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OUTLOOK

"THE ISLES SHALL
WAIT FOR HIS LAW"

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Sabbath, May 14, 1966 was set last year as Baptismal Day throughout the Far Eastern Division. Most ministers in every Union put forth a special effort to have people ready for baptism on that day.

At the time of the General Conference session in Michigan the results of the baptismal day were announced by former Division President, Pastor C. P. Sorensen, at the conclusion of the Division report.

A total of 6,793 persons were baptized

throughout the Division on Sabbath, May 14. Leading the Division was the West Indonesia Union with a total of 2,158 baptisms. See page 14 for the complete story from Indonesia.

It appears that it is possible that this year will be the best ever in soul-winning throughout the Far Eastern Division. May God bless the efforts of every worker in every part of this far-flung Division. We solicit the support of every layman and every worker in a great soul-winning program for the year 1966.

By D. A. Roth, Public Relations Secretary
Far Eastern Division



May 14 - 6,793 Baptisms
in the Far East

This is a scene on Sabbath, May 14, at the Sukarno Stadium in Djakarta when a total of 279 persons were baptized by 19 officiating ministers.



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News From Here & There

● Pastor Gilbert Bertochini has been appointed by the General Conference as the new MV secretary for the Far Eastern Division. He has been serving as president of Taiwan Missionary College. He takes the place of Pastor Charles Martin who is now in the General Conference MV Department.

● The new medical secretary of the Far Eastern Division, Dr. G. C. Ekvall, is now on furlough in the United States and is located at Loma Linda, Calif. He is due to take up his work in Singapore in May, 1967. He was elected at the time of the General Conference session to take the place of Dr. R. F. Waddell, now Medical Secretary of the General Conference.



Dr. G. C. Ekvall

● Mrs. Elizabeth Frank is the new accountant for the Southeast Asia Union. She arrived in Singapore recently from Pacific Union College, Angwin, Calif. She is the widow of Dr. Frank who served in Taiwan.

● New teachers at Far Eastern Island Academy on Guam are Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Hagele, formerly of Newbury Park Academy in California.

● Dr. Rolet Moore has been granted a visa for Indonesia and will soon be at the Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital. He will be there during the furlough of Dr. Jess Holm, Medical Director.

● John R. Jones has arrived in Hong Kong to serve as a Bible teacher at the South China Island Union College at Clearwater Bay. He served previously in the Northern California Conference.

● A new dentist has arrived for service in the Far Eastern Island Mission on Guam. He is Wiley N. Young, DMD.

● Dr. Philip Pritel has been serving as a relief physician at the Saigon Hospital in Vietnam. Dr. C. A. Olson has also served in relief while awaiting clearance to join the staff of the Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore.

New Division Ministerial Secretary Appointed

Pastor R. C. Williams, of Manila, Philippines, has been elected new Ministerial and Radio-TV Secretary of the Far Eastern Division. Formerly he served in similar posts with the North Philippine Union. In the picture below is the Williams family, left to right, Terry, 9, Mrs. Williams, Martin, 13, Darlene, 6, Pastor Williams, and Sheryl, 11.



South China Island

Chapel and Living Quarters for Chuk Un

SOME years ago, in order to help expand the work of the Lord in the Yuen Long district of Hong Kong, a house was rented in Chuk Un, five miles from the Yuen Long Church. This building was to be used as an evangelistic center as well as a place of worship for Sabbath services.

Many of the people in this area are refugees who came out from China. Most of their children do not have opportunity to attend school. With this in mind, a school was opened for them and 80 students enrolled. Through the school and the evangelistic meetings each year a number were added to the church. As the work progressed the need for a permanent building for worship grew. God led in the discovery of a piece of land 7,000 square feet in area and well located for a church site. Upon inquiry it was found that several denominations were interested in securing this property. Fortunately a friend who was the father of one of our students was able to assist in our purchase of this land.

We are indebted deeply to Brother and Sister Anderson, who are the parents of Mrs. William Hilliard. During a good part of the develop-

ment of the work in Chuk Un, Pastor William Hilliard was president of the Hong Kong-Macao Mission. The generous financial assistance of the Andersons helped provide the funds for the erection of three buildings on the site, a chapel, a school, and living quarters.

—Andrew J. Robbins,
President Hong Kong-Macao
Mission

Week of Prayer at South China Union College

FRIDAY, April 1, 1966, is a day to be remembered at South China Union College. It witnessed the climax of the spring Week of Prayer there. The high points of the week were the two testimony services held. The first service lasted from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. as students told of victory in Christian living experienced in their own lives. On Friday night a second testimony meeting which lasted nearly three hours brought the Week of Prayer to a close. Angels hovered near as students and teachers united in witnessing and personal work for the unconverted among the student body.

It was thrilling to see the great majority of the non-Adventist students stand one by one to indicate their decision to accept Christ as their personal Saviour and to prepare for membership in the Remnant Church.

It was most encouraging to see students leave their seats and seek their fellow students encouraging them to stand for Christ. More than 40 students responded to the call to dedicate their lives to the ministry or gospel work in various capacities.

President Samuel Young and his staff are to be congratulated on the strong spiritual program they are promoting at South China Union College.

—Delbert W. Curry, Educational
Secretary, South China Island
Union

Southeast Asia

“Tamau Besar”

By Peter Wong

JULY 17, 1966 was a memorial day to the three teachers and about 90 students of the Goshen Adventist Primary School in Sabah. It was a “Tamau Besar” day. It means a great market day, one that takes place once in every three years in that particular district. In some districts it is an annual affair. They were given notice by the local educational authority that schools from all over the district would put out an exhibition on arts and crafts. Both teachers and students got busy to prepare for this eventful day. Different kinds of arts and crafts were made.

On the eve of that day, Mary Bingku, headmistress, Nestle Yaang, one of the teachers, and a few students were very busy decorating the booth with many colorful papers. It was hard job for both teachers and students because there is no electric light in that town. So with the aid of a flashlight they worked into the night.

Early next morning, Miss Bingku, with the help of some Pathfinders, loaded their precious cargoes into the waiting jeep. At 9:30 a.m. the “Tamau Besar” was declared open by one of the political leaders of that district. Sabah visitors from far and near flowed into the various departments of the exhibition.

Judges of different skills and talents were moving from one booth

A chapel, school, and living quarters at Chuk Un in the Hong Kong-Macao Mission.



to another judging the arts and crafts.

The Goshen School won four prizes, two first prizes on painting and bamboo crafts respectively, one second prize in woodwork, and one third prize in basketry.

Training Schools Add Extra Power To Malaya Publishing Program.

BROTHER S. S. Daniel and his publishing leaders have sponsored two large training schools recently that encompassed the Malaya Mission. Over sixty delegates attended these sessions.

In Penang, beginning on a Friday evening, the literature evangelists and leaders marched into the church carrying their large club flag while the organ played "Onward Christian Soldiers." A rousing week-end program was appreciated by all three churches in the area.

A similar program was held the following week in Singapore. Pastor S. J. Lee, President of Malaya Mission; Pastor Daniel Lee, Editor, Malaysian Signs Press; and the writer were among the guest speakers in Penang. This same group plus Choo Yau Fong, Manager, Malaysian Signs Press, and Pastor J. T. Mason, Assistant publishing secretary of the Far Eastern Division, cooperated in making the Singapore three-day meeting a real success.

We look forward to seeing great things in Malaya during the remainder of 1966.

—V. L. Bretsch,
Publishing Secretary

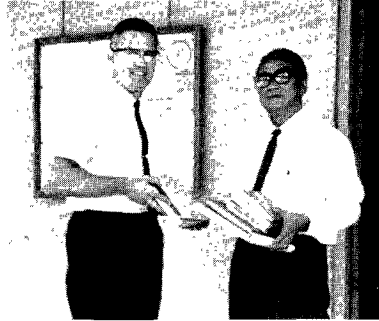


The Singapore Training School.

Gift for the Blind Presented to Library Malayan Association for the Blind.

By V. L. Bretsch, PR Secretary, Southeast Asia Union

SOMETIME ago a beautiful set of seven volumes in Braille containing pictures and poems, animal



Pastor Vernon Bretsch, left, gives a set of Braille books to Dato Ong, Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Association for the Blind.

stories, and Bible stories came from the Christian Record Braille Foundation, Inc., Lincoln, Nebraska, addressed to the Malaysian Signs Press.

The Singapore Association for the Blind received one set and just recently the writer had the privilege of presenting the second set to the Malayan Chapter of the Association for the Blind. In the picture, Dato Ong, chairman of the Association, and a leading judge in Kuala Lumpur, receives the gift set.

A few days after this contact was made a letter came to me expressing the Association's pleasure and gratitude for the gift and stating that those who are in charge of preparing the materials for the blind say that these books are the most beautiful and well-prepared that they have seen as yet.

Plans are now underway to place Desire of Ages and other books for adults and teen-agers in these two places. This is another excellent way of sharing our faith. God has His jewels among the blind.

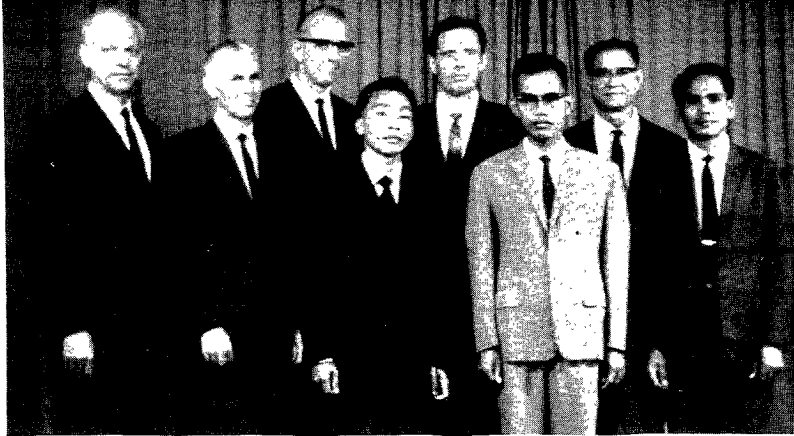
The Penang Training School in Malaya.



Two Ordained in Sabah Mission

GINDUK LAUNG is the third national minister to be ordained to the gospel ministry in the Sabah Mission on the Island of Borneo. After teaching for eight years, Pastor Ginduk entered pastoral work in 1960. He is a successful district leader in the Sabah Mission.

R. E. Bartalome came to Sabah as a missionary from the Philippines in 1960. In that year he graduated from Mountain View College in the South Philippines. He has been principal of the Sabah Training School, a district pastor, and since



Participants in the ordination service are shown in the picture above. They are, left to right, G. W. Munson, Sabah Mission President; H. W. Bedwell, former President of the Southeast Asia Union; Paul H. Eldridge, former Ministerial Secretary of the Far Eastern Division; Ginduk Laung; J. H. Lantry, MV and Educational Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union; R. E. Bartolome; S. F. Chu, Sabah Mission Secretary-Treasurer; and M. Gaban, an ordained national minister of the Mission.

1963 has been the educational and MV secretary of the Sabah Mission. This year, while carrying at the same time his departmental work, he has conducted a village effort in Kijulu from which more than 50 have been baptized, and another 30 are preparing for baptism.

Assisting in the ordination were H. W. Bedwell, former President of

the Southeast Asia Union; G. O. Bruce, Secretary-Treasurer; George Munson, newly-elected President of the Sabah Mission; S. F. Chu, Secretary-Treasurer; Paul Eldridge, former Ministerial Secretary of the Far Eastern Division; Jay Lantry, Educational Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union; and the writer.

—Daniel Guild

North Philippines

Overseas Students at PUC Foster International Goodwill

APRIL 6, 1966, was marked by an impressive ceremony held on the campus of Philippine Union College. With the flags of 15 nations serving as a colorful background, the faculty and student body witnessed the successful culmination of many hours of hard work and careful planning. The Overseas Students

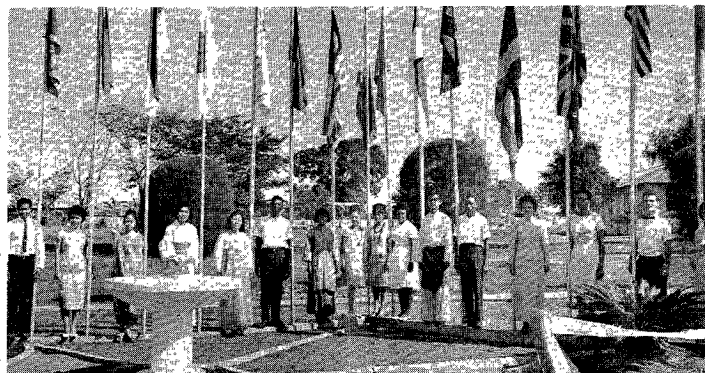
Association had wanted to express their goodwill and appreciation to their host country and finally settled on a sundial.

The sundial was designed by Yoshihiko Kuniya, of Japan, who served also as chairman of the project committee. Other committee members were Anthony Aaby, U.S. A.; David Khoo, Singapore; Le Tan A, Vietnam; Geoffrey Kamwendo, Malawi; Tsuyoshi Shibata, Japan; and Herbert Sormin, Singapore.

In his acceptance speech, President Roda thanked the overseas students for their gift and commented on the unusual accuracy of the sundial.

—P. G. Miller, Dean,
Philippine Union College

The picture at the left shows the overseas students assisting in the construction of the sundial. Yoshihiko Kuniya, who served as project chairman and designer, is kneeling at the front right of the picture. Herbert Sormin, President of the Overseas Club, is standing second from right. In the picture at the right the finished sundial can be seen. Standing around the sundial, left to right, are Mrs. O. L. Aaby, Herbert Sormin, O. L. Aaby, Y. Kuniya, A. P. Roda, P. G. Miller, and Mrs. A. P. Roda.



Manila Hospital Doctor Wins Distinction

By B. B. Alsaybar, PR Secretary

DR. ULYSSES M. CARBAJAL, Chief of the Ophthalmology Department of the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, won professional distinction last month for having been elected as first vice-president of the 7,000-member Philippine Medical Association. This position is just second to that of Dr. Pacifico Marcos, brother of the Philippine president, Ferdinand E. Marcos, PMA president-elect, who starts office next year. Present PMA president is Dr. Rudolfo Canos, secretary of health during the Macapagal administration.



Dr. Ulysses Carbajal

Dr. Carbajal is a pre-med alumnaus of the Philippine Union College and a medicine alumnaus of the Manila Central University. He has been with the M.C.U. faculty and for four years has been president of the M.C.U. Medical Alumni Association.

PUC ENROLLMENT NOW
1,034

The enrollment of the Philippine Union College has gone over the 1,000 mark for the first time. The enrollment this year has increased 25% over last year. This is the first time that any college outside of the North American Division has gone over the 1,000 mark in enrollment. For the complete story turn to page 16.



Seventy-four Graduates from ISSPA Fifth Session

The two-week Fifth Session of the Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism, which was held on the campus of the University of the Philippines, College of Medicine, ended successfully with a graduation program held at the Officers' Club of Fort Bonifacio. Seventy-four professionals from some 45 provinces and cities in the Philippines — from Batanes to Sulu — attended and received the diploma. W. A. Scharffenberg (not in picture) and Dr. W. H. Beaven (seated, fourth from right) headed the roster of distinguished lectures. To his right is General Basilio J. Valdes, former cabinet member, who is chairman of the National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism. Fourth from left is Col. Mariano Torres, Class '66 president, and to his left is Dr. L. L. Quirante, director of the Institute. It was the most representative group ever to attend the institute.

Agriculture Major Joins Staff of M.V.C.

GREGORIO M. Bayot, vocational education graduate of the Philippine Union College, has been granted the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture by the Araneta University. He was under scholarship by Mountain View College and the Far Eastern Division. Now with the M. V.C. faculty, Bayot



Gregorio Bayot

is the first Filipino Seventh-day Adventist to acquire this degree. His thesis is entitled, "Experiments on the Yielding Ability of Soybeans Using Inoculant of Different Species of Philippine Legumes."

—B. B. Alsaybar, PR Secretary, North Philippine Union

DIVISION COUNCIL SCHEDULED FOR BAGUIO

The 1966 Far Eastern Division Council is scheduled to be held in the territory of the North Philippine Union. The time will be the latter part of November and the first part of December. The place is the Pines Hotel at Baguio, Philippines.

Central Philippines

C. D. Martin Holds MV Rallies in Central Philippines

FROM APRIL 1 - 6 Pastor C. D. Martin of the Far Eastern Division MV Department, together with the writer held MV rallies in the Central Philippine Union. The first rally was held in Dumaguete City

with an attendance of 1,300 young people. The second rally was held at Bacolod City with an attendance of more than 2,000 young people. The last and third rally was held in Tacloban City with more than 300 young people in attendance.

In these rallies special instructions were given on "MV Target" projects such as "Voice of Youth" public evangelism, "Operation Fireside" Bible study, "Friendship" teams, and Branch Sabbath Schools. A new feature in MV work was introduced by Pastor Martin. The MV Bible School was promoted during these rallies which caught the interests of our young people.

The West Visayan Academy Choir assisted in the MV rally conducted by Pastor C. D. Martin, MV Secretary of the Far Eastern Division.



Christian Education for Alejandro

"I RATHER have Christian education or none at all," wrote Alejandro D. Egarle, 1966 graduating class president of Mindanao Mission Academy, after he passed the examination for a five-year scholarship grant in engineering offered by the Philippine Packing Corporation in April. Of the more than 60 top high school graduates from all over the Visayas and Mindanao who took the battery of tests, he ranked fourth, thus putting Mindanao Mission Academy in the limelight.

After the results were ascertained, Father Mooney of the Xavier University in Cagayan de Oro City, chairman of the examinations committee, wired Alejandro to report to his office on Saturday, April 23, for an interview. Alejandro did not report for this interview, it being the Sabbath, but was able to make it on another day due to a special request for consideration by the school principal, Pastor R. C. Ferrer.

During the interview, Father Mooney and the two other priests present were impressed by Alejandro's alert mind and his ability to speak in English fluently. This led them to inquire who his teachers were in English, and especially in Physics and General Science which two subjects he topped during the examinations. Just before the interview ended, Father Mooney asked, "And now, Alejandro, is there any thing that may prevent you from availing yourself with this scholarship opportunity?"

At this, perplexing thoughts flooded the mind of Alejandro. The scholarship grant stipulates that he had to take the course at La Salle College in Manila. He had to be a boarding student in a Jesuit-operated school where the students make the sign of the cross at the start of each activity or class, and where he had to attend classes on Sabbath in order that he could maintain his grades as expected of scholars. And when he graduates, he would have to be employed by the Philippine Packing Corporation and thus be obligated to work during Saturdays. And would he be willing to miss the privilege of associating with his Adventist friends



Workers from the East Visayan Mission who attended the Central Philippine Union Mission session are shown above. Seated in the front are representatives from the Far Eastern Division, the Union, and the Philippine Publishing House.

The special songs prepared by the church choirs and also the West Visayan Academy choir enlivened the occasions.

Any extraordinary exploits which may be done by our youth in the

future will redound to the credit of the rallies which were held by the Far Eastern Division MV secretary.

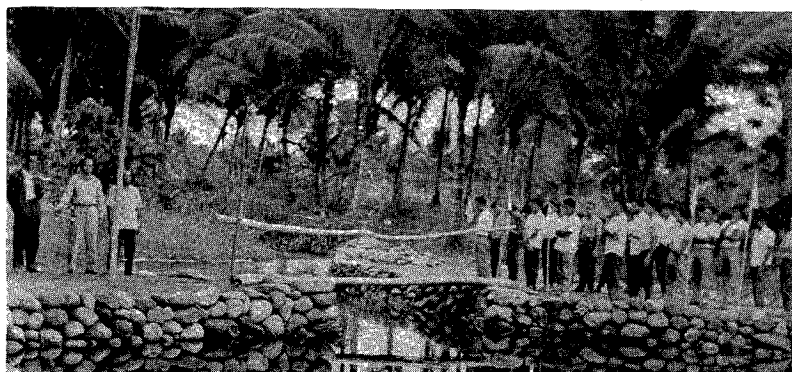
—J. R. Obregon, MV Secretary
Central Philippine Union

Youth in the Southern Philippines



The MV camping program is doing its share in the development of MV leaders in the South Philippine Union. G. M. Somoso, MV Secretary of the Southern Mindanao Mission, is giving the MV work strong leadership. In the top picture Sabbath School is being conducted during the MV Camp at Rajah Bunyan City. At the bottom the future MV leaders listen to the morning watch while standing beside the small lake.

—Switberto Ulagano, MV Secretary,
South Philippine Union



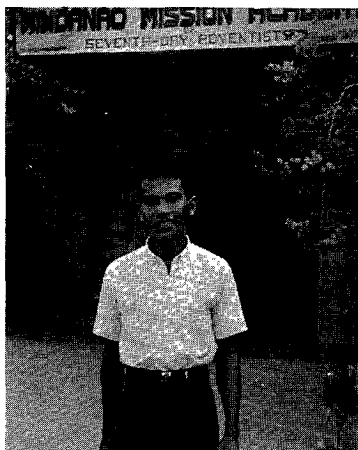
and fellow students in Mountain View College where he had planned to study? Would he exchange Christian education which prepares for service in God's cause and for the coming of Jesus for a five-year scholarship grant and future financial security?

At last, Alejandro answered, "Sirs (forgetting that he was addressing priests who were used to being called 'Father'), yes, there is one thing that might hinder me from availing myself with this scholarship, and that is my Sabbath. I believe in the eternal principles of God, the Ten Commandments. I am a Seventh-day Adventist."

Alejandro was then asked to return the following day. When he did he was informed that he could not be given the coveted five-year scholarship!

Who is this Alejandro Egarle to turn down such a rare opportunity? Did he come from a rich family? Perhaps his brothers and sisters are professionals? No! Indeed not! Alejandro Egarle is an orphan whose parents died when he was a small boy. From the time that he was in the second grade until he finished his elementary course, he had to work as a houseboy in order to go through school. As a working student, he studied in Mindanao Mission Academy until he finally completed his secondary course last May through sheer determination and faith in God. As I write this story, he is still in Mindanao Mission Academy working in order to fully pay his debts to the school.

Several weeks ago, I was at the Academy. I will never forget what



Alejandro D. Egarle

Alejandro said to me then. "Pastor, only God knows what is ahead. I will work my way through college even if I have to do it in ten years. I know I cannot afford to be a doctor for I am poor. But I will take the teaching course so that someday I, too, can help prepare more doctors, nurses, ministers, and teachers for the service of God."

In my possession at present is the Gold Eagle Award medal granted to Alejandro by the Insular Life Educational Foundation which entitles him to take another scholarship examination offered by the Insular Life Assurance Company. Any student passing successfully the examination would receive a five-year scholarship grant which would give him the right to take any liberal arts course in any university or college in the Philippines, including Mountain View College or Phil-

ippine Union College. But this again was lost by Alejandro just because he could not conscientiously take the scholarship examination on a Sabbath.

Commenting on this later, Alejandro said, "Pastor, I would not dishonor my God for just a five-year scholarship grant. 'What can a man profit?' Then with a faraway look in his misty eyes, and a confident smile on his face, he handed to me his bronze medal and added, "Pastor, I want you to keep this Gold Eagle Award until I finish my college course. I feel that I don't deserve it. But on that day I receive my diploma, kindly give it back to me, for then it will be a symbol of my success and victory for standing steadfastly for Jesus. It will then be a constant reminder of what Christian education has done for me."

—B. V. Donato,
Educational Secretary

Lawyer Directs Bible Schools and Branch Sabbath Schools

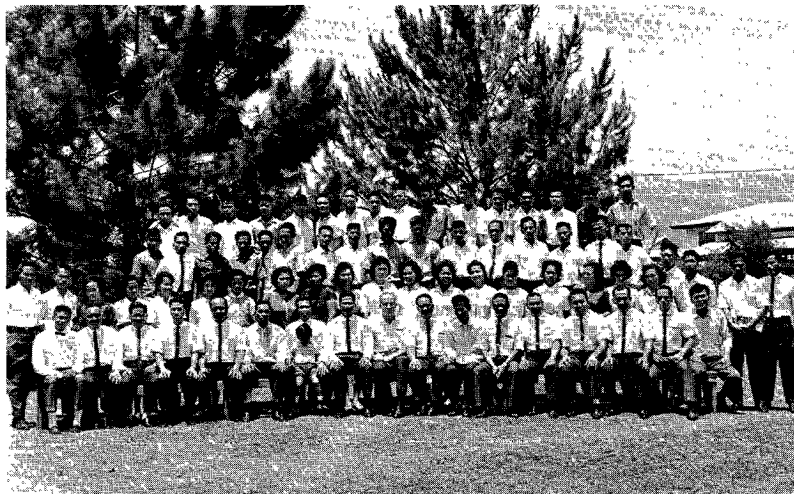
COMING from a third generation of Seventh-day Adventists in Sindangan, Zamboanga del Norte, Philippines, Attorney Mariano Macias, grandson of Elder Tiburcio Singuillo of Sindangan Church, recently directed a big scale program of branch Sabbath Schools and Vacation Bible Schools in spite of his crowded program as a lawyer.

In connection with his Branch Sabbath schools, the attorney directed three Vacation Bible Schools around Sindangan town, utilizing the active young people of the local church. There were 150 children, out of more than 200 who enrolled, who finished the entire VBS course and were given their certificates. A colorful "graduation night" was held in Sindangan's Magsaysay Town Hall, attended by hundreds of non-Adventist parents. Elder P. M. Diaz, President of the Western Mindanao Mission, was the speaker.

The healing of a mentally deranged 17-year-old girl, Bonifacia Romano, was a big surprise to the people of the town of Sindangan. This girl had enrolled in the Vacation Bible School in barrio Goliyo in a very untidy condition. As she attended classes day by day, rapid

Institute Conducted at Mountain View College

Part of the more than 200 students attending the Student Literature Evangelist Institute at Mountain View College. Many are not in the picture due to class appointments. The Institute was conducted by publishing leaders of the Central and South Philippine Unions.





A portion of a crowd of 150 Vacation Bible School graduates in Sindangan, Philippines. The school was held in June with a fine interest in the area. Standing in the center are members of the teaching staff.



When the Sindangan Vacation Bible School was over, Attorney Mariano Macias (back to camera) preached in the barrio of Timonan, Sindangan. Interest had been aroused from an earlier Vacation Bible School conducted in a neighboring district.

improvements were seen in her behaviour until she was finally restored to her right mind. Before she was restored to her right mind, her teachers in the VBS had been praying in her behalf.

The Spirit of the Lord has been working upon the hearts of the laity in many sections of the South Philippine Union. The Vacation Bible Schools are increasing in number from year to year giving increased momentum to the Sabbath School work in this part of the field.

District leader B. C. Calahat, District Pastor, Western Mindanao Mission, reports a good increase in Sabbath School membership as a result of the active participation the young people in the Vacation Bible Schools and branch Sabbath schools in Western Mindanao.

—V. L. Villanueva

Pilot School Inspires Laymen in Mindanao

By C. P. Ranario, Secretary-Treasurer, Northeastern Mindanao Mission

THIRTY LAYMEN from the three provinces that compose the newly organized Northeastern Mindanao Mission received their certificates in Butuan City after five days of a rigid program of instructions, class work, and examinations during this first pilot school ever to be conducted since its mission organization.

Leading out in this six-day program were L.A. Secretary, R. G. Garcia, and L. A. Yutuc of the S.P.U.M., assisted by D. A. Brion and T. C. Cabaluna, leaders in the local mission.

Host to this active group, cream of the mission's laymen's force, was the Butuan City Church. With its 94 members participating in various working committees, the church truly contributed much to the success of this school.

The Mission's four districts were well represented. Lower Agusan had the most number of delegates, 17. The rest were Upper Agusan 4, Surigao del Norte 5, and Surigao del Sur 4.

Montano Morales, a layman from Surigao, reported a total of 154 souls won to the Master during the past five years with the rest winning 173 souls for the same period. Their goal for the rest of the year is 100 souls.

Celestino Silagan, another active layman from the coastal town of Cagwait, Surigao del Sur, is barely three years in the faith. He is dedicating all his time visiting churches, promoting church schools, and giving Bible studies. His father, a Catholic leader, could not resist his son's dedication to the work and was baptized in December, 1965. The father, now in his 80's, is proud to have one self-supporting missionary among his 11 children, only two of whom have not yet accepted the faith.

Thrilling soul-winning experiences included the story of a drunkard, who after despising the message and bragging there was no God, found the truth after having been awakened one night by an angel that appeared to him as a woman who emphatically rebuked him for his evil doing.

Two young men now enjoying the message trace their conversion when they first heard the song, "It Was Alone the Saviour Prayed" sung by two of our people coming home by banca from a Sabbath meeting one afternoon.

It is hoped that the pilot school will result in much more zealous missionary work in our churches.

PICTURE SPREAD COMING IN SEPTEMBER

A picture spread on more Laymen's Training Schools of the Far East will appear in the **OUTLOOK** for the September issue. Many schools are being held throughout the territory of the Far Eastern Division. Watch for the September issue.



Here is the group that finished the "Voice of Prophecy" Bible Course.

members were alerted by this young man on his toes. The result: 18 graduated in the "Voice of Prophecy Course" and 15 were baptized. Praise the Lord for soul-winning office workers.

—P. P. Ramos, Radio-TV Secretary

Radio Interests Baptized in Davao

CRISPIN Nacion looked for the SDA chapel at Kinking, Pantukan, Davao for three consecutive Sabbaths as a result of listening to the V.O.P. radio broadcast. Fortunately he met a little girl that conducted him to our very chapel. Members welcomed him and follow-up work was conducted in his barrio at Lahi, Pantukan.

Prior to this, Crispin had been relaying to his wife, parents, and in-laws as well as to his neighbors the gospel message, so much so, that when Bible studies started there was already a fine group of interests in their place. Cottage meetings then were conducted through the initiative of S. Magsipoc. When the call to surrender to Jesus their hearts came, ten persons responded. Eight were baptized by the district leader and the other two will follow up later on.

Many are still waiting for the follow-up work. We are hoping that someday they, too, will follow the footsteps of Crispin.

—C. O. Gravino, Leader Eastern Davao District



Of the eighteen who finished the Bible course, fifteen were baptized.

Eighteen Graduates, Fifteen Baptized at Davao City

HOW often we hear of the Spirit of Prophecy statements quoted that laymen should rally behind the workers of the church. The recent showing of our laymen proves that they are indeed rallying behind our workers.

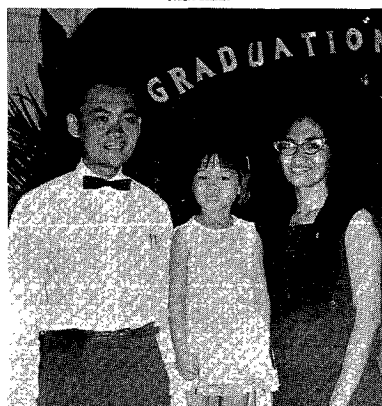
Firmo Marcilla and his wife, Dory, came to Davao City a year ago. This is their latest move since serving at Manila Sanitarium & Hospital, Central Luzon Mission, South-Central Luzon Mission, and also Southern Luzon Mission. Being an accountant in the South Philippine Union, one would hardly think that this family should be a soul-winning family. Yet accountants can be soul-winners.

Brother Marcilla and family were assigned Crossing Durian Church as their home church. When they came, the church had just a handful

of members. Missionary work was at a standstill and old members were either moving out or staying passively and participating as little as possible.

Brother Marcilla organized spear-head cottage meetings for ten consecutive Saturday nights, with the help of Brother Ulysses Camagay, a ministerial intern. He started the house-to-house visitation program and started enrolling people in the "Voice of Prophecy." The church

Firmo Marcilla, daughter Alpha Amor, and Mrs. Marcilla.



GENERAL CONFERENCE COVERAGE IN THE REVIEW AND HERALD

For the many thousands of members throughout the Far Eastern Division who were not able to attend the General Conference session in the United States, you are now able to read about the proceedings in the official church paper of the denomination, the *Review and Herald*. A daily bulletin was printed giving full and complete information on what went on every day during the Detroit, Michigan meeting.



This group is composed of the teachers and students of the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing. On the back row are the freshmen students. The third row is composed of the freshmen and junior students. The second standing row are junior students. The first standing row consists of senior students, plus two members of the School of Nursing staff. On the front row are, left to right, Tomoko Takagi, Registrar; Norma Eldridge, Director, Nursing Services; Pastor Eiji Shibata, President of the South Japan Mission; Dr. C. D. Johnson, Medical Director; R. W. Burchard, Business Manager; Pastor Shiro Ogura, Chaplain; Matsumi Morita, Director, School of Nursing; and Isako Sudo, Clinical Instructor.

Japan

Nine Graduated From Tokyo School of Nursing

BESIDE cherry blossoms and under a cheerful sky nine new nurses celebrated their commence-

ment in the city of Tokyo, Japan. The service took place in the Amanuma Church. Pastor Eiji Shibata delivered the graduation address. His inspiring remarks reflected the aim and motto of the Class of 1966: "To Meet the Lord" and "Walk in His Steps."

It was the twenty-second class to complete the nurses' course at the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital.

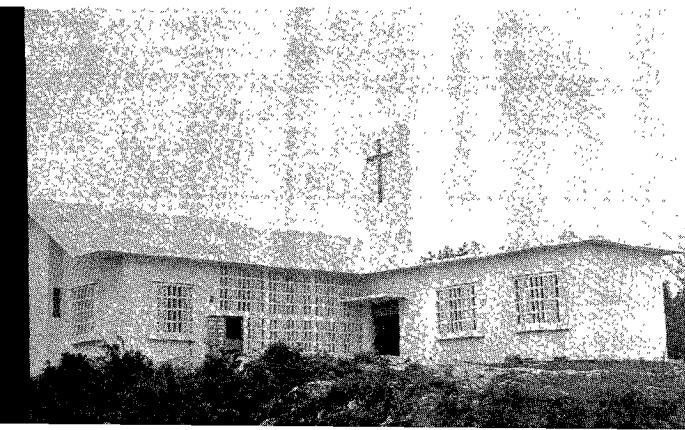
Local newspapers printed the names of the nine girls on the list of those who passed the government examination in nursing.

All but one of the graduates began working at the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital. The ninth girl returned to her island home to help in the busy program of the Adventist Medical Center, Naha, Okinawa.

New Church Opened in Okinawa Mission

At the left is the newly-constructed church building on the island of Miyako in the Okinawa Mission. At the right shows the interior of the church building taken during the time of the dedication services. Those on the platform are, left to right, Pastor Shigeru Tsukayama, former pastor; Makota Nozaki, Secretary-Treasurer of the Okinawa Mission; Pastor E. E. Jensen, former president of the Okinawa Mission and now Secretary-Treasurer of the Japan Union; Pastor Atari, Pastor of the Naha Church; and Pastor Kazuo Kinjo, present pastor of the Miyako Church.

—Mrs. Lois May Watts



Far Eastern Island Mission

Kindness Opened the Way for Vacation Bible School

THE HOME Economics class at Palau Academy recently sewed stuffed animals for an MV project. When the stuffed animals were finished, the Academy students distributed them to the children of Kyangel Island.

This island has never been visited by an Adventist sponsored program. It was the desire of the Koror Church and the academy students to hold a Vacation Bible School on this island. There are no Christian churches in Kyangel. The islanders believe in their ancient religion of spirits and superstition.

The students of Palau Academy went on their school trip to Kyangel with the hope that a friendship would develop, leading to a Vacation Bible School program. Religious meetings, featuring the "Faith for Today" films, were held every evening while we were there.

Parents and children came to every meeting. At the close of the first meeting the academy girls distributed dolls and the stuffed animals that they had made to the children of the island. This was the first time these children had ever had such lovely toys for their very own.

The following evening the islanders gave us a Palauan feast showing us their appreciation for our gifts. We then knew that the chief of the island was pleased! When we were leaving for Koror, the old chief came to our boat to bid us farewell. His parting words were, "Come back again, anytime."

We did! Four weeks later we conducted our first Vacation Bible School on the lovely island of Kyangel! —**Marilyn Aldridge**



Takashi Kinjo awards a Bible to a woman who had faithfully attended meetings held by the "Voice of Youth" group. Kenyo Kinjo, sponsor of the meetings, is in the background.

Voice of Youth Meetings in Okinawa



Miss Hideko Kinjo, a nurse at the Okinawa Adventist Medical Center, gives her testimony at the "Voice of Youth" meetings. With her on the platform are Mr. Yuzuru, Shinsei Higa, and Mrs. Arata Emoto.

This picture shows 36 of the 50 young people who assisted in the "Voice of Youth" meetings in the city of Naha, Okinawa. Pastor Kenyo Kinjo, sponsor for the meetings, is the third from the left in the top row, rear.



The Home Economics Class with Mrs. Aldridge as the instructor.



This is Koror's first garden harvest. The church members who harvested the first crop, Principal Aldridge and his wife, are pictured at the right with a church elder, Mr. Sadang.

Koror's First "Garden Harvest"

THIS is the first year that the Palauan members of the Koror Church have planted a church garden.

The purposes for making a garden were many. In order to keep the government from reclaiming our church land (there is a land shortage) we had to make immediate use of this section of our rented property. Another purpose was to provide food for the poor of Koror. Another purpose was for missionary work and still another purpose was to raise funds for school needs.

The garden has proven to be very useful. The picture shows the church members who harvested the first crop of tapioca and sweet potatoes. The church members gave over 300 pounds of food to the Koror hospital and 400 pounds to the Okinawan fishermen stationed at Koror as church missionary projects. This has led to closer and better contacts with non-Adventists. We are looking forward to more and more harvests.

—Marilyn Aldridge



Looking over plans for the new Theology Hall are, left to right, P. H. Shin, Educational Secretary; R. E. Klimes, College president; J. C. Lee, College business manager; J. H. Kim, academic dean; T. V. Zytoskee, of the Far Eastern Division; K. I. Lee, Academy principal; and H. S. Hong, dean of students.

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—R. M. Johnston, Office of Information

Korea

Faculty Seminar Held at Korean Union College

A FACULTY seminar for the combined faculties of Korean Union College and the attached schools has been conducted on the college campus. Guest speakers included Dr. Ko, President of the neighboring Seoul Woman's College, and Prof. Pak of the Ministry of Education. The seminar concerned instructional planning, methods, and evaluation.

—Rudy E. Klimes, President

Theology Hall Planned at K.U.C.

PASTOR T. V. Zytoskee, Acting Educational Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, inspected the plans and location of the projected Theology Hall while visiting Korean Union College.

The new building will afford needed classroom space which is required both for accreditation and for the increasing enrollment in the senior college, which is at present limited by the ministry of education to 200. This year 35 students had to be turned away because of lack of space and student quota.

In the picture are, left to right,

K.U.C. Student Colporteurs Receive Scholarships

DR. R. E. KLIMES, President of Korean Union College, and Pastor J. T. Mason, Assistant Publishing Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, congratulated fourteen students of the college who received colporteur scholarship certificates at a chapel ceremony.

To qualify for this certificate college students completed 240 or more hours of canvassing.

Pastor Mason called for recruits to do canvassing work during the summer and 37 students responded.

—R. M. Johnston, Office of Information

The faculty of Korean Union College who attended the seminar.



West Indonesia

Record Total of 2,158 Baptized in One Day in West Indonesia Union

SHORTLY after the Far Eastern Division council voted to set a general baptismal date for 1966, Pastor Clinton Shankel, then the West Indonesia Union Ministerial Secretary, launched a union-wide evangelistic program. Posters were printed and sent out to each church with the outline for evangelism included. All local missions, as well as organized churches, were encouraged to take part. A goal of 1,500 baptisms for May 14, 1966 was set. However, following the local mission sessions, this figure was raised to 1,700.

So it was that shortly after the West Indonesia Union Session scores of evangelistic meetings were started simultaneously throughout the island field. As time went on a spirit of evangelism swept through the churches. Reports began to come in of hundreds of people joining baptismal classes.

By the time the baptismal date arrived some 125 evangelistic meetings had been held, and many estimates of baptisms were sent into the union office. We hardly dared believe these figures for they were far beyond the goal that had been set. Also there was the political upheaval which was sweeping the country that some felt would militate against the work. God's hand, however, was revealed in a marvelous way.

When the final reports came in from the missions the total baptismal figure for May, 1966 had reached 2,158. The large number of souls who had taken their stand for the Saviour on this one date far exceeded the total number of baptisms reported in any previous 12-month period in the history of the West Indonesia Union. The previous high for one calendar year had been reached in 1965 when 1,804 souls were baptized.

Since there are some 100 million Mohammedans in Indonesia, we were especially anxious to know how many Moslems had actually been baptized on this one Sabbath. When it was reported that of this

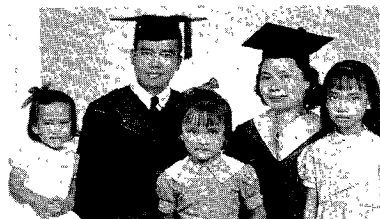
2,158 souls baptized some 749 were former Moslems, how we rejoiced and thanked the Lord for His many blessings! Just three years ago our total baptism for one year had not been much more than this. Surely we can exclaim, "What Hath God Wrought."

No doubt the largest baptism held on this day was in Djakarta, the capital of Indonesia. At the swimming pool in the Sukarno Stadium some 2,000 people gathered to witness the scene as 289 persons were baptized by 19 officiating ministers. Reporters from the local TV station were on hand to film this event. Later it was shown on television throughout Djakarta and West Java.

Three of our eight local missions exceeded 600 souls baptized for this one Sabbath. These were East and West Java, and the North Sumatra Missions. Already during the first 2 quarters of 1966 the North Sumatra Mission has almost doubled any previous 12 months record! With the 2,561 baptisms in the first 6 months of 1966, the membership of the West Indonesia Union Mission stands just under 17,000. Please pray that these precious souls will be faithful until Jesus comes, and that many more may yet take their stand with God's remnant people.

Sitompuls Return to Indonesia

PASTOR Pangarisan Sitompul, his wife and three children have returned from Beirut, Lebanon to Djakarta, Indonesia. They have spent three school years in Beirut, the capital of Lebanon, taking graduate work. After hard work, and by God's help, they were able to finish their studies. Pastor Sitompul received his Bachelor of Divinity degree with a major in Islamic studies from the Near East School of Theology. This theological in-



Pastor and Mrs. P. Sitompul and their three children, Myrtle, Minerva, and Genevieve.

stitution is run by the Evangelical Churches in Lebanon and the Middle East and is affiliated with the American University of Beirut.

Mrs. Gladys Macarewa Sitompul received her M.A. in Education from the American University of Beirut, an institution affiliated with the New York State University. Besides her M.A. Mrs. Sitompul also received a degree from the Music Conservatory of Beirut.

Pastor Sitompul returned to Indonesia to take up his former post as Ministerial Secretary of the West Indonesia Union, and at the same time was given a new responsibility as Director of the newly built Djakarta Evangelistic Center.

Public Evangelism Reaps Results in Semarang District of Indonesia

By W. F. Walean, District
Pastor of Solo, Indonesia

DURING the months of September, October, and November, 1964, Pastor A. Tambingon, District Pastor of Semarang, held a series of evangelistic meeting in Semarang. His assistants were Djie Joe Siang, MV Leader; N. D. Langi, Bible Worker; and the members of the Karangbalong and Semarang churches.

One of the Sabbath School members, who is a baptismal candidate and a worker in the glass factory that belongs to Souw Tiouw Tjien, Semarang church elder, is Brother Sumardi from Jogjakarta. Brother Sumardi invited his friends to attend these meetings and one of them was Sadino, a government high school student in Semarang.

Brother Sadino became very interested in our doctrines that were given in these meetings. He had never heard anything about this before as he was a Moslem since childhood. After he realized that Jesus Christ is the Saviour of this sinful world, and that the Sabbath is the sign of the power of God, he took his stand to keep the Sabbath holy and did not go to school on the seventh day. He faced many hindrances but in spite of all these he passed the final examination with success.

The friendliness of the workers and members also forced him to

study the Christian truth better and at last he was baptized on December 12, 1964, in Semarang with 10 others including Brother Sumardi.

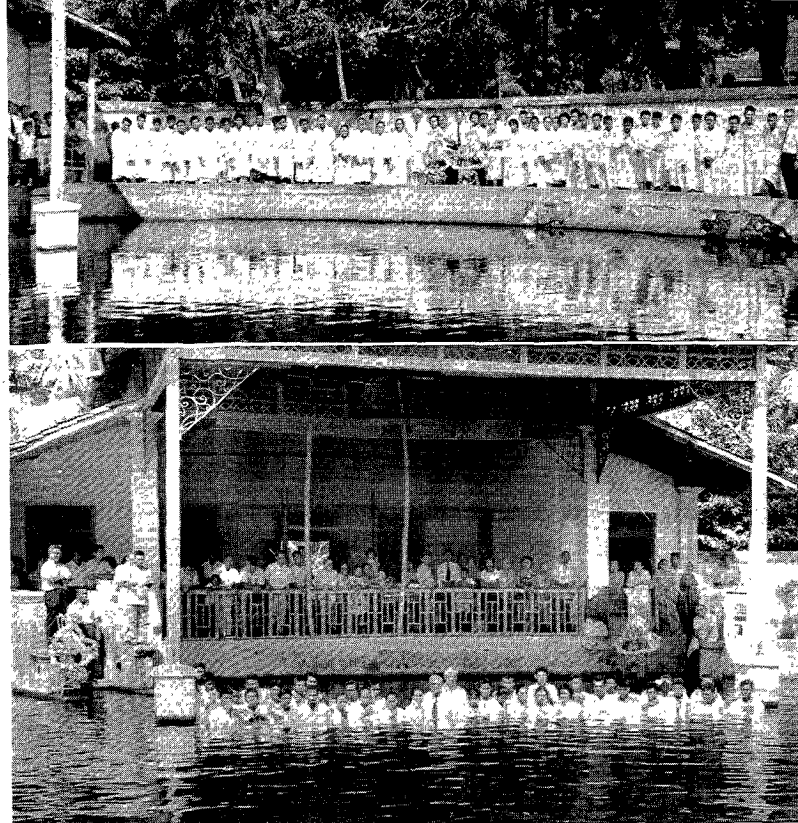
During the Christmas vacation of 1964 Brother Sadino went home to his village with a burning desire to tell others the wonderful things he had learned. He remembered clearly the Bible Studies and advice given by N. D. Langi. He told him to bring this message of truth to his family and friends after he was baptized. Mrs. Langi asked him to paint the pictures for the children's Sabbath School during the holidays so each night he worked on these pictures. Friends who came to visit questioned him about what the pictures represented and he made good use of this opportunity.

His answers to the questions were blessed by the Lord and soon his home became the center of questionings. His friends took these truths back to their parents and families and many came to question him also and hear his answers — both Christians and Moslems. Because the number kept increasing and he himself was still young in the truth he sought the help of our church elder in Solo, Kwik Sien Tjaj, and the church pastor.

On January 10, 1965, an effort was started in Brother Sadino's village, Wiragunan Kartasura, with more than 100 youth and adults in attendance. Everyone did what they could to make the effort a success. They raised the entire budget for these meetings with no additional help necessary from the local mission.

Four months later there were 25 souls ready for baptism and keeping the Sabbath. Of this amount, 75% were high school students who didn't attend school anymore on Sabbath in spite of the protests and persecutions of their parents, teachers, and friends.

Because of this the people were divided into two groups, the ones who were in favor of the meetings and the ones who were against them. They did all they could to stop the meetings and even forced Mr. Resodihardjo (the owner of the house where we conducted the meetings) to forbid us to use his house. The brethren who were interested spent several days in prayer in the house and also the Solo church members met for special prayer each Wednesday and Sabbath for this reason. Our mighty God did more than answer the prayers. Mr. Resodi-



Two large baptismal groups in the West Indonesia Union

hardjo let us use his house for the meetings without any charge and said that under any circumstance the meetings should go on because the lessons presented were the truth from God. At the same time the chief of the village returned from some government meetings held in Magelang and the next day announced that religion is free and everybody is free to choose his own religion and not to bother others and that the government will take action against those who were caught disturbing the meetings. Pastor Rifai Burhanuddin from the Rumah Sakit Advent in Bandung also spoke at the wedding ceremony of Mr. Resodihardjo's daughter

where the author had the opportunity to introduce him as a Seventh-day Adventist pastor who was a former Moslem schoolteacher. Many hearts were softened by all this and by the change in attitude of the young people in their homes.

Six months later the church board voted to accept the 36 baptismal candidates and the baptism was held in the pool of Susuhunan X (Title of ruling prince of Central Java) Surakarta (see picture) and 23 of these were former Moslems.

From January-September in the Solo district alone we baptized 70 souls and 43 of these were former Moslems. The following is the summary of the baptisms:

Church	Baptism	Baptismal candidates
	Jan.-Sept. 1965	Dec. 1965
Solo	38 souls	6 souls
Klaten	8 "	2 "
Kalikebo	22 "	3 "
Jogjakarta	1 "	5 "
Magelang	1 "	5 "
TOTAL	70 souls	21 souls

PHILIPPINE UNION COLLEGE REACHES ENROLLMENT OF 1,034 STUDENTS

THE 1966-1967 school year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Philippine Union College. As a fitting climax to the first fifty years of its operations, Philippine Union College has surpassed all previous enrollment records.

With the enrollment for the first semester almost completed, the college enrollment has reached 1,034 — undoubtedly making Philippine Union College the first senior college outside of the United States to join the "1,000" club. The enrollment increase has been 25% over last year's figure and would have been higher except that many applications had to be denied. The enrollment explosion has been felt in all departments of the college and none has been spared.

This major increase in population has not been without its problems. It has been necessary to make additional demands of already overcrowded dormitories. Rooms designed for four to six students are

**By P. G. Miller, Dean of Faculties,
Philippine Union College**

now housing eight to ten students. Worship rooms have been converted into study halls, and the parlors have been transformed into sleeping quarters. Eager students are crowded into homes, garages, and basements. Buildings not intended for living quarters have been pressed into service.

To accommodate the heavy enrollment, additional sections have been opened in many courses and full or part-time staff members have been employed. Laboratory courses have been in great demand, and it has been necessary to purchase new equipment to take care of the additional sections formed. Provision for more lecture rooms is being made through the erection of emergency classroom facilities, using materials secured from nearby Clark Air Base.

All of this proves that Seventh-day Adventist youth are eager to secure an education in our schools. Interest in attending Philippine Union College has never been greater. We cannot stop promoting Christian education, even though our doing so can only place an added burden on our already over-taxed facilities. The staff and student body are confident that it is in God's plan that no Seventh-day Adventist young man or woman should be denied a Christian education. Philippine Union College is looking forward to a future of even greater enrollment as consecrated youth choose the best preparation for successful living — a college education in a Seventh-day Adventist institution.

