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Focus

"I SEE men as trees, walking."

Here is a man who can see, and it is a miracle. A moment before he was totally blind. Then Jesus touched his eyes. Light flooded his brain. Now, with awe and excitement he cries, "I see, something moving—men, like trees walking! I can see!"

It is a dramatic moment. The crowd is thrilled. But Jesus is not satisfied. If men look like trees to this man, his whole life will be out of focus. He will be insecure, uncertain, frustrated. Even his testimony to Christ's miraculous power will be impaired.

Quickly and gently Jesus touches those eyes again. And the miracle of sight is perfected by the miracle of focus.

How is your focus?

You have a job to do. You have problems to solve. You have plans to formulate and policies to interpret. You have people with whom you live and work. Nobody doubts your ability to see—but is your focus sharp?

I know one worker who is a man of superior ability. He has excellent training and a good personality. He works hard. Everything in his office is really organized. A stickler for detail, he can put his hand almost instantly on any item of information. But his fellow workers consider him a mediocre man. His time and extensive activity are absorbed by a vast morass of trivia, and he doesn't accomplish the big tasks that are his real assignment.

A number of years ago I was a member of a committee in which was a remarkable individual. It was interesting to watch him during a committee meeting. While others talked, often rambling around the problem's periphery, he would sit quietly, carefully listening to everything that was said. Finally he would address the chair. In a few concise sentences he would sum up the problem and suggest a logical solution. He was a valuable man, a man who had the ability to keep his focus sharp.

To accomplish His work on earth, God has seen fit to choose us for active participation. He has given us an insight into the divine project for establishing His everlasting kingdom. This is a unique privilege and an awesome responsibility. It demands a clear look at the future and a balanced perspective.

Like the blind man who was given the miracle of sight, we, too, need the sacred second touch—the added miracle of focus.

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

A Personal Message . . .

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To the more than 60,000 denominationally employed workers and self-supporting workers around the world, I have a special word as we reach the halfway point in this quadrennium. God is expecting much of us as leaders. Our people are expecting much of us! We dare not fail God nor our fellow believers who have confidence in us. We must be what we desire our members to **become**. We must be in the vanguard of the revival and reformation! There must be no credibility gap to separate us from the people whom God has called us to serve in these closing, challenging hours of earth's history! Our living, our preaching, our service, must leave no room for doubt as to where we stand in the great controversy! Ours must be **revival leadership, latter rain leadership**. It dare not be otherwise.

To the thousands of church officers serving God's church faithfully in many lands, I make a special appeal. God has laid upon you a solemn responsibility. Whether you are an elder, a deacon, a deaconess, a church treasurer, a Sabbath school superintendent or secretary, an MV leader, or any other officer, God is counting on you to be His witness—His mouthpiece. You are His man, His woman, in your local church. Perhaps He is expecting even more of you as a leader than He expects of those who sit under your ministry. Many eyes are upon you. What do they see—Jesus or the world? Does "the gospel according to you" ring true?

Fellow workers and church officers, let us lead our people into a great fellowship of prayer—in our own closets, in our offices, in our churches, in our institutions—wherever we may be. If two million workers and believers in the Advent hope are praying daily for revival and for a finished work, something is bound to happen. Something **will** happen!

Our Bible—the precious Word of God—must be a part of our daily experience with Him. It is so easy to let the daily paper, the weekly news magazine, the radio, the TV, and many other things crowd out the time we should spend with the Word. Only the Book that comes **from** God will lead us to God! In an age of moral relativism, when spiritual values are being eroded by unbelief, when emphasis is placed upon a theology of social change, God's people must be anchored to the Rock. Our only safety in a permissive age of doubt is in close contact with our Source of power through His Word.

So, brother, sister of mine—how is it with you? Does this halfway point in our current quadrennium find you two years better prepared to meet your Master? Has victory over sin become a reality in your life? Have the penetrating beams of revival flooded the chambers of your heart? Has the Lord used you to win some souls for Christ during these two years? Is your life a daily witness for Him?

Time is slipping by so rapidly! We dare not delay. **Revival, reformation, sacrifice, and evangelism are still the challenge of the hour.** God has heard the appeal of His people. God has blessed. Multiplied thousands are responding and moving into line. The next two years must be the best, the most power-filled years in the history of God's remnant church. My personal appeal to **you**—yes, **you** individually—will help to make it so!

Sincerely yours in
Christian love,
Robert H. Pierson



COVER PICTURE

At six schools of nursing in the Far Eastern Division, hundreds of students are learning how to better serve humanity. In addition to regular classwork these students also have clinical duties, including the care of babies. On the cover picture Aldine Malones, a senior school of nursing student at Philippine Union College, takes care of a tiny tot in the pediatrics ward of the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital. The baby seems more interested in the photographer than in his bottle. Many graduates of the schools of nursing, especially from the Philippines, are serving Adventist hospitals overseas.

—DAR

New Staff Members at FED, Union Offices in Singapore

SEVERAL new staff members have arrived in Singapore to take up duties at the Far Eastern Academy and the Southeast Asia Union. Pastor Fred H. Hewitt is the new MV and Educational Secretary of the Southeast Asia Union, taking the place of Pastor Jay H. Lantry, now Assistant Secretary of the Department of Education of the Far Eastern Division.

Four new persons have joined the staff of the Far Eastern Academy. The list includes David Gouge, from Saigon, English instructor; Andrew Dressler, Jr., industrial arts instructor; Marsha Watson, elementary school teacher; and Mrs. Jeane Perkins, dean of girls.

American Visitors Tour Far East

PAIR. These two American visitors, both in the publishing area, toured the Far East on official assignment of the General Conference. At the left is a former missionary in the Far Eastern Division, L. F. Bohner, Manager of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, who spent a month visiting publishing houses in the Orient during his tour here. At the right is Merwin Thurber, of Takoma Park, Md., Book Editor of the Review and Herald Publishing Association. He was one of the assigned speakers at the Tri-Division Editorial Council held in June in Singapore. After the Council he visited Indonesia, Irian Barat, and other parts of the Division.



Southeast Asia

Lay Evangelism Thrust in Sabah

THE Atlantic Union College student body in America sent one of their fellow students, Charles Eusey, as a student missionary to Sabah for several months in mid-1967. Charles worked on the east coast near Bandau where a cluster of Adventist churches are located. His term of service was climaxed during a district camp meeting held in Goshen. It was the biggest and one of the most inspiring meetings ever conducted in Sabah. More than 1,000 came out for the night meetings and the attendance on the weekend was about 1,400.

On the last night of the meetings Pastor William Smith made an appeal for young volunteer lay workers to take the message to new and unentered territory. The response was thrilling. Twenty-two young couples volunteered their services for this pioneer work. They would leave their homes and farms for a period of time in order to share their faith with new villages and tribes.

When Charles returned to Atlantic Union College in September his heart was still burning with enthusiasm. During an MV meeting at Atlantic Union College Church Charles told this and other stories of how God is working in Sabah. His appeal pierced the heart of one of his listeners. Charles' father, Mr. Eusey, was tremendously impressed with the possibilities of spreading the work in Sabah now. He had been saving money to purchase a new car, but suddenly his car plan lost its priority. The advancement of God's work was now in his mind the most important work in the world.

With jet speed this news was borne to Pastor George Munson, Sabah Mission President. The news? Mr. Eusey stated that he was reserving his money to be used in training and helping to send out this corp of volunteer lay evangelists. It was his desire to share

in "sending the light" to the dark corners of Sabah. What cheering news this was to Sabah workers!

Laymen had been inspired. They were eager to be on the move for God and His cause. Now the extra needed help was forthcoming. The enthusiasm of Sabah Mission leaders was fired. They had visions of penetrating many unentered villages and dark districts. Plans began to formulate. Then they were spelled out in a step by step program and voted by the Sabah Mission Committee.

Nearly 60 laymen from all over Sabah received lay evangelistic training. They were simply clad but they had rugged constitutions. The classroom grind for two weeks was an exacting experience for these hard-working country folk, but every one of them stayed through.

Day by day they struggled with their memory work. Hour by hour they racked their brains in trying to retain all the ways and methods of evangelism.

On the night of graduation one of our workers remarked, "Look at the faces of these lay workers! They are shining. What a world of difference in their countenances now. This is a miracle of God's power. Surely the Lord will work wonders through these simple dedicated lay workers."

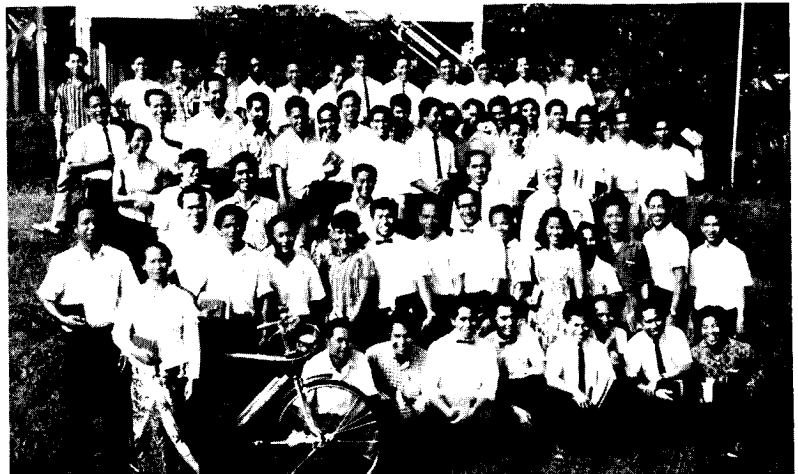
The next day as these laymen returned they were filled with enthusiasm and holy zeal. They were going back to their homes and kampongs to attempt greater things for God. Look for great things to happen in Sabah in 1968.

—Doyle Barnett, Lay Activities Secretary, Southeast Asia Union



PREACHERS. The young men as well as the older men left the training school determined to win souls for God.

TRAINEES. Here is the group who attended the Lay Preachers' Training School at the headquarters of the Sabah Mission in Borneo.



News Notes from SAUC

By Maggie Tan

● **DANNY Oh Siew Leng** passed through Singapore on his way back to Penang and thence to Walla Walla College where he has been accepted for this school year. He has been teaching at Ayer Manis School the past two years.

● **May Chin** left for England in July to take up nursing. She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chin Too Min, and Pastor & Mrs. T. C. Chin. Her folks are on a world tour and plan to be away for about a year.

● **Dr. & Mrs. George Cheng** arrived in Singapore from the U.S. on August 4. Dr. Cheng is here to attend the third congress of the

Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology. He and his wife arrived just in time to celebrate his parents' Golden Wedding Anniversary on August 6.

● **Gerald Koh** has been accepted into Canadian Union College for the new school year. He left with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Koh, on a world tour in mid-August before settling down in Canada to continue with his studies. His father, Mr. Koh, is a Qantas engineer and is entitled to a world trip with his family every five years. This is their third trip. They will meet the rest of the family, Valmai, Kenneth, and Pamela, at Los Angeles.

● **Hulman Sinaga** has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship and will take his Master's degree in Education in Detroit.

Pastor Yoo Chung Shik, Director of Counseling, visited with the students during the day. Forty young people indicated their desire to join the baptismal class.

● A Medical Civil Defence Company was organized at Korean Union College by Korean army reserve officials and the college administration. The Medical Civil Defence company enrolls all faculty, staff, and college students. The company has been designated a model company.

● Pastor W. L. Wilcox, Korean Union President, led out in the groundbreaking ceremony for the third stage of the Korean Union College Academy classroom building complex. Dr. R. E. Klimes, President, praised the academy students and staff for raising most of the funds for the building. The academy enrolls 436 students from grades 9 through 12, 84 percent of which are Seventh-day Adventists or from Seventh-day Adventist homes. Six of the 14 academy teachers hold a Master's degree.

—K. U. Row, Director of College Relations

Korea

Korean Union College News

● **THE** Agriculture Education Department of Korean Union College acquired a second farm six miles from the main campus. The 40-acre farm will produce feed for the 70-head college herd.

● The college music department was strengthened by the purchase of two new pianos and the construction of two practice rooms.

● Mrs. Im Chung Hyuk, Professor of Home Economics and chairman of the Home Economics Education Department, has been appointed principal of the Sam Yuk Technical School. At present, 24 young ladies are enrolled in the sewing and knitting sections of the school.

● George Haley, Chairman of the Agriculture Education Department and Director of College Industries, visited a number of colleges in the Far Eastern Division in the interest of agricultural development.

● Pastor W. L. Wilcox conducted the Week of Prayer at Korean Union College. His theme was "The Joy of Christian Living". His messages were well received and 100 academy and college students joined the baptismal classes at the end of the meetings.

● Twenty academy and college teachers participated in the Central Mission Teachers' Institute at Wonju. The lecturers were Dr. Boyd Olson, Far Eastern Division Education Secretary; Pastor P. H. Shin, KUM Educational Secretary; and Dr. R. E. Klimes, KUC President.

● A single worker's home has been remodeled and relocated in the national faculty home section of the college campus. Student Missionary Jon Merth was assigned to this new home.

● Chung Wha Hyun has been appointed acting head of the recently accredited English Department. He holds college librarian credentials and is at present completing his Master of Arts degree in English.

● With the approval of the Ministry of Education, the following teachers received academic promotions: to professor; Y. L. Lee, R. M. Johnston, and R. E. Klimes. To associate professor; C. W. Kim; and to assistant professor; K. Song, H. S. Joo, S. W. Lee, Anna Klimes, and H. Y. Kim.

● Korean Union College students, Kim Kei Chung and Kim Bong Ho, won the two highest prizes at the National Protestant Oratorical Contest. Twenty-four orators participated in this contest held in the Seoul YMCA auditorium.

● Korean Union College President Dr. R. E. Klimes conducted the Week of Prayer at Yong Nam Academy in the Southeast Korean Mission. Both he and the translator,

West Indonesia

Meet the Ted Jones Family



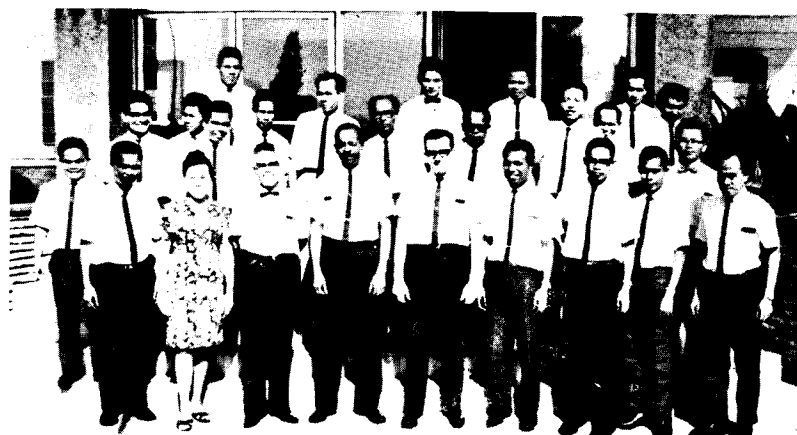
PREACHER. This is the Ted Jones family who recently arrived in the territory of the Far Eastern Division. He is the Ministerial Secretary of the West Indonesia Union.



Scenes from New Guinea Mission School

LEFT. The students at the self-supporting church school in West Irian pose happily before classes started for the day. RIGHT. A tribal chief points out the plot of ground given for building an Adventist Church at Lake Sentani.

Djakarta is Venue for Publishing School in Indonesia



GROUP. The West Indonesia Union recently sponsored a Leaders' Training School at the Djakarta Evangelistic Center in Indonesia's largest city. The program was directed by Pastor Liberty Pandjaitan, Union Publishing Secretary. Guest speakers included Pastor M. R. Lyan, of the Far Eastern Division; Pastor Ted Jones and D. D. Dennis, of the Union office; J. H. Lesiasel, L. E. Barber, and M. H. Wauran, of the Indonesia Publishing House; and P. Sitompul, Bible Instructor. Sabbath services ended the council and the program was termed a success.
—Liberty Pandjaitan

"In fact, I did not intend to reveal this to you, but last night I dreamed of a man in the sky. He told me to warn you of the threat to your life, or a misfortune will come to me. I'm afraid, that's why I'm telling you. Please don't go there. The man is now waiting for you with his gun."

Mrs. Gonzaga was determined to confront the man, but because of the widow's dream about "the man in the sky" giving a warning, she took that as heaven's sign not to insist. Before she left that home she invited her customer to pray. They knelt and our colporteur prayed with tears that the Lord forgive the man for his bad intentions and bless him and his home. The widow was also touched and she cried.

As for the load of books, Mr. and Mrs. Pabilona brought them to the next barrio, whose delivery date was 15 days ahead. Provisionally her customers there were ready, and so they disposed of most of the books.

Meanwhile the barrio captain waited with his gun that whole day and the next but in vain. Upon inquiry the third day, he flared up against the widow, who took courage to answer him not to impose his will upon others.

Then misfortune struck the village chief. Their only child was struck with a strange sickness that would not respond to any medical treatment. Within a week the chief was shot with a shotgun one evening while riding on his buffalo. His shoulder was almost shot off.

"That lady agent must be a witch!" the man moaned in pain. "She has cursed me and our child."

"No, she is a godly woman," the widow answered. "She even prayed for you. I heard her prayers, that God would bless you in spite of

Central Philippines

Iloilo Colporteur Successful Despite Opposition

"PLEASE go home! Don't show yourself around!" The lady was pleading almost in tears. "Our barrio captain has vowed to shoot you on sight."

Literature Evangelist Gonzaga Pabilona, already a successful worker before she got married three years ago, was recently delivering her many orders in a barrio (village) of Passi, Iloilo. Eighteen sets of "Hope of Humanity" with "Guardian of Health" worth almost Ps. 1,000.00 was a big load, so she

asked her husband, Hugo Pabilona, also a colporteur, to help her carry her books. Her first customer, a widow who was so pleasant before, was strangely hostile and reluctant to get her books. She was persuaded to honor her words, so she took her books. Then she uttered the words above.

"Our barrio captain (elected village chief) was here yesterday and forbade me to receive my order," the lady continued. "Then he went all over the barrio and warned your customers against you. He said you forced his wife to order also and got money from her. He told us to send you to his house. He said he would shoot you, then accuse you of forcing yourself into their house."

"He has only misunderstood my purpose," Mrs. Gonzaga replied. "I will go and explain to him."

"Oh, please, don't," she pleaded.



Institute Held for West Visayan Colporteurs

GROUP. A new fervor is being shown in literature evangelism in the West Visayan Mission as a result of a 5-day institute held in Iloilo. The program is being assisted by the addition of two new assistants, Dionisio V. Austria and Felicitas Sabanal. The program was directed by E. S. Romero, Publishing Secretary of the Mission. President from the Central Philippine Union were Pastor E. A. Cabobres, President, and E. N. Dican, Publishing Secretary. Here is the group who attended the meeting.

—F. M. Arrogantem Public Relations Secretary, Central Philippine Union

your badness. You are the bad man, and God is punishing you."

And so it happened that the barrio captain's wife looked for Mrs. Gonzaga in town. Our colporteur was marketing for her family needs when the woman hugged her. "Where are my books?" she asked. "You come to our barrio tomorrow and I'll pay for them. Bring also the books of those who ordered from you. Our people will get them."

When Mrs. Gonzaga returned to the barrio to deliver the books, all her customers paid cash, for the barrio captain advised them to honor their orders. And immediately the couple's only child in the hospital began to improve and within a few days came home well. Mrs. Gonzaga visited the captain and prayed for him and his family. Bible studies are being given this family, including the widow who was most impressed by this incident.

—E. S. Romero, Secretary, West Visayan Mission

MV Camp Held Near Cebu

FIFTY-ONE senior young people recently attended a senior camp held at Danao Beach, Cebu. Pastor F. M. Arrogante, Sabbath School and Lay Activities Secretary of the Union; Pastor D. M. Niere, President of the Central Visayan Mission; Pastor F. G. Pangca, MV Secretary of the Central Visayan Mission; Ben Lobitania, Instructor



SWIM. The proper method of swimming was part of the instruction given during the camp.

of the East Visayan Academy; and Pedro Cabansag, Instructor of the same Academy; and the writer were the members of the staff who conducted the camp. Church school teachers who acted as counselors were the following: Jemima Salandaguit, Elsa Tolentino, Fe Diola, Grace Singuillo, Mrs. R. B. de Angel, Esther Arrogante, and Adriana Miguel.

On Sabbath we had our regular Sabbath School, Lay Activities, and worship services. Pastor F. M. Arrogante challenged our youth for the final hours of the world's history. The camp was climaxed by a graduation on Leadercraft Course on Sabbath evening and the awarding of prizes to the best units and best campers in various categories.

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

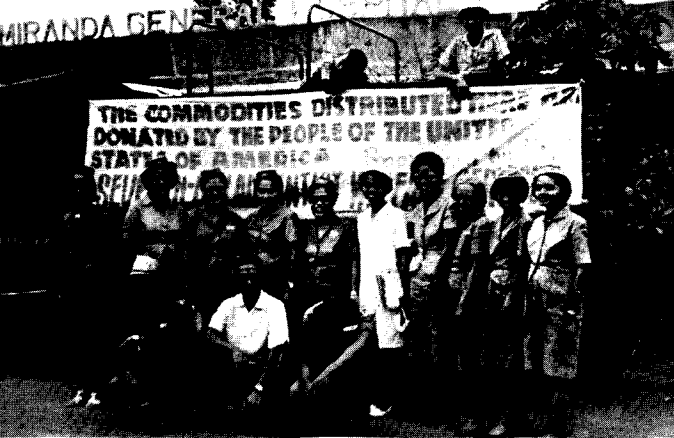
Lay Congresses in Philippines Attract Capacity Audiences

THREE congresses for laymen have been held in the Philippine islands. The combined union-wide meetings attracted capacity-plus audiences at Manila, Cebu, and Davao.

Directing the four-day meetings were Pastors V. W. Schoen, of the General Conference, and L. A. Shipowick, of the Far Eastern Division. Other congresses were held this month in Korea, Japan, and Taiwan. Others are scheduled in the Far Eastern Division for the rest of this year. This is the first time in the history of the Far East that congresses of this kind are being held.



CLASS. The Leadercraft Course met under the coconut palms during the camp session. **RIGHT.** Here is one of the units of the camp.



LEFT. The truck was provided by the City of Legaspi for the Adventist welfare group to distribute food and clothing to volcano victims. RIGHT. This truck was provided by the Philippine Army for relief work by the Adventist welfare group in Legaspi City.

North Philippines

Church Steps in as Volcano Erupts

MAYON Volcano, 8,000-foot perfect cone, is located in the province of Albay, where our Southern Luzon Mission is located. It's the main tourist attraction of the Bicol region. The last eruption was 28 years ago. Admiring this "chain-smoking" reigning beauty recently, D. A. Roth from the Far Eastern Division asked, "When will it erupt again?"

Nobody knew for sure, but it did erupt 21 days after his visit and continued for about two weeks. We were treated to the most spectacular fireworks we have ever seen. It was a pretty sight to see but it reminded us of God's Judgment Day that is soon to come.

It was not all entertainment, though. While only four have died as a result of the eruption, some 40,000 people found themselves evacuees in 15 evacuation centers. We mobilized our welfare forces and buckled down to work.

We served six evacuation centers in the City of Legaspi, four evacuation centers in the town of Camalig, and four evacuation centers in Guinobatan and one evacuation center in Ligao. We have served 1,915 families or about 11,500 individuals.

Because our Lay Activities Secretary was conducting an evangelistic campaign, I personally supervised the distribution of the SAWS commodities. The Albay Dorcas Federation ladies were the volunteer workers who went around with me to the evacuation centers. Before we gave out the relief goods I gave a few remarks telling the



SAWS. The welfare goods donated by SAWS are being given to refugees in the evacuation center.

people that the commodities that we were giving were donations from the people of America and that they were being given to them through the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service. The Governor and the Mayors were very appreciative of our service. We had two big placards attached to the truck. One read:

**DISASTER RELIEF
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
WELFARE SERVICE
Southern Luzon Mission
Legaspi City**

HELPERS. The ladies of the Southern Luzon welfare group are shown with angry Mount Mayon in the background.



The other streamer read: The commodities distributed here are donated by the people of the United States, sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist welfare service.

Every now and then I had public service flashes over the radio and through the news of the day telling about our activities and calling all our Dorcas Welfare ladies to help with the relief work. The Seventh-day Adventists have been the "talk of the town" because of this welfare work.

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

Academy Receives Commendation

"THERE are only four good schools in my district and Northeast Luzon Academy is one of them," said Mariano I. Pocsidio, Regional Superintendent of the Bureau of Private Schools for Cagayan Valley District. It is the largest high school in the region in point of area (24 hectares) and the only private school with a ranch, he also commented.

Recently our school received a letter of commendation from Dr. Narciso Albarracin, Director of the Bureau of Private Schools, which read as follows:

"Our Regional Superintendent at Ilagan, Isabela has reported to this Office that your school has a substantially successful food production and rice culture project. We are very appreciative of your worthy contribution to the national goal of food sufficiency for our people. The active involvement of private schools, colleges, and universities in the attainment of our national goals is a primary concern of the Secretary of Education and of this Office. In the trust that sustaining

and greater dedication and effort will be exerted toward bigger achievement in this and other worthy projects, this office commends you and your faculty and students for work well done."

—S. G. Miraflores, Principal, Northeast Luzon Academy

South-Central Luzon Mission Report

SINCE 1964 we have increased the number of our workers every year. This year we will increase again by employing two interns and two Bible instructors. We are also increasing this year the number of our church school teachers by four.

During the first three months of 1967, we had 72 souls baptized, but this year we have 98 baptized for the same period, giving us an increase of 26 souls. Six of our field workers engaged in soul-winning efforts in our mission by attending the Field School of Evangelism in Manila, under the leadership of Pastor J. R. Bailey. Now these workers are all back, full of courage and zeal, and equipped with new tested techniques in soul-winning work and are now busy hurrying to start their public efforts.

Four public efforts have been held. One was conducted by Pastor P. A. Perez in the town of Victoria, Oriental Mindoro for two months. As a result, 42 souls were baptized, 22 of which are from this dark town and the other 20 was from the nearby churches. Urbano Castillo, our veteran lay preacher also conducted an evangelistic effort on the island of Sibali, and 13 souls were baptized. Petronilo S. Garcia, the district pastor of Laguna I, conducted his public effort in the town of Binan, Laguna and 26 were baptized. Pastor Gucilar also baptized 11 souls as fruit of his effort in Barrio Magsaysay, San Jose, Occidental Mindoro. We praise the Lord for He is very good to us again this year.

—E. J. Tunganan, President

Voice of Prophecy Group Here Soon

The "King's Heralds" of the Voice of Prophecy radio group will soon be appearing in the Far Eastern Division territory. Watch the October issue for the complete schedule of appointments.



BAPTISM. R. E. Ballesteros, a district leader, baptizes the one thousandth convert of Urbano Castillo in Dayap, Pola, Oriental Mindoro, Philippines.

Thousandth Convert to Twenty-First Church

ONE thousand—that's the latest record of Urbano O. Castillo, most outstanding layman in the North Philippine Union.

The thousandth convert was baptized together with 37 others in the barrio of Dayap in Pola, Oriental Mindoro.

The General Conference special number of "GO," the journal for Adventist laymen, featured for the second time Castillo on its front cover, this time with the words, "One Thousand Souls for Christ."

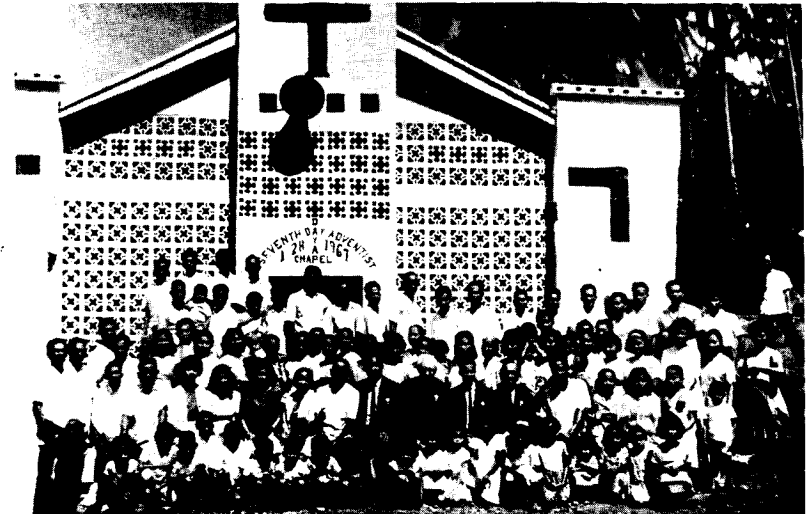
Dayap was the twenty-first church to be raised up through the efforts of Castillo with the help of lay workers who are members of Cali-

ma, a church five kilometers away which he himself raised up 12 years before.

It should be mentioned to the credit of Bro. Castillo that he is not only good at soul winning, but he is also a good trainer of lay workers. Somehow, his converts catch the same missionary zeal and dedication that he possesses, so that once they are left to themselves, they get busy carrying on the good work of spreading the message to the surrounding villages.

In this instance, when he left Calima 12 years ago, four of the leading lay workers in the persons of Jose Musico, Bonifacio Fajut,

DEDICATION. Members of the Dayap Church gather in front of the building at the time of the church dedication.



Catalino Musico, and Elpidio Ferrancullo, together with other members lost no time in visiting homes in nearby villages and holding branch Sabbath Schools. They kept it up all these years to prepare the ground and when Dayap was ripe for a big evangelistic campaign, they called for Bro. Castillo to hold it.

The foundation for the new church was laid. In record time it was finished and was ready for dedication on January 28, 1967. Present for the occasion were T. C. Murdoch, Union President; E. J. Tangunan, Mission President, together with several others from the mission staff; R. E. Ballesteros, District Leader; and the writer who took part in the services of the day.

Much sacrificial effort went into the building of the church. Not a centavo was spent in labor, the brethren donated all of it. They cut the trees for the needed lumber for the building in a nearby forest, transported these with the other materials such as hollow blocks, galvanized iron sheets for the roofing, and cement on their shoulders across two mountains. Even women and children did their share in carrying stones, gravel, and sand in petroleum cans from the seashore way down below the construction site.

The dedicatory service was followed by the organization of the church with 57 charter members and the election of officers. Thirty-two were formerly members of the Calima church. Before this, attending the church there from Dayap meant the crossing of two mountains and two rivers. They would start before sunrise with their provisions for lunch and reach the place in ample time before the beginning of Sabbath School. Now they can forgo that hardship.

Several significant facts about this new group of believers are worth mentioning. A majority of those who have been converted into the Adventist faith are prominent people of the community. They were largely responsible for the erection of the Catholic chapel and recreation center in the past. These buildings have since been abandoned, the church bell has been donated to the Adventist church, and the villagers no longer observe the annual fiesta in honor of the patron saint.

Of the 18 houses comprising the village, most, if not all, of the members of 12 households have become

Tale of Two Daughters



Romelda Jereos



Dr. Mercy Lynn Jereos

PASTOR and Mrs. M. G. Jereos (he is Union secretary; she is Manila Sanitarium and Hospital operating room supervisor) have two children. They're both girls — Mercy Lynn (the older) and Romelda.

Both had their studies solidly in Adventist schools from grade one until they finished their course at the Philippine Union College.

Both are interested in medical missionary work. Mercy Lynn, after graduating from the pre-medical course, went to take the medical course in the Far Eastern University. Romelda is a nurse, a member of PUC Class of 1968.

Both are consecrated to the work of God and have had exemplary records as students so that both of them have been chosen to do up-

grading work in the United States. Mercy Lynn left last year for specialization in pediatrics at the Loma Linda University Medical Center under sponsorship by the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, the first doctor to be so sponsored along this line by the hospital. In her fourth year she may choose to stay there, or come back to the Sanitarium for clinical practice.

Romelda has been chosen to do upgrading work, also in Loma Linda, for a master's degree in nursing education. She is under full sponsorship by the Philippine Union College.

This "tale" of the Jereos sisters is a **first**, not only in the North Philippine Union but also the two other Philippine unions.

—B. B. Alsaybar

Adventists, which makes a ratio of two Adventist houses to every three. Most of the new converts are composed of whole families, about half a dozen of them in number.

Thus the message goes on in its onward sweep in that region through the efforts of humble instruments.

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

Voice of Prophecy
Coming!

Missionary Family Departs Manila for Hong Kong

TEACHERS. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Binggang and their four children left Manila for Hong Kong where they will connect with South China Island College. He will teach science while she is in the English Department.

—B. B. Alsaybar



PUC Holds 50th Commencement



HONOR. Rameda Jereos, President of the Nursing Education Council of the Student Association, receives her BSN degree from President A. P. Roda, of the Philippine Union College. In the center is Dr. O. C. Edwards, Dean.



HONOR. David Khoo, of Singapore, received the M.A. in Education. Dr. E. A. de Leon, thesis advisor, placed the hood.



TEACHERS. Dr. Gottfried Oosterwal, left, departed from the college to take up work in the Department of Missions, Andrews University. He is posing with a friend, Dr. A. G. Gensolin, dentist of the college.



DEGREE. Pastor G. C. Fernandez, a staff member of PUC, received the Master of Arts degree in Religion. His major professor, Dr. Gottfried Oosterwal, placed the hood during the ceremony.

ONE hundred fifteen members of the senior class of 1968 received their diploma during the 50th commencement exercise held in the Philippine Union College auditorium. Dr. Sydney E. Allen, Dean of the School of Theology, gave the commencement address.

The commencement weekend started with Dr. C. A. Fernando, Medical Director of the Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital, as speaker. Pastor T. C. Murdoch, union president, gave the baccalaureate address. In the evening of commencement day, the new graduates were inducted into the Alumni Association by Senator Benigno Aquino, Jr. during the alumni banquet. Aquino, youngest member of the Philippines' upper chamber, was the guest of honor and speaker at the alumni homecoming.

Two were conferred the master of arts degree. They were David Khoo, of Singapore, with his thesis entitled, "A Survey of the Most Outstanding Problems of Overseas Students in the Philippine Union College," and Pastor Gil G. Fer-

andez, a member of the PUC faculty. His thesis was "The Philosophy of History of Ellen G. White."

—B. B. Alsaybar

PUC Pathfinders Active

SEVENTY Pathfinders (all high school girls) camped out near the College-Auditorium building with Miss Diana Villegas, an academy instructor, as camp director, Vicente Claro as deputy director, Estrella Abayabay and Rosalinda

PATHFINDERS. A group of 30 junior boys and girls attended a Pathfinder Camp on the campus of Philippine Union College.



Ramos as division leaders, eight other Master Guides as counselors, and Nelson Pallasa as camp pastor.

According to Camp Director Villegas, it was the purpose of the weekend camp to train the Pathfinders for leadership, to fulfill their MV Class requirements, and to train them how to live independently.

During the Sabbath School on Sabbath morning, Master Guide Trinidad L. Manalo, MV sponsor, challenged the Pathfinders to find the path of Jesus and lead others to the path by telling their friends about Jesus and His love and by living a Christ-like life. Some of the marvels and wonders of nature were revealed by Dr. Otis Edwards, Dean of Faculties, during the hour of worship. How thrilling it was to observe the Pathfinders as they listened attentively to the speakers and reverently worshiped God under the big mango tree in front of the College-Auditorium.

—Trinidad L. Manalo, MV Sponsor

New Medical Director Appointed

APPOINTED. Dr. D. M. Hechanova, Jr., Medical Secretary of the North Philippine Union, has been appointed by the Board of Directors of the Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital as its medical director. He succeeds Dr. C. A. Fernando, who is scheduled to leave for the United States for a three-year surgical fellowship at the White Memorial Medical Center. Dr. Hechanova faces a building program to upgrade the present 14-bed hospital into a modern 35-bed facility. He has had ten years of experience as school administrator before he took up medicine in 1959. While medical director he will continue holding the post of Union Medical Secretary.

—B. B. Alsaybar



A Personal Message

from the President of
the General Conference

Dear Fellow Believers in the Far East:

Two years ago thousands of God's people were together in Cobo Hall in Detroit, Michigan. Some of us then took over burdens carried long and effectively by worthy predecessors. Your prayers and wonderful cooperation have sustained and strengthened us during the problem-filled intervening months. It has been a joy to serve you in the great challenge of finishing God's work in the earth and hastening the return of our Saviour.

Much has happened during those two years. The smoldering Middle East has burst into flames, posing a threat to world peace. The war in Vietnam has been escalated and thousands of servicemen and hapless civilians have died in the holocaust. In America block after block of the large cities have shuddered with rioting—fire bombing, shooting, and looting. These and other tragic events of our day tell us that **the end of all things is at hand!**

Brethren and sisters, **what are we doing about it?** Is it the same old business-and-pleasure-as-usual program? Have the ominous events crowding in upon us failed to arouse us, failed to stir us to action? Dare we continue heedlessly on in our old Laodicean lukewarmness when God is seeking to revive and reform a people who will be ready for His Son's return in the near future?

Thousands of earnest Adventists around the world have been praying fervently that something would happen to the members of God's church—that we would be awakened to our true spiritual condition, that our eyes would be opened to our great need, and that this awakening would result in a great revival and the outpouring of the latter rain. Surely this is God's will. The stage is set. The hour is long overdue!

I wish I could sit down and talk with each one of you personally—to share with you a concern that I feel to the very depths of my being. This concern is that all of us might understand more clearly the solemnity of the hour in which we live. God is expecting something of each of us—first, that our own lives shall be put in order, and then that we play our part in sharing our faith with those about us. We are two years nearer eternity than when we were together in Detroit. Have those two years seen a change in our lives that makes us more prepared for the ominous events just before us?

We say we want revival. How sincerely do we desire that revival? Enough to permit the Holy Spirit to begin the revival in our own lives? Are we willing to pay the price of full surrender, entire consecration, that will pave the way for revival? Brethren and sisters, something **must** happen to God's people—to you, to me! Something **will** happen—to you, to me—if we are willing to pay the price—full surrender to Him.

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