session.

The service began with the ringing of the church bell at four o'clock, and then followed the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Mrs. Rasjid Padmosudiro, whose husband is the head of the Department of Religion for East Java Province, cut the ribbon. Pastor W. L. Wilcox, pres-

ident of the West Indonesian Union Mission, then officially unlocked the front door of the church.

At the dedication service, the writer extended a welcome to everyone present. Following a song, prayer, and Scripture reading, Pastor A. E. Gibb, secretary of the Far Eastern Division, delivered the dedication sermon. Pastor Wilcox offered the dedication prayer.

The choir rendered special items, and words of appreciation were spoken by the city officials. Pastor F. Kilapong offered the closing prayer.

We solicit the prayers of fellow-believers in behalf of the members of this new church.

Korea

Grass Roots Evangelism!

By George Munson, Radio-TV
Secretary, Korean Union Mission

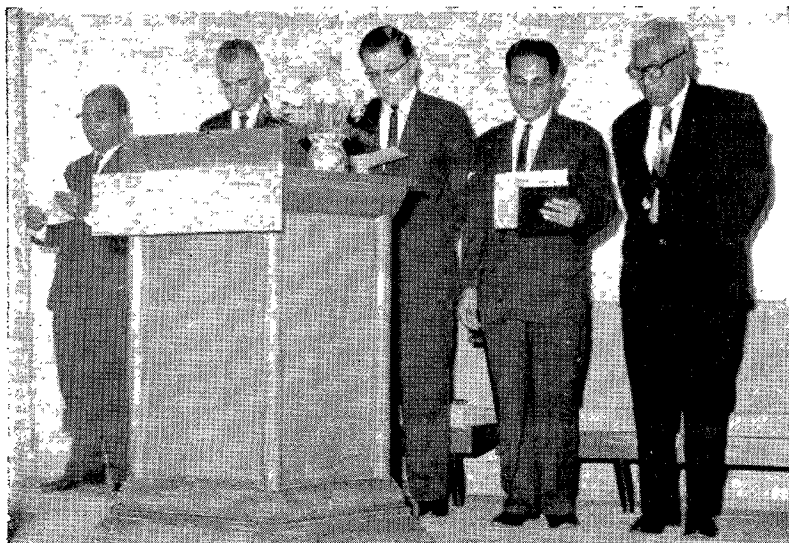
AT a laymen's training school in the Southeast Mission in Korea we heard the following interesting story, told by a young Adventist girl only twenty-one years old. She has been a Seventh-day Adventist for four years and is an active Missionary Volunteer of the Kang Kok church near the city of Pohang.

Miss Pok Soo Chung, eager to help in the work of child evangelism in a nearby village, joined hun-

dreds of Missionary Volunteers all over Korea as they held Vacation Bible Schools for nearly 80,000 children in the summer of 1963. Miss Chung believed in all-out evangelism, and since she had the courage and talent to preach, she arranged with the local village re-diffusion broadcasting system to preach from six to seven every morning during the period of the campaign and Bible School. Most of the village homes had small loud-speakers in their houses and they heard the message. At the end of each program she advertised her Vacation Bible School, and a large group of children assembled to learn Bible stories for the first time, and make things with their hands. As the interest grew, Miss Chung inspired the children to follow her example and go out to help clean up the village. But the enthusiasm was contagious, and soon the older members of the community wanted to help spruce up the village. Then they gathered to watch the children in their school. Soon someone suggested that they have evening meetings for the adults. Miss Chung complied very eagerly and those in the village who attended were inspired by this devoted youth.

All this time Miss Chung was fighting a silent battle, for in her own home her parents opposed her home missionary activities vigorously. She had a very heavy cross to bear, but this did not show in her attitude and work in Woo Kok village.

As the children were inspired to encourage their parents to come to the evening meetings the attendance grew. Miss Chung had prepared a supply of Voice of Prophecy Bible lessons and these were well used. After her sermon Miss Chung would help the listeners with their Bible Course lessons. They were guided through the course and 34 graduated pledging to keep the Seventh-day Sabbath. Twenty of these believers are now ready for baptism and are awaiting warmer weather for this rite. Among those who are preparing for baptism are two elderly grandfathers. They told Miss Chung that thirty years ago they were baptised by a Seventh-day Adventist missionary. When the church was disbanded by the Japanese they became discouraged and drifted back into the world. Now they are interested in building a church for the little company.



The brethren who took part in the dedication service for the new Surabaja church, which was officially opened on March 26, 1964.

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NEWS FROM HERE & THERE

● During the month of October, Miss Nellie Ferree visited Asian students who are studying in Australia, in the cities of Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne. On October 15 she flew from Australia to New Zealand, where she spent a few days. She also made a stop in Fiji before proceeding to the States for a six months' furlough.

● Pastor E. A. Capobres, president of the Central Philippine Union Mission, reports a gain of 228 baptisms for the three quarters ending September 30, 1964, over the same period for last year. Even though two-thirds of the churches in the union had not reported at the time of writing, Pastor Capobres stated that the 13th Sabbath offering for the third quarter of this year showed a gain of 4,000.00 pesos over the same period in 1963. He also states that there is a general increase in tithes. We are thankful for this good report.

● Pastor and Mrs. R. C. Thomas returned to Korea in October after a six months' furlough in the States. Pastor Thomas is publishing secretary of the Korean Union Mission.

● Dr. W. G. Dick, medical director of the Penang Sanitarium and Hospital, made a stop-over in the Philippines early in October on his way back to Penang after spending a short furlough in the States. While in the Philippines he visited Bacolod where a new sanitarium and hospital is being erected. Mrs. Dick will join her husband in Baguio at the time of the Medical Pre-Council.

● Dr. and Mrs. Sydney E. Allen and family have recently arrived in Manila from the States. Dr. Allen takes up his work as chairman of the Bible Department at Philippine Union College.

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One of the old grandfathers got out his pit saw; brought in some logs from the mountain, and sawed them into boards for the church roof and floor. A younger man who had been a heavy drinker gave up his habit and donated a plot of ground for the church. The other members made adobe bricks for

their new church building.

We are glad that the Voice of Prophecy Bible Course could help in preparing these souls for baptism. Let us pray for these enthusiastic Christians and for their leader, the maiden who is not afraid to preach!



Mrs. C. B. Miller, wife of Pastor C. B. Miller, president of the South China Island Union Mission, is seen cutting the ribbon at the official opening of the dental clinic at the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital, on August 23, 1964. Dr. L. M. Lambertson had commenced practice prior to the official opening and we understand during the first month he had 107 registered patients. We rejoice in the opening of this dental clinic and pray God's blessing on this new endeavor.

These Gals Bound for Korean School

TWENTY lovely, brown-eyed girls left the University campus this week bound for mission service in Korea.

All 20 are en route to Korean Union College, an educational institution operated in Seoul by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. They sailed from San Francisco Wednesday.

On the faculty there? Well, not exactly.

The girls, as a matter of fact, are Holstein heifers from the University-owned dairy herd. Officials of the Korean school negotiated their purchase at a reduced price in order to stock the dairy they have started there.

At the conclusion of their voyage

the girls, aged two to three years, will be introduced to their counterparts — male and female — already in service at the mission school. Officials hope a bovine population explosion will ensue.

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