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# Far East to Benefit From World-Wide March 25 Sabbath School Offering

By C. P. Sorensen, Former President, Far Eastern Division

THE Far Eastern Division is to benefit from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow the first quarter of 1967. This will be the twelfth time that it has benefited since World War II. The offerings received have meant much to the various projects that have benefited.

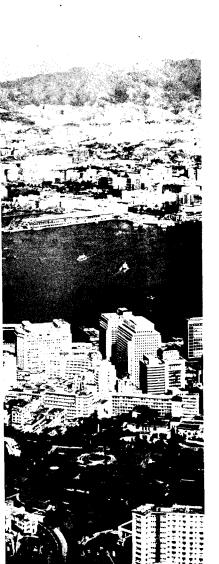
This year the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital is to benefit by one-third of the overflow. Medical work was started in Korea early in our mission experience. Then along about 1931 Dr. G. H. Rue was moved from northern Korea into Seoul to open up medical work which culminated in the building of the present Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital. This institution was formally opened in 1934. Thus the present buildings have withstood the ravages of time and two wars. An entirely new plant is needed, and the amount to be realized from the overflow will be but a part of the full amount required.

The educational institution selected for assistance by this 1967

Thirteenth Sabbath Offering is Mountain View College in the South Philippine Union on the island of Mindanao. When first established as an extension division of Philippine Union College, it served a section of the field with far less than twenty thousand members. In that same area we now have a total of around sixty thousand members in two unions. The present college complex of buildings permitted the opening of school in its present location in mid-1953, just 14 years ago. It has been impossible to keep pace with the growing college enrollment, which now runs between six and seven hundred. Additional dormitory space is needed as well as an enlarged administration building.

For years the Far Eastern Division has been endeavoring to find a suitable location for a center in the city of Hong Kong, with its almost four million people. In the summer of 1965 such a location was

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## News From Here & There

- E. L. Longway, veteran missionary in the Far East and Field Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, visited Singapore recently while enroute from Indonesia to Hong Kong. He spoke at a chapel program of the Far Eastern Academy.
- Pastor R. S. Watts, Jr., new Sabbath School Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, will arrive in Singapore on Friday, March 10. He has served for the past  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years as Lay Activities and Sabbath School Secretary of the Korean Union in Seoul.
- Miss Barbara Hoar, of Mobile, Ala., has been appointed new elementary school teacher in Bangkok. She is scheduled to arrive soon in the Division.
- Dr. Roger Heald, Medical Director of the Tseun Wan Hospital in Hong Kong, has returned after his furlough in the United States. Dr. Roger Van Arsdale, of the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital, has also returned to his post in Taipei.

# New Division Sabbath School Secretary Due Soon



Pastor R. S. Walts, Jr.

Scheduled to Arrive in Singapore March 10

# Facts from the Educational Department

PASTOR Tate V. Zytkoskee, Acting Secretary of the Department of Education of the Far Eastern Division, has released some interesting facts and figures concerning the educational program in the Far East.

Currently the Division has a total of 112 advanced schools, or one-fifth of the world total of 634. The Division has 373 elementary schools, or one-twelfth of the world total of 4,534. Enrollment in all schools totals 37,594, or one-ninth of the world total. Advanced and elementary teachers total 1,840.

## March 25 Offering. . . (Continued from page 1)

found and the land finally secured. Hundreds have found their way into the ranks of the remnant people through evangelistic centers already established in the Far East, so in Hong Kong we find another opportunity to build a living monument in a city teeming with millions of people.

The total funds in this Division that have gone to the medical, educational, and evangelistic establishments represent almost four-fifths of the total overflow offerings received. The rest of the funds have gone into new work, enlarging a publishing house, building another publishing house, and also three mission offices. You could not invest your funds in better projects. All are bearing maximum interest in the bank of heaven.

We appeal to all readers of this Division paper to give liberally on Sabbath, March 25, as the first quarter, 1967, Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering is taken. Remember the needs of the Far Eastern Division!

● The Far Eastern Division is looking to you for help! Remember the needs of overseas missions as you give on Sabbath, March 25, to the Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering.

## College Praised in Education Publication

PASTOR W. O. Baldwin, former Secretary of the Department of Education of the Pacific Union College, recently had some special words of praise for the Japan Missionary College and their "Choral Arts Society." In an article printed in the "Journal of True Education," Pastor Baldwin said:

"Perhaps the magic secret of educational success is far more simple than we have thought. In the simplicity of Jesus' words, He gave the one great pillar of Christian education. Implemented to its greatest extent, it is the one great principle that will lift our schools up and place them in their upright position before the world and enable them to fulfill the glorious purpose for which they were established. 'And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me' (John 12:32).

"This principle becomes a promise. "Wherever in Israel God's plan of education was carried into effect, its results testified of its Author."
—Education, p. 45.

"Our church has witnessed the fulfillment of this principle and this promise in recent weeks in such a glorious manner that we have been speechless in wonder and amazement. Frank Araujo and the Japanese Missionary College Choir completely captivated the southern California churches and I'm sure the rest of the nation where they appeared. Behind this brilliant success is a story of the fulfillment of this great principle, 'I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me,' and the promise, 'Wherever . . . God's plan of education is carried into effect, the results testify of its Author.

"Here was a school, here was a teacher, here was a group of students whose one goal was to lift Christ before the nation of Japan and the church. The results filled the cup of blessing to overflowing. Atheist students at Nogova University prayed. A thousand students on the UCLA campus listened spellbound, and Roger Wagner was lavish in his appreciation of their work. The wife of the driver of the Continental Trailway's bus said she 'had to become a Christian' because of the students in that choir. Mayors and governors have New Union Secretary



APPOINTED. Pastor M. G. Jereos was recently appointed new Secretary of the North Philippine Union in Manila. He came to Manila from Cebu where he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Central Philippine Union.

## Sale Extension on the Book, Education

THE Pacific Press has extended its special offer of the paper-back edition of Education by Mrs. Ellen G. White through March, 1967, in response to a request of the General Conference Department of Education.

Copies of Education, which outlines the heart of our church educational program, should be in every home, church, school, and classroom library. The special sale price makes it possible for each student in our schools to own a personal copy.

Orders for this book should be placed through your local Book and Periodical Agency.

Dr. Charles B. Hirsch, Secretary,
 Department of Education,
 General Conference

been deeply moved and impressed with Seventh-day Adventists because of their music.

"What would happen if every class were taught on this principle? How would the Bible, history, biology, physics, and chemistry teachers deal with Genesis 1 and the Flood if Jesus were lifted up in every class? The position of Jesus before a class is exalted when a teacher turns to the Word with great confidence and points students to God's answers."

Baldwin is now Associate Secretary of the Educational Department of the Pacific Union College.

### Pastor B. P. Hoffman 1889—1966

PASTOR Benjamin P. Hoffman was born April 20, 1889 in Minneapolis, Minn. When he was ten years of age his family moved to Seattle. Washington, so in this area he went to school and grew to young adulthood. At the age of 15 he was baptized and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He received his high school and college education at Walla Walla in Washington.

On June 20, 1911 he married Florence Guthrie and shortly thereafter they went to Washington, D.C. where he studied at the Foreign Mission Seminary before going to Japan in 1912. He served as superintendent of the Japan Union Mis-

sion until 1921.

Pastor Hoffman was ordained to the gospel ministry and since then spent his life in rewarding and fruitful ministry. Upon his return from Japan he served with the Language Division of the General Conference in the area west of the Mississippi, making his home in Portland, Oregon. Later he was asked to serve as Professor of Bible and Head of the Department of Religion at Pacific Union College, a post he filled from 1927 to 1937. He served in the same capacity at the Washington Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. from 1937 to 1951.

From 1951 to 1965 they lived in Los Altos, Calif where he was a part-time professor of adult education in San Jose, Calif. and for a time pastored the church at Los Gatos.

He will be missed by his wife, Mrs. B. P. Hoffman, and his son, Philip G. Hoffman, of Houston, Texas. He has two sisters and one brother.

Pastor Hoffman died on January 9, 1967 and the funeral services were held January 12 at Thousand Oaks, Calif. by Pastor E. R. Alderson. He was buried at Montalvo, Calif.

Mountain View College in the Philippines needs your support. Give an extra-large offering on Sabbath, March 25, for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

# Lay Instructors' Training Schools Result in Active Soul Winning

## A Bamboo Pole and Picture Roll

By Mandatang Gaban, Lay Activities Secretary, Sabah Mission

MAJUNGGAL, your church is too far from here, we welcome you to come to our church. After all, we are all serving the same God. Come and join us.

These were the words our faithful layman, Bro. Majunggal, from the Marabau church in Sabah often heard from his neighbors and friends who belonged to another mission.

It was true that Bro. Majunggal was the only Seventh-day Adventist in his village. His friends and neighbors were either non-believers or members of this other mission. Often these Christians visited him and pointed out that their church was just a few yards from his house and urged him to come. But Bro. Majunggal faithfully continued to walk several miles every Sabbath to attend our Sabbath School and church.

More and more there grew a longing in his heart to tell the people in his village about the message which meant so much to him. If only he could think of some good way to talk with his many friends about the love of Jesus. He was so anxious about this matter that he began to pray that God would help him know how to talk with his friends.

Now Bro. Majunggal is a good friend and neighbor to all the folks in his village. He knows how to cut hair very well. Although he is not a barber by profession and does not earn anything from this work, he does cut hair for many of his friends just as a good neighborly kindness. Quite a few people come to him because he is the only real good barber in the village. This free service to his friends occupies much of his spare time.

One day while he was cutting

hair a thought suddenly came to his mind. The more he pondered it, the more enthusiastic he became. In fact, he accepted the thought as a message from God in answer to his prayer.

The next day a man came to him for a hair cut. Majunggal invited him to sit on a better bamboo bench than he had offered before. When the friend was comfortably seated on the bench in the yard, Majunggal, instead of beginning the hair cut, first went over, picked up a bamboo pole, took it around and

## Teachers Instruct Laymen In Indonesia

LEADERS. The four men in front of the congregation were the instructors for a Lay Institute held in the East Indonesia Union. They are, left to right, Pastor J. D. Matusea, Lay Activities Secretary of the East Indonesia Union; Pastor E. Kamuh, Evangelist for the East Indonesia Union; Pastor L. A. Shipowick, Lay Activities Secretary of the Far East-ern Division; and Pastor B. A. Raranta, Lay Activities Secretary of the North Celebes Mission.

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poked it into the ground right in front of his friend. While the friend sat there wondering, Majunggal picked up a roll of paper, opened it, and by the attached string hung the picture roll on the pole directly in front of his friend. Without a word, he then picked up his scissors and began to cut the man's hair slowly and silently.

The man sat there staring straight ahead--not wishing to hinder the barber by turning his head. After some time Majunggal noticed the man began to become a little restless. Then he spoke.

"Majunggal, what are those pictures, anyway?"

This was the moment Majunggal was waiting for. He knew that now God had done His work, this man's mind was properly aroused and his interest awakened, so Majunggal began to tell the story of the picture.

It worked! No one ever ran away in the middle of the story because the haircut never ended until the story did! And now everytime someone comes for a hair cut, Majunggal seats him comfortably on his best bamboo bench, pushes a bamboo pole into the ground directly in front of him, hangs a picture roll on the pole, then begins the hair cut.

Majunggal now has nine friends who come for haircuts attending the Parapat Sabbath School. What we need is more barbers and more picture rolls. We have plenty of bamboo poles!

### THIRTEENTH SAB-**BATH OVERFLOW** OFFERING PROJECTS

- New Hospital for Seoul, Korea
  - Evangelistic Center in Hong Kong
    - Mountain View College in the Philippines

## **Ex-Convict Threatens Lay Preacher**

By Z. B. Ferenal, Lay Activities Secretary, Davao Mission

THERE were 41 souls baptized after the Leadership Training School in Davao City as a result of Wencislao Baliton's effort which was held in Kiokong, Maramag, Bukidnon. Seventeen more are studying for baptism.

At present there are still 56 souls who are interested in receiving Bible studies. We praise the Lord for His wonderful manifestation of love and care for those souls who were in darkness.

At the start of this effort the devil was very angry. There were stones thrown from all directions.

Throwing stones was the way the people tried to hinder the progress of the effort. But because they could not frighten our lay preacher by throwing stones at the meeting place, the devil used an ex-convict to threaten Baliton. The ex-convict told Baliton that he and his companions would kill him. The exconvict went up to the platform one night during the meeting with his hunting knife to get Baliton's Bible and if he could not get the Bible, he would kill him. But God did not permit the devil to disturb the meeting.

## Laymen Attend Special Schools



TRAINED. One hundred and twenty delegates met in Menado at the Tikala Church for a Lay Institute.

The following morning Baliton went to visit the home of the exconvict. After his short visit the ex-convict realized his fault and at last he asked Baliton to forgive him.

## Malaya Students Attend Australian Event

THREE young men from Seremban, Malaya attended the 60th Anniversary Graduation services at the Seventh-day Adventist Missionary College at Carmel, near Perth, Western Australia. The week-long commemorative services were climaxed with the graduation exercises.

The three brothers, all of whom were students at the college during 1966, were David Chew, Kim Chew, and John Chew, all of 228 Wise Road, Seramban, Malaya.

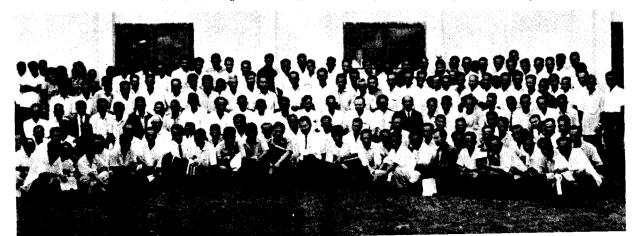
The W.A. Missionary College dates its commencement from November 27, 1906, when the Seventh-day Adventist Church made the first official token grant of £1 towards its establishment. The College property was donated by C. E. Ashcroft, who was one of the earlier ministers for the denomination.

The W.A. Missionary College is one of three colleges operated by the church in Australia. It attracts students from all States of Australia as well as overseas.

-- Pastor A. M. Peterson

● Four million people, including refugees from Red China, await the gospel in Hong Kong. Your Thirteenth Sabbath offering on Sabbath, March 25, will help construct an evangelistic center in this Oriental City.

WORKSHOP. Delegates from 80 churches meet at Siantar, Indonesia for a Lay Institute Workshop.



# How the Pi Family was Won

THE highlight of the recent baptism that took place in our Chinese church in Saigon, Vietnam December 17, 1966, was the fact that six of the candidates were from one family-Mr. and Mrs. Pi (pronounced Bee), a married son and daughter-in-law, another son and a daughter. This was the entire family old enough for baptism. There are still two very little girls. This is something not often seen among Chinese-the conversion of an entire family.

How did it come about? The first contact Mr. Pi had with our church was rather remote. Some ten years ago his favorite sister, whom he greatly respects, became an Adventist. Her quiet, consistent life has been telling for her Lord. Being shy, she had confined most of her labors to praying for her brother and from time to time expressing the hope that they would become Christians. Still they continued in their idol and ancestor worship.

A month or two before the planned fall effort for the Saigon Chinese church, Pastor Doyle Barnett, Lay Activities Secretary for the Southeast Asia Union, went to Saigon to assist Pastor Wong Yew Seng, the energetic young local pastor, in the laying of the groundwork for the effort. He held nightly revival meetings for our membership for a week, climaxing with a call for all members to come on Sabbath afternoon to launch a visitation program. The response of our young people was very gratifying, but the turnout of adults was discouraging.

After the territory had been divided up, the young folks paired off into working partners and went out with the enrollments and first lessons of the "Way of Life" Bible course. The plan was for the teams to keep their same territory in the weeks to come. The lessons would be collected each week and new lessons left. This gives a chance for personal encouragement or necessary help in answering questions. Also when invited to the meetings, these people would already know someone from our church.

By Mrs. Milton Lee

When the youth had all gone, Pastor Barnett and Pastor Wong decided they would take a large supply of the Bible lessons and go out to visit our adult members to get them to join in the visitation program. One of the first homes they called on was that of deaconess Lin (Mr. Pi's sister). Her daughter was with the youth.

When urged to go out and look for enrollees among her neighbors, shy Mrs. Lin insisted this was something she could not do. She loved the Lord, and would do anything else at church to help, but would not approach strangers or non-Adventists! She simply did not have the courage, and she just did not know what to say. No amount of urging could persuade her to go out. Finally, Pastor Barnett seemed impressed to say, "Well, Pastor Wong, let's you and I go out right now with Mrs. Lin and help her start the work for her neighbors! Mrs. Lin, you won't need to say anything. Just lead us to your neighbors and we will do the talking for you." She feebly tried to point out that many of the people were Vietnamese, but came around to admitting that there were many Chinese, too.

So together they started out. She

led them to the gate of one Cantonese neighbor. Pastor Wong began the conversation. While Pastor Wong was showing her the lessons and getting her to sign the enrollment, Mrs. Lin spied another neighbor across the fence. Without realizing it, she slipped over to the fence and began to talk to the woman and tell her about the Bible course. And she had thought it impossible! Now the ice was broken. Several days later Mrs. Lin and her daughter went over to her brother's home and signed up her brother, two sons and a daughter, as well as a neighbor boy, in the Bible lessons. Each week thereafter, either she or her daughter went back with new lessons and collected the finished ones as well as returning the graded lessons. The hope grew within Mrs. Lin's heart that the lessons would give to her loved ones the truth that she had been unable to put into words all these years.

At the Sabbath morning service the day before the big opening of the effort, Pastor Lee passed slips of paper to each of our members and asked them to write down the name of some special person or persons they would like to see come to the Lord during the effort. Then they were to pray for these souls and take a special interest in helping

them get to the services.



CONVERTED. Here is the Pi family of Cholon, Saigon, Vietnam who were won to the message during the recent evangelistic meeting conducted by Pastor Milton Lee. Front row, left to right, son, daughter-in-law, mother, father, and smallest daughter. Second row, left to right, Mrs. Lim's daughter, Mrs. Lim, daughter, daughter, and son. Pastor Wong is in the back center.

We did not know it then, but Mrs. Lin had put down the name of her brother. Each night Mrs. Lin came and ushered at the meetings faithfully. The effort was now almost half over. Yet not once had her special "interest" come to any of our meetings-for two very understandable reasons: their livelihood depended upon a sidewalk evening restaurant business which kept every member of the family busy each night, and they live quite a long distance from the church in a section with no public transportation. One day Mrs. Lin timidly asked Pastor Lee and Pastor Wong whether they would be willing to call upon her brother. Certainly they would-right now! Just show an evangelist anyone with even a spark of interest! So they took Mrs. Lin and her daughter in the pickup truck and before too long were over at the humble home of Mr. Pi. When asked whether they would like to have studies in their home during the daytime hours when they did not carry on business, the man seemed surprised and overjoyed that anyone would go to all that bother to accomodate them. The first study was set for the very next afternoon.

I was happy to join the ministers and Mrs. Lin and daughter the following afternoon for the first study in the Pi home. As we stepped inside the simple shop-front home the most obvious thing to be seen was the ancestral shrine facing us from the opposite wall. This consisted of a high self upon which were two glass-covered and elaborately framed tablets-one for the ancestors and the other inscribed in Chinese characters to Gwan Gung, their god. Down in the corner on the ground was their Tu Dee Tsai Shun or god of earth and wealth.

Ouickly we distributed to each a Bible, ruler, and red pencil just as we did our listeners at the tent and we took our places about a round table. During the study on "The True God," I detected a bit of strain among the members of the household. The father seemed almost to be overdoing the attempt at being cordial, the wife looked scared to death, and the young folks and daughter-in-law passed knowing glances back and forth. At the close of the study I told the ministers in English that the lady of the house was not happy, but afraid. I reached over and put



CHURCH. This is the church group organized by Rey Fiesta in Occidental Negros in the Central Philippine

## Aflame for God!

A LAY preacher by the name of Rey Fiesta is a native of Inapoy, Kabancalan, Occidental Negros. He has a family with four children.

In 1966 he was invited to attend a Lay Instructors' Training School in Cebu City, the headquarters of Central Philippine Union, conducted by Pastor L. A. Shipowick, Lay Activities Secretary of the Far Eastern Division. During the week he learned many ways and techniques of soul-winning. After the institute in Cebu, he held an effort with the help of the Sabbath School Association. Rey Fiesta was aflame for God. The community was invited.

Rey Fiesta was aflame for God. The community was invited. Many people attended the meetings every night. As a result, 20 precious souls were baptized as can be seen in the picture. Since the baptism more interested ones were prepared by him for baptism. Rey Fiesta was able to build a new chapel made of bamboos and roofed with cogon grass.

my hand over hers and said, "Don't be afraid. We'll move slowly and study everything. We have come to bring you blessings and happiness.' That seemed to break the strain. She relaxed perceptibly, managed a nervous smile, and left the table blinking back tears. The young people seemed glad for the thaw and looked appreciative and relieved. I thought, "It'll be a long while before those gods come down from the wall. Fresh flowers on the shelf showed that they are not being neglected." While the lady of the house was still out of the room we left, but the rest of the family were warm and cordial at our parting. (It was not until the next visit that Mrs. Lin found out why her sister-in-law had shed tears. She had lost two of her babies in infancy. Who ever would care for their little souls in the nether world if they gave up their shrine? She knew that Christians did not put out food for the spirits of the departed or burn paper money for their use. Must she neglect those

little ones whom she alone had had a care for all these years?) That led right away into a study on the state of the dead. The relief it was to her to know that her babes were soundly sleeping and feeling no physical needs! From then on Mrs. Pi seemed happy.

Only a few more studies and the ministers came back with the good news that the Pi's had decided to give up their false gods. When? That very night after our evening evangelistic meeting was done and their business was over for the day! Then they could close their shop front doors and we could have a quiet meeting with them and take down and burn their gods. It had been a long time since my husband and I had seen such a thing happen, not since our early pioneering days in Southwest China. We were glad that Pastor D. A. Roth from the Far Eastern Division office, could be with us that day. What brought them to such a quick decision was Pastor Wong telling how his father decided to throw out their family

gods in Penang. He emphasized how much happier and better off they were after doing this. Once the Pis said they were willing to give them up, it seemed logical to act that self-same day.

With great excitement that night Pastor Roth, Mrs. Lin and daughter, Mrs. Wong and I got into the delapidated gray pickup I called the "Bird Cage" (which served the purpose of keeping us humble while providing us with somewhat uncertain transportation) and drove with Pastor Lee and Pastor Wong over to the Pi's. Mrs. Pi was all smiles waiting for us at the front door. All were dressed in their best and seemed very cheerful.

The service was not long. First Pastor Lee read the text in James 4:7 which in the Chinese version says, "Be subject to God; resist the devil and he will leave you and run away." Having read this text Pastor Lee said that now we were going to sweep out the false gods before we could welcome the true God into the home. We wondered whether any of them would have the nerve to tear down the fancy tablets enclosed in picture frames and decorated with red sashes and cloth rosettes. But they did. The man and his sons soon climbed up onto a stool and began handing down the candlesticks, joss-stick urn for incense burning, the flower vases, and tablets. With pliers they cut the wires to the electric candles with the red light bulbs. The women carried out the things as they were handed down. Last of all the shelf was knocked off the wall. Up from the floor came the god of wealth and his incense urn. Mother Pi went up into the loft and brought down all the unused paper money she had laid by to burn on new moons and feast days. All this we bore to the kitchen where all that was burnable was consigned to flames in the kitchen stove—actually a fire pit over which the fry pan is set when cooking. Soon the paper money, picture frames, shelf, and joss sticks was a merry blaze with the smoke escaping as best it could thru their already blackened rafters to the outdoors. When the last burnable thing was nearly consumed, we gathered back in the front room to welcome the true God. After singing, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Pastor Wong helped them turn to Psalm 115 and read it to them in Cantonese. Then a translated prayer of dedication, followed by exhortations to daily prayer and Bible reading and saying of grace before eating, and the service was ended. We told them to be sure to come to church now on Sabbaths.

In a few more days they had the study on the Sabbath. We worried about how they would feel about losing that much business, but they did not treat it as a great test at all. The next Sabbath the family was in church, all but the two boys who are of military age.

Another happy service was held in the Pi home when they began to keep their first Sabbath. We had a sunset service for them.

It may interest you that the first and only time the Pi young men were ever in our Saigon church was to attend their baptism. (They had been keeping Sabbath at home.) Then early that memorable Sabbath morning Pastor Lee drove over to their home and picked them up around 6:50 and brought them to the church, the entire family. Again he took them home in the pickup after the services were over.

It is not easy to trace all the factors in a person's conversion. Certain it is that no one person can get all the credit, usually. To God be the glory when his children cooperate with Him in the saving of souls. What if any one of the human agencies had failed to act his or her part? For ten years Mrs. Lin had prayed for this day, and when the Pi family were introduced to the church the pastor asked Mrs. Lin to stand as the one who had led them to the Lord. She cried tears of joy!

## Active Laymen in the Philippines

By J. O. Bautista, Lay Activities Secretary, North Philippine Union

As has been mentioned in previous reports, of all the provinces in the South-Central Luzon Mission, Oriental Mindoro counts with the most number of active lay preachers. In the framework of our work, the province has recently been divided into three districts, namely, North, Central, and South Oriental Mindoro.

TEAM. Urbano O. Castillo, left, and his son, Ruben, are shown here. The team works together as self-supporting lay preachers.



Seventeen churches and companies now comprise the district of Central Oriental Mindoro under the able leadership of R. E. Ballesteros, whose deep and abiding interest in fostering the work of laymen is responsible for the rich harvest of souls in that region. With a goal of 90 souls for the year 1966, it has reached a total of 99 at the halfway mark or at the close of June, which is 10% over its objective already.

An association of lay preachers was formed promptly after the holding of the pilot training school in the mission's headquarters in Lucena City, January 10-15, with Teodoro Paras of Pinamalayan as leader. In addition to occasional seminars, a monthly gathering is held for continuous instruction and training of the lay workers.

Of the 99 already baptized, 47 were the result of an effort conducted by the district leader in Langgang with the assistance of two trained laymen, Filomeno Basit and Apolonio Ricohermoso, and other members of the local church. The remaining 52 were won to the message through the labors of other laymen in the district, either individually or by combined efforts.

It is very interesting to note the encouraging result of this co-ordinated evangelism. Following is the

record of the baptisms for the five months of reaping, showing once in February and twice every month thereafter: doro Institute, an academy which is owned and operated by Alfonso B. Bulahan who works in the Union Office as one of the security guards,

Date of Baptism		No. Baptized	Place of Baptism
February	19	3	Langgang
March	19	12	**
March	26	8	>>
April	9	28	19
April	17	6	. ***
May	7	12	Roxas
May	14	17	Pinamalayan
June	18	11	Bongabon
June	25	2	Banus 1

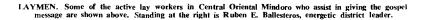
How wonderful it would be if a similar program were duplicated in every district! Think of a district leader holding an effort with the assistance of some laymen, while the rest are working individually or in teams, keeping the minister busy baptizing converts twice a month as is in this case.

In the Footsteps of His Father—We are happy to note that Ruben Castillo, eldest son of veteran lay preacher Urbano O. Castillo, is following in the footsteps of his father as a self-supporting soul winner. He repairs watches for a living. Since becoming church elder of Bansud last year, he has led the church members in launching several missionary projects. With the help of some members he held cottage meetings right in the vicinity of the church which led to the winning of 13 souls to date.

School Baptism — Oriental Min-



CHURCH. Nearing completion is this church in Langgang which is being built to accomodate its growing membership.







PREACHER. This is Urbano O. Castillo, the outstanding lay preacher of the Philippines.

is run just like one of our denominational schools. Bible subjects are taught, it has an organized medical cadet corps and MV classes, branch Sabbath schools are conducted on Sabbath afternoons, regular chapel exercises and church services are held in its own building which is within a stone's throw from the local church of Langgang. The school is a big boon to Seventh-day Adventist young people who cannot attend one of our own academies. The number of non-Adventist students accepted in the school is limited to 20% of the total enrollment. Orville Bulahan, the elder son, is director of the school, while his mother, Mrs. Melecia M. Bulahan, and two others join him to compose the faculty staff. The first three years of high school were offered last school year with a total of 120 enrolled. Fourteen of the students were baptized on April 9, five of whom came from non-Adventist homes.

Twentieth Church — Socorro. which used to be a barrio of Pola but which has recently been converted into a town, has proved to be another stony ground for the gospel seed as the town of Pinamalayan. Like the latter, it was the privilege of Urbano O. Castillo to lead out in gaining a foothold in the new town for the Advent message by holding there his latest evangelistic campaign. The effort resulted in the baptism of nine new believers who, together with seven old ones, were organized into a church not long ago and became the twentieth on the list of churches which Brother Castillo has raised up with the help of other brethren. A neat little house of worship now stands along the main highway of the province for the new group of believers.

# NEWS FROM THE UNIONS

## South China Island

## A Visit to Kin Men (Quemoy)

Thas been the policy of the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital to render medical aid to the mountain villages and the adjoining islands of the Republic of China. Every week or two trips are undertaken by a team of doctors and nurses to these areas where the aborigines live who have no medical help.

A survey committee composed of Rose Marie Radley, Director of Nursing Service, a resident, a nurse, and the writer was invited by the Government, through the China Relief Association, to go to Kin Men in order to determine the number of trachoma cases needing treatment. On December 6 an army plane took us to the small airport on the island where we were met by representatives from the mayor's office. All arrangements for our passage, accommodation, and meals were made in advance. We were guests of the Government. No effort was spared to make us comfortable during our stay there.



TEAM. The medical team from the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital who went to Quemoy to make a survey of trachoma cases is shown in the picture above.



GIFT. B. D. Williams, right, General Manager of Pfizer, Ltd., of Taiwan, presents US\$100,000 worth of terramycin to the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital for use in helping control trachoma on the island of Queonoy. Dr. Joseph C. Johannes accepts the dooation for the hospital.

We were taken to the various shops, houses, and schools where every individual was carefully screened in order to detect trachoma cases. This disease, affecting the eye, is easily carried from one individual to another through lack of hygiene and poor sanitation.

Kin Men is an important island on the border of the China mainland. It is well fortified. Although it has its local administration, military personnel are in evidence everywhere, controlling traffic, maintaining roads, and guarding strategic areas. The island is very well organized. It has excellent roads, which, although narrow, are kept exceptionally clean. Semitropical trees are planted on both sides which not only provide shade for the weary traveler, but also cam-ouflage the roads. Ten years ago there were only seven trees on the island; now there are more than thirty million. There is a small hospital where free medical care is given to the residents. The island also boasts of a senior citizens' home, and a kindergarten where all services are free.

One of the most striking impressions one receives is the cleanliness prevalent everywhere. Streets are kept clean by the military. Public baths and sanitary arrangements are in evidence. Thus the once barren and sandy island has become a scenic spot. A fair amount of rice and vegetables are grown to partially meet the needs of the growing population. Of the total of 50,000 inhabitants, about 24,000 are children below 12 years of age.

We saw only one Catholic church on the island. To my knowledge there is no Protestant representation. It certainly presents a challenge to us. We were greatly impressed by the kindness and hospitality of these fine Government officials.

Our hospital has undertaken, through the generosity of some pharmaceutical houses, to send enough medicines to treat from 25,000 to 30,000 cases of trachoma. Thus the medical work is gaining a foothold on Kin Men already. It is hoped that energetic efforts will be made in the near future to establish a small medical unit, a school, and a church to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the people on this island.

## COMMITTEE. The South China Island Union Committee met in annual session on Taiwan during the first week of January, 1967. In the center is the president, Pastor C. B. Miller. Others are, left to right, Pastors K. D. Johnson, D. S. Johnson, D. F. Gilbert, H. W. Bedwell, H. D. Johnson, and Dr. Harry W.

## Annual Committee Meets at Taipei

-J. C. Johannes, M. D.

## Japan

## Japan Missionary College in the National News!

HOW did Japan Missionary College get on national TV? It lege get on national TV? It all began when a busload of ladies visited our health food factory and dined in our cafeteria! Accompanying their Vice President, Mrs. T. Haruno, these ladies came from the Tokyo branch of the Shufuren, national housewives organization. The college food-factory-made gluten products, together with the rest of the meatless menu, impressed them so much that upon returning, Mrs. Haruno made favorable mention of our diet in her various speaking engagements.

When K. Tsuji, a very influential cooking teacher who appears on TV, heard her report, he decided to come out to the college to see for himself. Likewise he went away pleased with what he had observed and made contact with editors of "Sunday Mainichi", a popular national magazine, who dispatched a reporter to get all particulars for

a story.

The result was a three-page illustrated spread entitled, "The Completely Vegetarian School" with between 800,000 and 900,000 copies circulated throughout Japan. A real witness for our church and its Bible-based living was given, including politeness and quietness of students, their saying of grace, daily worships, as well as the balanced study-work program. Quoting Dr. T. Yamagata, college president, it continued, "Following Christ's teaching as found in the Bible in the book of Genesis, we have adopted vegetarianism, and we have no doubt that it is a mentally and physically ideal health food for the young people, because our young students are growing well. We cannot say that all of our good-natured youth have grown up well only because of the vegetarian diet, but since Bible study is a part of our education, the good character they have is partly a result of the moral education and the discipline they receive in their daily life." Other excellent material was contained, but let one further example suffice. Reference to the best seller book



ON TV. This photo shows staff members of the Japan Missionary College being interviwed on television in Tokyo. Left to right, Mrs. Nemoto, college dictician; Dr. T. Yamagata, President; Mr. Kobayashi, program director; Mrs. Ono, an Olympic champion in gymnastics and hostess for the program.

by Dr. Moriyasu Ushio, "Effects of a Vegetarian Diet", showed that meat is harmful and thus giving official scholarly agreement to our Seventh-day Adventist program of vegetarianism. It is of interest that this learned scholar, Dr. Ushio, includes "Ministry of Healing" by Mrs. E. G. White and a thesis by Dr. Mervyn Hardinge of Loma Linda University among his reference works.

It was this fine report in a national weekly that brought the national N.H.K. TV company to our campus to film various aspects of the college program, in particular the farm, food factory, and dining room-kitchen. The local T.B.S. TV network also was tipped off on this lead and came out a few days later but managed to schedule their program ahead of N.H.K., although on the same day October 31, giving us in all some 20 minutes of excellent free time. It was on the T.B.S. program that Dr. T. Yamagata and dietician Mrs. Nemoto appeared in live interview as shown in the accompanying picture taken during a discussion of a typical menu.

Besides the good responses coming in from the TV programs, two weeks later the college, in answer to a request from a Tokyo store, presented a health program with three guest lecturers, including one medical doctor. Many of the food factory articles were sold to the 350 people who came out and the entire cost of the program was born by the guest store which sells our products. Other meetings like this one have been requested for various parts of the world's largest city. In this health-conscious coun-

try we pray that this may prove an effective opening of the door for the future presentation of the gospel.

—Norman Gulley

1 Volument Guard

## A "First" for Japan Missionary College

T was the very first time it happened in the history of J.M.C. The event was campus-wide evangelistic crusade under the leadership of Theology Department member, Pastor Hiroshi Shibata. Helpers included the 45 members of the Public Evangelism class with Isao Ueda as associate director and Misters Kanazawa and Noguchi as student leaders.

Rather than a community campaign, this unique on-campus cru-

SIGNS. Many students assisted in the program in many different ways. Here two students paint signs which advertised the meetings.





LEADERS. (Left) Here are the ministerial men in the evangelism class who formed the Crusade team. (Right) These are the young people who ushered and kept the records during the Crusade.

sade was decided because of the many non-Christian high school students and the possibility for many neighbors to come to the school. Thus after studying techniques and principles from Evangelist Shibata, who has had eight years evangelistic experience throughout the union, the students were ready for the practical demonstration.

With enthusiasm they worked hard making beautiful advertizing materials, including posters, streamers, announcement stands, and even a wind-operated device. Across the campus in strategic places and inside the main auditorium these items invited student attendance



PREACHER. This is Pastor Hiroshi Shibata in action during the meetings.

which was completely on a voluntary basis. Off-campus shop windows in nearby Naraha town carried the posters and across the road in front of the station a banner was spread. Attractively printed handbills were distributed to both students on campus and to people in the surrounding towns. At 7:00 o'clock in the morning students stood outside the train station to catch those enroute to work, and again at night they positioned themselves to greet those returning. Visitation bands were organized and personally met with every non-Adventist student during and after



SINGERS. Here is a ladies quartet who sang at the youth evangelistic meetings.

the campaign. And over 50 "bigbrother" teams were chosen before the opening night and each took a high school non-Christian. Village bands, both before and during the two weeks, visited the scattered villages to prepare for and later bring the people to the meetings. Personal invitations were also mailed out and a car with loud speaker equipment toured the villages to announce the Crusade.

Equipped with beautiful slides, well-planned black light and radio mike, Evangelist Shibata effectively presented practical topics for his "Victory Over Fate", listeners. "Your True Security", "The Man Who Opened the Future", "The Rule of Victorious Living", and "The Only Way to Glory" were theme thoughts shared with an average attendance of 330. Of these around 200 never missed a meeting, and these included 50 to 60 non-Christian students and some 50 visitors from off-campus of whom most were non-Christian!

And what were the results? A total of 34 students decided to join the baptismal class and 21 neighbors from off-campus made the same decision. But that is not all. The 45 Public Evangelism students received a never-to-be-forgotten experience in life's greatest thrill—soul winning!! And many caught that same inspiration as God richly blessed this historic crusade.

—Norman Gulley

# Far Eastern Island Mission

## Active Youth on Koror

WINNERS. Four prizes in the annual Law Day essay contest were won by students of the Adventist school on Koror, Palau Island in the Far Eastern Island Mission. In the picture are, left to right, R. J. Aldridge, Principal; Hokkons, second prize, grade 10; Hank, first prize, grade 10; Singeru, first prize, grade 11; Hers N., second prize, 12th grade; and Mrs. Marilyn Aldridge, English teacher. The full story was printed in the January issue of the OUTLOOK.



## Southeast Asia

## Twenty New Bicycles Carry Truth to Many in Vietnam

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

ON the closing day of the Vietnam Literature Evangelist Institute everyone was excited. Sixty literature evangelists were in attendance. And 20 were to receive new bicycles, absolutely free!

Free bicycles? Where did they come from? They come from friends in America who are interested in seeing the gospel salesman on wheels so that he can more quickly carry the message throughout Vietnam.

Pastor Do Binh read the names one at a time. Each happy literature evangelist rode away on a bright shiny new model. A movie was taken by Pastor J. J. Aitken of the General Conference Radio-TV Department. The program ended with everyone happy that such a project could be provided.

Now we are hoping others will respond. There are yet 40 more who would appreciate new wheels to help them on their way. We say thank you to those who gave.



ON WHEELS. Here are literature evangelists of Vietnam on their new bicycles. This mode of transportation will speed up the work of Christian bookmen in this war-torn country.

### News From SAUC

#### College Students Respond to Urgent Appeal for Blood

STUDENTS in the college section of Southeast Asia Union College recently responded heroically to two emergency calls for blood. The first call came from Youngberg Memorial Hospital for six pints of blood needed for two patients scheduled for surgery. A total of nine students responded, two of whom were girls.

The second call came from their own classmate, who had to undergo eye surgery to remove a tumor in the right eye. Five pints were needed and again the call was promptly answered by four boys and two girls.

SAUC is proud of these civicminded students and would like to pay tribute to them for being so willing to donate their life-giving blood to those in desperate need.

## Reorganization of Administration at SAUC

Pastor Dan Guild, Union President of Southeast Asia, made a formal announcement of appointments to the entire faculty of Southeast Asia Union College at the beginning of the new school year for 1967.

He first explained the new setup which involves a reorganization of administration, the purpose of which is to give a more distinct picture of the college section and to set it apart from the elementary and secondary schools. This setting apart of the college section from the elementary and secondary schools necessitated the appointment of new officers to man the posts created by such a division.

Eugene Rau, who recently completed his M. A. in Science and Mathematics, has been elected Dean for the college. He will also serve as chairman of the Science Department. To him also is given the task to promote and develop the college section

Mrs. Maggie Tan was elected to be the registrar for the college section. She has had experience in the registrar's work at SAUC and laboratory training in the registrar's office at Andrews University as part of her requirements for her Master's degree. She currently heads the Secretarial Science Department and has also been elected acting supervisor of the elementary school until such time as a call can be made for someone to fill this needy post.

The Board of Directors is confident that this new setup will

## Gynecologist Joins Staff of Youngberg Hospital

FROM CANADA. Dr. Kenneth McGill, of Canada, recently joined the staff of the Youngberg Memorial Hospital in Singapore. A father of four, shown with his wife in the picture, Dr. McGill was consultant to Burnaby General Hospital in Vancouver, British Columbia, for six years prior to his coming to Singapore. The children are attending the Far Eastern Academy and elementary school. There are three other physicians on the staff of the hospital now.





ORDAINED. Daniel Tan, right, was ordained as a gospel minister during the annual year-end committee meetings of the Southeast Asia Union in Singapore. Others who took part in the program are, left to right, Pastor H. W. Bedwell, Secretary of the Far Eastern Division; Pastor Daniel R. Guild, President of the Southeast Asia Union; Pastor G. O. Bruce, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southeast Asia Union; and Pastor J. H. Lantry, MV and Educational Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union.

strengthen the college as a whole. It is hoped the college will grow and develop more rapidly as a result of this action.

## Rau Appointed to Southeast Asia Union College



EUGENE W. Rau, a former member of the staff of the Far Eastern Academy in Singapore, has been appointed dean of Southeast Asia Union College. He will also teach in the Science Department. For the past 18 months they have been on furlough and study leave in the United States.

A graduate of Pacific Union College, Rau first taught at Glendale Union Academy in California before accepting a call in 1960 to serve as dean and teacher at Far Eastern Academy.

## Impressive Ordination Service at SAUC Chapel

Daniel Tan, President of Southeast Asia Union College, was ordained into the ministry in a solemn and impressive ceremony on Sabbath afternoon, December 31, 1966.

More than 30 ordained ministers on the platform and many members from the four churches of Singapore witnessed this inspiring ceremony conducted by Pastor R. C. Williams, Division Ministerial Secretary, and assisted by Pastor J. H. Lantry, Union Educational Secretary, who gave a biographical sketch of the candidate; Pastor H. W. Bedwell, Division Secretary, who offered the ordination prayer; Pastor H. D. Johnson, Division Treasurer, who administered the charge; and Pastor D. R. Guild, Union President, who officially welcomed the new pastor into the gospel ministry.

## College Dean of Boys Killed in Singapore Accident

SAMUEL Wan Kalock, Dean of Boys at Southeast Asia Union College, was killed in an automobile



accident on Friday night, February 3, 1967. He died on the spot without regaining consciousness.

He was born on July 4, 1932, in Weichow, China. In his early years he

his early years he attended the San Yu School in China and was baptised in Canton on July 5, 1947. When he arrived in Singapore later that same year, he joined Southeast Asia Union College where he received his junior college education.

Upon completion of his secondary education, he worked for his uncle in Kuala Lumpur for three years. In December, 1957, he was united in wedlock with Lassie Kwok, a classmate of his at Southeast Asia Union College.

He served his alma mater as teacher and then dean of boys from 1959 to 1967. He is survived by his mother, a sister, his beloved wife, and two sons, aged six and seven.

## New Leader Added to Thailand Publishing Staff

By V. L. Bretsch

AT the Union-sponsored Publishing Leadership Training School, Diasdade Corpuz was introduced as Thailand's new Assistant Publish-

WELCOME. Pastor P. G. Wick, Thailand Mission President, welcomes Diasdado Corpuz at the Leadership School held recently in Thailand.



ing Secretary. He is the newest publishing leader in the Southeast

He comes to Thailand from the Northern Luzon Mission where he served as an assistant leader for the past five years. He has a remarkable record as a leader and brings a wealth of experience with him to this new field.

Mrs. Corpuz and their three children accompanied him to Thailand and they are now settled in an apartment next door to the Thailand Publishing House.

We wish them Heaven's richest blessings as they take up their new duties.

## Thailand Literature Sales Soar in 1966

WORK and pray, pray and work, and the Lord will work with you." These are familiar words to a literature evangelist. And they are well proven in Thailand. During 1966, God has blessed our faithful Literature Evangelists and thousands of baht, yes millions of baht worth of literature was circulated last year.

Several beginners' training schools were held throughout the country in early 1966. As a result the working force has almost doubled. Individual workers have sensed more greatly the importance of their work and per capita sales have greatly increased.

These workers appreciate your prayers. They have enlarged their vision and will attempt greater things for God in 1967. Won't you please continue to remember them each time you approach the throne of grace.

---V. L. Bretsch



Capping Exercise

## Held for Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital

CAPPED. This is the class of 1969 at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing shown at their capping exercises. In the picture are Dr. Roger T. Nelson, Miss Salinec Svetalakha, and E. A. Pender, speakers at the special event.

## "Man of the Year" in Thailand



HONORED. Bro. Prawat, a literature evangelist with rioxofter.). Bro. Prawat, a incrutive evangents with eight years of experience, was singly honored recently at the Thailand Institute and named "Man of the Year." In all his work, selling and spiritual ministry alike, he showed outstanding improvement during the year. The leaders studied every worker's record carefully and unanimously chose Mr. Prawat as the one who worked the hardest to improve every part of the work. He was presented with a special plaque and a transistor radio in appreciation for his hard work. In the picture above he is seen with the writer with a genuine smile of satisfaction for a job welldone,

V. L. Bretsch

## Central Philippines

## Cabacungan Church **Improves**

THE newly-renovated church of Cabacungan, Magallon, Negros Occidental, has now a membership of 39 believers, 22 of whom are new additions by baptism after a



FRUITFUL. Pastor P. R. Diaz, now a retired minister, is devoting much of his time to help revive and strengthen the churches where his influence and invaluable help are needed most.

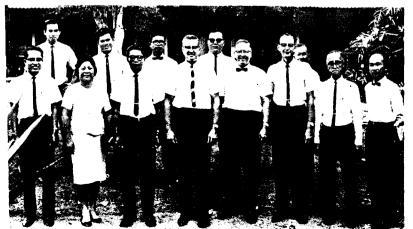
series of gospel meetings and Bible studies given by Oscar Alolor and Rosita Ibesate during the months of July and August. Previous preaching services were also held

by Hector Gayares, the writer, and

Pastor Pedro Diaz.

The chapel of Cabacungan is very much improved with the use of galvanized iron sheets and hollow block walling. The renovation of the chapel and the preaching





LEADERS. Here are literature evangelists and leaders at the recent Thailand Institute.



CHURCH. The Cabacungan church now has a membership of 39. Twenty-two of this group are new additions by baptism after a scries of public meetings and Bible studies.

activities were inspired by the zealous interest of Pastor Diaz, who as a retired minister, is now devoting much of his time to help revive and strengthen the churches where his influence and invaluable help are needed most.

With grateful hearts we acknowledge this labor of love of Pastor Diaz. Of consecrated men of God such as he the Bible says: "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." Ps. 92:14.

—F. M. Arrogante, President, Negros Mission ● The Far Eastern Division will be the recipient of the first quarter Thirteenth Sabbath Offering on Sabbath, March 25. Give generously for three projects: (1) Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital in Korea, (2) Evangelistic Center for Hong Kong, (3) and Mountain View College in the Philippines.

• Give generously to the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering on Sabbath, March 25, 1967.

## Secretarial Staff at Central Philippine Office

SMILES. All in uniform dress these smiling girls form the secretarial staff of the Central Philippine Union office in Cebu City, Philippines. They are, left to right, S. D. Obregon, Jimema V. Patricio, E. E. Donato, T. R. dela Calzada, and L. B. Rada.



## West Indonesia

### West Indonesia Union Annual Committee

By W. L. Wilcox, President, West Indonesia Union

ON January 4, 1967 the mission presidents, secretary-treasurers, Sabbath School and "Voice of Prophecy" secretaries gathered in the spacious Djakarta Center for two pre-councils and the West Indonesia Union annual committee meetings. Mrs. Doyle Barnett, Sabbath School Secretary from the Union of Southeast Asia, was present to help Pastor P. Sitompul in the Sabbath School pre-council. It was thrilling to learn that there are now 26,000 Sabbath School members in the West Indonesia Union as of the end of December, 1966.

Pastor R. C. Williams, Ministerial, Radio-TV, and "Voice of Prophecy" Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, was present at the Radio-TV pre-council. Pastor J. T. Manullang, the West Indonesia Union Radio-TV Secretary, led out in a well organized pre-council. As we heard that 28 out of the 33 radio stations within this Union territory were carrying our message, our hearts rejoiced. Who can tell the eternal results of this mass media of communications? A goal was set of having 100% of the radio stations carrying our message by the end of 1967.

At 8.00 o'clock Monday morning, January 10, 1967 Pastor P. H. Eldridge, President of the Far Eastern Division, spoke at the opening of the annual committee of the West Indonesia Union. As reports were received our hearts were made glad at the large number of baptisms for the Union during 1966. Of the 4,289 souls baptized, 1,273 were former Moslems. At the beginning of 1966 the membership of the West Indonesia Union was 14,318, but by the end of 1966 it had risen to over 18,000. This means that there was almost a 30% increase in church membership during 1966. For this large increase we praise the Lord. A goal of 6,000 baptisms was voted for 1967. May the Lord so bless His workers that even a larger ingathering of souls can be realized.



COMMITTEE. Here are the delegates who attended the annual meeting of the West Indonesia Union committee in Djakarta, Indonesia in January.

Front row: Elders S. Maramis, Ch. Silalahi, B. Malingkas, H. Mangkei, E. L. Longway, H. Ludden, P. H. Eldridge, W. L. Wileox, S. F. Sitompul, G. E. Bullock S. Ritonga, N. Hutauruk.

Second row: Elders P. Sitompul, A. Tambingon, E. Pandjaitan, Brethren F. Situmeang, W. U. Hutapea, Dr. B. Supit, M. D., S. Mangunsong, A. Simorangkir, Elder Dj. H. Sihotang, F. Ruus, Elder Ph. Legoh, Elder L. A. Smith, J. Tampubolon, Elder W. H. Wauran, Elder J. B. Umboh.

Third row: J. A. Pongilatan, F. Silalahi, Elder V. Hutabarat, J. Sianipar, W. A. Sahctapy, A. Wawondatu, Miss L. Hemme, Tjia Jin Tjung, E. Pasaribu, J. H. Lesiasel, N. Rantung, J. T. Manullang.

Fourth row: J. Pinotoan, Elder J. Pesulima, Wm. Hutapea, K. Naingolan, Elder K. Onsoe, Mrs. A. Lumowa, Mrs. L. Pandjaitan, Elder L. Pandjaitan, Elder A. L. Lesiasel, Miss J. Longitan.

The picture was taken in front of the Djakarta Evangelistic Center, Djakarta, Indonesia.

## 1966 Report of Indonesia Publishing House

NINETEEN hundred and sixty-six has been a great year for the Indonesia Publishing House. God has been good to us. In spite of the many problems and difficulties we have had, the Lord has guided

One of our big problems is to print books fast enough to keep up with our many colporteurs. We became aware of the need for more equipment in order to help speed up the production of our books. We applied for help from the General Conference and we were happy and grateful for the assistance given to us from the Rehabilitation funds. We are also grateful to the Far Eastern Division for the cooperation and help they have given to us. With this help we were able to add a Nuare Camera, a small Heidelberg offset press, a Stahl folder, and a Polar paper cutter. By adding this paper cutter we are able to speed up the trimming of our books and magazines and get them on their way to our colpor-

Getting paper and supplies is another one of our great problems. It is very difficult to operate a publishing house under these conditions, but with the Lord's help we are doing the best we can. We are also grateful to the Pacific Press, the Review & Herald and

Southern Publishing Association for their generous gifts. With all our problems and difficulties, our sales as of the end of November of this year are almost 16 times what they were last year. This total would be much higher if we would have more books available for our colporteurs. The subscription literature sold by the colporteurs during 1966 was some 500,000 units or 50 million pages.

Another thing that we can be thankful for is that we have not had to worry about selling our books once they are printed. As soon as a book is finished it goes to our shipping department and is sent out to the field.

We thank the Lord daily for His many blessings to us, for we know that without His help we could do nothing, but we go forward in faith claiming the promise in Mark 10:27, "With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.'

J. H. Lesiasel, Manager, Indonesia Publishing House

## Nusatenggara Mission Challenge to Youth

#### By Sigar Maramis, President

FOR many months now we have not seen him in church," said one of the church elders. Since the Communist uprising on the island of Timor it was hard to contact

people in the interior. There was a possibility that the young man, Petrus Nati, had gone back home to his village in the interior about 200 miles from the city. Petrus was one of the church officers, but he didn't notify the elder or anybody where he was planning to go. In our meetings prayer always as-cended that the Lord might spare the life of this young man, for there was already a rumor going around about many people being kidnapped and killed, especially in the interior.

One Sabbath morning just before the Sabbath School program was about to start, Petrus returned.

During the Home Missionary period Petrus stood up in front of the church to testify about the Lord's care and protection. He said that even thought he had disappeared from the church for many months he was glad to say that through God's leading he was all right. During the time he was absent from the church the Lord had helped him to bring many people to the Truth. Several months before, when he was still in the city, he had heard a sermon during a revival meeting that had moved his heart. He was so impressed by the appeal that he could hardly sleep at night. He was very much concerned for his own people back in the interior. The desire to bring this message to his loved ones kept burning in his heart until he was compelled to leave his work and study in the city and go home. When he got home he was confined to his village for many months. During the Communist uprising it was dangerous to travel from one place to another, especially in the interior where people had to go by foot through the jungle. But during this terrible time the Lord had used this young man. Regardless of the danger from the Communist rebels and the threat of other religious leaders, he went from one house to another, visiting his friends and relatives as well as other interested people and giving Bible studies. His earnestness was soon rewarded. In about three months there was a group of about 40 men, women, and children assembling with him to keep the Sabbath. These people had accepted the Adventist faith, and started a new life.

Petrus then made a request that the mission send a minister to bap-



PHYSICIAN. Here are laymen who are active for God in North Sumatra in the West Indonesia Union. Dr. and Mrs. Lie Sek Hong and daughters are shown in front of his medical office. The daughters lead out in the children's Branch Sabbath School on the ground floor of the medical building while the physician gives Bible studies to about 30 seniors on the first floor.

tize these people. It was arranged that when Pastor Wendell Wilcox, our Union President, was in Kuang for his annual visit we would go to this place. We hired a jeep and went to Soe, a town about 150 miles from Kupang. Since it was impossible to go by motor vehicle beyond Soe, an agreement had been made to see these candidates and have the baptismal ceremony in Soe. After walking about 50 miles in two days, the group arrived in Soe. As the solemn ceremony was conducted, the young man, Petrus Nati, with tears in his eyes, watched the 21 souls, among them his mother and father, proclaim to the world their acceptance of Jesus as their personal Saviour.

This year Petrus finished his government elementary teacher course and successfully passed the final examination. He decided not to accept any other work but to go back to his home. Now he is preparing another group of people for baptism in the nearby village. Through his efforts and by the Lord's help we will soon organize two or three churches in this area. We are thankful to the Lord for the strong and consecrated young people in this mission.

In another district we have a young minister named Titus Taebeno. He is the leader of the district with the largest membership in this mission. By the Lord's blessing and because of the faithful and strong leadership of this young man, we almost doubled our membership in this district this year. The people in this district are living where there is still not much tolerance toward our teachings. Many times

they have to face fierce persecution. But persecution has not proved to be an obstacle to our people in sharing their faith with others. Several months ago seven of our young sisters were beaten 30 times on their backs by a government officer for refusing to dance during a national celebration. These young ladies did not give in, but stood the test. Their steadfastness astonished people of other religions and aroused their interest to know more about what we believe. This year our mission is proud to send Titus Taebeno's name as a "Centurian' of the year, since he has brought almost 200 souls to baptism.

The Nusatenggara Mission is composed of more than 30 islands of varying sizes. Communication from one island to another by sea as well as on land is difficult due to the lack of modern means of transportation. However, it is a

potential for souls in spite of hardships, and the joy of seeing many people being converted to the Saviour is a challenge to every Adventist young man and woman. We have in this mission the two most densely populated islands, which are Iombok and Sumbawa. These islands with their millions of people surrounded by a barrier of Hinduism and Mohammedanism are not yet entered by our work.

In the southern part of Nusatenggara is the big island of Sumba. Ninety percent of its population are still heathen and have never had the chance to hear the story of the love of God. The biggest island is Timor. The eastern part of it belongs to the Portuguese and has never been entered by any of our workers. Someone has said there is not even one man of any Protestant faith living in this territory. To bring the message of truth to these many islands with millions of people hungering and thirsting after it, is it not a challenge for our youth in Indonesia as well as abroad?

We are happy that this year, the first time in the history of this mission, we are sending more than a dozen young men and women to our college in Bandung. We hope that in a few years many of them will be graduated from our school and will come back to Nusatenggara, to join the army of workers in this mission. But we still have many fine young men and women who are not able to go to Java to our College due to the financial problem. In seeing this need, the Nusatenggara Mission, with counsel from the West Indonesia Union, has decided to start the Nusateng-

DELEGATES. Eighty delegates are shown here who attended a recent Lay Institute in North Sumatra.

They received the "120" pin in recognition of souls won.



gara Boarding Academy. We know that besides facing the challenge of preparing our young people for the finishing of the Lord's work, the mission is facing the problem of running the academy under a shortage of funds and the lack of instructors. We are sending you, dear readers everywhere, the Macedonian S.O.S. call for help. The harvest is ripe, but the workers are few!

## North Philippines

## Central Luzon Mission Holds 17th Biennial Session

A BAPTISM of 29 people and an ordination service climaxed the 17th Biennial session of the Central Luzon Mission. The meetings were held at Philippine Union College, December 20-24, 1966.

Thirteen churches and more than 2,000 members were added to the mission during the biennium. Although 40 major public evangelistic efforts were conducted, 75% of the baptisms were due to the efforts of an active laity.

Tithe increased over 20%, and helped bring the operating capital from a low of 4% below zero to more than 80% of the authorized amount.

Four youth camps were conduct-



ORDAINED. Pastor B. A. Martin, President of the Central Luzon Mission, welcomes J. M. Tawatao to the gospel ministry. The others in the picture are those who participated in the ordination service: Pastors B. G. Mary, T. C. Murdoch, and P. Miller. Mrs. Tawatao is in the center of the picture.

ed by the mission during the two years covered by the departmental reports. The publishing department, manned with 96 colporteurs, reported an increase of nearly 30% over sales of the previous biennium.

The educational department directs the work of 54 teachers in 31 schools, with a total enrollment of nearly 1,700 pupils. During the Sabbath service of the session, in response to an appeal by the president, B. A. Martin, delegates and friends gave an offering in cash and pledges totaling nearly 13,000 pesos toward the contruction of a new academy for the mission.

-R. H. Woolsey, Editor, Philippine Publishing House

## Southern Luzon Mission's 18th Biennial Session

SOUTHERN Luzon Mission held its 18th Biennial Session in our New Legaspi Elementary School Auditorium. About one thousand delegates and visitors were present.

Pastor T. C. Murdoch, President of the North Philippine Union, with all the departmental secretaries of the Union were present during the session.

Professor P. G. Miller and Dr. Oosterwal represented the Philippine Union College while Pastor R. H. Woolsey represented the Philippine Publishing House.

## Annual Meeting Held in South-Central Luzon Mission

DELEGATES. This large group of men and women attended the 14th biennial session of the South-Central Luzon Mission in the North Philippine Union in January.



The Spirit of the Lord was felt by the brethren during this session. Timely Bible studies and sermons were given by the guests that led the delegation to reconsecrate their all for the fast finishing of the work here in Southern Luzon Mission. The mission in session adopted the resolution as recommended by the General Conference at the Autumn Council for a World-wide Revival and Evangelism. According to the president's report there were 1,029 souls won during the biennial period with 14 new churches organized.

The motto of the mission for the new year is "Ever Onward For Total Evangelism." All the departmental workers with the district or field workers will be holding evangelistic efforts this year. It is a plan to train more lay preachers and to hold more lay Bible schools for closer cooperation between workers and laymen.

The City Mayor of Legaspi was invited to welcome the delegates at the opening session, but because of some pressing official activity, the mayor sent his Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Rodrigo Salazar, who read his message of welcome to the delegates.

The Provincial Governor of Albay honored the session with his presence. He gave a very wonderful address wherein he emphasized the role of church members in developing the community in close cooperation with the government. Just before Governor Esteves left he was handed a copy of the "Great Controversy" by the mission president.

The following were elected departmental secretaries for Southern Luzon Mission for the next biennial period:

Religious Liberty, Public Relations, T. V. Barizo; Ministerial, T. B. Frias; Sab. School, Lay Activities, Radio-TV, J. D. Haniel; MV, Educational, and Temperance, C. C. Lavilla; Publishing, E. C. Lagabon; B. & P.A. Manager, S. N. Napod; Assist. Ed. for Home & School Š. Assist. Sabbath Fellowship School for Child Evangelism, Mrs. T. V. Barizo; Medical (Honorary). C. L. Miranda, M.D.; and Field Nurse, Mrs. C. C. Lavilla.

The executive committee members are T. V. Barizo, Chairman; B. O. Gravino, Secretary; T. B. Frias, J. D. Haniel, E. C. Lagabon, C. C. Lavilla, V. N. Napod, P. L.



Officials Visit Secretary of Education

BOOK PRESENTED. "Oh, yes, Adventists! I know them well. They are a people with a far-flung religion." Thus remarked Dr. Carlos Romulo, President of the University of the Philippines and Secretary of Education for the Republic, when he was presented the book, "Seventh-day Adventists Today," on the eve of his 68th birthday on January 14. It was the writer's third annual visit to the famed Filipino statesman at his office in the University, Romulo was all cars as Pastor B. G. Mory, second from left, talked about Mountain View College. He remarked, "I would like to visit that school." The general dedicated a copy of his autobiography, "I Walked With Heroes," to Far Eastern Division PR Secretary, Pastor D. A. Roth, and to the writer a copy of Evelyn Well's "Carlos P. Romulo: Voice of Freedom." At the extreme right in the picture is Pastor A. N. Santiago, Secretary of the Publishing Department of the North Philippine Union.

—B. B. Alsaybar, Secretary, Public Relations Department.

Relations Department.

Miranda, M.D., and Delfin Baylen.

Southern Luzon Mission is called a baby mission, but it is growing little by little. In 1965 the Ingathering was only Ps.8,182.08. In 1966 the total reported was Ps. 10.389.23. We praise the Lord for His guidance as far as Ingathering is concerned. The tithe paid in 1965 was Ps.97,489.60 while in 1966 Ps.122,121.98. Surely, the Lord has been very good to His people in Southern Luzon Mission.

-- T. V. Barizo, President, Southern Luzon Mission

## He Flew from U.S.A. To Manila for Baptism

**H**<sup>E</sup> flew halfway around the world to be baptized at Philippine Union College on January 28, 1967. He then flew back to the United States to resume duties in a US Naval Amphibious Base.

Ricardo Gelilio felt he should be baptized after hearing a series of doctrinal lectures by Pastor Fordyce Detamore in San Diego, Calif.

BAPTISM. Ricardo Gelilio is shown being baptized by Pastor Fred Damocles in the new baptistry of the Philippine Union College Church.



As a student, Gelilio passed the endurance test of swimming, running, and lifting that qualified him to become "Mr. Junior Philippines" in 1956 and "Mr. Mindanao" in 1961. Cash, travel, and a trophy were included in his prize.

After finishing Commerce in the University of the East in Manila in 1962, Gelilio went to the United States and joined the US Navy. He came back to tell his parents in Lucena City that he decided to be baptized. He is now attending Class "B" in the US NTC Service School Command.

—Salvador G. Miraflores

## A Miracle of Christian Education

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

ONATHAN NG was born into a devout Buddhist home. As a yound lad, he accompanied his parents to the temple on feast days. In the Chinese school he attended, he was taught to revere the wise sayings of Confucius, the ancient Chinese sage. From all outward appearances, Jonathan was destined to choose a business career in keeping with his father's wishes. This preceding description fitted Jonathan when he graduated from Chinese high school in 1960.

No one knew, least of all this young man, that the Lord was about to lay His hand on him. Through the recommendation of a family friend, Jonathan enrolled at Southeast Asia Union College in Singapore. At this Christian school, he was introduced to the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. Satan did his best to keep Jonathan from yielding his heart to Jesus. Financial reverses in the family, worldly associates and pleasure, and sickness were employed by the enemy in his attempts to maintain his grip on the young seeker after truth.

God's love triumphed in the end and Jonathan was baptized. Family opposition had to be met and overcome. Then God asked Jonathan to take another step along the road of Christian service. The Holy Spirit impressed the young Christian that God was calling him to the ministry. Another struggle followed and another victory was gained. These trials met and overcome were teaching Jonathan that through prayer the Christian had ready ac-

cess to the One who had the perfect

solution for every crisis.

This decision to enter the ministry provoked another wave of strong opposition from Jonathan's family. The low prestige of Christianity in general and the Christian ministry in particular was stressed by Mr. Ng as he sought to dissuade his son from his choice of a vocation. Jonathan was deeply moved. He did not want to hurt his father, but he could not close his heart to the invitation of Jesus to follow all the way.

During Jonathan's last year at Southeast Asia Union College, he was invited to assist Pastor Garth Thompson with the college church. It was with a feeling of inadequacy and dependence on God that the young ex-Buddhist agreed to take on this grave responsibility. By this time the Malaya Mission was sponsoring Jonathan and was anxiously looking forward to his graduation.

Upon the completion of the junior college ministerial course, the young man was assigned to a small church by the Malaya Mission committee. In the short space of five years, the gospel had changed the young man from a Buddhist into a church pastor. Jonathan gives the credit for his conversion to Christian education. He is convinced that this form of evangelism is a most potent force in bringing the gospel to the youth of his nation. Jonathan has preached the gospel of Christian education, and his younger brother attended school in



STUDENT. Jonathan Ng as he prepares for his ministerial class at Philippine Union College.

Singapore. A few months ago, this younger brother followed in his brother's steps and was baptized.

The Malaya Mission has seen fit to sponsor Jonathan Ng for advanced study at Philippine Union College. He is now studying at this center of education for the Far Eastern Division, completing the requirements of the ministerial course. He is studying diligently so that he can return to his own people in Malaya and tell them the story of a loving God and a crucified Saviour.

#### NPUM News

By B. B. Alsaybar, PR Secretary

### New Site, New Building

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on January 11 for the new headquarters of the South Central Luzon Mission. The site for the new building is a one-hectare portion of a coconut plantation more than a kilometer from San Pablo City on the national highway. The place is more centrally located than the one which burned during the big fire in Lucena City almost two years ago.

### On Permanent Return

Mr. and Mrs. Crescente Zamore (nee Ruth Imperio) returned on January 18 from Singapore after a three-and-one-half year stint at foreign mission work. They left for a teaching post in Sabah in 1963 and then were called to Southeast Asia Union College a year later.

### Increased Publishing Sales

The publishing department has reported a total sale for 1966 of Ps.762,976.56, which is Ps.83,497.00 above that of 1965. The figure represents a gain of Ps.14.076.56 over last year's goal of Ps.748,900.00.

## New Sabbath School Secretary

The Sabbath School and Lay Activities departments, traditionally under one man, have also been given to two men. Pastor A. D. Pis-o, Ilocano broadcaster and assistant Sabbath School Secretary, is the new Sabbath School Secretary. Pastor J. O. Bautista retains the Lay Activities secretaryship.

## Tallest Mission Headquarters

The Southern Luzon Mission will soon be able to boast of having the tallest mission headquarters in the Philippines. Work is in progress on this project atop the recently-completed, two-story Legazpi Elementary School building.

#### Union Hostess

Mrs. T. C. Murdoch, wife of the Union President, who was PUC librarian for about two and onehalf years, has been designated as Union hostess. She took over when Mrs. H. M. Baldwin left with her husband on furlough. The Baldwins will locate this year in Hong Kong where Pastor Baldwin will be Division Transportation and Purchasing Agent.

## Five Ordained to the Ministry

Five were ordained to the ministry during the biennial session of three missions. They were J. M. Tawatao, Principal of the Pasay City Academy, Central Luzon Mission; M. L. Siaga, Evangelist of the South-Central Luzon Mission; J. B. Villagomez, Bible teacher of the Naga View Academy; E. C. Lagabon, Publishing Secretary, and Southern Luzon Mission; A. B. Frias, Evangelist, Southern Luzon Mission.

## New Adventist School Inaugurated

MRS. Frank Jerome, wife of the founder of Jerome Foundation, was the honored guest who cut the ceremonial ribbon at the inauguration and dedication service of the new Legaspi Seventh-day Adventist Elementary School building situated at corner L. Rivera and M. Marquez streets, Legaspi City, last November 17, 1966 at four o'clock in the afternoon. Assisting her in the ceremony was Mrs. A. S. Barizo. wife of the President of Southern Luzon Mission of Seventh-day Adventists. One of the hundreds that attended the inauguration was Mr. Eldred Fewkes, general manager of the Legaspi Oil Company, who was instrumental in recommending to the Jerome Foundation the donation of Ps. 15,000.00, partial cost of the school building. The building was constructed by Engineer Jacinto Galang of Legaspi City for less than Ps. 40,000.00. This is only one of the many projects the Jerome Foundation has helped to build. The Foundation has helped civic. religious and government institutions. As a token of appreciation to the Jerome Foundation a plaque was handed to Mrs. Frank Jerome by Pastor T. V. Barizo and Mr. B. O. Gravino, President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, of Southern Luzon Mission.

The Far Eastern Division of Seventh-day Adventists with headquarters in Singapore matched the donation of Mr. Jerome of Ps. 15,000.00 while the balance of the cost of the building was shared by the North Philippine Union Mission of Seventh-day Adventists with headquarters in Manila, the Southern Luzon Mission and the local Seventh-day Adventists church members of Legaspi City.

In connection with the inauguration, a marble plaque where names of the Mission and school officers were engraved, which was donated by Mr. & Mrs. Gregorio Base of Lucena City, was unveiled.

Pastor T. V. Barizo and Mr. B. O. Gravino with the other Mission workers led out in the inauguration and dedication service of the new school building. Refreshments were served after the inauguration service.

—T. V. Barizo, President, Southern Luzon Mission



SCHOOL. This is the new Legaspi Elementary School at Legaspi City which was built through the Jeronic Foundation, who donated part of the construction costs of the building.



NEW. Mrs. Frank Jerome, wife of the founder of the Jerome Foundation, cuts the inaugural ribbon at the Inauguration and Dedication service of the new Legaspi Elementary School in the Philippines. Helping her is Mrs. A. S. Barizo, wife of the President of Southern Luzon Mission. Behind Mrs. Barizo is Elfred Fewkes, Manager of the Legaspi Oil Co., who was instrumental in recommending to the Jerome Foundation the donation of 15,000 pesos which helped pay for the construction of the building.

PLAQUE. Pastor T. V. Barizo, President of the Southern Luzon Mission, is handing a plaque to Mrs. Frank Jerome, wife of the founder of the Jerome Foundation. The plaque was in appreciation of a 15,000-peso donation to help construct the new school. Others in the picture, left to right, include Mrs. A. S. Barizo, wife of the Mission president; Eldred Fewkes, General Manager of Legaspi Oil Co.; B. O. Gravino, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Luzon Mission; and Eliseo Santos, former Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Luzon Mission.





Samuel Recalde



Villardo Almonte



Jose Atil, Jr.



Ephraim Palmero



Tito Noval

## San Pablo City Church Celebrates Golden Anniversary

### By Inigo Reyes, Church Elder

FIFTY years is a long time in the life span of man. It is also a long time in the history of an organization. It was therefore with no little rejoicing that the members of the San Pablo City church celebrated the fiftieth year of the founding of their church on December 18.

It was in October, 1915 that the light of the gospel came to this place. Through the efforts of brethren Bibiano Panis, Isaac Enriquez, and Agustin Panaga, with the assistance of Bible worker Juana San Agustin, and the blessing of God, 104 were baptized five months after their effort started. They were baptized by Pastor L. V. Finster, now retired in the United States.

An effort in 1916 yielded 64 precious souls and five subsequent efforts resulted in the membership's reaching 250. Meetings were first held in the house of Jose B. Emralino until a chapel was constructed. First elder elected was Isaac Enriquez, now a retired minister.

During the Japanese occupation the chapel was burned and the brethren united their efforts in constructing another one. Dionisio Decena is remembered for having held the post of elder for 20 years.

It was our privilege to have Pastor D. A. Roth, Division Assistant Secretary and Public Relations Secretary, to be our speaker during the hour of worship during our Golden Anniversary Sabbath. In the afternoon program, Pastor E. J. Tangunan, President of the South Central Luzon Mission, led the members in a service of consecration. He also officiated in the recognition ceremony honoring the curviving "half-century men", charter members of the San Pablo church who were as follows: Elpidia Austria Vida, Prima Cabance, Crispina Dalusong, Francisca Dan, Geralda Dan Flores, Felipa Jaurigue, Maxima Tapay Jaurigue, Paciencia Molimbayan, Leonora Montecillo

## Five Pass C.P.A. Examination

#### By B. B. Alsaybar, PR Secretary

RIVE of our workers in the North Philippine Union, all graduates of Philippine Union College, were among the 2,265 who passed the latest government examination for certified public accountants. They are Jose Atil, Jr. and Tito Noval, Union assistant treasurer and accountant, respectively; Villardo Almonte and Samuel Recalde, PUC student finance director and accountant, respectively; and Ephraim Palmero, Central Luzon Mission auditor. Recalde has since been appointed treasurer of PUC. Another PUC graduate, Paulino Nebres, Jr., of Mountain View College, passed the examination.

Puhawan, Agatona Maghirang, Buenaventura Tolentino, Macaria Tolentino Marquez. Sotera Umali. Juana Molimbayan Gapas, and Rosita Calingasan. Maximo Capina and Marcelino Colube were unable to attend.

The church was also grateful for the message of Pastor R. R. Figuhr:

"For half a century now, this church has stood as God's light house in the important city of San Pablo. We hope and pray that this faithful body of believers may continue to stand united, and that from their lives, there may go out bright rays penetrating the darkness about them. Our generation needs enlightenment for we are told that in these last days gross darkness shall cover the earth."

The San Pablo Church has done much through the years to aid and strengthen the cause of God in the Philippines. We have rejoiced to see how the work has moved forward through the loyal cooperation of our people. But there is yet much to do, both in the Philippines and in the world. May all of the members of this church join hands and hearts anew with God's people around the world in pledging themselves to a fuller dedication to the finishing of the work of the Lord in the earth.

## Philippine Youth Wins Eighty Persons to Message

WITH modesty he admitted that since he was 25 years old he had been preaching in public. Clemente Monreal, of the South-Central Luzon Mission, is an active youth lay preacher who patiently goes from one place to another preaching the love of Jesus. Over a five-year period he has guided 80 persons to baptism.

He was about 17 years old when the old church in Malusak, Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro, voted to make him their church elder. He reluctantly accepted the request of the church and then led



PRESENTATION. Clemente Monreal, left, is shown giving out "Voice of Prophecy" certificates to one of his listeners. Clemente won 80 persons to Christ since he started preaching at the age of 25.

the members into active missionary endeavors. He planned his own evangelistic campaign. With the aid of his friends he launched out into the field of public evangelism. At first, he met strong opposition and disappointments but he kept on with his work. A few accepted the message and were baptized. This gave him encouragement. Some of the churches in the area heard of his consecration and devotion to public preaching and invited him to preach for them. He was privileged to preach in Walay, Luisiana, Pugawan, Dagatan, and Matala.

He met strong opposition in his preaching. Still he is not discouraged, although somewhat perplexed. He is now married and he has to make his own living, but like the apostle Paul he works for his living and preaches at the same time. We wish that there would be a large number like Clemente Monreal!

-A. J. Abawag



# Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering March 25, 1967

## FAR EASTERN DIVISION

## THREE PROJECTS

### **MEDICAL**

The Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital in Korea is badly in need of a new building. The present has stood the ravages of two wars. Your generous offering on Thirteenth Sabbath will help build a new unit to aid the needy of this interesting nation.

## **EDUCATIONAL**

Education is a "must" in the developing nations of the Far East. Mountain View College in the Philippines is one of six senior colleges in the Division. The great need now is to construct new buildings to accommodate students of this fast-growing educational institution. The "School of the Light" provides workers for two large Unions in the Philippines. The membership in the Philippine Islands is now more than 100,000—as large as the Middle East, the Southern Asia, and the Australasian Divisions combined.

## **EVANGELISTIC**

Evangelism is the key to membership growth in the Far East. The total number of members is now approaching the 200,000 mark. A key city in the Orient is Hong Kong where an evangelistic center is needed to reach four million people. Your Thirteenth Sabbath offering will help construct a center in the middle of this city in order to carry on a year-round soul-winning program.









