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Deskside Chats



1970 - Fear or Hope?

OPTIMISM is the logical frame of mind for beginning a new year. Memories of tragedy, disappointment, and failure should give way to eager courage for fresh opportunities that are sure to come.

But does it always work that way?

How about 1970? Will it be a year of fear or hope?

No new year in history ever presented mankind with as many anomalies and paradoxes as this one. Industry has never been so productive; education has never been available to so many; living standards have never been so high; science and invention have never been so prolific; travel and communications have never been so effective or so widely used. The accouterments of what we call civilization seem to be in ample supply to provide both happiness and security.

And yet there is the other side to the picture. A half dozen or more critically sensitive international situations threaten to shatter what is at best a shaky peace. Agitated youth, their disillusionment with society untempered by either logic or experience, are ready to pit their volatile strength against government, institution, or any other authority which displeases them. Smouldering fires of racism, nationalism, and social ideology threaten instant conflagration.

This is the way it looks as 1970 begins. A bewildered world views the fascinating but contradictory scene with unconcealed apprehension. The new year's traditional optimism is tinged with a nagging concern.

But for Seventh-day Adventists this paradoxical kaleidoscope of men running to and fro, increased knowledge, and perilous times is a vivid reproduction in technicolor of the prophetic picture. To us there is something reassuring about the very uncertainty of the immediate future. We recognize it as a prelude to divine intervention which alone can bring a permanent solution.

In her poem, "At the Gate of the Year," M. Louise Haskins offers the key to a confident step into tomorrow:

"And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown.'

And he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. It shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'"

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President



Far Eastern Division Celebrates 50th Anniversary

By W. P. Bradley, Associate
Secretary, General Conference

WE were called to the Far Eastern Division in 1930. We left North America on Thanksgiving Day of that year. We served in the Division until 1942 when our family was evacuated because of war conditions.

When we came to the Far East in 1930 there were 27,082 members in the Division; and at the time of our departure in 1942 with Indonesia added there were 35,015. Political conditions in the Division were different than now. The flag of Japan was flying in both Japan and Korea; the U. S. flag was in the Philippines. Except for the Kingdom of Siam, French and British influence dominated in Malaya. The Dutch East Indies had been in the former Far Eastern Division until 1928. Then it was split off and placed under Central Europe, but it came back to the Far East in 1938.

The reorganized Division began to face problems soon after 1930. Due to the financial crisis in the principal supporting countries, there were three appropriation cuts of ten per cent from the General Conference in the early thirties.

So the keynote of all of our operations was economy. Travel was slow, and between unions it was all by ship. It took a week to ten days to travel from headquarters to the outlying parts of the Division. We made longer and less frequent trips and spent more time in the unions we visited. We had to carry a generous supply of clothes, shirts, white suits, etc., because this was before the age of nylon and dacron.

In 1930 all schools in the Division on the secondary or higher level were under the supervision of overseas workers, and we had nothing beyond a junior college. Gradually conditions began to change, and we saw the leadership shift from missionaries to nationals in the schools and missions. Schools were upgraded and new ones were established, such as the East Visayan Academy, West Visayan Academy, Ayer Manis School, and the Sabah Secondary School. New hospitals were opened in Bangkok, Bhuket, Seoul, and Vietnam. New missions were organized in the South Celebes, South Central Luzon, Northern Mindanao, and Vietnam.

After operating temporarily in Manila and Baguio until 1936, the Division finally came to rest in its permanent headquarters in Singapore. With the addition of the Netherlands East Indies to the Divi-

sion the territory was broadened, and the burdens increased. As we came to the late 30's and to the year 1940, war clouds were hanging on the horizon. Foreign missionaries were withdrawn from Japan and Korea, largely in 1940, some returning to their homeland and some transferring to other locations.

War had already broken out in Europe, and this had its effect on conditions in the Far East. Then war in all its reality came to Singapore and other parts of the Division on Monday, December 8, 1941, and the Division organization rapidly began to break down. By Friday, January 30, 1942 the last group of overseas workers had left Singapore, and the institutions and missions were turned over to national leaders. The party that left Singapore on that day consisted of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Moon, Mr. L. I. Bowers, and the Bradleys including our son, James. We arrived in Java, stayed there several weeks, then left for Australia and home. It had ever been our hope and expectation to be back in the Far East for a further period of service, but this never came to pass.

We marvel at what God has accomplished in the Advent message in the countries of Asia in bringing spiritual life and a message of hope to these great populations. As we see the signs of the end thickening and also the wide areas in which the witness of the third angel is being proclaimed, we can only exclaim with the gospel prophet: "He who testifies to these things says, surely I am coming soon. Amen, come Lord Jesus." Rev. 22:20 (RSV)

GREETINGS to all the members and workers in the Far Eastern Division on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the organization of the Far Eastern Division. Congratulations to all whose destiny it is to be living in the Far East at this time and to have the privilege of joining in proclaiming God's message to the world.

I can think of no more significant time in which to be serving under the banner of Christ than now. Our thoughts go out to all of you in this year of commemoration and rejoicing over what God has done. Mrs. Bradley joins me heartily in this.



HONORED. Harry W. Miller, M. D., a veteran medical missionary in East Asia over the past 66 years, was honored by the Far Eastern Division Department of Health at the annual Division Council in Bangkok, Thailand. A plaque expressing appreciation for his years of service to the cause of God presented to Dr. Miller by G. C. Ekvall, M.D., Secretary of the Department of Health. In the photo above Pastor Paul H. Eldridge, President of the Far Eastern Division, watches as the presentation is made. Pastor Eldridge introduced the presentation award by relating the role Dr. Miller has played over the years in developing the medical work of the denomination in the Orient.

Veteran Medical Missionary Recalls Service for the Past

66 YEARS

By H. W. Miller, M.D.

THOUGH not the first to enter the territory comprising the Far Eastern Division, since there were a few workers who had entered Japan, Singapore, and Hong Kong antedating, my wife and I, with four others, were the first Adventist missionaries to enter China. China then constituted a big part of the Far Eastern Division with Shanghai, China serving as the headquarters of the Far Eastern Division until it was separated in 1930. Therefore, I have had a close connection with this Division from its beginning to the present day. I have counted it a great privilege to be thus associated with it and to have noted the expansion and growth of it during the past 50 years.

Pastor J. N. Anderson was the first appointed director to the China field with the headquarters at Hong Kong. In 1907, due to his wife's illness, he returned permanently to the States and I became the director of the mission work in China, to be followed later by Pastor I. H. Evans. We look upon that faithful and venerable man as the real organizer and founder of the Far Eastern Division. Previously he was the treasurer of the General Conference. He led the work in China until 1913 when he became president of the North American Division where he served for six years. In 1919 he returned to the Far East again as president of the Far Eastern Division which then comprised all the territory of the present Division plus China, Mongolia, and Tibet.

It was at the General Conference Session held in the summer of 1913 in Takoma Park when I was appointed the Medical Director of the Washington Sanitarium and Medical Secretary of the General Conference, which position I held till 1925. In that year Pastor Frederick Griggs and I were appointed Field Secretaries of the General Conference, to serve with Pastor I. H. Evans in the Far Eastern Division.

Pastor Evans was a man for growth and expansion of the work. Up to that date, there was little to show of institutional development in the Division. Publishing work had been provided with small printing plants in most of the Unions. There was a small medical clinic started by Dr. Riley Russel at Soonan, Korea and another by Dr. Gardner at Penang. Professor Fredrick Griggs, as he was called,

had been the Educational Secretary of the General Conference and I had been the Medical Secretary. Now we were in the territory of the great Far Eastern Division, extending from Indonesia to the west to Japan in the east and from Siberia to the north to the Philippines and Celebes to the south. The distance to be covered by boat travel was time consuming.

A beginning growth in membership was in evidence. Goals for getting more souls was the slogan of Pastor I. H. Evans everywhere he went. Professor Griggs and the writer were commissioned by our leader to travel extensively, and had the backing of this strong leader to go forward. There had been the beginning of medical work in Shanghai by Drs. Landis and Selmon at Red Cross Hospital, a rented building in Shanghai but that had closed down. A farm had been bought 200 miles from Shanghai along the railroad line for a central training college. Pastor D. E. Rebok was the principal of the college and this served as our central training college for China. We had schools in the Philippines, Japan, Korea, and some other parts of the territory, all on a primitive scale.

A builder and architect was brought out, E. C. Wood and wife. For a few years he was one of the busiest men in our mission. While he was drawing plans for another school, church or hospital, he was on the job building. The Shanghai Sanitarium and Hospital was his first major institution to be built. Many of the leaders predicted it would be a failure, as such extravagant building could not succeed among the people of low economic wealth, but with Elder Evans' strong promotion, and as he had been a General Conference Treasurer, he was able to get consent for us to move forward and we did.



After the building of a 50-bed hospital in the suburbs of Shanghai, we built a 200-bed clinic hospital in the center of Shanghai, and established our first Nurses Training school that became the nucleus for extending such institutions in other parts of the Far East. We accepted candidates for training from all the several nationalities constituting the Far East.

Soon Dr. George Rue got the "go" sign to embark on an institution for Seoul, Korea. In 1929 both in Japan and the Philippines sizeable institutions were planned and started. Mr. Wood, the builder, went to Penang and built the hospital there for Dr. Gardner. Likewise our small schools that were located near the mission homes in fields like Japan, Korea, and Manila were moved into more suitable locations, land being bought and building erected. In 1928 Prof. Griggs and I were sent to Manila to select a location for an educational institution and the property at Balintowock was purchased which has provided our largest college. Enroute to the Philippines, we stopped at Hong Kong where we were to select a place for mission headquarters for our workers of the Hong Kong—Macao Mission. A place was found and purchased for U.S.\$5,000.00 which was a lot of money in those days to pay for a location for mission homes. We got a little criticism from the field where many of our missionaries were still living in brick and mud wall houses for such an extravagant program. That was the No. 40 Stubbs Road property where we are now building a new hospital the finest location to day in Hong Kong. We were offered H.K. \$2,000,000.00 for it three years ago, but we did not sell it.

Following the division of the Far Eastern Field in 1930, whereupon I became President of the new China Division, I still served for ten years as Medical Secretary of the Far Eastern Division under Pastor Frederick Griggs and V. T. Armstrong's administration. In China, those years witnessed a great expanse in the publishing field — 100,000 paid subscriptions to the "Signs of Times" magazine. A large group of workers were trained in the Central College at Chow Tou Tseng, also doctors and nurses in Shanghai. Through the gratitude of Chang Hsueh Liang, known as the Young Marshall, for his cure, three institutions were given to us. They were the Mukden Sanitarium, the Lanchow Sanitarium, and our largest institution, the Wu Han Sanitarium. Three other hospitals, the Canton Sanitarium, Kalgan Sanitarium, and the Chungking Sanitarium, were built during this period of time while in the Far Eastern Division. The Tokyo Sanitarium in Japan, the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital in Manila, the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital at Cebu City, and our large hospital at Bangkok, under Dr. Ralph Waddell's leadership, were built during this time. It was during these years that the problem of training doctors locally became a living issue both in Shanghai and Manila. While the change in government in China put an end to our provision in China for medical education, in the Philippines it has been gaining momentum and our medical work in that growing field is largely staffed today as a result of such a plan.

In 1949 I was called back to the Far East to serve as medical director of the two hospitals in Shanghai and acting president of the China Division. However, this lasted less than a year.

In 1954 it was the privilege of Mrs. Miller and me to join Pastor E. L. Longway at Taiwan in another hospital pioneering effort for Free China. It seemed good to have a further connection with the Far Eastern Division and work with Chinese people and the two years spent in Taipei in building that institution and operating the same brought back many memories of our several institutions that we had helped start in China and the Far East. However, in 1959 we still found ourselves in the Far Eastern Division, this time joining hands with my co-labourer, Pastor Longway, through the invitation of Division President Sorenson to do something for Hong Kong. Actually Hong Kong is the place of the beginning of Adventist work in the Orient. Here we are working to add two more medical institutions to the 18 others in this great Division. On 6th June, 1963, just 100 years from the days when the first vision was given concerning our medical work and health reform, we laid the cornerstone for the Tsuen Wan Hospital which was opened a year later. We are now looking to the completion of the Hong Kong Sanitarium and Hospital that, when completed, will round off a decade of continuous service in this Division which we also consider a great honor and happy privilege. We have worked under and with every Division president since the beginning of Adventist work in China and the Far East. To have witnessed the start, growth, expansion of this vast Division to the present brings to our minds God's great care for His work and strengthens our faith for the triumph of His Cause.

RESPONSE. Harry W. Miller, M.D., veteran medical missionary of the Far Eastern Division, is shown making a response after the presentation described in the photo on page 4. In the article starting on the previous page Dr. Miller recalls how the medical work of the church started first in China and then to other countries of Asia. Also presented to Dr. Miller at the ceremony was the first copy supplied by Pacific Press Publishing Association of the new paperback edition of the book, "China Doctor," by Raymond Moore. In the picture below are Stephen Tan, M.D., a physician from Singapore, lay representative of the Division Council, and Dr. Ekvall.



"China Hand" Describes 23 Years of Service for the Lord on

MAINLAND CHINA

By Denton E. Rebok



Pastor and Mrs. Denton Rebok.

A FEW weeks ago it was our privilege to attend the Chinese Camp Meeting held at Wawona in Yosemite Park, California. That in itself was a great privilege, but our hearts overflowed with gratitude when we again met so many of our old China friends—former students, former missionary associates, and former members of the churches in China. What a joy and what a satisfaction!

Imagine how our hearts thrilled to shake the hand of a sweet Chinese lady who was the youngest daughter of Pastor T. K. Ang. He was the first to greet us in August, 1917 when we landed in Swatow to begin our period of mission service in the Far East.

Pastor Ang was one of our very first ordained Chinese pastors in that part of the world, and here was his lovely daughter after 52 years to remind us of the interesting days and months spent in Swatow so long ago.

Truly there just is no family so wonderful as the Advent Family made up of God's jewels gathered out of every land from Japan and Korea in the north to the southernmost island in the Far Eastern Division territory.

Those were 23 of the happiest and the busiest years of our whole life which we gave to the work in China. If it were possible we would do it again, and gladly, for where in the whole wide world can you find a finer and more appreciative people than in the lands of the Far East? Won't it be wonderful to have them as next-door neighbors in the New Jerusalem? Yes, thousands and thousands of them will be there.

Again I was reminded of the tremendous influence of our mission schools. Here were people who were our students 30, 40, and 50 years ago, and now they are the burden-bearers in the cause today, and their children are the fine physicians,

dentists, ministers, teachers, mission directors, and leaders in the Far East and other parts of the world.

Truly God is in this work, and He guides and blesses it in His own way. Ours is but to wait and watch and work. Then in God's own time, and soon that will be, the work will be finished in all parts of the earth—China and the United States included.

Our Chinese church members here in North America are doing a splendid job in supporting their own work and in raising up Chinese believers in the cities of this land. Together with you in the many lands in the Far East we are all preparing for the coming of our Lord and King in the clouds of heaven.

We rejoice with you in the progress made in the past 50 years. Pray for us that we may meet you soon in that "better land."

FAMILY. This picture appeared in a 1923 edition of the book, "In Coral Isles," by Pastor E. H. Gates. The family was among the first to be baptized in the city of Singapore. First row, left to right, Mrs. Tan Sim Hong (still a faithful member of the Balestier Road Church); Mrs. Chan Thiam Hee, Chan Chye Teck, Pastor Chan Thiam Hee, and Mrs. E. G. Tan, mother of Andrew and Agnes Tan. On the back row are, left to right, Mrs. Amy Tan, long-time Bible instructor in Singapore; Chan Sin Teck, eldest son of the Chan Thiam Hees; and Mrs. C. M. Lee, widow of a long-time member of the Chinese Church.



1919-1969



LAYMAN. For many years one of the most active laymen in Division office headquarters city in Singapore was C. M. Lee, shown in this photo in his younger days. He died in July, 1969.



Pastor F. A. Mote



VETERAN. This is Tan Sim Hong in his younger days in Singapore. He is still a faithful member of the Balestier Road Church. His interest through the years has been in religious liberty and the role of the church in the community.

Former Division Presidents Sends Greetings

It was just 50 years ago last month that the territory of the Far East was organized into a Division. Nine years later my wife, our baby daughter and I were invited to go to the Philippines where we served for several years. When we arrived in the Philippines our membership in that territory was about 7,000. What a joy it was to labor together with our faithful workers and believers throughout the islands.

We were present when our work in the Far East was re-organized in 1937. It was a wonderful experience to have a part in the building of our first Sanitarium in Manila, of assisting in the establishment and building of several academies and our Philippine Union College and also to serve in the capacity of Mission president. Before joining the Far Eastern Division staff I had the happy privilege of spending six years as the Publishing secretary for all of the Philippine Islands when God blessed our united efforts in building up a wonderful army of more than 500 colporteurs.

Many precious memories rejoice our hearts as we think of the happy days we spent with the Far Eastern Division when it was my privilege to serve as the Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath School Secretary for the Division. Scores, yes hundreds of the youth of those days are now the leaders in many of our churches, missions, and institutions.

After serving as president of the Missouri Conference and then the Upper Columbia Conference in America during the war years, we were sent to

Australia where I was the Division Secretary for two years, after which I was asked to serve as the Division president until we were sent back to the Far East in 1954. While in the Far Eastern Division until the General Conference Session of 1958 my work as Division president took me to every part of the territory. What a joy to labor with our faithful leaders, workers, and believers. God abundantly blessed all of the efforts which were made throughout the many Unions and Missions.

Since 1958 we have spent several years with the General Conference where my duties took me into all parts of the world. Now we are retired and living on the Cumberland Plateau in central Tennessee. Although retired, I am still active in church work. There is so much to be done as we near the time when our blessed Lord is to return for His people.

We eagerly read the Far Eastern Division OUTLOOK and the personal letters and news letters which come to us. We thank God for you and each of the more than 221,000 faithful church members in your Division. Looking ahead, we must ever remember the words recorded in "Life Sketches", page 196: "We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history." Be faithful, even unto the end, and we shall receive the crown of everlasting life.

—Pastor F. A. Mote, Cumberland Heights, Coalmont, Tenn.

Korea

Airatorium Evangelistic Effort Held at Pusan

"I think it is very thin." "No, it must be at least three layers." To settle the argument, the two seamen put down their newspaper and decided to see for themselves. They went down to the Seventh-day Adventist's "airatorium." As they approached the strange-looking building they saw the brightly lighted sign that decorated the front entrance, "Bible Speaks, Evangelistic Crusade by Bruce Johnston."

"How can the Bible speak?" "That I would like to see!" "Let's go in and find out what this Crusade is all about to settle our argument."

As they entered the building and heard the singing, they completely forgot the reason for which they had come.

The Korean Union's new "airatorium" drew the attention of hundreds of people, including the local press. This building was the first of its kind in Korea and everyone was curious. "What made it stay up?"

As a result the opening meeting of the "Bible Speaks Crusade" opened with a crowd so large that the local police came to assist. Pastor Bruce Johnston, Evangelist of the Far Eastern Division, was the speaker for the meetings and was assisted by the ministers of the area who were attending a field school of which the Crusade was a part.

Dean L. Hubbard, Ministerial Secretary of the Korean Union Mission, led out in the program. The opening night there was a power failure 15 minutes before the meeting was to begin and the auditorium started to come down. It was shortly restored and the meetings began on schedule.

After this first experience with a power failure, an old generator was put into operation. Even this didn't perform correctly at times and during the meetings while Pastor Johnston was speaking the power would go off and the roof would start to come down. Pastor



VIEW. The new "airatorium" is seen from the top floor of the newly-constructed train station in Pusan, Korea. The tent faces the main part of the city.

Johnston stated, "I was amazed at the calmness of the Korean people. They were not alarmed at all. As the building came down, they would just raise their hands and hold the canvass above their heads so they could see me, and I would just keep on preaching!"

Five nights after the opening meeting a typhoon hit the coast of Pusan. Winds and rain drenched the city worse than anything in the past 25 years. Scores of people were killed as a result of the storm, but the "airatorium" stood firm. The rain came down continually, but the people also continued to come.

Mrs. Lee Woon Puk, wife of an appliance dealer, became convinced from the very beginning that this was the right church. When she learned of the Adventist's educational program she immediately requested that she be able to send her son to Korean Union College Academy. The school year had al-



GREETINGS. Pastor Bruce Johnston greets the people, Korean style, as they leave the meeting place.

ready begun, but arrangements were made for him and before the meetings were over he was attending a Seventh-day Adventist school.

The last Sabbath, at the close of the meeting, a baptism was held. Thirty precious souls were baptized. In this baptism Mrs. Lee Woon Puk was baptized and Mr. Cha Yung Il, the sailor who lost the argument. Now Mrs. Lee's husband, son and sister are also preparing for baptism. The sailor is happy in his new-found faith.

Despite misfortune the Lord's spirit can still impress the minds of the honest in heart. Power failures, wind and rain cannot stop the Lord's work. Pastor Dai Chung Mak, Pastor of the Pusan Central Church, is working with the 80 additional persons who have requested further study.

This new "airatorium" came to Korea one week before Pastor Johnston arrived to hold his meetings. On a trip to Korea two years ago he was very impressed with the opportunities in Korea. He went back to Southern Missionary College, where he was teaching, and told them of the Crusade he had had while on his vacation to Korea and how nice it would be to have an airatorium." The students of Southern Missionary College, Walla Walla College, and Atlantic Union

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College together raised \$5,000 and shipped the new "airatorium" to Korea.

This new evangelistic tool will make it possible to go anyplace in Korea and conduct soul-winning meetings. The workers of the Korean Union are thankful to those who helped open one more door for evangelism.

—H. R. Kehney



Southeast Asia

SAUC Boys' Dorm Wins Souls

JONATHAN Ng came to Southeast Asia Union College as a dormitory student in 1961. He came from a Buddhist home where he heard nothing about Seventh-day Adventists. After being under the spiritual influence of the dormitory for a few years, he accepted Christ and was baptized during his senior year in 1963. He then took up the ministerial course in spite of strong opposition from home.

After finishing his studies in the Philippines, he is now happy to

Farewell Given to the Guilds

FAREWELL. Pastor Daniel Guild left Singapore after serving the Southeast Asia Union office for nearly 11 years. Shown above are the officers of the Union at the farewell held for the Guilds in the auditorium of the Southeast Asia Union. Left to right, Pastor and Mrs. K. T. Kong, Pastor and Mrs. Daniel Guild, and Pastor and Mrs. G. O. Bruce.

serve his alma mater as the dean of men. With special burdens for the non-Adventist students of the dormitory, Pastor Ng conducted Bible studies, prayer bands, and special devotional talks where guest speakers were invited.

As a result of these, two of the non-Adventist students of the dorm were baptized during the "World-



TRIO. Robert Tan and Lim Ho Lian are shown with the dean of boys at Southeast Asia Union College, Jonathon Ng.

Youngberg Hospital Sponsors Training Programs

CEREMONY. A large group of American students attending the Singapore American School received training as volunteer aids in a special program conducted at the Youngberg Memorial Hospital. A graduation service was held in the Southeast Asia Union College auditorium. In the picture above are the girls who finished the course. At the front right is Dr. Paul Gensler, Medical Director, who gave the main address before the certificates were given out. Staff members at the hospital directed the intensive course. The girls are now serving in hospitals throughout Singapore.

—D. A. Roth



"Wide Baptismal Day" on September 27, 1969. They were Robert Tan and Lim Ho Lian, both from Malaya. In addition, a few others are preparing themselves for baptism during the early part of next school year.

—Doreen Ng





UNIONITES. The annual meeting of the Union College Alumni met in the hotel dining room. The group re-elected R. S. Watts as president of the Far East Chapter and D. F. Gilbert was re-elected as secretary-treasurer.



PRAYER. Special prayer bands were held every morning after the devotional. Here a group of the delegates are shown in a prayer circle.



MEETING. Several Japanese friends in Bangkok, both resident and visitors, took time to have a reunion meeting with Pastor and Mrs. Paul Eldridge. The Eldridges worked in Japan for many years.

PREXIES. The union presidents of the Division are shown with Pastor P. H. Eldridge, right, Division president. Front row, left to right, Pastors W. T. Clark, South China; M. M. Claveria, South Philippines; W. L. Wilcox, Korea; A. M. Bartlett, East Indonesia; E. A. Capobres, Central Philippines; and C. B. Watts, Japan. Back row, left to right, Pastors T. C. Murdach, North Philippines; R. S. Watts, Southeast Asia; Clinton Shankel, West Indonesia; and Paul Nelson, Far Eastern Island Mission. **RIGHT.** The record-breaking budget report was brought in by the budget committee, shown in session above. Several of the committee members were out of camera view.



Major Action Council and Me

- **A**DOPTED the second-highest Division.
- Voted that West Indonesia 13th Sabbath Overflow offering in
- Elected Pastor R. S. Watts Union, replacing Pastor D. R. Gui
- Recommended to the Gen University Extension School be held
- Voted the following as elec for a two-year period: V. F. Bocazo JUM; Kim Dong Ki, KUM; C. A. Rosco, SPUM; Daniel Tan, SAUM
- L. L. Pan, layman of the the 1970 Annual Division Council
- Recommended that all miss Sabbath in 1970 and 1971.
- National missionaries will s outside of their home territories: T single workers.
- Voted to make the followi stead of assistants: Maxine Atteber M. R. Lyon, and C. A. Miller.
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PANEL. On the Sabbath afternoon of the medical pre-council a panel discussion was held in the Bangkok Chinese Church. Here Roger Heald, M.D. is at the mike while members of the panel listen.

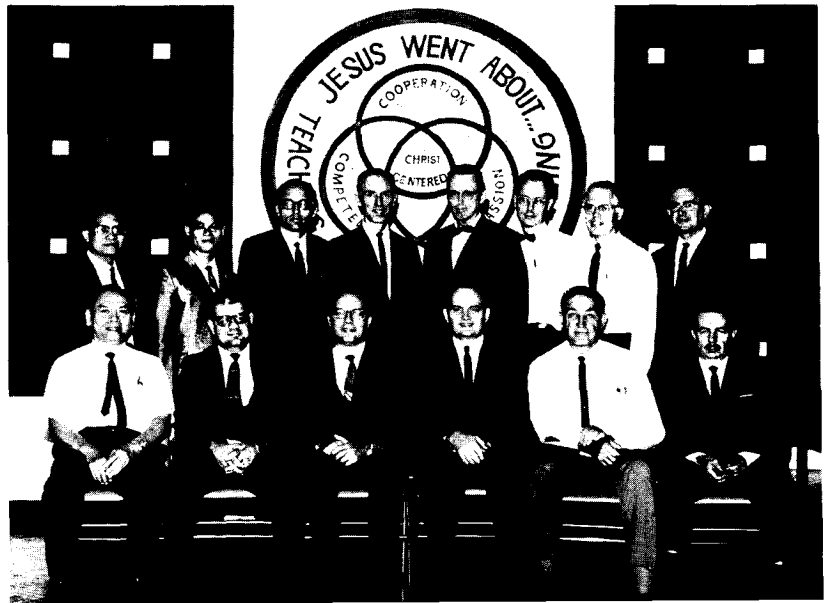


CONGRATULATIONS. Visiting General Conference Vice-President, Pastor W. J. Hackett, congratulates Pastor R. S. Watts after the latter's election in Bangkok as president of the Southeast Asia Union. Previously Pastor Watts served as Secretary of the Sabbath School Department of the Far Eastern Division.



TEAM. G. O. Bruce, Treasurer of the Southeast Asia Union, heads a team discussing various agenda items during the Medical Pre-Council at Banakok, Thailand in November, 1969.

TEAM. G. C. Ekvall, M. D., Medical Secretary of the Far Eastern Division, is shown with the medical directors of the hospitals of the Division. Picture was taken at the Medical Pre-Council in Bangkok, Thailand.



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R. S. Watts, Jr.

FED Sabbath School Secretary Elected Southeast Asia Union President

THE Secretary of the Far Eastern Division's Sabbath School Department, Pastor Ralph S. Watts, Jr., is the new president of the Southeast Asia Union. He succeeds Pastor Daniel R. Guild who has returned permanently to the United States after serving as spiritual leader and administrative officer for the past 3½ years.

Pastor Watts was asked to serve in this capacity by the Far Eastern Division Executive Committee at the November meeting of the Committee in Bangkok, Thailand. He has a record of service as a pastor, departmental secretary for a Union (Korea), and with the Division office.

—D. A. Roth

News Notes from SAUC

A PERSONAL donation of US\$ 450 came in the mail from Pastor and Mrs. C. P. Sorensen for the Southeast Asia Union College library. This generous donation is greatly appreciated and will help to build up the library collection of the college. Donations of books or cash from friends and alumni will greatly help in swelling the number of volumes in the new library.

Southeast Asia Union College opened its doors recently to parents and members of the business community who donated funds to make the new auditorium and library building possible. Visitors were taken on tours through the gaily-decorated campus. Highlight of the day was the "Talentine" program directed by all the classes in the three schools—primary, secondary, and college. Teachers and students worked hard preparing for this Open House and a spirit of close unity and loyalty to the school pervaded in all the classrooms.

—Maggie Tan

North Philippines

Smart Memorial School Opened

THE newest school in the Southern Luzon Mission is the Smart Memorial Aeta Mission School. It has been established for the Aetas, aborigines of the Philippines, in compliance with the commission of our Lord to preach the gospel to every creature.

This newly-opened school is situated in Tigbinan, Labo, Camarines Norte in a 1.5 hectare lot donated by Mrs. A. S. Barizo, Generoso Tarala is its first teacher.

Present from the Union for the opening were Pastors T. C. Murdoch, M. G. Jereos, B. G. Mary, and E. J. Tunganan. From mission headquarters came all the mission workers. The barrio captain and all the members of the barrio council of Tigbinan attended. The Aetas from the surrounding mountains, young and old, were present at the inauguration.

In his speech, the barrio captain praised the Seventh-day Adventists for having a burden for the mountain people.

This mission school has been named, "Smart Memorial Aeta Mission School" in memory of the father of Pastor L. E. Smart of the Atlantic Union Conference. Pastor Smart's mother sends a few dollars

from time to time to help feed these Aetas and to supply their school needs. The school building was built through a donation from her.

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

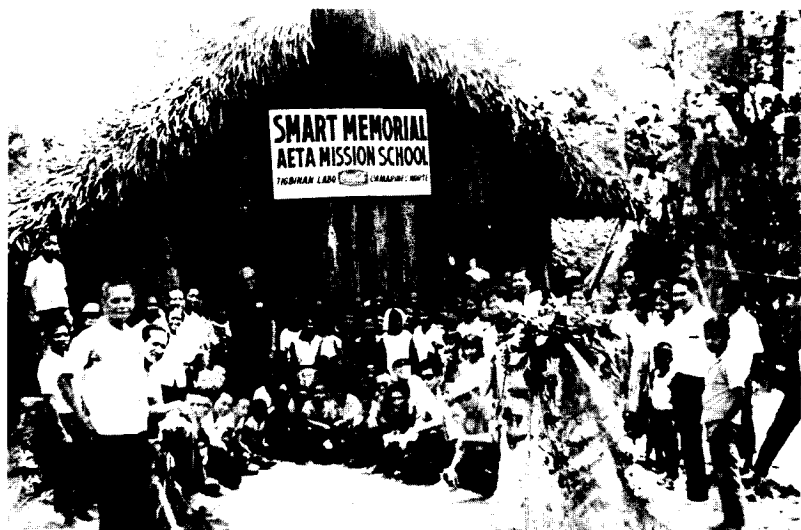
The Story of a Tennis-Ingathering Match

FOUR years ago in Hong Kong, Tom enjoyed an occasional game of tennis with Roger. Sometimes the sessions turned out to be more talk than tennis. Tom was a knowledgeable fellow and interested in many things, although only 26 years old. He learned about Adventists and their work through talks with Roger and through personal experience, as the Tsuen Wan Adventist Hospital was his hospital when he needed help. He left small donations often when he visited the hospital and saw the needs. When Ingathering time came, he gave of course, usually around HK\$ 100.00 (US\$20).

Then the plan for a transfer to Manila came for Roger Heald, M.D. On the tennis court Roger learned that Tom was also transferring to Manila. He had recently joined the investment firm of Merrill, Lynch, was sent to New York for a training course in Brokerage and went to Manila as an account executive.

When Roger arrived Tom welcomed him to more tennis and the

INAUGURAL. Here is the group who attended the inauguration of the Smart Memorial Aeta Mission School in the Philippines.



friendship grew. This year at In-gathering time Roger made the usual approach but this time the result was a Ps.500.00 (US\$125) donation from Tom in his mahogany-panelled office. While visiting he said, "Rog, I have a friend who has just arrived in Manila and is a real tennis player and I am anxious that you meet him. Let's call him now and ask him for a tennis date and a contribution."

He called his friend, Berk, and said, "I have a tennis-playing doctor here that I have been wanting you to meet and now is a good time because he is asking for money." About a week later, Roger stopped by Berk's office, the General Telephone Directory Co.

After a very congenial visit with this young businessman, Roger finally told him that he usually did not ask people for money the first time he met them but that he was making the visit at Tom's suggestion. After discussing the work of Adventists in the Philippines, Berk felt he wanted to contribute and said he would send a check. Four days later a check came for Ps. 500.00 (US\$125) to match Tom's, along with a note saying to let him know if any more help was needed.

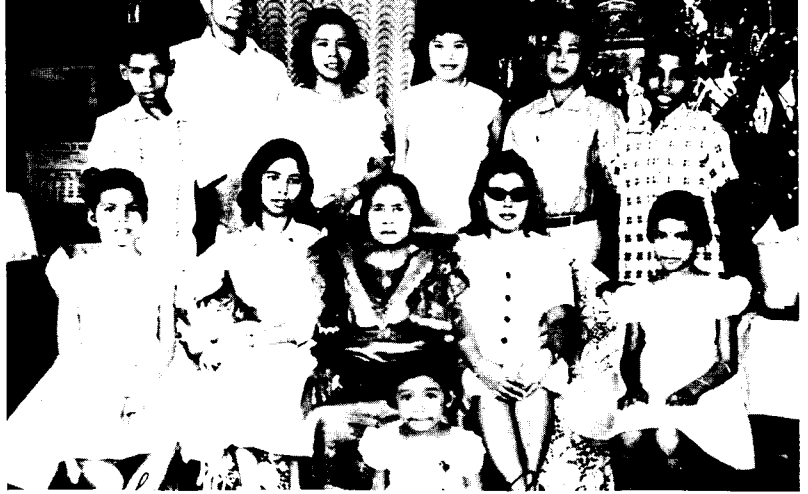
So the tennis-ingathering final score came to Ps.1,000.00 (US\$250) in just two sets. Anyone for tennis?

Entire Family Serve as Branch Sabbath School Workers

THE entire nine-member family of Activity Juan Solijon of Manila is most active in Branch Sabbath School work. Each member of this family conducts his own Branch Sabbath School!

This family was converted through the efforts of a lay preacher, the late Daniel B. Tayanes from the South Philippine Union. The mother of the family used to despise Adventist teachings. Through the combined efforts of the lay preacher and the workers of the mission, the members of this family were impressed to accept the message.

At first they kept the Sabbath secretly in their home for they did not want to be seen by the people going to the Adventist church. Then



UNIT. Shown here are the members of the Solijon family in the Philippines. They are strong supporters of the Branch Sabbath School program. Each one directs a different school in their area.

the mother had a dream which they felt was the answer of God to their problem. On April, 1963 the entire family was baptized.

One of the children in the family is Zorahayda, Zerry, as they call her, was 16 and a medical student in a Catholic University when she became so seriously ill that she almost lost her life. When the parents brought her home from the hospital, she had totally lost her sight. To her classmates and friends this calamity was brought about by her new-found faith. This did not discourage her, however, from being baptized with the rest of the family.

Today Zerry is actively conducting a Branch Sabbath School in spite of the fact that she cannot see. The same is true with the rest of the Solijon family. All of them conduct Branch Sabbath Schools simultaneously!

—Mrs. Isabel Abawag, Assistant Child Evangelism Secretary, Central Luzon Mission

Veteran Served 37 Years

VETERAN. Pastor A. J. Abawag, Educational Secretary of the Central Luzon Mission, is this year celebrating his 37th year of service, 30 years of which have been spent in the MV and educational departments in three different missions, Southern Luzon, South-Central Luzon, and Central Luzon.



THIS MONTH'S COVER

The end of 1969 marks another milestone for the "Far East Harvest" soul-winning program for the Division. From Korea and Japan in the north to tropical Indonesia, workers and laymen alike have rallied to the special emphasis given to this program. According to action taken at the Division Council the "Far East Harvest" program continues even beyond the General Conference session in June, 1970. On the cover of this month's OUTLOOK is an elderly Korean man, waiting for someone to show him the great message. Millions of Asians await the gospel!

—D. A. Roth

Government Takes Over Libya Hospital; Far East Missionaries Involved

THE Libyan government has nationalized the 65-bed Adventist hospital at Benghazi, thereby affecting a large group of Filipino, Korean, and Indonesian overseas missionaries.

Some national workers from the Far East are being returned, while others are being reassigned to other locations. A complete list of the workers affected will appear in the January issue.

● Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Coo (nee Lapaz Bayona) are home on permanent return after almost three years of service at the Ekamai Adventist School in Thailand. He is now treasurer of the Pasay City Academy.

South China Island

Taiwan Hospital and School of Nursing Hosts Nurses' Workshop

ANOTHER "first" has been seconded at Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital—the first workshop for national Christian nurse leaders in supervisory and head nurse positions.

The Protestant medical institutions in Taiwan three years ago developed an organization called, "The Coordinating Committee for Christian Medical Programs in Taiwan (CCCMP). This organization represents nine hospitals located in various parts of Taiwan and an undetermined number of denominations. (Two or three of the hospitals are operated by an interdenominational group.)

So far as we know this organization is unique, the only one of its kind anywhere. It appears to be serving a very useful purpose in providing a bridge for communication and association among Christian medical missionaries with common goals and many common problems. The overseas nurses have been meeting regularly twice a year since the inception of the CCCMP but this was the first attempt for a planned workshop for all nurses in leadership positions.

The Taiwan Sanitarium opened its facilities to the group. The meetings were held in the chapel and hospital wards were used for observation. Mrs. Joyce Pifer, Director of nursing service, and Miss Glenda Rolfe, Director of the School of Nursing, served as hostesses and contributed significantly to the program. Hospital nursing personnel and School of Nursing faculty presented a series of skits which graphically demonstrated what could and often does happen when there is a break-down in communications in a hospital. Mrs. Anne Lindt of Taiwan Missionary College was also a workshop speaker and from the Division office the undersigned attended and presented two papers.

There was a total of 51 registered for the workshop, all but 12 or 15 of whom were nationals. The meetings were conducted in Chinese. It is planned that the workshop will



Capping Service Held at Taiwan

SERVICE. Recently 22 sophomore students of nursing received their caps. The speaker for the hour was Mrs. Joyce Pifer, Director of Nursing Service at the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital. Faculty seated on the front row, left to right, are: Miss Sarah Ma, Psychiatric Nursing Instructor; Miss Louise Yeh, Public Health Instructor; Mrs. Joyce Pifer; Miss Amy Chang, Medical-Surgical Nursing Instructor; Miss Glenda Rolfe, Director, School of Nursing; Mrs. Anna Wang, Med-Surg Instructor; and Miss Betty Wu, Nursing Instructor.

Three of the class members come from outside Taiwan — one from Hong Kong and two from Vietnam. Students seated on the second row, left to right, are: Doris Lee, Linda Chen, Karen Chen, Lena Lee, Nancy Fang, Janice Wang, Sherrie Wang, and Kathy Chang. Third row, left to right: Alice Kao, Shelly Lao, (Vietnam) Betty Woo, (Hong Kong) Ann Chang, Christine Chone, (Vietnam) Barbara Chang, and Mary Chu. Back row, left to right: Donna Wang, Lillian Lu, Vivian Chin, Theresa Wang, Grace Lin, Gerry Lin, and Corrina Sun.

be repeated twice before the end of the current year for the benefit of those who could not attend the first session.

From the many expressions of appreciation voiced by those in attendance, it is safe to conclude that the meeting was a genuine success. A hearty vote of thanks goes to Mrs. Pifer and Miss Rolfe for their efforts, both before and during the meetings.

—Maxine Atteberry, Associate Secretary, Medical Department

New Literature Center Opened in Taiwan

PASTOR Fredrick Lee, a pioneer missionary to China, and his son, Pastor Milton Lee, officiated at the opening ceremony of the "Signs of the Times" Literature Center in the city of Taichung, Taiwan.

OPENING. Pastor Milton Lee speaks at the opening of the new "Signs of the Times" office in Taiwan. Other officials are seated in back of Pastor Lee.



It was fitting that this father and son team, both of whom have given many years of dedicated service to the Chinese people and have been prominent in the development and continuation of the Chinese "Signs of the Times," should officially open the first center for the sale of denominational literature to the Chinese public.

Pastor Lee was formerly editor of the Chinese "Signs of the Times" at the Signs Press in Shanghai. Milton Lee is currently the president of the "Signs of the Times" Bible Correspondence School in Taiwan as well as the speaker and director of the "Voice of the Signs" radio broadcast which is heard throughout the island of Taiwan.

The literature center is composed of an attractively-arranged public sales room. This will be augmented in the near future by a comfortable reading room where a free lending library service will be instituted.

The center is adjacent to the office of the Taiwan Plains Mission and operates under the direction of the Book and Periodical Agency.

—Delbert W. Curry, President, Taiwan Plains Mission

Far East Harvest 1969

West Indonesia

East Indonesia Participates in World-wide Baptismal Sabbath

LAKES, ponds, rivers, creeks, and the sea all witnessed to spiritual victories as hundreds were baptized throughout the East Indonesia Union World Baptismal Sabbath. Typical was the beach-side baptism of 13 young people, students of the Sario Junior Academy, which is operated by the Sario Adventist Church in the city of Manado in Indonesia.

Evangelists had planned their efforts to end near this date. Our laymen had been active in cottage meetings and lay efforts, and the young people held many "Voice of Youth" efforts in order to make this baptismal Sabbath a day to be remembered. All of the ordained ministers were busy with baptisms in scores of churches on that date. Due to poor public communications, we do not yet have a complete report of the baptisms, we know that more than three hundred were baptized on the island of Sulawesi alone.

It was a thrill to have a part in this united effort, and it is our prayer that the spirit of cooperation and dedication which made this baptismal Sabbath a success may continue to operate to the finishing of the great task which has been given us to accomplish.

—Alvin M. Bartlett,
President, East Indonesia Union

Onsoe Appointed Union Auditor

KALEB Onsoe has been appointed the East Indonesia Union Auditor. Before coming to East Indonesia, he served as the Assistant Treasurer and the Auditor of the West Indonesia Union.

We welcome Bro. Onsoe and the family to come to strengthen the work in East Indonesia.

—R. Wawondatu,
Public Relations Secretary

South Philippines

SPUM Departmental Round Up

● **F**ROM Pastor P. M. Diaz, Lay Activities Secretary, comes this item: "Our report on Bible studies made a 'big leap for humanity' from 42,004 during the first quarter to 101,091 during the second quarter, thanks to the "Far East Harvest" program. There are now 1,448 lay preachers in the union. During the first two quarters of 1969 they helped in winning 2,293 souls for Christ. Pastor Sinco, Northern Mindanao Lay Activities Secretary, reports that a lawyer who recently received his **The Bible Says** certificate has just been baptized. A total of 47 persons were baptized in Malangas as a result of a "Far East Harvest" public meeting conducted by Pastor C. O. Gravino, Lay Activities Secretary. Among these converts was Roque Boguor, a man who had just been released

from prison, and who after baptism brought 'revenge' against his accusers by giving them 'dynamite' — **The Gift Bible** and study guides."

● Pastor R. G. Garcia, Union Sabbath School Secretary, reports that as of July 31, 255 believers in Northern and Western Mindanao missions graduated from the Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course.

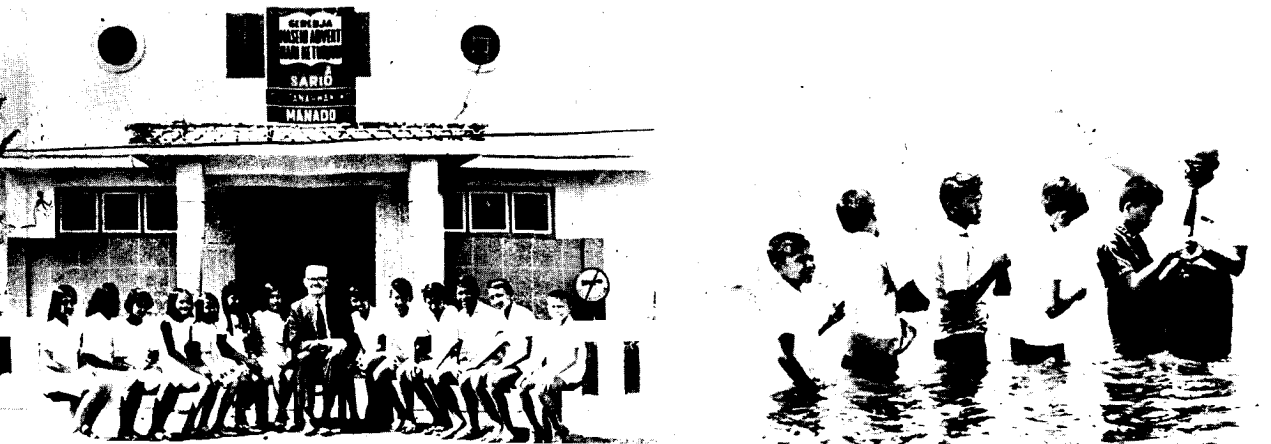
● Coming from Iligan City, Engineer Wenceslao J. Cerezo, head of the Davao Engineering Construction, reported the first of August that the new wing of the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital and the School of Nursing building, which is being constructed on the same campus, are 71% and 41%, respectively, on the way to completion.

● Mountain View College held the first capping ceremony of the MVC School of Nursing on September 20. The student nurses who had their clinical work at the Miller Sanitarium in Cebu went to MVC for this ceremony.

● The SPUM Biennial Session will be held at the Adams Center in Davao City, December 9-14, this year. No less than 90 regular delegates will be present at this session.

● Pastor C. S. Rosco, Union Evangelist and Ministerial Secretary, dropped in for three days at Davao City before going back to Western Mindanao Mission to prepare Ozamis City for the special evangelistic campaign which will be held there starting February next year. He told the union workers that the campaign at Dipolog ended July 26 with more than 100 baptized and many more studying the doctrines of the church. Details of the Dipolog effort will be told later.

BAPTISM. Thirteen young people, students of the Sario Junior Academy in Manado, are shown with Pastor A. M. Bartlett after their baptism. **RIGHT.** Pastor A. M. Bartlett is shown baptizing some of the 13 middle school students of the Sario Junior Academy in Manado.



● According to Union Publishing Secretary F. D. Lao, Ps. 262,091.34 worth of books had been delivered to customers between January and the end of June, this year. The Western Mindanao Mission (Antonio Duga, publishing secretary) made the highest percentage of deliveries. Among individual deliveries, the Ps.6,211.35 of Mrs. P. Cudanan of Davao Mission topped the list. Pastor Lao disclosed further that 137 college and academy students were in the list of colporteurs during the months of May and June. Their total deliveries amounted to Ps.42,409.54. David Saguan of Mountain View College recorded the biggest sale.

● Pastor S. L. Llaguno, Union MV Secretary, held a number of meetings during the months of August and September in the five local missions. David Saguan and Manuel Salera, both ministerial students who were sent as SPUM delegates to the World Youth Congress in Europe, were with him in these meetings in order to pass on to the youth the inspiration they got from associating with the young people from all over the world who attended the Congress.

● Mrs. Grace T. Gozo, head instructor of the Union VOP Bible Correspondence School, reported that from January to the end of June, 1,738 students were granted diplomas showing that they had completed the Bible Course. During the same period, total Bible Correspondence School students baptized as a result of follow-up work numbered 846.

—B. U. Donato, Public Relations Secretary

Primitive Tribe Rejoices in Message

TWENTY-ONE members of a primitive pagan tribe living in the dark forests of Bukidnon, Mindanao, found the truth through the self-sacrificing effort of Albino Bulalahos, the Sabbath School Association-sent missionary, and were baptized recently by Pastors L. A. Yutuc and S. G. Balansag of Northern Mindanao Mission. Ten more are preparing to be baptized soon.

The work among these natives, who dwell in tree-bark houses, wear scanty clothing, and whose young children do not wear any clothing at all, was started by the Northern



CHILD. Albino Bulalahos stands with Oquino, grandson of a pagan village chief, Gang-ol, who was baptized with 20 other persons in Landang, Talakag, Philippines.

Bukidnon Sabbath School Association last September 1968.

Although it would take two days to hike from the nearest government road to the place designated as his mission station, passing through leech-infested undergrowth, Bulalahos, who was then 42 years old, answered the call for a missionary, and left his wife and 3 school-age children at his farm lot. This was a great sacrifice for the family since the association paid him only Ps.60.00 (US\$15.00) a month.

Meetings on Mindanao

LEADER. Layman Vivencio Leonida of the Southern Mindanao Mission has had a very good record of success in his two public meetings he conducted recently. He reports a total of 37 persons baptized in Miang and Matalam, Cotabato. In Matalam, which is a new area, two of the mayor's children were among those baptized. The lay leader is a family man with growing children to support, but he finds time to spend in the rewarding work of soul-winning.

—L. A. Shipowick



Arriving at his station, Bulalahos lived and shared poverty with the natives. Food stuff from the nearest outlet would be brought in by carabao sled when permitted by the torrential rains common in this area.

It was therefore with great satisfaction and many praises to God that Bulalahos witnessed the baptism of 21 natives including the village chief Gang-ol, who, after his baptism, donated a lot on which a grass-roofed chapel is being constructed.

During a recent interview Bulalahos said that he wished he could secure another set of the "Better Life" Picture Roll since the one he had was in bad shape. He further stated that in all of his presentations, he always emphasized the coming Judgment Day and Christ's work of mediation for the sake of those who loved Him and who took Him as their personal Saviour.

Albino Bulalahos, a Bukidnon native himself and son of a former pagan priest, became the first Adventist in his family when he was only 12 years old. From then on he tried to win his parents, relatives, and friends, of whom 50 are now faithful members of the church. Bulalahos finished his high school course in Mindanao Mission Academy in 1951 and he is happy today to see a number of his classmates directly engaged in the Lord's work as ordained ministers.

The members of the Sabbath School Association sponsoring this project recently talked of stopping the work among the natives due to lack of funds. Hearing of this, Bulalahos, with tears in his eyes, said, "Pastor, I believe there are more people there longing for salvation. I feel that money or no money, I must carry on the work among these pitiful people who need the message of Christ's soon return."

—B. U. Donato, Public Relations Secretary, South Philippine Union

Union Session Held

The biennial session of the South Philippine Union was held at Mountain View College in December. A complete report will appear at a later date. Changes were made in the Union and mission personnel.



Solpen Solilapsi
Bienvenida Magboo



Buena Lamanero
Norma Ursales



Mindanao Sanitarium Staff Holds Welcome-Farewell Party

THE Mindanao Sanitarium staff recently held a welcome and farewell party at the Tibanga SDA Elementary School for five new workers and an operating nurse soon to leave for the United States.

The new staff members, four BSN nurses and accountant were Buena Lamanero, Bienvenida Magboo, Solpen Solilapsi, Norma Ursales, and Aurea Pasamba, respectively.

Also honored in the program were four new teachers of the Tibanga SDA Elementary School: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Salarda, Mrs. Esterlita Bofetiado, and Mrs. Neva Ladion.

Welcomed a few weeks earlier were Dr. Perfecto Llaguno, staff physician, and Pastor Alejandro Bofetiado, new business manager. Dr. Llaguno took the place of Dr. Renato Rada who answered the call to be school physician at Mountain View College, Malaybalay, Bukidnon.

Leaving for the United States very soon is Mrs. Norma Solivo-Suico, long-time nurse supervisor of the operating room and wife of Dr. Ernesto Suico, an optometrist of the H. P. Acebedo Optical Laboratory of Iligan City. She leaves with her husband and three children.

The four new nurses are all graduates from the Philippine Union College School of Nursing, Manila.

Lamanero comes from Iligan City and is the fourth Lamanero nurse to connect with the Sanitarium. Her mother, Mercedes, and younger sister, Ligaya, are staff nurses. Her aunt, Eusebia, is the hospital nurse-dietician.

Magboo is from Bulacan while Solilapsi and Ursales come from Cotabato. Pasamba, the accountant, hails from Quezon but had worked for a while in the South Philippine Union Mission, Davao City.

Dr. Llaguno served as clinic physician in Davao City before he joined the Sanitarium.

Pastor Bofetiado was Northern Mindanao Mission secretary-treasurer before assuming the managerial post of the Sanitarium.

Mr. Santos is working with the South Philippine Union.

Rudy and Elizabeth are connected with the Ekamai Adventist School in Bangkok, a mission school operated by the Thailand Mission. There are six other Filipino couples serving in this school at present.

With their thrilling stories of conversions and pictures of Thailand and other places, the Ruizes were an inspiration to many a student, teacher, and parent, among the schools they visited. After one such appointment, a student was heard to sigh, "Ah, how I hope that someday I, too, will be a foreign missionary."

—B. U. Donato,
Public Relations Secretary

Filipino Missionaries Serve Thailand

MR. and Mrs. Rudy Ruiz, graduates of Mountain View College and missionaries to Thailand for the past five years, recently took their furlough in the Philippines. They returned to Thailand in September for another term.

They had taught in Adventist academies in the Philippines prior to their leaving for Bangkok on July 20, 1964. Both their children, Rudevelle Joy, 4, and Gladly Jane, 1½, were born in Bangkok. While at Davao City, Joy and Jane spoke in English and Thai to the delight of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eufrazio Santos, uncles, and aunts.

MISSIONARIES. Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Ruiz and their daughters, Joy and Jane, stand in front of a jet on their way home on furlough to Mountain View College.



Local Nurses Association Meets at MSH

THE Philippine Nurses Association, Iligan City Chapter, held its first official meeting of the year at the Conference Room of the Mindanao Sanitarium last July 6.

Membership of the local nurses chapter includes all active and home nurses in the city and the province of Lanao del Norte.

Asked why they chose Mindanao Sanitarium & Hospital as the place of the first meeting, Mrs. Peregrina B. Uy, chapter president, said, "The association shares the honor of having the first school of nursing of Northern Mindanao right in our own city. Meeting at MSH provides an added interest as the members and guests of this chapter would like to see the construction of the new hospital annex and the MVC nursing school building."

Mrs. Mary Ellacer, nursing service director and host of the affair and her nurses and aides entertained the visitors with refreshments.

—G. U. Ellacer,
Public Relations Officer
Mindanao Sanitarium

Quadrennial Sessions Scheduled in Future

The last biennial session of the South Philippine Union was held at Mountain View College in December. From henceforth the sessions will be held on a quadrennial basis.

Spot Reports



One Of 108

THIS is Rogelio Hablero of Lambuntong, Surallah, South Cotabato. He is a new member of the Advent family, having been baptized during the "Far East Harvest" meetings in Surallah under the leadership of P. M. Diaz, Z. B. Fernal, and Nellie Alipoon. A total of 108 persons were baptized as a result of this campaign where Gift Bible Evangelism was the main feature.

Regelio Hablero was one of those who endured the most bitter opposition from friends and neighbors because of the truth. In two separate instances the barrio captain boxed him severely and left ugly marks over his body. The only cause was that he refused to join his former associates in drinking sprees. During his absence from home one night his wife was threatened with a gun and the poor woman jumped from the house for fear of her life. In several instances at night their house was stoned. All these threats only served to strengthen their faith in the Lord Jesus and nothing hindered them from being baptized. Hablero, a few days after baptism, attended a lay training course in order to learn ways and means to be a fruitful lay worker for God. He is now expressing his gratitude to God for the wonderful truth he received by actively sharing his faith with others.

—L. A. Shipowick

Mindanao Sanitarium Expansion Under Way

THE long-awaited expansion of the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital, a project planned for years by our leaders in this Division, became a reality when construction actually started last February 4.

Contractor of the project is Engineer Wenceslao Cerezo, Jr., proprietor and manager of Davao Engineering and Construction, who signed with South Philippine Union leaders a Ps.600,000 contract to

construct the first unit of an annex building and a nursing school building in the present hospital site which will be completed in eight months.

The project was hailed not only by our own people but also by the fast-growing industrial community in Iligan City and Lanao del Norte. Of special importance is the school of nursing which is expected to open next year.

Let us pray for the completion of this project which will lengthen the cords and stretch forth the curtain of our missionary endeavors in this area.

—G. U. Ellacer

● **T**HE Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital in Japan has been given an award of merit for having the "Best Food Facility" by the Tokyo City Health Department, according to Robert Burchard, Business Manager. The award was given in mid-November. It was based on environment, sanitation and food hygiene after an extensive survey of the 722 hospitals in the city. Only 11 hospitals received the award.

● New mission presidents in the Philippines are as follows: B. P. Moralde, Northern Mindanao Mission; D. A. Brion, Northeastern Mindanao Mission; J. R. Obregon, Central Visayan Mission; F. M. Arrogante, East Visayan Mission; V. N. Napod, Southern Luzon Mission. The new Sabbath School secretary of the South Philippine Union is B. U. Donato while E. Moreno is the new Union educational secretary. In the North Philippine Union T. V. Barizo takes over the Sabbath School department. All of these changes, plus others, took place during the recent biennial sessions in all three unions.

● Dr. Ottis C. Edwards is the new president of Philippine Union College. He has been acting president since the departure to the United States for upgrading by A. C. Roda, President.

● Recent visitors to the Far Eastern Division include the following: Pastors R. S. Watts and W. J. Hackett, both vice-presidents of the General Conference; Pastor R. R. Frame, Associate Secretary, General Conference; Pastor C. G. Cross, Manager, Christian Record Braille Foundation; Mazie Herin, Assistant Secretary, Department of Health, General Conference; Dr. Charles B. Hirsch, Secretary, Department of Education, General Conference; and H. E. Rice, Associate Secretary, Department of Health, General Conference.

● A current visitor to the Division is Maybelle Vandermark, Assistant Secretary of the Lay Activities Department of the General Conference.

● The acting dean of boys at Far Eastern Academy is Pastor Robert Bird. He is serving on a temporary basis until he takes up Chinese language study on Taiwan in mid-1970. A call has been placed for a new dean.



EARNs. Like many other boys, Pratap Gaikwad of Lasalgaon High School helps earn his way through school. **RIGHT.** A new press has been purchased and the school has plans for a new printshop to replace this chicken coop-like structure. Your liberal 13th Sabbath Overflow Offering on December 20 will help provide such urgent needs for this school in the Southern Asia Division.

Lasalgaon High School to Benefit from 13th Sabbath Offering

IN 1919 R. E. Loasby conducted a school for orphan boys at Kalyan, India. W. H. McHenry and his wife (who had gone out to India in 1915 as missionaries for another church, but now had joined the Seventh-day Adventists, conducted a school for girls at Ahmednagar, India.

Shortly afterwards, these two institutions were combined on a newly-purchased property right beside the trunk railway line at Lasalgaon which was an important stop on the Bombay-Calcutta line.

Here Pastor Loasby established the institution that now is Lasalgaon High School, the boarding secondary school serving the Western India Union in Southern Asia. Today a qualified staff instructs 150 boys and girls, many of them non-Adventists, not only in the three R's, but also in the Christian life. Every year a baptismal class is conducted, and many youth are baptized.

Almost every worker in the Western India Union had his basic education at this school. Young people in training there today will become the workers for God's cause tomorrow.

Current Building Program at Lasalgaon High School

1. A new duplex housing unit for staff members has just been completed.
2. A thirty-foot tower with water tank is almost completed. This will provide a badly-needed additional water supply to the campus.
3. Foundations have been poured for the school's first dining hall, and construction of the building has started.
4. Authority has been given for erecting a new print-shop and industrial building. With installation of a new printing press, which has been purchased and with a new grinding mill, additional work possibilities will be created for students.
5. Electrification is being extended to the farm wells to enlarge the area under irrigation.
6. A recently-purchased steel-framed open-sided pavilion, when given permanent brick walls, will serve as an attractive chapel. The present chapel is hopelessly inadequate for the current expanding enrollment.
7. The very old clay-tile roof over the administration building,

which leaks badly throughout each year's rainy season and is beyond repair, will be replaced.

8. Additions and improvements to boys' and girls' dormitories.

9. Elementary school classrooms.

10. Additional teachers' housing.

Because of its growing reputation, the school this year for the first time has "30 day scholars" enrolled from the nearby village. These bypass the local high schools. No less than 14 non-Christian students are enrolled in the boarding section, and attend all religious activities. Last year's academic results put this school for the first time in the top bracket in the Southern Asia Division.

The Principal is Pastor H. D. Erickson, of Salem, Oregon, Walla Walla College, Class of 1950. The headmaster in charge of academic affairs is Pastor R. S. Shinge, an Andrews University graduate in education.

A liberal Christmas gift at this time will give Christmas to the children of this school for years to come.

—J. B. Trim, Secretary,
Sabbath School Department,
Western India Union

Annual Division Council Held in Bangkok

By D. A. Roth

THE 1969 Far Eastern Division Council was held in Bangkok, Thailand. Delegates from nine unions and one detached mission attended the 10-day session which included a Medical Department Pre-Council.

The venue of the session was the new Mandarin Hotel, located within one block of Bangkok's new Chinese Adventist Church and only a 10-minute taxi ride from the largest medical institution in the Division, the Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital.

Heading the list of General Conference counselors at the meeting was Pastor W. J. Hackett, Vice-President, a former worker in the Far East. For the past ten years he has served in administrative capacities in the Atlantic and North Pacific unions in the North American Division. Other General Conference representatives included Pas-

Welcome delegates and guests
of the
Far eastern division of Seventh-Day Adventists
Medical pre-council November 12 to 16
Division annual council November 17-22

WELCOME. The hotel in Bangkok provided a welcome sign which indicated where the meetings were to be held.

tor R. R. Frame, Associate Secretary, and Pastor Harley Rice, Associate Secretary of the Department of Health. Pastor C. G. Cross, Manager of the Christian Record Braille Foundation, also attended as a General Conference representative.

Chairman for the business sessions was Pastor Paul Eldridge, Division President. A listing of the major actions of the Council can be found in the center spread.

The Golden Anniversary of the founding of the Division under its present name was noted at the outset in the opening and keynote address by Pastor Eldridge. On display throughout the Council was a long chart listing the steps in changing organization of the work of God in the Orient. This was ably prepared by the wife of the Division president, Mrs. Eldridge.

A special issue of the **OUTLOOK** featuring the 50th anniversary was distributed to the delegates at the opening session. "Far East Harvest" progress was noted in a special symposium on the last Sabbath afternoon.

It was felt by many present that the 1969 Council was the finest ever held in the Division. So it should be. Every year should bring changes and advancements which indicate the blessing of God on the work in the Far Eastern Division.

DELEGATION. Here are the delegates attending the Far Eastern Division Council in Bangkok, Thailand in November, 1969.

