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Deskside Chats



Gates

GATES are for opening.

From boyhood days memory conjures up a peaceful evening picture of well-fed cows standing at the pasture gate. Instinct tells them it's milking time, and the big barn offers shelter from the gathering dark. They don't stop just any place along the fence. Dumb animals though they may be, they know that the only part of that fence that will open is the gate.

Cars at the crossing waiting for a passing train.

Sports fans outside the stadium, eager for the game.

A schoolroom full of restless children clock-watching for recess.

Prisoners waiting lonely years for pardon.

All of these give eloquent evidence that gates are for opening. And every open gate promises a fresh adventure.

Which brings us to the present, and the excitement of standing at a gate marked 1969.

It's a gate of opportunity. It means you get a fresh start, even on old projects. The people who gave you a bad time last year may move somewhere else—or they may become your best friends. Some of the tough things will ease up a bit and let you relax—and some of the easy things will get tougher, sharpening the challenge and putting quality in your character. And if you go through this gate with God, you'll find chances to serve that offer more interest and reward than any you have known.

It's a gate of hope. The very fact of a new year is a priceless promise. It will be a better year because you are better prepared for it. Experience, training, good judgment, maturity, improved technique, and polished talent—in every one of these categories you are way ahead of where you've ever been before. And God has promised the wisdom you need to match your expanded capabilities.

It's a gate of progress. If a gate is for opening, an open gate is for going through. And going through means moving ahead on a new road. It means the excitement of seeing new territory, of meeting new people, of facing new problems. It means taking long, firm strides ahead, each one bringing us closer to the final destination.

So here we are at Gate 1969!

Every Seventh-day Adventist ought to feel a special thrill. The future has never been so exciting. Jesus' words are for now: "Knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

New Teacher for FEA



ARRIVAL. Marsha Watson, from San Bernardino, Calif., is the new teacher for grades five to seven in the elementary school of Far Eastern Academy this year. She takes the place of Naomi Zalabak who has accepted a call to teach the elementary grades of the overseas school in Korea. Miss Watson taught in Arizona and later was a social worker in California before coming to the Far East. She is on a two-year term of service.

NEWS

From Here & There

● **A**S of September 30, 1968 (end of the third quarter) the South Philippine Union became the largest Union in the Far Eastern Division. It passed the North Philippine Union during the third quarter. The membership is now 40,577 while the North Union membership stands at 40,288. The combined membership in the Philippines is now well past the 113,000 mark.

● Mr. and Mrs. James Shultz, of Glendale, Calif. recently visited their son, Pastor Warren Shultz, of Taipei, Taiwan, Secretary of the Lay Activities and Sabbath School departments of the South China Island Union. They lived in China for many years and three sons were born there. All three are now serving as overseas workers for the Adventist Church.

● Pastor M. M. Claveria, Assistant Auditor of the Far Eastern Division, has been elected new President of the South Philippine Union. He takes the place vacated by Pastor V. M. Montalban, newly-elected General Field Secretary of the General Conference. Before joining the Division staff in 1965

Pastor Claveria was a treasurer and administrator in the former South Philippine Union. He is expected to take up his new work after the first of the year, 1969.

● Appointed secretary of the East Indonesia Union is Pastor Walter Raranta, former publishing secretary of the Union. He takes the place of P. L. Tambunan, who is now secretary of the West Indonesia Union.

● A friend of the Far East, Pastor Elmer Walde, has been elected President of the North Pacific Union in the North American Division. He takes the place of a former Division worker, Pastor W. J. Hackett.

● William Watts, consultant for the sawmill at Mountain View College, has been granted a visa in the Philippines and will be arriving soon to take up his new work at the school. He has been connected with the Harris Pine Mills and is well-qualified to take up his new work. He is coming on a two-year term.

● The first Indonesian ever to be appointed to an overseas post outside the Far Eastern Division is Christine Moniaga, currently on the staff of the Bandung Sanitarium and Hospital. She will connect with the staff of the Benghazi Hospital in Libya, Africa. It is expected that another call will be received soon for a second Indonesian nurse for the Benghazi hospital.

● Rebecca Gucilar, now with the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, has accepted a call to connect with the Andrews Memorial Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica, as Director of the School of Practical Nursing. She will be the first Filipino to go to the Inter-American Division as an overseas worker.

● Roger Kopitske is the new administrative dietitian of the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital in

Thailand. He recently visited Singapore on his way to his new appointment in the Southeast Asia Union.

● Dick McDaniel has arrived in Okinawa to serve as business manager of the Adventist Medical Center.



DEAN OF GIRLS. Jeane Perkins, from Bangkok, Thailand, is the new dean of girls at Far Eastern Academy, Singapore. She is also the registrar and teaches advanced typing. Mrs. Perkins served for nine years as director of the medical secretarial pool at the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital in Thailand. She formerly worked in Glendale, Calif., at the Voice of Prophecy and the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital.

This Morning . . .



There's just me and my dolly . . .

Last night I had my Mommy, my Daddy, a home with a soft bed, and my dolly . . . but then came a terrible war . . . so this morning there's just me and my dolly.

Won't you care enough to give a liberal Christmas gift on Thirteenth Sabbath, December 21, when the overflow offering goes to the Middle East Division to help build an orphanage for me and my dolly in war-torn Jordan?

THANK YOU!

This Month's Cover

EVANGELISM. "Far East Harvest" is the slogan which all workers and members in the Far Eastern Division will hear in the next 1½ years. These three words summarize the objectives of our local missions and unions between now and the time of the General Conference session. Special baptismal days have been selected in each union. The baptism shown on this month's cover took place in Korea.

Far Eastern Island Mission

Former Prisoner-of-War Returns to Hold Evangelistic Meetings

SEIICHI Yamamoto, a member of the pastoral staff of the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital, returned to Palau, the place of his imprisonment during World War II, to hold three series of evangelistic meetings. During the war years he was one of the leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist churches in the Palau Islands.

At the opening night of the series held in the Koror church, all seats were taken, for many wanted to hear how this man had faced possible execution for his belief in the soon-coming Jesus. When the officials heard that he believed this Jesus was going to set up a world kingdom, they had said he must stop telling others.

Pastor Yamamoto had been warned time and time again to stop this foolish teaching, for he was being looked upon as a traitor. He continued to witness for his Lord and finally was confronted by policemen at his door. He was given a trial without jury. Pastor Yamamoto was sure the sentence would be death by execution, but how overjoyed he was to hear his punishment would not be death, but three years' imprisonment.

Living conditions in prison were far from being comfortable. Food was scarce and often consisted of watered-down soup. Pastor Yamamoto went without food at one time for several days except for a few spoonfuls of rice and pickled plums. Mosquitoes were thick, and his cell was small, damp, and very uncomfortable. But Pastor Yamamoto continued to comfort and strengthen the brethren when they could acquire permission to see him. The prison was bombed repeatedly, and the prisoners were transferred to Babelthaup, an island to the north of Koror. There he was given more freedom and was able to tell his prison guards about Jesus. Some of



GROUP. Koror members welcome Pastor Yamamoto at the airport.



WELCOME. Pastor Yamamoto, second from left, is welcomed on his arrival in Koror. Left to right, Kel Etpison, Pastor Yamamoto, M. Bawles, Mrs. Kel Etpison, and A. Santos.



MEETING. Participants in the evangelistic series on Palau are shown here. Left to right, Pastor O. K. Scheller, Solomon Mokokil, Pastor Yamamoto, Roman Tmetuchel, and Johannes Adelbai.

these guards were natives of Palau. One of these men, Toribiong, accepted the truth and became the first ordained minister from Palau. Until his untimely death at sea two years ago, he was an energetic worker for God in Palau.

At the meetings held by Pastor

Yamamoto in Koror, what a thrill it was to see other men who some 23 years before had been prison guards. They sat quietly and listened intently to every word from their former prisoner-of-war. Memories flooded their minds, taking them back over the years where along jungle trails the news of a soon-coming Saviour was heard for the first time by many of them as they guarded this quiet, different, prisoner.

The meetings have ended in Koror with nine coming forward to take their stand for truth and to study for baptism. The second series is now being conducted in Airai, a village to the north, and then the third series will be conducted to the south in Peleliu, noted for the famous battle that took place there during World War II.

God is certainly touching hearts here in Palau, and is using the ministry of a former prisoner-of-war, Pastor Yamamoto, to prepare souls for eternity.

—Pastor O. K. Scheller,
District Leader, Palau-Yap

Christian Witness Bears Fruit

IN the beautiful setting of crystal-blue lagoon waters of Tumon Bay in Guam, Mrs. Sally Ukele was baptized on August 24 into the Remnant Church—the fruitage of Christian witnessing at the S.D.A. Medical Clinic, and Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Vance's personal witnessing and friendship.



BAPTISM. Pastor Paul Nelson, President of the Far Eastern Island Mission, is shown baptizing Mrs. Sally Ukeue.

Sally's husband, Jim, was serving in the U.S. Air Force here on Guam. Soon after arriving, Sally was employed in the office of our S.D.A. Medical Clinic. While working there, she became interested in the "strange" beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists and began asking Dr. Vance many questions regarding the truths of Seventh-day Adventists. This led to brief, informal studies at the Clinic and an acceptance of the Vance's invitation to visit church. Sally liked what she heard and told her husband about it, and they both began attending church occasionally. Dr. and Mrs. Vance befriended this young couple, and it was through these personal contacts that Bible studies were begun and a deeper interest in spiritual truths developed.

These studies, along with a deep-

New Nurse for Guam



ARRIVAL. Elvira Mareno, a staff nurse at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, has connected with the Far Eastern Island Clinic. It will be a reunion with her parents, Pastor and Mrs. Sabina Mareno, who are there as foreign missionaries. Miss Mareno, who is a PUC graduate (Class '67), is on a two-year contract.

—B. B. Alsaybar

ening fellowship with Seventh-day Adventists, brought Sally under the conviction of the Holy Spirit and to a decision to join God's Remnant Church. In subsequent studies with Pastor Paul Nelson, Sally was prepared for baptism. Although Jim, her husband, still had some obstacles to overcome, he was thrilled when Sally was baptized and has since made his decision for baptism.

These young people are now back in the United States where Sally is taking the nursing course and Jim is filling out the remainder of his time in the service. It is Jim's desire to continue preparing for baptism in the near future.

We are thankful for the witness of our medical institutions.

—Barbara W. Nelson

Central Philippines

Lapu-lapu Effort

AFTER long and weary months of travel, Ferdinand Magellan, with his entire retinue of soldiers landed in the Philippine Islands. It was in the early dawn of March 16, 1521, that the slow-moving Spanish galleon hit the Island of Limasawa, east of the Visayas. Magellan found the islanders friendly. The sturdy galleon moved westward and landed in Cebu. The chieftain of Cebu, Datu Humabon, became friendly to the Spaniards, but Lapu-lapu, the chieftain of the Island of Mactan, which is just opposite Cebu, was hostile to the foreigners. Magellan, with the collaboration of the Cebu chieftain, besieged Mactan. Lapu-lapu and his men met the invaders with fierce fighting before their enemies could reach the beachhead. Magellan fell

that day by the strong thrust of one of Lapu-lapu's men. History books deleted this memorable episode. All we know was that Magellan was the first man who circumnavigated the world. His remaining survivors continued their trip home around South Africa, but Magellan died in Mactan Island.

It has been more than 400 years since Magellan planted the seed of Christianity in the Philippine Islands. Of the whole population, 95% are Christians. Today there are more than 100,000 Seventh-day Adventists in this republic. It was felt that an effort should be launched in the island of Mactan in its capital, Lapu-lapu City. With a population of about 60,000, it posed a real challenge; however, plans were laid for a major effort.



INJECTION. The Miller Sanitarium and Hospital medical team gives inoculations and treatments to the residents of Sta. Rosa where evangelistic meetings are being held.



GROUP. This is the first group baptized at Bacarreña, San Matea, Isabella, Philippines.

CENTER. This is the front view of the Lapu-Lapu Center where evangelistic meetings were conducted by Pastor D. M. Niere.



On May 19, the Lapu-lapu Center was opened to the public. All seats were filled, and still many were standing outside the auditorium. The writer was introduced by the Union President, Elder E. A. Capobres, as the lecturer. The Cebu Choraliers, composed of young men from Cebu City Church, and other musicians added greatly to the program. As a result, the city mayor, Dr. Max Patalinghug, requested that our church render a special musical number during the Philippine Independence celebration. The people judged our musical number the best during the occasion.

Last June 25 was a memorable day when 34 persons were baptized. Many more candidates are being prepared for the next baptism.

While the meetings were going on in Lapu-lapu City, another island with 18,000 inhabitants was entered. This beautiful island is called Sta. Rosa and is still part of Lapu-lapu City. The Catholic priest

here has been known for his indifferent attitude toward other religious groups. He posted guards on the roads leading to our meeting place, but in spite of this, the people managed to find their way to the meeting place. These islanders are really hungry for the Word. Brother Joel Wales has about 30 people keeping the Sabbath, and we hope that before long 20 will be baptized.

The Miller Sanitarium team, consisting of Dr. Loreto Garcia and three nurses, conducted a medical campaign on Sta. Rosa island. About 300 people, including the prejudiced and indifferent, were brought down and were treated and inoculated with cholera vaccine. Hundreds of pesos worth of medicines were given to the people. As a result, the attendance at the meetings increased. Please pray for our work in the Central Visayan Mission. —D. M. Niere, President, Central Visayan Mission

Publishing Leader Visits Central Visayas

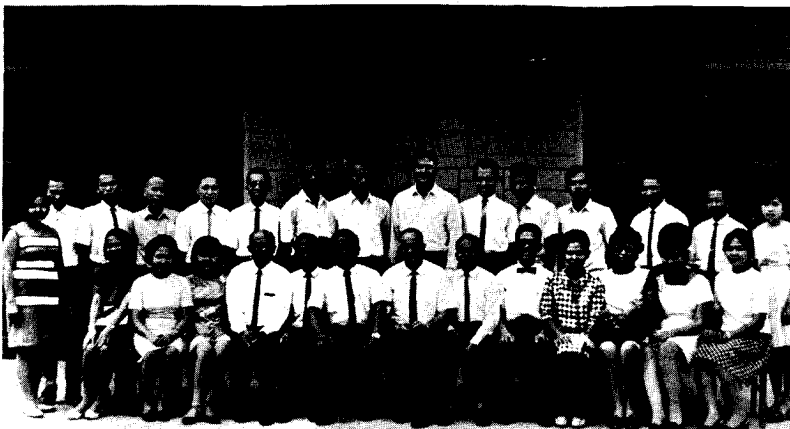
WE have to keep on growing if we are to expect the work to be done quickly. One effective way is to encourage more of our young men and women to join the colporteur work. Periodic visits of our publishing leaders to the field is an excellent way of holding our old workers and encouraging the new ones. One such visit of our Assistant Publishing Leader from the Division has greatly encouraged our colporteurs in the Cebu City area. There are 27 workers and colporteurs who attended the short rally

held in the Capitol Center. Pastor M. R. Lyon, of the Far Eastern Division, gave a series of lectures on salesmanship which was appreciated by those present, including ministers. If we ever expect our colporteurs to remain in the work they should be taught the science of true Christian salesmanship. Their knowledge in selling coupled with their dedication and consecration to God will certainly spell success.

We are happy that the Central Visayan Mission Publishing Department is again at the top in sales in Central Philippine Union Mission. Please pray for us.

—D. M. Niere, President, Central Visayan Mission

COLPORTEURS. The literature evangelists and others who attended a colporteur rally at Capitol Center in Cebu are shown in the photo above. In the center is Pastor M. R. Lyon, Assistant Publishing Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, who was the main speaker at the rally.



STUDY. Betty Borinaga, right, receives a Bible study from Deborah Moralde, a Bible worker and a member of the Masbate evangelistic team. Forsaken by her family because of her decision to become a member, Miss Borinaga now is doing literature evangelism work.

Brave Even at Gunpoint

BETTY Borinaga was born in Masbate province. She grew up under a very religious atmosphere; her parents are strict Catholics.

The time came when Betty had to part from her family to begin her college education. She enrolled in one of the colleges in Masbate, the capital of the province. Her sharp intellect gained for her the admiration of many teachers and students.

In her senior year, a series of evangelistic lectures was conducted by Pastor Montana in Masbate. In spite of her faithfulness in going to church and hearing masses, she also took time to attend the lectures. She found herself enjoying the religious music and the informative lectures. Soon the Holy Spirit moved her heart away from the presence of images and idols, and she simply accepted the living God in her heart.

With the help of Miss D. P. Moralde, a member of the team, Betty was prepared for baptism which took place after her graduation. Her new-found faith became the subject of ridicule by her friends and family. When her parents learned of her baptism, her father was grossly displeased, so much so that he ordered that there would be nothing served on the table except pork and other unclean food. Betty courageously endured the harsh and virulent language of the father. Certainly, it was an acid test for the young lady. Nevertheless, Betty stood firm.

One day she was confronted by her father, who held a pistol in his hand. "Betty," shouted the father, "You either give up that foolish thing in your mind or you will perish with bullets in your body." Trembling, but with a strong heart, Betty responded: "Father, if you are willing to kill, I'm ready to die as long as I'll live with Christ some-

day." Realizing that his daughter was determined to stand for her faith, and that he could not afford to kill her, he just pushed her away, demanding that she leave the house and never come home again.

With a broken heart, Betty packed her things and bade farewell. With tears racing down her cheeks she left and found refuge with Pastor and Mrs. Montana. She stayed with them for quite a number of days until she joined the colporteur work. She enjoys the work, feeling that she is now free from the tight grip of prejudice against her faith in Jesus Christ. She is happy that she can serve God according to the dictates of her conscience.

—**Reuben P. Moralde, Ministerial Intern, Central Visayan Mission**

"Sacristan Mayor" Baptized, Wins Another

BROUGHT up by stern Roman Catholic parents was Ramon Llamazares. As a lad, he spent most of the daylight hours tilling the soil on their farm. At every mistake, however slight it might be, he would be unmercifully whipped by his father.

Growing a little older, he was entrusted to the care of the parish priest where he faithfully and fearfully served as an acolyte. After several years of service to the priest, he became a "Sacristan Mayor" (head of acolytes). His post gave him an opportunity to read the Bible which prompted constant discussions with the priest on some doctrinal points. Enraged by Ramon's inquisitiveness and sound



GROUP. Here are the youth who attended an MV Senior Training Camp at Abbao, Malitbog, Leyte del Sur.

reasoning, the priest drove him out of the convent. Ramon was just a youth when his faith in the teachings of his church declined.

After some years he got married and at the same time became interested in politics. He became one of the top politicians in his town and was highly esteemed. Until that time the seed of truth had lain dormant in his mind. During Pastor L. E. Montana's evangelistic campaign in the capital city of Masbate, Mr. Llamazares found himself very interested in the lectures. He found out that some topics were reminiscent of his past discussion with the priest. With the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, he quit smoking, drinking, dancing and attending the fiesta fair. He was baptized on August 3 as a result of the Masbate evangelistic campaign.

Even before his baptism, Ramon shared his new-found faith with a man who had previously been antagonistic toward the Adventist Church.

—**Reuben P. Moralde, Ministerial Intern, Central Visayan Mission**



CAMPFIRE. Dr. Varona leads a group of campers in a native war dance around the campfire at Leyte del Sur.

MV Senior Camp Held in Southern Leyte

OVER a period of two years the scheduled MV Senior Camp for the young people of Southern Leyte has been postponed no less than three times due to frequent changes in the Mission MV secretaries. However, on June 2-8, 1968, the thrice-postponed MV camp was finally held near the beach of barrio Abgao, Malitbog, Leyte del Sur, on the property owned by the ex-mayor of the town, Mr. Filomeno Tedalgo. Twenty campers, six boys and 14 girls, from all over the district of Southern Leyte were in attendance. On Sabbath, more than 100 brethren from the surrounding churches joined the campers in worshipping the Lord in the shady campground fronting the beautiful Sogod Bay.

Mayor Tedalgo, son of the owner of the campground, visited the camp one evening. After witnessing the activities and observing the orderliness of the place, he offered to help make the camp a success by providing a police officer each night to help patrol the area as a safeguard

TEAM. This is the Masbate evangelistic campaign team. Pastor L. E. Montana, Ministerial Secretary of the Central Philippine Union, was the evangelist. He is seated in the center.





Cards Pour Into Central Philippines

HOLIDAY. Cards have poured into the Central Philippine Union office in Cebu, thanks to the work of Sabbaths Schools in America. The Christmas cards and other greeting cards are being used in Branch Sabbath Schools and Vacation Bible Schools. A group from the office are shown starting to open the many packages which came from the Cebu post office.
—F. M. Arrogante

from possible disturbances caused by juvenile drunks.

The activities during the one-week camp included swimming and first aid classes, Leadercraft and nature classes, a nature hike, a class in knot science, and storytelling and games during the campfire each night.

The camp staff included Pastor N. L. Ornopia, Sr., Mission MV secretary, camp director; Pastor O. L. Alolor, district leader, camp deputy director; Pastor J. R. Obregon, Union MV secretary, camp pastor; Dr. O. B. Varona, skipper of the Mission medical launch "Kapawa," camp doctor; Mrs. Cherry G. Varona, camp matron. Mr. Pedro Cabansag, East Visayan Academy teacher, and Mr. Boos Gulfan, an auditor, were also in attendance and assisted as camp unit counselors.

Although the attendance in the camp was small, the camp may be counted a success in several ways. First, it helped in establishing right habits of living and developed personal responsibility for duty in the lives of the campers, as promoted by the camp program. Secondly, visiting young people, as well as their parents, who witnessed the camp activities saw the value of our camping program and were prompted to pledge to attend or send their children to the next camp. Lastly, the camp was managed on a self-supporting basis. Nearby churches, especially the Sangahon church, donated liberally to help the camp meet expenses.

—N. L. Ornopia, Sr.
MV Secretary,
East Visayan Mission

South China Island

South China Union College Holds First Capping Exercise

A MEMORABLE event took place in South China Union College at Clear Water Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong, on Thursday night, September 19. At a joint capping exercise of the Tsuen Wan Sanitarium and Hospital and the College, five nursing students, four ladies and one man, received their caps and recited the Nightingale Pledge.

Mrs. Patricia Jones, Head of the Nursing Department of South China Union College, presented for capping the five successful students to Miss Rose Marie Radley, Director of Nursing of the Adventist

CAPPING. Rose Marie Radley, Director of Nursing of the Tsuen Wan Hospital in Hong Kong, congratulates Barbara Choi immediately after the capping ceremony.



Sanitarium in Hong Kong. They were Barbara Choi, Nancy Chan, Jean Hung, Chan Pui Wah, and Kong Wai Ying.

President M. D. Lee of the College, presiding at the program, was happy to announce that at last, after sixty-five years, there is now a full nursing program for the Adventist youth in the Hong Kong area. During the past two years, those who finished the pre-nursing course there had to go either to Taiwan or Bangkok for the rest of their training.

The president thanked Mrs. Patricia Jones for building up the Nursing Department from the beginning and Dr. Harry Miller, Dr. John Hsuen, and Miss Radley for their full support of the program.

It was very fitting that the speaker of the evening was Dr. Harry Miller, known all over the denomination as the "China Doctor." He was the first president of this college and later the first medical director of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital forty years ago.

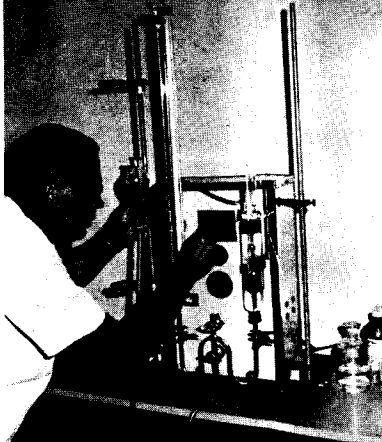
In his remarks, Dr. Miller emphasized the training of nurses as a very important objective of founding Adventist medical institutions. The veteran missionary recalled that the Nurses' Training School at Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital admitted students from Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Burma, Siberia, and Malaysia. He pointed out that this cosmopolitan group of nurses trained in Shanghai made possible the inauguration of Adventist medical work in all these respective lands.

Dr. Hsuen, Assistant Medical Director of the Tsuen Wan Sanitarium and Hospital, gave the benediction.

—Mrs. Marie E. Bingcang

Medical Technologist Arrives at Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital

RECENTLY Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pifer and children, Darlene and Charles, arrived in Taiwan to take up their responsibilities at the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital. Mr. C. E. Pifer is medical technologist (see picture) and Mrs. Pifer is the Director of the Nursing Service. The former Director of Nursing Service, Miss Rosemarie Radley, accepted a call to the Adventist Hospital in Hong Kong.



NEW. Chalmers Pifer is the new laboratory technician for the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital.

The Pifers were formerly missionaries to Karachi, Pakistan, from 1956 to 1961. From 1963 to 1968 they were at a mission station in Nigeria.

May the Lord richly bless the Pifers as they minister to the physical and spiritual needs of the people.

—L. R. Colburn,
Public Relations Secretary,
South China Island Union

SCIUM Publishing Department Milestones

ON August 1 publishing leaders from the three missions of the South China Island Union Mission gathered at the Union office for the first leadership training school to be held in this field. Pastor E. A. Brodeur, Far Eastern Division Publishing Secretary, taught classes in the art of successfully serving as publishing department leaders.

The first publishing council to be held in the South China Island Union Mission directly followed the leadership training school. During the one-day publishing house coun-

LEADERS. Leaders of the South China Island Union publishing department who attended the leadership training school are shown above. They include, left to right, front row, James Lee, Paul Kao, Grace Chu, Miriam Lee. Back row, left to right, Carl Shen, E. A. Brodeur, D. F. Gilbert, Calvin Teng, L. R. Colburn, John Liao, and Timothy Yu.



cil held on August 4, the publishing leaders laid plans and set goals for the year, which made it evident that the printed page will be carried to the 20,000,000 people within the boundaries of SCIUM.

The motto, "Light the World With Literature," is ringing throughout the churches of Taiwan and Hong Kong. The brightest days for the publishing ministry and for the promulgation of the gospel are just before us. It is with a feeling of urgency that dedicated men and women, as well as many students, are taking the printed page to the homes of the people.

—L. R. Colburn,
Publishing Secretary,
South China Island Union

Hong Kong Student Missionaries



Debby Butler

THE school year of 1968-1969 in the Hong Kong Sam Yuk secondary school introduces a new look in the Student Missionary program, for the latest arrivals are young ladies, Debby Butler and Joanie Hoatson. They come to us from the La Sierra campus of Loma Linda University. The reception given them by the school, and the enthusiasm of the girls, indicate that this will be a good school year.

Debby is a graduate of the Loma Linda University School of Fine Arts with an English major. She is working on a five-year plan in her field and expects to return to the

campus to continue study which will qualify her for California State Teaching Credentials. Here in Hong Kong Sam Yuk she is teaching twenty-six hours. This includes courses in English, Old Testament, World History and Civics. She is a member of the Religious Activities Committee, one of the School Chaplains, and helps to direct the work of the Missionary Volunteer Society, the Sabbath School, and the Weeks of Prayer.

Debby's home is in Sierra Madre, California. One of her brothers is in Andrews University working on a B. D. Another is a graduate of the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry and is now serving in the United States Navy. He plans to visit her in Hong Kong.

Joanie is also a graduate of the Loma Linda University School of Fine Arts with a major in Art. She expects to return to La Sierra to continue her study in the University. She is carrying a twenty-six-hour teaching load which includes courses in English, Bible, Hong Kong Civics and Geography of the Colony. She directs the Pioneer Memorial Church choir, is a member of the Religious Activities Committee, one of the School Chaplains, and is active in the work of the Missionary Volunteer Society and the Sabbath School.

Joanie is from Glendale, California. Her grandparents were missionaries in China in the early part of the 1920's. They worked for a time with Dr. H. W. Miller on the staff of the Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital. Her sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Holden, are connected with Walla Walla College. Dr. Holden is the head

Joan Hoatson



of the Department of Foreign Languages.

A number of outstanding young people have come to Hong Kong from Loma Linda University for a year of student missionary work. Larry Viverka, Phil and Joanne Jones, Roger and Carol Morton, Dick Davidson and John Hughson, Dick Donaldson and Tom Dybdahl are also remembered for the splendid service they gave. We believe that the influence of these young people will be effective in interesting Seventh-day Adventist youth in the work of the church overseas. We are confident that many of these dedicated Student Missionaries will return to the Far East to help finish the work here.

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

South Philippines

Mission President Conducts Campaign

AFTER the 1967 Division Council in Davao City, the writer decided to conduct an evangelistic effort in response to the challenge given by Pastor Robert H. Pierson, President of the General Conference.

A few months before the start of the series of meetings, I was quite fearful at the prospect of mounting an offensive after a few years in another aspect of evangelistic work. It took many nights of fervent prayers until I was given the courage to work and fulfill the challenge that I have accepted.

Digos was the place approved by the mission committee where I should conduct my effort. One month was spent for ground preparation, and careful planning was made before the start of the meetings. The opening night was graced



TEAM. This is the Digos evangelistic team. Pastor A. A. Villarin is in the center with his wife.



BAPTISM. Four ordained ministers affiliated in the first baptism following the Digos Center campaign. Sixty persons were baptized in the first ceremony.

by the presence of the governor of the province of Davao del Sur, Ramon delos Cientos. His inspiring opening remarks prepared the minds of the entire congregation for the message of hope that evening.

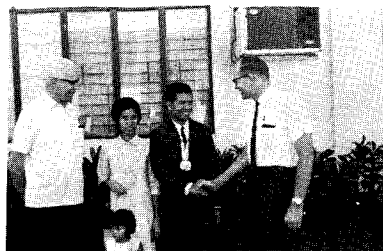
Graduates of the Pilot School which I conducted one week before the effort contributed, in a large degree, to the success of the meetings. I was very much impressed with the excellent spirit and willingness of our laymen, especially in Digos church, to assume responsibility. Every leader assigned to do his own job carried out his assignment very efficiently. Our talented dedicated young men and young women in the church gladly gave their help, time and money during the duration of the meetings.

One hundred interested persons took the Bible marking class. It was the best Bible marking class I ever had in my ministry, because almost all religious sects in Digos were represented and almost all of them accepted the Advent message and were baptized. At the close of the effort 60 persons were baptized the afternoon of June 29 at Dawis, Digos, Davao del Sur. Not long after this, two other baptisms were conducted. Eight persons were baptized during the second baptism and five persons at the third, making a total of 73.

As I came after the close of the meetings, I feel that somebody should stay and continue the follow-up work. Some good interest was developing after the nightly meetings. So an intern worker is at present following up our interest, and another baptism is expected in the near future.

Surely there is joy that can satisfy the Lord's servant if he accepts the challenge of the Lord to "preach the word." The Lord will surely give us the reward of our labors if we work with Him in faith and humbleness. It is a very solemn experience to see the faces of hundreds of people attending night after

MVC Teacher Goes to Mission Field



MISSIONS. Mr. and Mrs. Dedito Bayeta of Mountain View College left for a term of foreign service with the Ekamai Adventist School in Bangkok. Photo shows Mountain View College president Dr. D. K. Brown, sending off Bayeta and his family. Looking on is Pastor T. Murdach, North Philippine Union president and former president of Mountain View College. Bayeta was Physics teacher at Mountain View College.

night and realize the fact that the Lord is interested in their salvation. These souls should be visited in their homes. To visit in the homes of the interested ones and see them casting their lots with God's people is, to me, a romance to the ministry. There is no other thrilling experience than to see with joy men and women accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour through baptism and be ready for His glorious second coming.

—A. A. Villarin, President,
Davao Mission

Mayor Officiates at Hospital Ceremony

ILIGAN City's Acting Mayor, Gerardo B. Padilla, officiated at a foundation-laying ceremony in connection with the expansion program of the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital and the School of Nursing in cooperation with the Mountain View College. This was held during the annual hospital day celebration.

Attorney Padilla was the guest speaker. He commended the hos-

pital staff for giving worthwhile service to the people of Iligan City and its neighboring towns, for "even extending its unselfish services to the less fortunate ones who could barely pay their hospital bills."

In connection with the ceremony, the acting mayor hailed the hospital administrators for their "progress-conscious" spirit. He added that the people of Iligan City will be benefited greatly.

Along with the guest speaker were City Councilor Casimero Cabigon, who gave a short talk in correlation with the expansion program and the School of Nursing, and Pastor Lorenzo A. Yutuc, President of the Northern Mindanao Mission, who gave a brief history of the medical work of the Seventh-day Adventists.

The Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital started as a clinic in Dansalan City (now Marawi City) in 1947, pioneered by Dr. R. T. Santos, at present staff surgeon of the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, and Miss Lois Burnett, American missionary nurse. This clinic served the medical needs of the Muslim people until 1953. In 1952, another clinic, spearheaded by Dr. F. T. Geslani, now medical director of the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital, was opened right in the heart of Iligan City. The proceeds of these two clinics and funds donated by the Adventist denomination made possible the construction of the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital in Tibanga, about two kilometers away from the city. The building was started in the early part of 1952. In 1953, the hospital started operating with Dr. F. T. Geslani as the medical director. Dr. Santos was moved to Cebu as the medical director of the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital. He was at the same time secretary of the South Philippine Union.

Two years later, Dr. Santos took over the reins of the medical work in Iligan while Dr. Geslani heeded the call to pioneer the work at the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital. For three years, Dr. Santos headed the work and it gained recognition among the townspeople of Iligan and especially from the Muslim people of Marawi City.

In 1958, Dr. A. P. Roda assumed the medical directorship which was vacated by Dr. Santos. During Dr. Roda's administration, plans were

laid to expand the 40-bed capacity to at least 100. At the recent biennial session, Dr. W. M. Torres, Jr., then medical secretary of the South Philippine Union, was chosen to head the medical work, while Dr. Roda became the medical secretary.

The leaders in this field are soliciting your prayers and financial support so that soon the blueprint will become a reality.

—E. L. Lamera, Chaplain and Acting Business Manager, Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital

East Indonesia

Leadership Training School Held in Indonesia

A PUBLISHING Department Leadership Training School and a Colporteur Institute have been held in the Sario Church in the city of Menado.

This was a victory for Pastor M. R. Lyon because he had tried unsuccessfully a number of months ago to reach Menado. This time he made it, and we hope that he feels that his visit to East Indonesia was worth the effort. This was also a victory for our union, for we have felt the need of such meetings for a long time, and we know that they will result in added sales and souls saved in the kingdom.

—A. M. Bartlett, President, East Indonesia Union Mission

TEAM. Here are the publishing secretaries from three missions in East Indonesia who attended a leadership training school in Menada. Back row, left to right, W. Massie, P. Tumbel, F. Massie, A. Sasue, J. Mamengko. Seated is Mrs. N. Lolombulan.



GROUP. Shown above are the publishing secretaries and a number of literature evangelists of East Indonesia who attended a leadership training school in Menado.

Southeast Asia

News Notes from SAUC by Maggie Tan

● **DR. & Mrs. Samuel Phang** of California recently paid a flying visit to their homeland. Dr. Phang is the brother of Pastor Y. H. Phang. He graduated from the College of Medical Evangelists in 1933, the very first from Southeast Asia to graduate as a medical doctor from this school of medicine.

● **Queenie Tan** left in late October for a vacation trip to the United States. She will visit her brothers, Donald (who is an M. D.), Robert (who is a musician), and Newton (who recently left SAUC for further upgrading). She plans to tour the various states of America and hopes to put Europe and England into her itinerary (she has yet another brother in England) before coming home.

SPEAKER. Pastor A. M. Bartlett substituted for Pastor M. R. Lyon when the latter's arrival was delayed due to air travel difficulties.





GROUP. The ground is finally broken for the new Servicemen's Center on Okinawa.

by the nationals to prepare their soil for planting. Several of the servicemen tried a hand at the implements to be sure the ground was well-broken.

The plans call for the completion of the project by April 30, 1969. A chapel, which will be called the Desmond Doss Chapel, and two wings will be constructed of red brick. Accommodations will be for over a dozen men.

It was a good day, and everyone will be glad to come back to dedicate the Center when it is completed.

—Clyde R. Bradley,
Civilian Chaplain, Okinawa

Japan

Servicemen's Center Ground-breaking on Okinawa

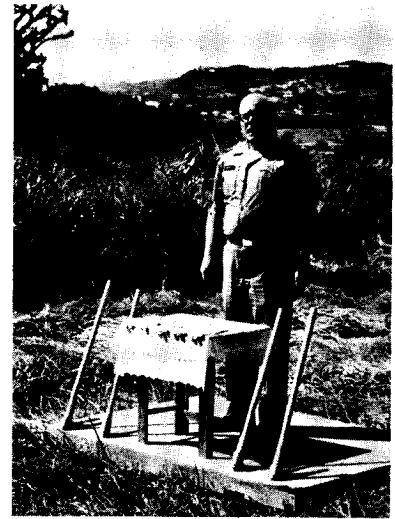
GROUND-breaking ceremonies are always happy occasions, and the one for the new US\$50,000 Servicemen's Center on Okinawa was no exception. September 26 was a beautiful day, although there had recently been a typhoon. The church members, servicemen, and guests gathered on our site with its sweeping view of the surrounding hills and the sea. Guests included Pastor Charles S. Martin, Associate NSO Secretary of the General Conference, Washington, D.C.; Pastor Gilbert J. Bertochini, NSO Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, Singapore; Chaplains (Colonel) Charles J. Murphy and (LTC) W. S. Bennett, from the headquarters of the armed services of the Ryuku Islands.

After these guests had brought us a message, including greetings from High Commissioner Gen. R. T. Unger, we got down to the real purpose of the afternoon—the breaking of the ground. It took a rather unusual turn, for we used a locally-owned water buffalo to pull an Okinawan plow. The plowman was civilian chaplain Clyde R. Bradley who is in charge of the



GI'S. Captain Jack Bobst, Fred Rogers, Gregory Gomez, Andrew Jackson, and Harold Washburn all try their hand at breaking ground for their new servicemen's center on Okinawa.

Center. While this was in progress, the guests assisted by wielding gilded Okinawan farm hoes. These long-bladed implements are used



SPEAKER. Chaplain J. Murphy, a Lieutenant Colonel, spoke to the group of persons gathered for the ground-breaking ceremony.

GROUND-BREAKING. Charles Martin, of the General Conference MV Department, breaks ground for the new Servicemen's Center on Okinawa. He has the assistance of a caribou.



West Indonesia

"Berdikari"

A WORD that was coined a few years ago in Indonesia is the word "Berdikari". The word comes from a sentence "Berdiri Diatas Kaki sendiri," which translated means "stand on your own feet."

This year in Malang, East Java, we have seen the fruitage of a church that has learned to Berdikari. In April 1968 they broke ground for their new school, and on September 2 dedicated their new school free of debt.

The members worked together, the young people spent their Sundays carrying bricks and stones for the new school. Everyone worked together to accomplish their purpose. Only five years ago this new church school opened its doors with only a few students, but today they have almost 80 students.

The new school has four large classrooms and a lovely chapel on the front of the school where the young people can gather for spiritual food and young people's meetings.

We are proud of the Malang church who have rallied under the leadership of the Pastor and Brother Sie to accomplish their task.



NEW. Shown above and below are scenes of the new school at Malang in Eastern Java.



STUDENTS. Here are the students and faculty of the Nusa Tenggara Academy in Indonesia in front of their administration building.

They received no help from the mission but truly carried out the entire project "standing on their own feet."

—Clinton L. Shankel, President, West Indonesia Union

Boarding Academy for \$1.00 a Month

HOW would you like to go to an Academy and pay only one dollar a month for your board, room, and tuition? You can if your teachers are willing to teach for \$10.50 a month, if you are willing to eat mush three times a day, and stay in a thatch dormitory with a dirt floor. The school has "running water" early in the morning. The students fill bamboo poles with water down the mountain from the school and run with the bamboo poles filled with water to the school.

The new Nusa Tenggara Academy has opened its doors in faith. So far the only help this school has received is a \$500 donation from Mr. Paulson which enabled them to finish their temporary classroom, girls dormitory, clinic, and principal's house. There are over 70 students in this academy

carrying on under very poor circumstances. The teachers are working very hard, some teaching over 50 classes a week.

The island of Timor in the eastern part of Indonesia is a place where a few years ago our workers who went to the jungles were poisoned. Many have been beaten and stoned in this area, but today we have almost 1,500 Sabbath School members on an island where 10 years ago we had very few Adventists. The work that was begun in faith and sacrifice goes on in faith and sacrifice so that their young people may have a Christian education. Maybe the buildings are poor, and maybe the students are poor, but faith and courage are strong. Please pray for Nusa Tenggara Academy that it may fulfill for our youth the ideals of a Christian education.

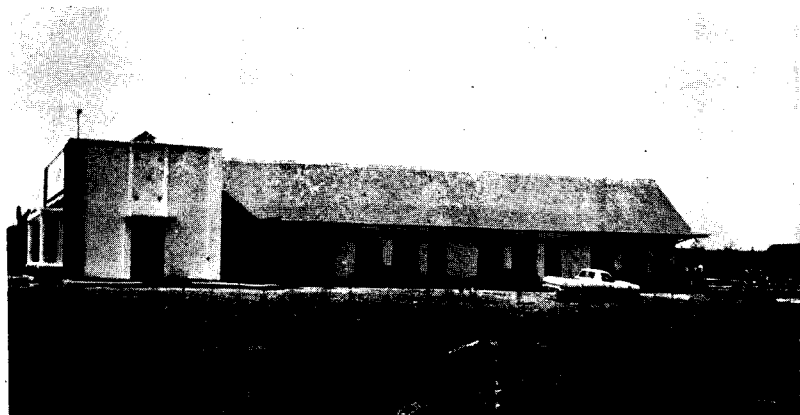
—Clinton L. Shankel, President, West Indonesia Union

"Displaced Pastor" Continues to Win Souls!

FRANK SIAUW was born in Central Java in 1936, in the home of Buddhist parents. His parents died when Frank was seven, so an uncle, a Buddhist, reared him and his brother.

In 1958 a friend invited Frank to a revival meeting in Surabaya, and one year later he was baptized. He moved to Djakarta and became an active choir member and Sunday School teacher. It was here that Frank met his wife-to-be, Lily, who was very active in leadership roles in the Baptist church. They were married in 1959.

One year later the Siauw home





SCHOOL. The former Branch Sunday School taught by Frank and Lily Siau, of Djakarta, is now a Branch Sabbath School.

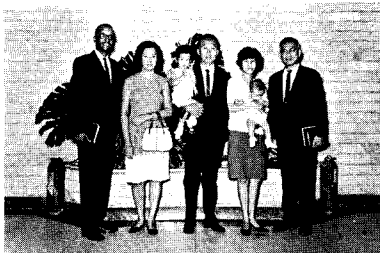
was blessed by a daughter, Jacqueline. Since they couldn't teach at the church on Sundays because of their new baby, they started a neighborhood Sunday School. Within twelve months it had grown to 50 children. They were very happy serving their Lord, but something was missing.

Both Frank and Lily felt that God wanted them to attend college and receive training which could enable them to be of better service. They earnestly desired a deeper knowledge of the Scriptures, and were no longer satisfied in the Baptist Church. They even considered joining the Catholic Church, since both of them had been affiliated with Catholic organizations before. God was leading, and soon His plan began to unfold.

One day Lily went to visit an old friend, Mrs. Erlie Njoo, an active member in the Taman Sari Adventist Church in Djakarta. Her husband is local elder of this church. Mrs. Njoo invited Pastor Kan Tje Sian, who formerly pastored in Kalimantan, but had to leave due to social and political disruptions, to visit the Siau family with her. Pastor Kan was also holding evangelistic meetings in the Taman Sari Church while waiting for his immigration papers to be approved.

The hearts of Frank and Lily Siau were being warmed by the clear instruction of the Bible as Pastor Kan worked with them. He gave them a book *Life Sketches of Mrs. E. G. White*. Very soon the unclean foods were removed from the home of the Siaus. Shortly after the evangelistic series was completed, Frank and Lily Siau were ready for baptism into the Adventist Church.

On August 30, 1968, the same date that Frank had been baptized as a Baptist nine years before, a



GROUP. Pastor Kan Tje Sian, Mrs. Lily Siau, Frank Siau, and Mrs. Erlie Njoo are shown with Pastor Ted Jones, left.

beautiful baptismal service was conducted in the Djakarta Evangelistic Center. One young man, Brother Saimima, who was indoctrinated and won to Christ by Jorry R. Sumual, associate director of the Evangelistic Center, was baptized with the six converts from Pastor Kan's meetings.

It was thrilling to hear of the various stories of personal witnessing that influenced all of these people to accept Christ as their Saviour. May God continue to use our "displaced pastor" and his new converts to win more souls for His kingdom.

—Ted T. Jones, Secretary,
Ministerial Association,
West Indonesia Union

North Philippines

NPUM Elects its First Field Secretary

NEW field secretary and translator for the North Philippine Union is Pastor J. O. Bautista, lay activities secretary during the past 10 years.

The first union field secretary is a man who has scored a number

of significant "firsts" during his 37 years of service in denominational work. He and his wife were the first Filipinos sent out as foreign missionaries by the then Philippine Union Mission in 1934. Up to 1941 they labored in Palau, West Caroline Islands, in the Japan Union Mission, where he pioneered as an evangelist and an administrator. He was the first president of the then Northeast Luzon Mission which was organized in 1948. When the Southern Mindanao Mission was organized in 1950 he was called to become its first president. (Some call him a good "nursery man.") As president of the Central Luzon Mission from 1951 to 1956, he also held the post of vice-president of the Union in a concurrent capacity (there has been no vice-president since). From September to December in 1947, he was commissioned by the Union to conduct a mission survey of Guam and Palau. Since he led the ingathering campaign in 1958, the Union goal has increased from Ps.90,000 to Ps.175,000, and the amount reached has soared from Ps. 114,000 to Ps. 208,000 (1967.)

One of the most urgent needs of our people in the churches is for Spirit of Prophecy books in the native language. A multi-lingual man (English, Ilocano, Tagalog, and Pangasinan) and one with an agile pen like Pastor Bautista is deemed just the man to help bring about a solution to this problem.

Award Given to Dorcas Lady



AWARD. Mrs. Betty O. Miranda, right, President of the Manila-Rizal Dorcas Federation, was awarded the Aurora Aragon Quezon Medal at the Philamlife auditorium for "highly distinguished continuous service to the Manila Red Cross chapter." The medal is a restricted award presented to men and women of "exceptional dedication" to the cause of human betterment. She is the secretary of Safety Services of the Manila Red Cross Chapter. Greeting her is Mrs. Nini Quezon-Avencena, only surviving daughter of the late First Lady.

—B. B. Alsaybar



TWINS. Two sets of twins who were baptized together are shown here. Standing are Jesus and Joseph Toban and sitting are Pedro and Pablo Caspe. Evangelist C. A. Dumenden is standing in the center.

Two Sets of Twins Baptized in Tarlac

THERE are many "firsts" in the history of our work in the Philippines, but this one is an outstand-

ing "first." Two sets of twins, all boys, were baptized in one effort. They were part of the 56 baptized as a result of the effort in Panique, Tarlac, Philippines.

Pastor G. A. Calangan, an evangelist of the Northern Luzon Mission, opened an effort in Panique, Tarlac, on April 24, 1968. He was assisted by Pastor L. Macaraeg, C. A. Dumenden, B. L. Andres, a ministerial intern, and Marietta Carace, organist.

Many things took place to hinder the work. First it was a rain of stones. In the second week a tornado blew down the tabernacle. It was put up again and in another week the meetings continued.

Outstanding trophies of the cross were a retired public school principal, and two public school teachers. The most thrilling result was the conversion of two pairs of twins, college students Jesus and Joseph Taban, sons of an army sergeant, and two young boys, Pedro and Pablo Caspe, who are high school students.

—S. G. Miraflores

Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course Held for South-Central Luzon Mission

THE first Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course for workers of the South-Central Luzon Mission was held at its headquarters in San Rafael, San Pablo City, Philippines, on July 22-25, 1968, with 30 workers completing the course.

The textbook for the seminar was the book, **Teach**, by Stanley S. Will. A syllabus for **Teach** and a Sabbath School Guidelines compiled by the Sabbath School Department of the North Philippine Union augmented the morning and afternoon lectures.

Pastor Juanito L. Tulio, Mission Sabbath School Secretary, directed the institute, assisted by his associate for Child Evangelism, Mrs. Isabel L. Abawag. Pastor Arsenio D. Pis-o, Union Sabbath School Secretary, gave instruction concerning the structure and functions of the Sabbath School geared to the needs and edification of the members.

Pastors Todd C. Murdoch and Joseph R. Bailey, Union President

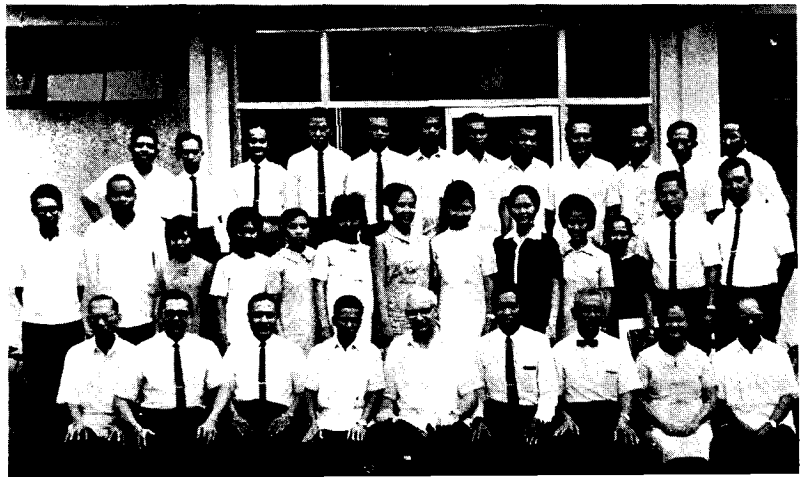
and Ministerial Secretary, were devotional speakers during the meeting.

At the closing program, the workers renewed their commitment for the ingathering of souls through the Sabbath School.

Five Top Students Granted PUC Scholarships

RECOMMENDED by their respective academy faculties for

GROUP. Here are the persons who attended the Sabbath School meeting. Seated, second from left and continuing to the right, are Pastor J. L. Tulio, Pastor A. D. Pis-O, Efinito Macalontal, Pastor T. C. Murdoch, Pastor E. J. Tangunan, Pastor B. G. Mary, and Mrs. Isabel Abawag.



STUDENTS. Here are the students who won scholarships from the Philippine Union College.

this year's Ps.400-tuition awards at Philippine Union College are five outstanding Filipino SDA youths:

Adolfo Valenzuela, from Naga View Academy, now preparing for the ministry; Eleanor Libadia, from PUC Academy, now looking forward to being a medical doctor; Estrella Castillo, from Pasay City Academy, preparing to be a secretary; Shirley Orpia from Northeast Luzon Academy studying to be a mathematics teacher; and Elizabeth Migallon from Northern Luzon Academy to be a biology teacher.

The Philippine Union College tuition scholarships are granted to the most deserving graduates of each of our academies in the North Philippine Union Mission, as chosen by each faculty on the basis of scholarship, dedication, prospect for future denominational employment, and financial need. This plan was inaugurated in 1967.



DIPLOMA. Mario Bermejo is handed his diploma by Damaso Dalisay, of the Bataan Refining Corp.

He Would Not Be A Valedictorian if He Had to Break the Sabbath

HAVE you ever heard of a young man who was ready to give up the honor of being class valedictorian because of his religious convictions? If not, listen to this one.

Mario Bermejo, 18, is a Seventh-day Adventist, and was an academy senior last April at the Honorio Ventura Memorial School of Arts and Trades (enrollment 1,200) in Bacolor, Pampanga. He comes from a poor family, but he is very bright and faithful to God. He attends Sabbath services in his home church regularly in the town of Mexico.

Periodic tests were often given on Saturday. He knew that non-attendance on Saturday would affect his grades and would automatically deprive him of being at the top in his 268-member class. He pleaded with his teachers that he be excused from taking these tests, but was told that he would miss the honor if he did not take them. In spite of this, he resolved not to take the examinations on Sabbath. His firm stand earned for him the respect of his principal and his teachers. He was chosen to be the valedictorian just the same.

But then there was one more problem to hurdle. Graduation was set for the morning of Saturday, April 20, at which time he was to give the valedictory address. Would he sacrifice now, just in this particular instance, the principle which he had learned to love and cherish? No, he would not. He approached the principal again and told him that he could not attend the graduation on Saturday.

"But you are the valedictorian, and you have a part. Can you not please us just for this occasion?", the principal asked.

"Sir," was the polite answer, "make someone else in my class the valedictorian and give him the privilege of giving the valedictory address. I just can't break the Sabbath of my Lord."

Seeing the firm decision again of this Adventist young man, the principal called a meeting of the faculty, and right there in that meeting graduation was moved from Saturday to Friday morning.

What a fine example for our young people to follow!

By A. S. Canlas, Secretary,
Educational Department,
Central Luzon Mission