

## DIVISION-WIDE BAPTISM SABBATH, MAY 14

**T**HE big date for 1966 is Division-wide Baptism Sabbath, May 14. This date was first determined at the mid-year Division Council held in Hong Kong in June, 1965. The recent Biennial Council reaffirmed the date and set a goal of 8,000 baptisms on that Sabbath. May 14 was chosen for it would give time to assemble the reports from all the fields and cable them to Pastor C. P. Sorensen at the General Conference Session in Detroit.

It will take coordinated effort and careful planning to reach this goal. But it is well within the range of our possibilities. The leaders from all over the Division, who were together in Hong Kong for the council, were unanimous in their enthusiasm and their conviction that it would be possible to see at least 8,000 people baptized on that one Sabbath.

Now the time has come to lay specific plans for this unprecedented triumph in evangelism. Not only should each pastor organize his soul-winning activ-

ities to culminate in a baptism on May 14 but every member should take a personal share in the work that will be done to prepare new believers to unite with the church. The baptismal candidates themselves will find a unique interest in being a part of this special Division-wide harvest.

There is no need, however, to delay the baptism of candidates who should be received into the church before May 14. Neither should anyone be urged into baptism on that date who is not yet fully prepared. But since most fields ordinarily have baptisms about that time of the year, this plan will coordinate the dates for the whole Division in order to have a special report ready for announcement at the General Conference Session.

So let us remember and plan now for the Division-wide Baptism on Sabbath, May 14.

—Paul H. Eldridge  
Secretary, Ministerial Association

# 1965 DIVISION B

President Hotel, Ho

## DIVISION OFFICERS

### ADMINISTRATIVE



C. P. SORENSEN  
President

**T**HE Lord has richly blessed the work in the Far Eastern Division the past two years. They have been the best years in the history of the work as far as baptisms are concerned. By the blessing of God and through the efforts of our evangelists and laymen more than 16,000 have been added to the church each year. With the continued blessing of the Lord and with faithful work on the part of all, we can visualize the day in the near future when we will have 200,000 members in this Division. Others will report to you the work of the various departments and the results attained in the nine union missions and one detached mission.

In this report I would like to mention the beginnings of the work in the Far East. It was in the year 1887 that Abraham La Rue came as a self-supporting lay missionary to Hong Kong. This year marks the 70th anniversary of the beginnings of our work in an organized way in the Orient. In 1896 W. C. Grainger began work in Japan. In 1902 J. N. Anderson arrived in the interior of China and this marked

the beginning of the preaching of the gospel in that vast country.

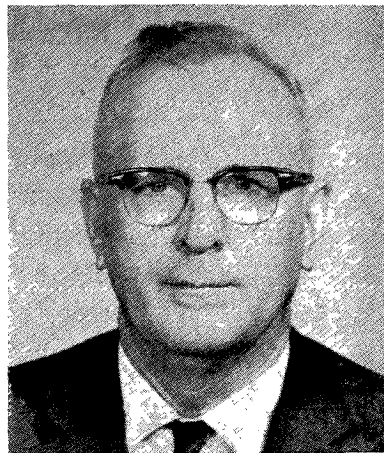
The message was first brought to the Philippines in 1905 by a colporteur, R. A. Caldwell. A year later, J. L. McElhany, who later became the president of the General Conference, arrived in the Philippines to direct our work in those islands. Our message was first brought to Taiwan in 1948 by H. C. Currie. E. L. Longway was the pioneer of the Advent Message in Thailand, arriving there in 1919 after R. A. Caldwell had sowed the seed in 1903 through the sale of our literature.

The message was first preached in Singapore, now the headquarters of our Division, by E. H. Gates in 1902 and he was followed by R. A. Caldwell, the faithful colporteur. R. W. Munson started our mission activities in Indonesia in 1900.

Thus it will be seen that it was at the turn of the century that God's message for the last days began to be heralded throughout the lands now comprising our Division. In some areas the workers met with great difficulties in their efforts to win people to the truth. Then came World War II and all the missionaries had to return to the homeland. Immediately at the close of the war, the former missionaries returned to their various fields and with them many new missionaries. The work has been progressing with unabated force ever since.

When World War II began we had in this Division 736 churches with a membership of 33,606. The ministerial force numbered 231. When the war ended in 1945 these figures remained about the same. Ten years later the number of churches had grown to 1,139 with a membership of 81,700. And now, again ten years later, we have 1,866 churches and our membership at the close of the third quarter of 1965 was 175,229, with a ministerial force of 898 as compared with 231 at the close of World War II.

Truly God has blessed the work in the Far Eastern Division. We face a new biennial period with gladness in our hearts for we have the assurance that God will continue to bless the efforts of His people in the winning of many more souls for His kingdom.



E. L. LONGWAY  
Field Secretary

### SECRETARIAL



A. E. GIBB  
Secretary

# BIENNIAL COUNCIL

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**T**HE Far Eastern Division Working Policy sets forth the object of our denomination as follows: "The object of this conference is to teach all nations the everlasting gospel of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and the commandments of God."

This report from the secretarial office represents the total results of the work of the entire church—members, workers, departments, and institutions.

At mid-year, 1965, the Far Eastern Division had a total of 1,866 organized churches. At the end of the third quarter of 1965 the membership was 175,229. During the year 1964 alone there were 126 new churches organized within the



D. A. ROTH  
Assistant Secretary

Division and 16,580 baptisms were recorded in the nine union missions and one detached mission.

The net membership gain for the year 1964 was 14,547. This was an increase of eleven percent. During the first three quarters of 1965 there were 11,605 baptisms throughout the Division and when all the reports for the year 1965 are in, it appears that we will have a record-breaking year in baptisms.

During this past biennial period two new union missions and six new local missions were organized.

This brings our total to nine Union Missions and 43 local missions.

The progress of the work of the church in the Far Eastern Division during the past two years should cause us to exclaim in the words of the prophet Balaam, "What hath God wrought." As we face a new biennial period it should be with courage and confidence.

## FINANCIAL



H. D. JOHNSON  
Treasurer



A. E. KROGSTAD  
Assistant Treasurer

**S**TATISTICS and facts may at times seem cold and impersonal. Not so with the facts and figures presented in this report for the facts and figures presented here are vital items to each of us. They represent our strength or our weakness. They indicate our success or our failure. They reveal growth and progress or they imply a status quo. We thank God that without notable exception we can report strength, success and growth.

The report on operating capitals presented by H. B. Ludden, Division auditor, points up constant improvement in the operating strength of our unions, missions and institutions. There is a notable increase in the number of organizations holding all of their required operating capital.

A. E. Krogstad, assistant treasurer, in his report on evangelism funds pointed out that 1965 was a record year for evangelistic efforts. 99% of the M\$187,500.00 set aside by the Division for direct assistance in regular and major evangelistic efforts has already been requested by the unions. The unions in turn will match these funds, mostly on a 50-50 basis, nearly doubling the amount available for evangelism. Good results are being reported also from the many short evangelistic campaigns and spearhead efforts made possible by the M\$72,500.00 made available to the unions, on a matching basis, to cover this type of effort.

The operating statement for the first ten months of 1965 presented by L. R. Templeton, division cashier, along with the audited financial statement for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1964, attest to financial strength and growth. During 1965 the Division has appropriated to the field a total of M\$ 3,637,500.00 in the following categories: (See page 4)

Most of these appropriated funds, of course, came to us from the General Conference which again gives evidence of the interest of the General Conference in our work and of the faithfulness of our members the world around.

We are proud to have a part in the work of God in this great Far Eastern Division. The expanse of the finances is almost beyond comprehension. The sum total of the values of all of the buildings, land and equipment, would give us an astronomical figure. The accumulated incomes and expenses of all of our organizations would certainly be impressive.

Even now as we look to the future we have reason to believe that our appropriations will only become larger, our buildings more numerous and our equipment more modern. Let us all determine anew today to use the talents entrusted to our care in a way which will bring glory to our God and a speedy finishing to His work.

### Audit Report and Balance Sheet

**D**URING the month of June 1965, R. J. Radcliffe, General Conference Auditor, examined the financial records and accounts of the Far Eastern Division for the year ended December 31, 1964. An unqualified Certificate of Audit was presented and duly recorded by the Division Committee. A summary of the balance sheet as audited along with comparative figures from the previous year appear as follows:

### Balance Sheet Summary

<u>Assets</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>
Current	3,854,844.18	4,622,401.45
Fixed	<u>70,525.58</u>	<u>85,526.38</u>
Total Assets	<u>3,925,369.76</u>	<u>4,707,927.83</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accounts Payable	113,355.06	246,923.42
Trust Funds	<u>1,145,873.25</u>	<u>1,099,564.58</u>
Total Liabilities	1,259,228.31	1,346,488.00
<u>Net Worth</u>		
Regular Reserves	425,199.17	447,290.91
	<u>2,240,942.28</u>	<u>2,914,148.92</u>
Total Net Worth	<u>2,666,141.45</u>	<u>3,361,439.83</u>
Total Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>3,925,369.76</u>	<u>4,707,927.83</u>

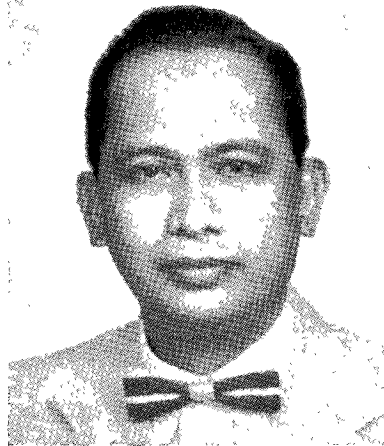
—H. D. Johnson

### 1965 Appropriations to the Field

Class I-A appropriations	\$ 2,092,300.00
Special appropriations	913,700.00
VOP, Radio & Bible Correspondence	172,500.00
Evangelism	260,000.00
New work	139,000.00
Church Extension	60,000.00



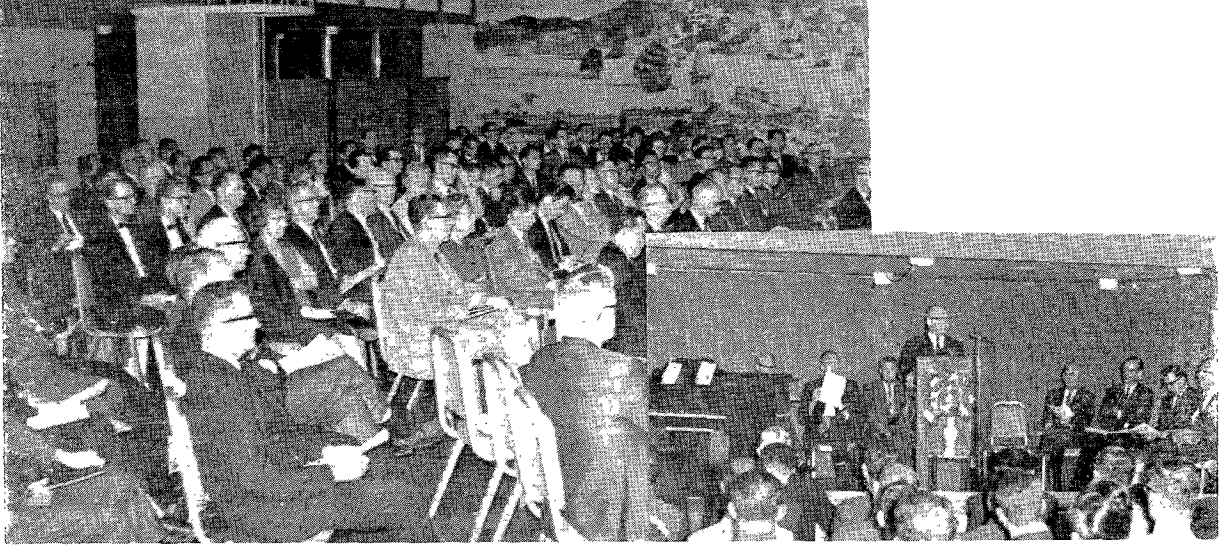
H. B. LIDDEN  
Auditor



M. M. CLAVERIA  
Auditor for the Philippines



L. R. TEMPLETON  
Cashier



A partial view of the "Hall of Nine Dragons" in the President Hotel, Hong Kong, where the Division biennial council was held. Inset: C. P. Sorensen giving his report on the opening night of the session. In his report he gave a review of Protestant missionary work in the Far East.

## General Conference Visitors - Biennial Council



Left: W. E. MURRAY  
Vice-President



Right: K. H. EMMERSON  
Assistant Treasurer



Left: W. A. HIGGINS  
Assistant Publishing Secretary



Right: J. E. EDWARDS  
Laymen's Activities Secretary

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

### Biennial Council, Hong Kong, 1965

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# UNION PRESIDENTS

## East Indonesia



A. M. BARTLETT

**A**T the Division Council held two years ago, the East Indonesia Union Mission was born. This new Union started out with very little by way of material possessions but it did have other and important assets. It had the blessing of God and the encouragement of the brethren.

By far the most important piece of property purchased is the tract of land for a new college for the East Indonesia Union Mission. We have not yet purchased all the land we need but enough of the campus is already in hand and efforts are continuing for the purchase of more land.

There have been some organizational developments. In 1964 the Sangihe-Talaud Mission was organized with about 600 members, and this year the Central Celebes Mission was organized with more than 400 members.

An important step has been taken in the opening of the Ambon Mission Academy. Our goal is to estab-

lish academies in each of our local missions just as fast as we can secure the needed physical facilities and enough trained teachers. The Sangihe-Talaud Mission is already making plans for their academy, and we have the beginnings of such a school among the Toradja people of the South Celebes. We have a number of junior academies and our elementary school program has made a great deal of progress. We have at the present time about 5,000 of our children and youth in our own schools.

We have a real need for medical work in the East Indonesia Union Mission. With the blessing of the Lord and the help of our people, the time will soon come when a strong medical work will be in progress in our field.

Borneo, Java, West Irian, and the Lesser Sunda Islands, with a total population of more than 90 million people.

The religion of the people is mostly Muslim. Indonesia is the largest Mohammedan country in the world. Despite this, we have a large and growing membership compared to what it has been in years past. At the close of the third quarter of 1965 we had a membership of 13,693 and our Sabbath schools had a membership of 21,413.

We have 192 churches in our field and we seek to increase this number by a strong program of evangelism. We have had two big city efforts, 16 regular city efforts, and 41 short campaigns and these resulted in 1,271 baptisms. Of this number, 275 were formerly Muslims.

The Voice of Prophecy is broadcasting over 22 of the 35 stations in all of Indonesia. Every other month we are allowed a live TV broadcast.

Our school program is strong. There are 53 elementary schools, 12 junior academies, two senior academies, and one senior four-year college.

Within the past biennial period we have opened a number of new buildings, including the Djakarta Evangelistic Center, a new home at Indonesia Union College, two new service buildings at Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital, and a number of new churches.

Last summer the largest Andrews University Extension School ever held was conducted at Indonesia Union College.

Our medical work progresses at Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital.

The work of literature evangelism continues with 210 colporteurs leading the way.

## West Indonesia



W. L. WILCOX

**N**EW headquarters for the West Indonesia Union Mission have now been realized at the new Djakarta Evangelistic Center. The territory of this Union is Sumatra,



## Japan



W. T. CLARK

**D**URING the month of September, 1965, the 6,000th member joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in Japan. Our baptisms during the past biennial period were 687 as compared with 787 the previous period.

Evangelism continues throughout the Japan Union Mission. Recently 21 persons were baptized as a result of meetings held on Yaeyama, an island offshore from Okinawa. Almost all of our pastors have conducted public meetings this past year.

An outstanding Youth Congress was held last April. Laymen's training schools have been conducted in an endeavor to help our lay people give the gospel message.

Of unusual interest is our temperance work. A rally was held at Imabari with more than 1,000 people in attendance. The city mayor decided to sign the pledge and made it a public affair.

Sales for the publishing department increased almost 25 percent over the previous biennial period, and the totals by the end of the year will approach a half million US dollars. We have two new men in our publishing work—M. R. Lyon is the union publishing secretary and R. W. Pohle is the new manager of the publishing house.

A master plan has been drawn for Japan Missionary College. This will involve a new administration building, classrooms, science hall,

music building, library, and other facilities.

Recently the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital completed a new school of nursing building. On Okinawa we are completing a US \$100,000 addition to the Adventist Medical Center. Eight new churches have been built in our field the past two years.

God has greatly blessed our work and we praise Him for it and dedicate ourselves once more to the completion of the Great Commission.

## Korea



C. A. WILLIAMS

**T**HE officers and staff of the Korean Union Mission, the 28,000 church members and 100,000 and more Sabbath school members greet the readers of the **Far Eastern Division Outlook**.

During the past biennial period the work in Korea has enjoyed a growth and degree of prosperity never before known in this Union Mission. Baptisms for the past two-year period were 6,945. During the previous two-year period there were 6,343 baptisms.

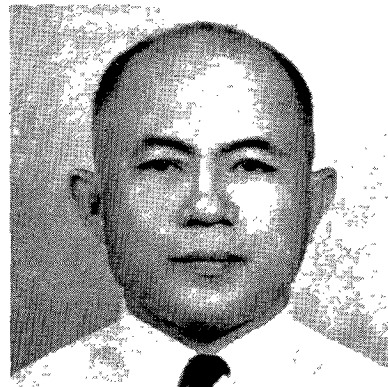
The Vacation Bible School work in Korea has been particularly outstanding. We have come very close to doubling our VBS enrollments each year for the past four years. This past year we had more than a quarter of a million enrollments in Vacation Bible Schools with 214,156 graduating. One church

alone, the Pusan Jin, had over 30,000 enrollments in the more than 100 schools conducted. As a follow-up this church is now conducting 121 branch Sabbath schools. We believe this to be an outstanding achievement for one church.

Korea now has 1,247 branch Sabbath schools, 717 of which were newly started during the first three quarters of this year. A new church is still being built in Korea on the average of one every seven days, most of the labor and materials being supplied by the people themselves. In spite of this, we are desperately in need of new church buildings in every mission. We need to build 214 churches, and when we get these built we will no doubt need another 200 or more.

The Korean Union Mission has organized a new mission on the average of one every two years for the past six years. We now have six missions with more than 800 churches and church groups.

## Central Philippines



E. A. CAPOBRES

**T**HE Central Philippine Union Mission was organized early in 1964 with a membership of 26,169. The population of the territory of this Union Mission is 8,138,380. We are endeavoring to meet the great task of giving the Gospel to these people with a force of 274 workers, including 36 ordained ministers.

In 1965 two new missions were organized, the East Visayan and the Central Visayan Missions. We now have four local missions. None of these has permanent office buildings except the West Visayan. The Central Visayan Mission vacated their office building and it is now used as the maternity building for the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital.

All of our local missions except the West Visayan Mission have been carrying on their work with no financial subsidy from the Union.

A major evangelistic effort was held in Tagbilaran, the capital of Bohol Province. This resulted in 42 baptisms. Another major effort was held this year in Dumaguete City and a total of 192 persons was baptized. With our laymen cooperating with us in our evangelism, we were able to report 3,288 souls baptized in one year and three quarters or since the organization of the Union Mission.

We thank God for our two hospitals and two academies and a number of church schools. All have contributed to the success of soul winning throughout the Central Philippines.

It is to the faithful laymen that much of the credit is due for the significant increase in baptisms. We have also witnessed the completion of 22 new churches.

Ingathering has been very successful this year. The entire goal of more than 150,000 pesos was reached in just three weeks' time.

The publishing department shows the largest gains of any of the departments. The 276 colporteurs and their energetic leaders have set an enviable record with record-breaking sales of our literature.

Two new academies have been established the past two years. The new Naga View Academy in the Bicol area is small but the teachers and students are happy in following the blueprint of Christian education. The new Abra Valley Junior Academy in the Mountain Province is church operated. The academies in our union mission now number seven and there are 17 elementary schools with 3,236 students enrolled. Elementary and academy students number 4,287.

The Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking held in Manila was very successful.

The enrollment at Philippine Union College is now 829, our largest college outside North America.

The Manila Sanitarium and Hospital and the Cagayan Hospital are providing excellent medical service. An expansion program is under way in Manila.

**T**HE Lord has manifested His blessing and goodness in the steady growth of His people in this new Union Mission. Our membership has grown from 26,091 to 30,933 as of September 30, 1965. In the past 21 months there has been a total of 5,177 baptisms.

The new South Philippine Union Mission was implemented on January 1, 1964, with 253 organized churches in the original three local missions. Since that time 29 churches have been organized making a total of 282 organized churches in the four local missions.

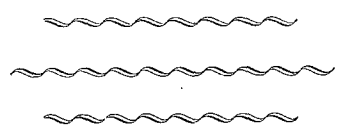
During 1964 we held 648 evangelistic efforts, including 479 church revivals. During 1965 there have been 535 evangelistic campaigns, 346 of which were revivals.

At the beginning of 1964 we had 573 Sabbath schools with a total membership of 45,125. We now have 582 Sabbath schools with a membership of 46,554. We have 657 MV societies with a membership of 11,992 young people.

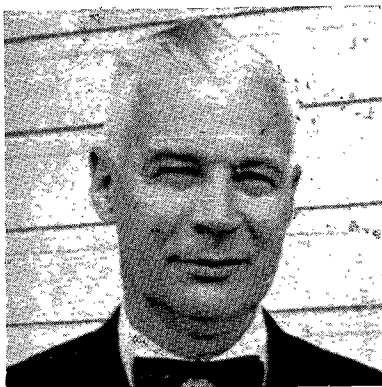
We are operating 55 elementary schools, 20 of which are government-authorized schools. On the secondary level, we have 835 young people enrolled in our academies. Fifty-six young people were graduated from Mountain View College during the school year 1964-1965. There are 282 Home and School Associations with a total membership of 13,864.

With Davao City as its new headquarters, our Bible Correspondence School started on July 1, 1964. There are 5,093 active students. Thus far this year 589 have completed the course. Among the students enrolled, 600 are already keeping the Sabbath but not yet baptized.

In the field of evangelism, "Mindanao for Christ" has been our objective this year. We want to go forward in a spirit of unity and earnest confidence in God's leadership.



**North Philippines**



T. C. MURDOCH

**S**CATTERED about our beautiful islands one will find more than 35,000 friendly, active soul-winning members. This shows an increase of over 5,500 for the biennial period. To shepherd this large flock, there are 150 ordained and licensed ministers.

**South Philippines**



V. M. MONTALBAN

## South China Island



C. B. MILLER

**G**OD has abundantly blessed His work in the South China Island Union Mission this past biennium. We have enjoyed peace and prosperity during this period, making it possible to do greater work in evangelism. During the past two years nearly 150 campaigns have been conducted and our baptisms to-date total 1,636. This brings our membership to 7,450 at the end of September, 1965.

Recently much attention has been given to the upgrading of our teachers in our two colleges. At present eight of our teachers are studying in the U. S. Next autumn our two colleges will open with nine additional teachers with advanced degrees.

The new Taiwan Mountain Bible School is getting well under way. Seventy students are enrolled this second year of operation of this school for the tribespeople. We hope to add 60 new students next year and each year following until we have a capacity enrollment of 240 tribal young people studying in this school.

This past year the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital launched into a large clinical program. Almost every week there are members of the staff visiting one or more of our country churches where they give health lectures and conduct clinics.

The Hong Kong medical workers have been seeing increasingly larger numbers of patients. By the end of October the medical workers had seen 3,000 patients at the "Sea Light" boat clinic.

The enrollment in our middle schools and colleges is increasing. This spring Taiwan Missionary College will give its first degree. They hope to have thirty in this first graduating class.

The workers in this Union pledge themselves to greater soul-winning endeavors during this coming year.

## Southeast Asia



H. W. BEDWELL

**T**HE area of this Union Mission includes Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Brunei, Singapore, and Malaysia (Malaya, Sabah, Sarawak). Many races of people and consequently many and varied religious beliefs are found in this region which has a total population exceeding 70 million. Our membership is divided into five local missions. There are 82 churches with 68 ordained ministers and 40 licensed ministers. The total number of workers in the Union Mission is 1,121. By the end of 1965 the membership will exceed 10,000.

For the past 15 years the membership increase through baptisms has been 10 percent or better every year. During 1965 there were 26 regular evangelistic campaigns approved and 31 small efforts.

There are 4,300 students enrolled

in 32 schools with 147 teachers. These schools include three training schools, one junior college and six secondary schools. There are five active Medical Cadet Corps and they are located in Kuching, Jesselton, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon.

Nearly 15,000 Sabbath school members are meeting in 134 Sabbath schools. There were 198 branch Sabbath schools and 17 Vacation Bible Schools conducted during 1965.

There are 10 radio broadcasts in Vietnam and one in Thailand. All radio time is free. Four Bible correspondence schools are conducted in seven languages and they offer 19 courses. More than a quarter of a million test papers are processed each year.

Within the Southeast Asia Union Mission there are six hospitals and two dental clinics employing 25 doctors and four dentists. In one year nearly 15,000 in-patients and 180,000 out-patients are cared for.

Many open doors and opportunities for the giving of the Gospel are found on every hand in Southeast Asia.

## Far Eastern Island Mission



G. A. HAAS

**T**HE year 1965 has been a year of triumph and tragedy for us in the Far Eastern Island Mission.

On March 7 our only ordained national minister, Pastor Toribiong Uchel of Palau, was killed when thrown off a speedboat.

Triumphs have also come our way. On October 31, we had our first baptism on the island of Ponape in the Eastern Caroline Islands. The Trust Territory is now wide open.

Our schools are filled to overflowing. We have an enrollment of 321 in three church schools.

With the Lord's help and with

careful planning we aim to do much better in 1966.

We have three doctors, five nurses, one medical technologist, and four office workers in our Far Eastern Island Mission Clinic. A dental office is in the process of being equipped, and a new X-ray machine has been purchased.

The largest baptism ever conducted in the history of the Mission was held in March in Koror, Palau. Twenty-six candidates participated in this service.

The Ingathering program was conducted very quickly this year—two weeks' time. In one day the entire island of Guam was covered during the spring visitation program. We plan three visitation days in 1966.

Our Vacation Bible School program had a one thousand percent increase this year. As a result of one of these schools in Koror, 12 new branch Sabbath schools have been started.

## DIVISION DEPARTMENTS

### Ministerial Association

**I**N most of our fields, young men entering the ministry now have the equivalent of at least four years of college training. The Korean, Japan, South China Island, and the

North, Central and South Philippine Unions have had this standard for some time. This year Indonesia Union College is offering the fourth year of ministerial training, which brings the two Indonesia Unions into the list.



Paul H. Eldridge

To provide for the up-grading of ministerial workers already in the field, two programs are in operation. One of these is the regular schedule of ministerial institutes or retreats, and the other is the conducting of extension schools. There were two of these in 1965:



Milton Lee, Evangelist for the Chinese.

Andrews University Extension School in Indonesia attended by more than two hundred workers; and an extension school of Southeast Asia

Union College held in Bangkok with more than twenty-five in attendance.

The results of evangelism during the last two years have been the best in the history of the Far Eastern Division. Baptisms exceeded 30,000. There is every reason to feel confident that our ministry, better trained than ever before, dedicated and determined, will place itself in God's hands to finish the work in the Far East.

### Radio and Television

**I**T is impossible to present statistics which adequately report the results of our radio and television ministry. Enough tangible results are seen, however, to bring great courage, and to lead us into an expanding program.

In the Far Eastern Division we are now broadcasting 133 regular radio programs and 4 television programs. These are carried over 67 separate stations and include 12 different languages. This is an increase of 9 programs and 6 stations during the past two years.

Our Bible correspondence schools form a vital link between the radio listeners and the church. Correspondence course graduates, followed up by the local churches, have accounted for a very large percentage of all baptisms, in some fields as many as seventy-five percent.

The ubiquitous transistor radio has brought possible coverage almost to the saturation point in many countries, and television facil-

ities are expanding. All of which present us with a tremendous challenge.

### Sabbath School

**N**EVER in past history have we witnessed such an eager desire on the part of so many of our members to participate in such soul-winning activities as branch Sabbath Schools and Vacation Bible Schools. Sabbath school reports for the first three quarters of the current year indicate a total of 4,857 branch Sabbath schools and branch Bible schools—a gain of 1,321 over the report for the full 12-month period of 1964. Of these, 424 branch Sabbath school have grown into regular Sabbath schools, churches and organized companies in the past seven quarters.



H. E. McClure

During the past two summers nearly half a million (446,378) children were enrolled in the 3,427 Vacation Bible Schools, the vast majority of these children being from non-Seventh-day Adventist homes. These schools were under the direction of 12,630 volunteer leaders and teachers. The Korean Union alone conducted this year a total of 1,323 Vacation Bible Schools with an enrollment of 267,749—

this is 25,000 more than the entire world field registered in 1964. Great things are happening in this type of evangelistic activity in nearly every union mission of our field. At least seven of our union missions are currently preparing and producing such materials as VBS supplies, branch Sabbath school programs, lessons and pictures, flannelgraph materials, songs, special follow-up lessons, etc.

The present Sabbath school membership of the Far Eastern Division—320,766—represents an increase of 45,894 for the biennium, and is 185 percent of our church membership. Total mission offerings provided by the Sabbath school members of the Far East during this two-year period were US\$420,906, a gain of US\$52,084 over the previous biennium.

## Educational

**T**HE Seventh-day Adventist denomination is happily aware of an Adventist explosion in many sectors. This in turn has caused an educational explosion. In the 25-year period of time from 1940 until the present or 1964, let us see what has happened in the Far Eastern Division. (See page 24)



T. V. Zytoskee

This volcanic eruption of pupils is shaking the foundations of our overtaxed institutions. The time is upon us when we must—to paraphrase Holy Writ—"pull down our schools and build greater ones." The time demands bigger and better buildings.

However, if we have bigger and better buildings and equipment, it is of little avail if there is a famine for trained and qualified teachers. We must provide adequate training for those who are willing and talented in this **the greatest profession** of all.

And finally, when bigger and better buildings have been provided and qualified teachers have been sent, we need a ready response from parents and the students and the administrators alike to use the "schools of the prophets" provided

in their area, whether it be on an elementary, secondary, collegiate or post-graduate level.

## Medical

**D**URING the biennium, 1964-1965, the 42 hospitals and clinics of the Far Eastern Division made tremendous progress in rolling up statistics covering patient visits, work done and patients baptized, more than in any previous two-year period. The 88 physicians, 330 nurses and the 2,127 staff members



R. F. Waddell, M. D. of these hospitals contributed to the health of their communities by providing in-patient care to 87,338 individuals. These patients remained in the hospitals for an average of 6.7 days, thus providing opportunity for 585,825 days of Christian witnessing. As a result of these, plus subsequent studies, our 17 chaplains with their 13 assistants and 6 Bible workers brought 850 souls into the truth. In addition to these activities, more than one and one-half million out-patient visits were made.

Dentistry has become an important facet of medical ministry. There are now seven dental clinics operated by the church in the Far East. These are staffed by 12 dentists. Dentistry has been proven an unusually fine avenue for reaching a greater public and enlarging the influence of health.

Our sanitariums in Seoul and Pusan, Korea, have gained national recognition through their health education, disease prevention, welfare and village health programs in remote areas and off-shore islands. Similar work has been done on a smaller scale in the Okinawa area. The mountain people of Taiwan have been the recipients of dental, medical, and health education services provided by physicians, dentists and nurses of the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital. "Operation Sealight" is a joint venture by the staff of the Adventist Sanitarium and Hospital in Tsuen Wan (Hong Kong) and our South China Union College as a means of bringing physical and spiritual healing

to the boat people of this great metropolitan city.

The medical institutions of Thailand have actively conducted schools and services specifically for midwifery, village work, public health, health education, and rehabilitation for the masses. Chains of such rural and village clinics are being sponsored by our established hospitals in the Philippines and Indonesia. More of this work is planned for Malaya and Singapore and other institutions in the Far East. New medical work is planned for Sabah. Expansion programs are planned for most of our hospitals. This coming year will witness the opening of a new sanitarium and hospital in the Philippines. Medical evangelism is never static!

## Temperance Department

By R. F. Waddell, M.D.

**D**URING the past two years Pastor Paul Eldridge and the writer have been involved with the technics of breaking the smoking habit through the Five-Day-Plan-to-Stop-Smoking-programs in various parts of the Division. Nineteen programs have been held in the following areas: Thailand, Penang, Singapore, Bandung, Davao City, Cebu City, Manila, Guam, Taipei and Hong Kong. Pastors Dan Guild and J. R. Obregon participated in three of these programs.

It has been found that from 69 to 100 percent of those attending the five-day group therapy sessions are successful in overcoming the cigarette habit. The success of these programs lies in adequate publicity, drawing the attention of the public to a plan that will enable them to break with a habit that has held them in actual captivity for years. Public Relations' Director Don Roth has done outstanding work in supplying the press releases to field coordinators who have followed through and provided programs with excellent newspaper and radio publicity.

The Five-Day-Plan-to-Stop-Smoking is definitely a church related program and is always identified with the church. It is a health education activity and thus not recognized as being essentially religious in nature. This fact makes it entirely acceptable to peoples of all faiths or of no faith at all.

Institutes of better living have been conducted in the churches in connection with most of the Five-Day Plan programs. Their purpose is the integration of health education and medical missionary work with the preaching of the Word. Instruction is also given in how to conduct the Five-Day Plan. The film "One in 20,000" has been shown to literally millions of people in this Division. Temperance rallies have been held in many fields with as many as two and three thousand in attendance.

## Nursing Activities

**Y**OUR sympathetic consideration of the needs of your schools of nursing as they continue to educate nurses to give quality nursing care in staffing the 42 hospitals and clinics in this Division will be much appreciated by their leaders and faculties.



Mrs. R. F. Waddell

You can be very proud of the nursing education program being conducted in the Far Eastern Division, namely two college programs, five diploma programs, plus another developing college program at Mountain View College in the South Philippines. The 601 students of nursing equal one-third the total number enrolled in the Far Eastern Division colleges. Of this potential army of Seventh-day Adventist workers, two-thirds were Seventh-day Adventists when admitted; more than half came from Seventh-day Adventist homes; and 58 were Christians of other denominations. During the past five years, 150 more have been baptized.

Of the 612 graduating from schools of nursing from 1961 to 1965, inclusive, 414 were employed by their home institutions; 48 were employed by other Seventh-day Adventist hospitals. Only 53 were reported as employed by non-Seventh-day Adventist hospitals, although they are much in demand. Exchange programs have attracted 35 of whom 23 are in Seventh-day Adventist hospitals. Thirty-six nurses are on further study programs.

There are 40 Philippine Union College School of Nursing graduates serving in other countries of the Far Eastern Division.

To solve the problem of many Seventh-day Adventist young people who are unable to enter professional schools of nursing, one hospital has been offering a one-year program of practical nursing. Thirty-one former Buddhists graduated this November and all are now Seventh-day Adventists, happy to do bedside nursing.

## Missionary Volunteers

**H**OW refreshing it is to see the marching forces of over 70,000 Seventh-day Adventist youth in the Far East. These are dedicated, devoted young people who have a



C. D. Martin

conviction and a burden. Evangelism is the very heart of Missionary Volunteering. The response of the Far Eastern Division young people to the world campaign, **MV TARGET 30,000**, during 1964 was tremendous; the final report indicates 8,275 baptisms. We are now in the second phase of this thrilling project which lasts till April 1, 1966. Here in the Far East it is called **MV TARGET 8000**. We are aiming at another 8,000 baptisms by next April.

Organized as our youth are into 2,504 junior and senior societies, they are continually looking for ways of serving others. This is evidenced by these figures for 1964 and the first three quarters of 1965: 492,200 missionary contacts; 1,472,031 pieces of literature distributed; and 314,263 Bible studies or evangelistic sermons.

During this same period of time 14,635 have been invested in one of the five junior and senior youth MV Classes of development; 13,427 MV honors were earned; 16,399 MV's received certificates for reading their Bibles systematically; and 8,379 received certificates for following the MV Book Club. Special training courses in senior youth leadership have been conducted and 1,438 MV Leadercraft Certificates

have been awarded.

We now have 3,827 Pathfinders enrolled in 131 clubs. During 1964, 84 MV camps were held and attended by 3,763 young people. Campsites have been developed in Japan, Okinawa, Southeast Asia and the South Philippines. 1966 will be the 40th anniversary of MV camping. Our church is rich and its future bright with such an army of young people as we have in the Far East. May we as leaders provide the leadership and inspiration needed by these youth.

## National Service Organization

By C. D. Martin

**F**OR some time now the eyes of the entire world have been focused on Southeast Asia in particular and the Far East in general. Into the midst of this turmoil and confusion our youth have been thrown. Our young men especially have faced serious problems as at least six countries of our division now have compulsory military training.

Today we wish to pay tribute to the large number of men who have stood firm for principle in spite of hardships and problems. Our church owes much to these men. The great task that faces us as leaders is to help prepare our young men in the churches so that when they are called up for service they will be able to serve God and their country with honor.

We have been stressing such training as that given in the Medical Cadet Corps program. An Advisory Committee was set up in the division and similar committees in the unions involved. A 700-page book was developed providing lesson plans for MCC Instructors and this proved a foundation for our operation. We now have 17 MCC units in the three Philippine Unions, Southeast Asia and Korea with 1,408 cadets enrolled. In the Philippines we expect soon to have our program upgraded to the point where we can seek official recognition for MCC training in lieu of the ROTC requirements.

We have been endeavoring to contact our Seventh-day Adventist servicemen in the Armed Forces in the Far East. Our Adventist Military chaplains have done an out-



standing work for these young men. At our Division Council in Baguio last year we had with us Chaplains Wayne Hill and Norman Goodwin. Both men have since been reassigned to the United States. This year we had with us Chaplain Robert Mole, US Navy, and Chaplain Earl Lee, US Army.

Our young people need the church and its prayers. We have the finest youth in the world. They deserve the best we can give them.

### Home and School Association

**T**HE Home and School Association helps to promote Christian Education. It assists the church schools in several significant ways—particularly in helping to maintain the financial position of the school on an even keel, in providing needed school equipment, in contributing necessary labor toward the beautification of the school campus, keeping the building in repair, and in working on the school's varied self-help projects. It also takes an active part in encouraging parents whose children are not already in the church school to send them to a Christian school.



Nellie Ferree

One of the Home and School Associations in Japan has an interesting project. The salaries of its seven teachers come primarily from tuition and pledges of the church members but this does not supply needed equipment. Each year for three weeks the parents donate their time and energy toward bottling grape juice. This year they bottled and sold 1,700 bottles of grape juice.

In the South Philippine Union the Parent-Home Education secretary now also serves as Child Evangelism secretary and this is true of the respective mission secretaries as well.

Much needed material for parents has been prepared in the Malaya Mission in the Chinese language. The book **Adventist Home** is now



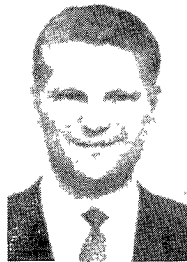
Two military chaplains were welcome guests at the biennial council in Hong Kong. In the picture the two chaplains are conversing with one of the delegates. At the left is Commander Robert Mole of the United States Navy, and in the center is Major Earl Lee who is with the US Armed Forces in Vietnam.

available in Chinese through the South China Island Union. In Indonesia this book will soon be off the press in three volumes.

"The well-being of society, the success of the church, the prosperity of the nation, depend upon home influences." —M. H. p. 349.

### Public Relations

**P**ERHAPS we should be aware of our objectives in public relations. Most of our workers and laymen are unaware of what we are trying to accomplish when we work with newspapers, wire services, radio stations, and TV stations. Here is a statement of objective which appeals to me (author unknown):



D. A. Roth

**"To present Jesus Christ, to win good will for His church, to allay prejudices, to prevent wrong impressions, to lay a firm foundation for all evangelistic activities, to place truth before multitudes—this is the work of public relations, increasingly vital to a growing, forward-looking denomination."**

We look forward to the time when all union missions and local

missions will have public relations secretaries appointed. Opportunities are unlimited when we put forth the time and effort to place information before the public.

An example of the effectiveness of a planned public relations program is the recent Five-Day Plan held in Hong Kong. We could also cite the cities of Taipei and Manila where a planned public relations program was put into operation to inform the public of the Five-Day Plan. When people know about activities of this kind in this way, we are bound to have results. Personal visits to news media people in Singapore, Bangkok, Manila, and Hong Kong have convinced me that opportunities here are just as good or better than in many North American cities.

As a service to Far Eastern Division personnel on furlough in the United States, the Public Relations Department has started a new monthly publication, **The Furlougher**. "In Brief" news notes will be sent to the **Review and Herald** each month. Plans are also underway to provide news kits to the union missions of the Division which could be used in giving news coverage to every department of our organization.

### Publishing

**T**HE opportunities for advancement in our publishing program are unlimited. A backward glance to the records of 1955 are quite



E. A. Brodeur

revealing, especially when compared with 1964. In this ten-year period the literature program of the Far Eastern Division made noticeable gains. This nine months' comparison is of interest:

In 1955 there were 727 literature evangelists and their sales amounted to US \$659,438. In 1964, 1,315 literature evangelists sold US\$917,740 worth of literature. The literature sales for 1964 and the first nine months of 1965 amounted to US\$1,370,276.84.

We cannot fail to mention our sincere appreciation for the help given our publishing houses by the General Conference Publishing Expansion Committee in purchasing new equipment. This equipment has made possible the large increase in production demanded of our houses by the field. Throughout the Division, we have installed equipment totaling US\$111,725.00.



J. T. Mason

During this past biennium we have had some personnel changes within the Division territory. Two newcomers have completed our publishing family, R. H. Woolsey, editor of the Philippine House, and R. W. Pohle, manager of the Japan Publishing House.

We regret that the literature sales figures we have given in this report are not complete. With confrontation between Indonesia and Singapore and Malaysia, plus the political and economic situation in Indonesia, the reports from the two Indonesia Unions are incomplete.

### Laymen's Activities

**D**EDICATED laymen of the Far East are on the march for God. By the thousands they are responding to the call from heaven, "Here am I, send me."



L. A. Shipowick

Pilot Lay Instructors' Training Schools have been held in all but two of the union missions of the Division. These two unions are planning for theirs in 1966. Hundreds of training schools and institutes have been conducted to help our laymen know how to work for God. Heart-warming reports of great exploits for God have been the result.

Laymen throughout the Far East are determined to take the "Words of Life" to every man's door. One of the most outstanding experiences is that of Brother Sinco in the Philippines who conducted 22 cottage meetings, held several lay efforts, and had the joy of seeing 193 souls baptized. Like "the leaves of autumn" truth-filled literature is being distributed throughout the Far East.

In Korea 1,500,000 tracts were distributed in one day.

We have had wonderful Ingathering victories in the Philippines and Guam, interesting contacts in Southeast Asia (one donation of MS 40,000), and an unusually good year in Japan where a concerted effort was made to have every layman participate.

Typical of the progress of Christian witnessing through welfare is the work of the floating clinic at Sai Kung in Hong Kong.

The Far Eastern Division has been greatly blessed during the last three months of 1965 by the ministry of Pastor J. E. Edwards, secretary of the Laymen's Activities of the General Conference. God is with us and leading us to final victory.

### DO YOU BELONG

- Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed,
- Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?
- Do you attend the meetings, and mingle with the flock,
- Or do you stay at home and criticize and knock?
- Do you take an active part to help the work along,
- Or do you just sit on the sidelines and belong?
- Do you ever go to visit a member that is sick,
- Or do you leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?
- There's quite a program scheduled that I'm sure you've heard about,
- And we'll appreciate it if you come and help us out.
- Attend the meetings often and help with hand and heart,
- Don't just be a member, but take an active part.
- Think this over—you know right from wrong,
- Are you an active member, or do you just belong?

**The Publishing (left) and Laymen's Activities Pre-Councils in action. These meetings were held just prior to the Division Biennial Council.**





## Ordination Service at Biennial Session

By Paul H. Eldridge

ON the final Sabbath of the Division Biennial Council in Hong Kong, December 4, 1965, Hartley B. Ludden, Far Eastern Division auditor, was ordained to the gospel ministry. The ordination service was held in the afternoon at three o'clock in the auditorium of the President Hotel. It was a fitting prelude to a program devoted entirely to a symposium featuring soul-winning activities throughout the Division.

Participating in the service were: Pastor K. H. Emmerson, assistant treasurer of the General Conference, and Pastors C. P. Sorensen, E. L. Longway, H. D. Johnson, and P. H. Eldridge of the Far Eastern Division.

After introductory remarks by Pastor Eldridge, Brother Ludden was escorted to the platform by Pastor Johnson, who served as his sponsor. All of the ordained ministers in attendance came to the platform and knelt while Pastor Longway offered the ordination prayer. Pastor Emmerson gave the charge and Pastor Ludden was welcomed to the duties and privileges of the ministry by Pastor Sorensen.

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Above: C. P. Sorensen welcomes H. B. Ludden to the privileges and duties of the ministry following his ordination. Other participants were, left to right: H. D. Johnson, P. H. Eldridge, K. H. Emmerson, and E. L. Longway.

Center: Dr. H. W. Miller was honored the evening the Southeast Asia Union reported at the Hong Kong biennial council. He was the first editor of the Chinese Signs of the Times when it was first published sixty years ago. Shown in the picture above are: V. L. Breisch, publishing secretary of the Southeast Asia Union; Daniel Lee, editor of the Chinese Signs of the Times; Dr. H. W. Miller; Y. F. Choo, manager of the Malaysian Signs Press; and H. W. Bedwell, president of the Southeast Asia Union.

Below: During the pre-council of the publishing department, a large group made an excursion to the grave of the pioneer missionary to the Far East, Abraham La Rue who is buried in Hong Kong.

# FROM THE DIVISION FIELD

## Youth Leaders Visit Adventist Servicemen in Vietnam

By C. D. Martin, Division  
MV Secretary

**T**HE C-123 military cargo plane on which we were riding banked sharply over the Special Forces Camp for Plei Mei in Vietnam. We looked down and could see 15 helicopters poised for action below. A few minutes later our plane landed on the busy airfield of Peliku.

It was Sunday, November 4, and we were on a special mission. Pastor J. H. Lantry, MV secretary of the Southeast Asia Union Mission, and the writer had joined Chaplain Earl T. Lee, one of our Seventh-day Adventist chaplains in the US Army, to visit as many Adventist servicemen as possible in Vietnam.

We spent the weekend in the Saigon area and met many of the 35 Adventist soldiers stationed there. At the Third Field Hospital, just two blocks from our mission compound, we visited Gary Elmendorf, ambulance driver, of Oregon, and three other Adventists. We met Captain Duane Cady, who, as medical officer, was accompanying his unit the next day into action in the D-Zone, the "Iron Triangle," north of Saigon. Sgt. Bill Chatmon, of Georgia, clerk in the Senior Chaplain's office, was also among our Adventist group. We visited the large Bien Hoa Airfield and nearby military units. There we found Tom Olson from California who had just arrived in Vietnam one week before. He was happy to meet church representatives so soon. A



Seventh-day Adventist soldiers with the Mobile Army Surgical Hospital located at An Khe, Vietnam. Major D. E. Littell, medical doctor pictured at the left, is in charge of their church group in this area. Chaplain Earl T. Lee, located 25 miles away at Qui Nhon, and pictured at the extreme right, frequently visits the men in this camp.



Near Cam Ranh, Chaplain Earl T. Lee found Eugene Aven with the 27th Artillery. Though not a church member, Eugene expressed real pleasure in meeting church representatives.

One of the branch Sabbath schools being conducted by members of the Saigon church. It is this branch Sabbath school and other like it that our US servicemen have been invited to visit and assist.



pleasant Sabbath was spent with these men. The missionary families in Saigon provided dinner for the entire group following the services. In the afternoon the servicemen were invited to visit one of the branch Sabbath schools in the Saigon area.

### Next Landing — U.S. Military Base in Nha Trang

Now Saigon, Plei Mei and Pleiku were behind us and our plane was landing at the US Military Base in Nha Trang. The Eighth Field Hospital was soon located and it was a pleasure to meet with our Adventist men stationed there. As we sang, prayed, and studied the Bible together, we sensed an atmosphere of urgency and devotion. These young men were in earnest. They had been organized into a company with Jack Mracek of California as leader, Dan Drake, also of California, as assistant, and Wesley Dormer of New York as Sabbath school superintendent.

At the close of the Sunday night service in Nha Trang, our Adventist boys, along with the other medics, were alerted. Battle casualties were coming in from the heavy fighting that day between Plei Mei and the Cambodian border. The boys did not realize it then, but only a few of these men would have any sleep for the next 36 hours.

The large C-130 landed with a roar and quickly taxied over to the waiting ambulances to unload its cargo of wounded soldiers. The next few minutes confirmed in my mind the horrors of war. The injured were brought in, some on litters with gunshot wounds and mortar fragments in legs and bodies, and others gashed with grenades. One soldier was shot through the neck. Some of the men with shoulder and arm wounds shuffled in supported by medics. One Negro with a bullet in his arm pointed over to his friend propped up on a litter and said, "There's my platoon leader." The lieutenant could not talk for he had been shot through the jaw. The bloody bandages revealed that there would be hours of surgery ahead. A platoon had been ambushed by the Viet Cong and all but five had been killed. This officer had led his men to the rescue but they, too, had been shot up badly. This was only a part of the story. Some of the men were still out on the field. There would be no

need to bring them to the hospital. Our Adventist medics were there to help the wounded men in every way they could.

### We Next Visit Huge Military Complex at Cam Ranh Bay

The next day, under military escort, we drove 30 miles to the huge military complex being developed at Cam Ranh Bay. We found that our boys had been transferred elsewhere, but on our return we located one soldier, Eugene Aven, whose dedicated Adventist grandmother and aunt had kept in close touch with him. He was visibly grateful for this contact with the church. Returning from Cam Ranh Bay in the afternoon we passed a Korean security base along the river. We later learned that only a few hours after we had passed by, the Viet Cong had attacked this unit. That evening we saw a medical evacuation helicopter land at the Nha Trang hospital and our Adventist medics again went into action to help care for the casualties from this attack.

### On to Qui Nhon Military Base

Tuesday, November 16, found us arriving in Qui Nhon, north of Saigon, the military base near which Chaplain Lee is stationed. To our surprise we learned that there were 15 Adventist boys in this area. We had the privilege of meeting a number of them. They repeatedly expressed gratitude over the fact that their chaplain and their church were right on hand to help them in this new experience. At the 85th Field Evacuation Hospital we visited two of our fine medical soldiers and they took us through the wards where they worked. Again it was a pathetic sight of wounded soldiers in temporary, hot shelters waiting to be transferred back to field hospitals. As we walked by bed after bed, we saw men with large abdominal wounds, heads bandaged after removal of shrapnel, and bandage-swathed stumps where legs had once been.

We saw our own Adventist medical soldiers in action and it made us proud of our young men. Not only are they active in their military service but also in spiritual endeavors. In Qui Nhon the Sabbath school and church leaders are Steve Thoreson of California, Simon Wallace and Fred Wiggins.

### Then On to An Khe

As we made our way by jeep the next day from Qui Nhon to An Khe, all of us were equipped with "pots" (steel helmets). Our men did not want to take chances. The 25-mile road was not entirely secure and not infrequently attacks had been made on slow-moving vehicles. The First Cavalry Division (Air Mobile) with its hundreds of helicopters requires much fuel and other supplies. On this one stretch of dirt road we passed a convoy of eight large gasoline trucks and a 15-truck ammunition convoy as well. Needless to say, we were glad to reach our destination.

Our 14 servicemen in An Khe are very fortunate. They have the strong leadership of Major D. E. Littell, flight surgeon, and Captain McDunnah, a male nurse. These two active Seventh-day officers have held regular services for some time for our soldiers in this area. It was a real pleasure to join some of these men for a special noon-day service in the little tent-chapel on the hill. Not all were present for Captain McDunnah and three other Adventists in his unit were out with their company for a three-week operation in the combat zone. But five new boys had just arrived the previous week. Those of us who worshipped together that Wednesday noon felt a spirit of peace and quietness in our hearts, though the noises of artillery and the sound of jets were outside. We felt a spirit of safety in the Lord although danger was close at hand.

It was such experiences as these—meeting with our Adventist servicemen in chapels, tents, hospital wards, and under the trees of South Vietnam—that made us realize anew what a fine group of young men we have, and how much we need to do for them as well as for their buddies.

We now have more than 150 names of Seventh-day Adventist servicemen in this area; others are moving in rapidly. New names are being sent in continually. We are anxious to reach them and to keep in touch with them.

A special Servicemen's Religious Weekend, December 17-19, for men in the Saigon area, is planned to provide additional encouragement and spiritual blessing for our young men. Remember these men in Vietnam in your prayers.

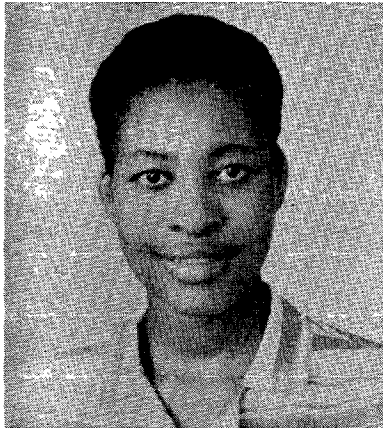


## North Philippines

### PUC Newsbits

#### First African Students

**I**NDICATIVE of the growing role of Philippine Union College in the advancement of the work in other fields, is the arrival of PUC's first three African students. They are: Mavis Cyntias Serole of Bechuanaland, Geoffrey Yolam Kamwendo of Malawi, and Elinihaki M. Tuvako of the Republic of Tanzania, all junior college graduates of Solusi College in Rhodesia. All are aiming at bachelor of science degrees in mathematics. They are all under the sponsorship of the Trans-African Division. They journeyed 15 days by boat and two days by air.



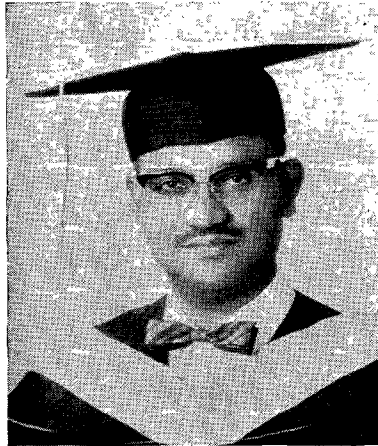
MAVIS CYNTIAS SEROLE

#### Pakistani Dean of Men Get's M. A. Degree

Yaqub Khan, dean of men at Pakistani Union School, passed the oral examination for the Master of Arts degree in education with his thesis entitled, "A Study of the School Plant of the Seventh-day Adventist Secondary Schools in the Philippines." This is the second scholar to come to us from the Southern Asia Division, and he is the first Pakistani to get the M.A. degree at Philippine Union College.

#### First Candlelighting at PUC

Thirty-five young people were principals at the first capping and candlelighting ceremony to be held



YAQUB KHAN



ELINIHAKI M. TUVAKO

on the College Place campus on October 17. Dr. C. A. Fernando, medical director of the Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital, was the guest speaker. All previous such ceremonies have been held on the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital campus.

#### PUC Rondalla

The PUC Rondalla, a stringed instrument group under the baton of Maestro Ananias Ricafrente, and under the sponsorship of Mrs. L. E. Gensolin, has been doing good public relations for the school. Recently they were featured at two radio-TV stations. They are often invited to play in the surrounding churches.

#### New Additions

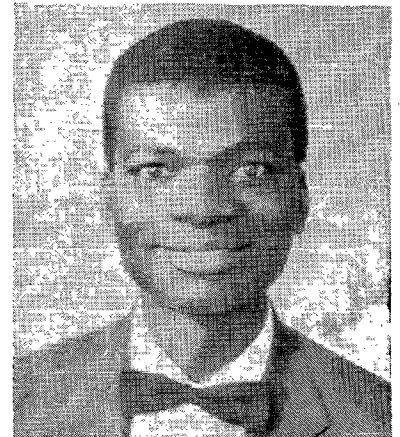
Latest additions to the PUC faculty are Miss Elizabeth Granada, an AB graduate of Class '60, who is teaching English, and Mr. Ernesto Palafox, a '65 vocational education graduate, who is the new campus maintenance man.

#### FED Scholar Gets M. A.

Robert Kalangi, of Indonesia, a Far Eastern Division scholarship grantee, passed the oral examination for the M. A. degree in education with his thesis entitled "A Study of the Existing and Desired Supervisory Services of the Principals of Seventh-day Adventist Academies in the Philippines."

#### Eleventh MROTC Commissioning

Forty-four commissioned and non-commissioned officers were given warrants of recognition for



GEOFFREY YOLAM KAMWENDO

exemplary faithfulness and efficiency during the 11th MROTC (Medical Reserve Officers' Training Corps) commissioning ceremony held on October 24. Lt. Col. Catalino Purugganan from the Surgeon General's office of the Philippines Armed Forces, was the guest speaker.

#### Teachers Win Prizes

Mrs. F. M. Penola and Mr. Garibaldi Famisaran, academy science instructor and elementary teacher, respectively, were delegates to the Natural Science Instrumentation Workshop for the Rizal District, sponsored by the Bureau of Private Schools and the National Science



Development Board. Six of Mrs. Penola's projects were picked as semi-finalists, and her resonance tube won first prize in the area of sound. Mr. Famisaran's water turbine was awarded honorable mention.

—**B. B. Alsaybar, Principal  
Philippine Union College  
Academy**

## Southeast Asia

### Voice of Prophecy Rallies in Sabah

By Mrs. Andrew Peters

**B**ETWEEN the dates of October 15 and 31 sixteen Voice of Prophecy rallies were conducted in various areas of the Sabah Mission by Pastor D. R. Guild, VOP director for the Southeast Asia Union, assisted by Pastor A. Peters, president of Sabah Mission.

Sixteen rallies—sixteen varied experiences—as travel took one by Land Rover, by air, by river boat, by foot to three main coastal towns and to churches located in the more remote and isolated areas. The largest attendance was at the Goshen rally with 435 present by actual count.

Two other rallies were held in the Goshen area which is more or less jungle wilderness though producing rubber, padi and coconuts. Seven miles may not seem a great distance to go but considering the so-called roads it is quite a feat. Pastor Guild remarked at one time, "Any relationship between this and a road is purely co-incidental!" Then we turned into something even more deteriorated—there is no name for it. Certainly cannot be called a road. But the Land Rover bumped along over it, plowing down the tall brush growing between the tracks. Pastor Guild named it a "kerabau track". Our meeting closed at 9:30 and we headed back the seven miles from Tagaroh to Goshen. Two hours ticked by before we reached our destination that night. Driving along the "kerabau track" Pastor Peters slipped off the narrow pole bridge. One front wheel slipped off the edge and the vehicle rested on its springs. Fortunately, Pastor G. Y. Dizon,



Part of the audience attending the VOP Rally in the Goshen church in Sabah.

who is in charge of the Goshen district, was coming up right behind us with a jeepload of helpers. As Pastor Guild wondered at the superb ability of the driver at the wheel of our vehicle in being able to straddle the ridges and avoid the deep ruts, it happened with a jolt! The Land Rover just sat on top of a high ridge with four wheels spinning mud in the deep ruts on either side. It took the men nearly an hour to get extricated from this place.

Many were the people who walked miles in order to attend the various rallies. One group walked twenty miles round trip to attend the rally nearest to them at Damai church.

Throughout the sixteen rallies held, the people were inspired to study their Bibles more and hundreds of new Bible course enrollments were secured for the Voice of Prophecy.

### Annie Liem Selected for "Who's Who"

**M**ISS Annie Liem, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Daniel Liem of Singapore, is among the 17 seniors selected for "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." at Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Miss Liem was chosen by the faculty and the student body on the

basis of scholastic excellence, and religious and civic leadership on the campus.

Miss Liem, a biology major, has been an active member of the International Club and has served as secretary of the Foreign Missions Band.

—**D. R. Guild**

## Japan



### Dr. J. L. Nerness Passes Japan Medical Board

**D**R. J. L. Nerness, a member of the staff of the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital in the Japan Union Mission, has passed the Jap-

anese National Medical Board in the Japanese language which now makes it possible for him to practice at the Hospital.

A graduate of the School of Medicine of Loma Linda University, Dr. Nerness arrived in Japan just 15 months ago and plunged immediately into an intensive study of the difficult Japanese language.

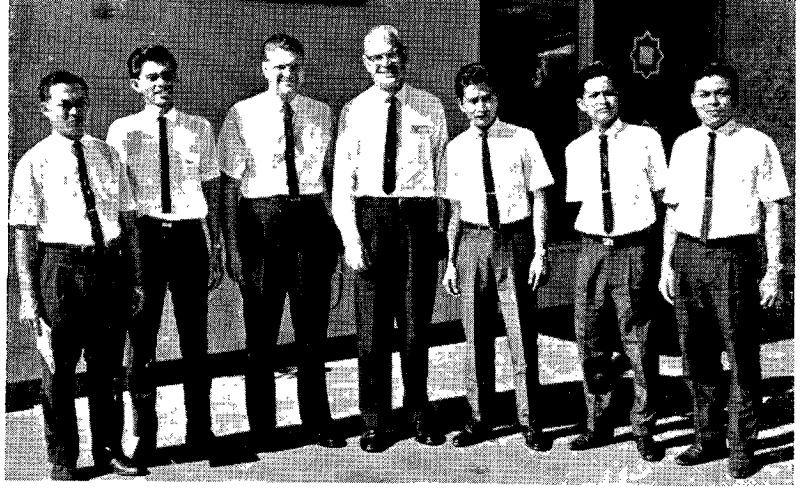
To-date there have been five Americans who have taken the examination in the Japanese language and have passed. There have been other foreigners who have done so but they have taken their training in Japanese medical schools.

Other Loma Linda University graduates who have passed the examinations include Doctors R. A. Nelson, C. D. Johnson, and E. H. Krick. A physician from New Zealand was the fourth one. Thus four of the five physicians from abroad who did not know the Japanese language previously came from the Loma Linda University.

"Without the Lord's help this would have been impossible," writes Dr. Nerness. "I am sure that others of our group who have taken the examination in Japanese feel the same way." During his period of language study, Dr. Nerness did little else except "study, sleep, dream, and eat the Japanese language."

Congratulations to Dr. Nerness for this outstanding achievement!

—D. A. Roth



D. A. Roth and W. A. Higgins pose in front of Radio Station DXJW of Zamboanga City where they were interviewed. With them is the quintet from the Northern Mindanao Mission.



J. E. Edwards and L. A. Shipowick (center) were met at the Davao City airport by the officers and workers of the South Philippines.

## South Philippines

### Big Meetings in South Philippines

By P. P. Ramos, PRO

**W**ITHIN the space of eight days, two important meetings were making history in the South Philippine Union. Both meetings were attended by visiting brethren from the General Conference, Far Eastern Division and other places in the Orient.

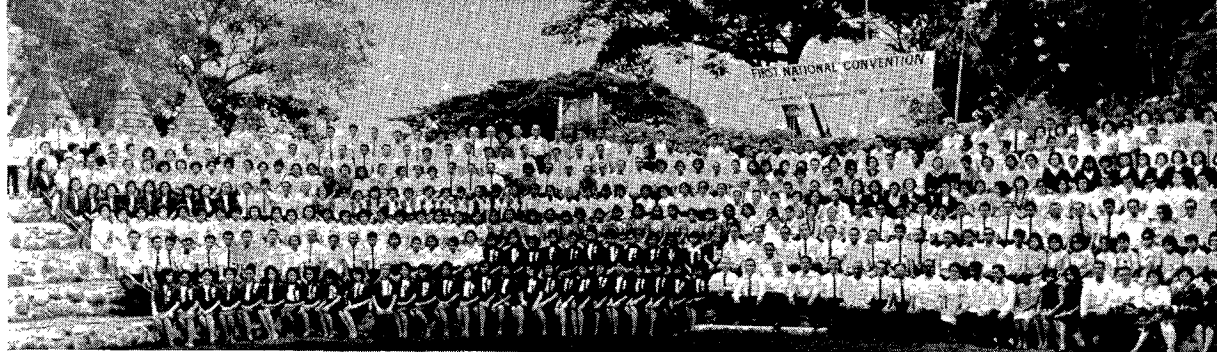
From November 10-13, Pastor J. E. Edwards of the General Conference Lay Activities department, and Pastor L. A. Shipowick of the Far Eastern Division, held successful meetings with the laymen who

were gathered in Davao City. Methods in giving Bible studies and in how to win souls were taught and demonstrated with great efficiency. Full coverage by radio and newspapers was given the visiting brethren. Correspondents of the **Mindanao Pioneer** interviewed the men across the lunch table and this made possible their pictured-story-release on the front page the next day. At the local branch of the largest radio network in the Islands, the Alto Broadcasting System, they were accorded a complimentary 30-minute interview by the program director.

Between November 12 and 18, the famed camping site, the Pasananca Park in Zamboanga City became the beehive of activities for

700 delegates and visitors attending the Tri-Union Publishing Institute. Present were Pastors W. A. Higgins of the General Conference, E. A. Brodeur, J. T. Mason and D. A. Roth of the Division staff, and Pastors M. R. Lyon and R. L. Sheldon of Japan and Korea, respectively. Panel discussions, instruction and open discussion interspaced the preaching of dynamic sermons morning, noon and evening. Colorful pageants were presented by the three Unions depicting the beginnings of the publishing work and its progress across the troubled years. Those present will never forget the element of sacrifice and even death in each pageant and the resultant triumph afterwards.

Present also at this outstanding



This very large group of people—more than 600 in all—attended the Tri-Union Literature Evangelist Institute at Zamboanga City, Philippines, in mid-November. According to the General Conference representative at the meeting, W. A. Higgins, this was the largest such institute ever held in the world field. Colporteurs from the North, Central and South Philippines were in attendance at the week-long meeting.

meeting were the Union and Mission officers and publishing department personnel from all three Unions in the Philippines.

The story of the meetings was covered by national papers and locally by the **Zamboanga Times**. A radio interview was also arranged. Miss Leila Al Raschi, an educated and refined Muslim, who is also program director and announcer at Station DXJW of Zamboanga City, led in the interview that introduced Pastors Higgins and Roth and their work to the thousands of radio listeners. Before the interview, the quintet from the Northern Mindanao Mission sang.



Above: The new chapel-auditorium at South China Union College which was dedicated on November 27, 1965.

## South China Island

### New Chapel-Auditorium Dedicated

**T**HE above is the new chapel-auditorium of the South China Union College, Clearwater Bay, Hong Kong, which was dedicated on Sabbath, November 27. More than 800 attended the dedication program during which Pastor W. E. Murray, vice-president of the General Conference, gave the main address.

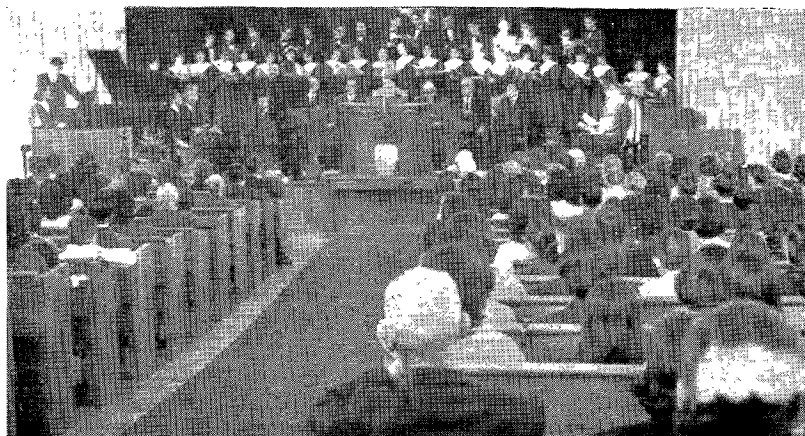
Mr. Chan Shun, chairman of the Board of the Crocodile Garment Ltd., of Hong Kong, supplied the finances for the new chapel-auditorium. He had the building constructed as a memorial to his late father. The chapel is named King Huy Hall.

The college choir sang during the dedication ceremony and the main speakers included, in addition to Pastor Murray, C. P. Sorensen, C. B. Miller, T. V. Zytoskee, D. W. Curry, A. J. Robbins, and Samuel Young. In the second picture is a general view of the auditorium during the dedication program.

Right: Mr. Chan Shun who built this beautiful chapel in memory of his late father.



Below: An interior view of the auditorium as seen on the day of dedication.



**NEWS FROM HERE & THERE**

● As these news items are being written, Pastors C. P. Sorensen, H. D. Johnson, T. V. Zytoskee and D. A. Roth are in Indonesia attending the administrative councils and biennial sessions of the two Indonesia Union Missions. Pastors A. E. Gibb, H. B. Ludden, and E. L. Longway are in the Philippines and will attend the three union biennial sessions in that island field. Pastor Ludden is also doing some auditing while in the Philippines.

● The 1966 Division Annual Council will be held in Baguio City, Philippines. This was voted at the recent biennial council in Hong Kong.

● Bunny Cheah, until recently the secretary-treasurer of the Sabah Mission, is planning to go to England to further his studies in the field of business administration. Pastor S. F. Chu, who for many years was the head master of the secondary school of Southeast Asia Union College, has accepted the call to Sabah to serve as secretary-treasurer of that mission.

● In 1964, Pastor C. D. Martin and Miss Nellie Ferree visited the Asian students attending schools in Australia. This year Lo Hing So, principal of the Kowloon Sam Yuk School has been asked to go to Australia to contact as many of our young people as possible who are studying at Avondale College, Sydney University and other schools.

● Mrs. G. H. Coffin, investment secretary for the Balestier Road Sabbath school in Singapore, announced on a recent Sabbath that the Investment offerings for the year 1965 had amounted to M\$ 3,240.49. This is an increase of M\$ 915.49 over the amount received in 1964.

● R. F. Waddell, M. D., and Pastor P. H. Eldridge left for Djakarta, Indonesia, on Thursday, January 13. They will conduct a Five-Day Plan program in the new Evangelistic Center in Djakarta.

● Pastor Samuel Tsai, who for a number of years has been the pastor of the Chinese church in Jesselton, Sabah, has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Malaya Mission.

● After many months of waiting, Miss Lois Wilson has been granted a visa to enter Indonesia. She will serve as director of the School of Nursing at the Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital.

● New arrivals in our Division field are: Dr. and Mrs. James Jay and family. They will locate at Haad Yai, Thailand, and Dr. Jay will join the staff of the Haad Yai Mission Hospital; Mr. and Mrs. David Gouge who have come in response to a call for teachers in our school in Saigon, Vietnam; and Miss Anna Yuhasz, director of nursing service at Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore.

● The building next to the Division headquarters, which for years was the home of the Far Eastern Academy, and later was the office godown, has been torn down and a two-story extension is to be built to the office building.

● Miss Minerva Arit, Philippine Union College Bachelor of Music alumna of Class '57 recently arrived from the United States where she acquired the Master of Science in Music degree from the California State College in Los Angeles. Prior to going to the States, she was the head of the music department at Mountain View College for four years. She has now returned to the same college. She is the first MVC music department head with a graduate degree in music.

**Statistics referred to in the Educational Report, page 13.**

	1940	1964
Members	31,452	170,143
No. of Churches	694	1,866
Population	216,618,436	346,203,960
Colleges	5	8
Academies	6	82
Elementary Schools	144	280
Teachers	345	1,589
Enrollment	8,079	30,338

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