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Deskside Chats



The First Stone

Four armed soldiers stood guard in front of our neat little Seventhday Adventist church in Balikpapan.

"The mayor has sent them," our local brethren said, "because you are VIPs."

A rather flattering explanation, it somehow didn't seem to tell the whole story. Then we discovered what it was all about. The night before, at the opening meeting of the biennial session of the East Kalimantan Mission, the mayor himself had been present to make an address of welcome. Suddenly there was a sharp noise as a rock hit the outside of the church. Though he said nothing at the time and gave no appearance of being startled, the mayor concluded that someone was throwing stones at the Adventists. With courteous concern for the guests from far away, he had ordered an armed guard for the church.

Discreet investigation by our brethren turned the situation from anxiety to humor. A child had thrown the stone to scare away a dog. The armed guard was withdrawn.

This set me thinking about stones-and who throws them.

Not real stones, of course, but lethal nevertheless. Missiles of accusation, innuendo, misinformation, condemnation, or just plain carping criticism. Some of them, right on target, cause permanent damage. Others, though intended to be helpful, like the stone that hit the church in Balikpapan, succeed in causing a lot of anguish. All are dangerous.

Worst of all, there is almost no such thing as one verbal missile. When the brickbats begin to fly, there is usually a fusillade. Innocent bystanders are hit, and the guilty one may be stoned to death. And strangely enough, all the participants in the sordid little drama may be Christians, members of the church, even workers.

Have you ever been part of a stone-throwing crowd?

Could it be that you may have boasted of the sharpness of your accuracy in hitting the target?

Could some of your "innocent" rocks have caused anxiety when they accidentally struck the church?

It was Jesus who said: "That one of you who is faultless shall throw the first stone."+

Cordially,

P.H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

+John 8:7, New English Bible

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Don't Clog Your Machine With Carbon

THE late chemist, Edwin E. Slosson, described white sugar as an almost ideal food: cheap, clean, white, portable, imperishable, unadulterated, germfree, highly nutritious, completely soluble, altogether digestible, easily assimilable, requiring no cooking, and leaving no residue! But in his conclusion he placed the warning, "Its only fault is its perfection. It is so pure that man cannot live on it."

Scientists have tabulated the indictments against pure white sugar on seven main counts:

1. Sugar is definitely habit forming, and once the taste for quantities of sweets and sweet foods is acquired, it usually continues to grow. Many people interpret such cravings as meaning that the 'system needs sugar'; however, this craving is not based on a physiological need any more than is the craving for alcohol or morphine.

2. Concentrated sugars irritate the lining of the alimentary canal, drawing an abnormal amount of water from it. This may be illustrated by putting a piece of hard candy in the cheek and allowing it to remain for a time. The lining of the cheek becomes dehydrated, and sore.

3. The highly refined sugars such as white sugar **draw on the mineral reserve** of the body to digest them, but do not put anything back in the way of minerals after digestion to maintain the reserve.

4. Most sugars do not digest until they get into the intestinal tract, and therefore may be an important factor in causing **fermentation and gas** in the stomach.

5. They take away the appetite for other foods. This factor should be taken into consideration in planning menus. This is the reason for serving the dessert at the close of the meal.

6. An over-consumption of sweets leads to **overeating**, which is a big factor in overweight, with all its disadvantages.

7. A large quantity of this type of food very definitely causes **damage to the pancreas**, with possible resulting diabetes. It may also have an unfavorable influence on arthri-



Books Presented to Indonesian Library

SETS. The Pacific Press Publishing Association of Mountain View, Calif., recently presented 49 books to the librory of Indonesian Union College in the Far Eastern Division. Shown with a disploy of the books included in this gift are representatives of the publishing house. Left to right, they are Ross Wollord, Book Department Manager; Arthur S. Moxwell, Editor and author of several of the books shown; and Leanord F. Bohner, General Manager, and former Far Eastern Division worker.

tis, atherosclerosis, and other chronic diseases.

There is still some controversy as to how sugar influences tooth decay. "It is not certain, . . . whether the increased incidence of dental caries is the result of deleterious action of the soluble sugars on the teeth, or whether decay is caused by failure to ingest other adequate nutrients when sugar is eaten extensively." More recent studies indicate that both factors operate, with systemic effects playing an important part in decay prevention even in adult life when teeth are fully formed.

Dr. Jamandre Now Serving in Africa

MISSIONARY. Dr. Welda Jamandre, formerly with the Taiwan Sonitarium and Hospital and the Bacolod Sanitorium and Hospitol, is now serving at the Malamulo Mission Hospital in Makwasa, Malawi, Africa.



Long before modern scientists had proved the dangers of overuse of refined sugar Mrs. White sent warning after warning to our people.

"Sugar is not good for the stomach. It causes fermentation, and this clouds the brain and brings peevishness into the disposition."

"Far too much sugar is ordinarily used in food. Cakes, sweet puddings, pastries, jellies, jams, are active causes of indigestion. Especially harmful are the custards and puddings in which milk, eggs, and sugar are the chief ingredients. The free use of milk and sugar taken together should be avoided."

"It is better to let sweet things alone. Let alone those sweet dessert dishes that are placed on the table. You do not need them. You want a clear mind to think after God's order. We should now come into line with health reform principles."

"Could we know that animals were in perfect health, I would recommend that people eat flesh meats sooner than large quantities of milk and sugar. It would not do the injury that milk and sugar do. Sugar clogs the system. It hinders the working of the living machine."

Mrs. White is not condemning the use of small amounts of sugar, or the use of natural sugars in moderation, i.e. fruits, dried fruits, honey, unrefined or raw sugars, etc. The scientists agree with her counsel and advise us to avoid the "empty calories" and to "choose our calories by the company they keep."

February, 1970



PRESENTATION. J. O. Iversen presents to Pastor H. M. S. Richards a copy of his latest book for radio ministers around the world.

Broadcast Pioneer Receives Pastor's Manual

FORTY years ago H. M. S. Richards began his work as a radio broadcaster. Within a few years this local pastor became the inspiration for broadcasters not only in North America but around the world. His kindly encouragement led overseas countries to commence with their own programs.

For the pastor, too, he had words of help. Though the Voice of Prophecy now has a coverage of more than 1700 programs each week, Pastor Richards has always sought to have the local pastor involve himself in broadcasting.

When the General Conference Radio-Television Department asked J. Orville Iversen to write a manual on broadcasting for the local pastor, it was only natural that it should be dedicated to H. M. S. Richards. As Pastor Iversen said so succinctly, "Who else?"

The manual, So You're Going on the Air, printed by the Review and Herald seeks to take the pastor step by step from the first nervous beginnings to successful broadcasting. Included are the actual scripts of a number of our most successful programs.

Pastor Richards commented on the book as follows: "This book was needed. It is the first up-to-date full coverage of radio and television procedure in the proclamation of the Word by Seventh-day Adventists. The author has had years of practical experience in this field, sustained by an interest and dedication that has never flagged. He was the one to write it."

Pastor Iversen has served the church as a broadcaster for many years and has worked as a departmental leader in the General Conference. At present he coordinates the production of radio and television releases and audio-visual presentations by the departments of the General Conference. His experience is revealed in So You're Going on the Air. Every pastor will benefit from the practical nature of the book.

-Walter R. L. Scragg, Radio-TV Department, General Conference

Far East Harvest 1970

THIS MONTH'S COVER

This month the OUT-LOOK features a student missionary, Ruthita Jensen. who is currently serving the Saigon Adventist Hospital and the Vietnam Mission. Her job is to give direction to a public health program. of mass inoculations, mainly in orphanages and schools in the Greater Saigon area. Every time Ruthita visits the vast "Orphan's Village" with more than 2,000 youngsters, she heads for the nurseery to pick up and cuddle her favorite youngster. She is shown in the picture on the cover holding the child, a parentless waif who longs for some love and attention. Miss Jensen is dressed in the traditional Vietnamese ladies' dress, the ao dai. The outfit consists of a close-fitting bodice with a long-flowing, slit-sided tunic, worn with white or black pantaloons. The photos on the cover and on the center spread are by D. A. Roth.

Within A Few Months—Atlantic City

THE General Conference Central Planning Committee has been working for months on the program for the Session to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, June 7-20. The theme of every phase of the pre-meetings and the Session itself will be spiritual renewal—revival and reformation.

Before the Session opens Thursday evening, June 11, there will be nearly a week of departmental and business meetings. Everyone of these pre-Session meetings is being planned prayerfully around revival and a finished work. Each morning the first service will be a deeply spiritual revival service with prayer band arrangements following immediately. Volunteer prayer bands among the various division delegations will be meeting all over Atlantic City. Each morning just before lunch the business meetings will be interrupted for an hour of old-fashioned Bible-in-the-hand Bible study. Prayer and the study of the Word must characterize the Session.

Fellow believers around the world, pray for this great gathering of God's people. It must be a time of deep heart searching, of true conviction and conversion. It must be the place of beginning again for many of our dear people and for all of us it must be a season of deep spiritual challenge. Pray earnestly and perseveringly for the General Conference Session.

NEWS FROM THE UNIONS

Central Philippines

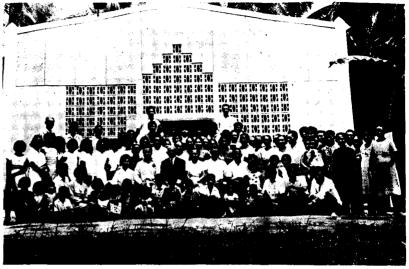
Motorized, Transistorized and Visualized Evangelism

THE West Visayan Mission has purchased a new 16m.m. Bell and Howell "Specialist" motion picture projector and a Mitsubishi Willys four-door jeep. Eight of the workers also bought their own motorcycles to facilitate their travels and visitations. They are now using eight transistorized public address systems. Thus the West Visayan Mission hopes, by God's grace, to reach its goals in souls this year through the use of modern equipment.

The projector was first used by the Williams-Bocala evangelistic team during their large effort in Roxas City. It proved to be a crowd-gatherer supreme, so that the remodeled and enlarged Roxas chapel could not contain the audience that gathered to see and hear the message. Scores of persons were gathered from that effort. It is being used, also, at temperance rallies to show cancer and anti-liquor films.

Twenty Faith for Today films have been donated to the Mission for the use of the evangelists in their public meetings.

So that these visual aids may also be used in the rural non-electricity areas, the Mission committee has voted to purchase a 2000-watt portable generator to run the precision machine and other equipment during rallies and evangelistic meetings. —B. G. Escara



DEDICATION. Here are members who attended the dedication of the Salcedo, Samar Church in the Philippines.

Salcedo Church Dedication

R ECENTLY a church dedication was held at Salcedo, Samar. Pastor E. A. Capobres, president of Central Philippine Union Mission, assisted by Elder T. V. Gulfan, president of East Visayan Mission, officiated.

Public school teachers, physicians, telecommunications employees, and and town officials attended the dedication. Magazine workers of the missions were also present. It was their first experience in witnessing a Seventh-day Adventist church dedication.

The hollow block-glass chapel is a monument to God's truth in this territory.

-J. R. Obregon

EVANGELISM. The West Visayan Mission is using modern equipment to facilitate evangelistic work in the islands. They now have a jeep, a 16 m.m. movie projector, eight transistorized public address systems, and eight motorcycles. Some of the equipment is shown in the picture above.



Former Mission President Becomes An Itinerant Revivalist

PASTOR M. G. Yorac has officially retired after having served the denomination for 44 years as Bible instructor, evangelist, Mission and Union departmental secretary and Mission administrator. Instead of reclining in the rocking chair to enjoy his well-earned rest, he has been a very busy itinerant revivalist in the Central and South Philippine Unions.



PREACHER. Pastor M. G. Yorac is a retired administrator but he still is active as a revivalist in the Central and South Philippine Unions. He served for 44 years as a pastor, evangelist, and mission president.

Pastor and Mrs. Yorac still share in life's joys and challenges by attending to their grandchildren's educational pursuits.

Being a veteran indefatigable worker and a well-known revivalist Pastor Yorac is very busy answering many calls from the Visayas and Mindanao churches for revival meetings.

He is like a tree planted by the waters. "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." -Ps. 92:13-14.

The brethren and sisters are very appreciative of the consecrated ministry of Pastor and Mrs. Yorac.

-F. M. Arrogante, Former Public Relations Secretary

Bonis Mission School

THE Bonis Mission School is a new project in San Remegio, Antique, West Visayan Mission, located on a one-hectare lot up on the chilly hills 20 kilometers from the nearest municipality of Valderama. The teacher, Brother Isaias Canja, a BSEED graduate of Mountain View College in 1968, enjoys the fellowship of his 22 pupils at this mountain area the climate of which is just like that of Mountain View College.

To reach the Bonis Mission School one has to cross rivers and steep hills and mountains. The homes of the natives are far from each other. The sting of loneliness is sometimes so painful, "but God's work makes me happy while I am lonesome," Brother Isaias said.

Presently the teacher's house is at the same time the school, while the natives and their teacher are still building their school house.

The brethren of West Visayan Mission feel very grateful to God and to the Far Eastern Division for the financial help given for the opening of the Bonis Mission School.

-F. M. Arrogante

TEACHER. Isaias Canja is a teacher at the Bonis Mission School, West Visayan Mission.





SOUL-WINNER. Patricio Bacolod is the elder of his local church in the Central Philippine Union. He won 27 persons to the church in one year.

Busy Lay Preacher Wins 27 Persons to Church

PATRICIO B. Bacolod is the present elder of Mabinay Church at Mabinay, Negros Oriental, Negros Mission. After his baptism in 1958 he pledged total commitment to the cause thru lay evangelism.

Being a District Timber Inspector of the Bureau of Forestry he has many opportunities to share his faith with others. While busy in his inspection trips he avails himself of every opportunity to do missionary visitations, giving Bible studies and preaching the message of Christ's soon return. Twenty-seven precious souls have been brought to the Advent fellowship thru his personal efforts.

-F. M. Arrogante

She is a Zealous Missionary Volunteer



YOUTH. Gifted with talents of leadership, Tabiha Binondo is a zealous missionary volunteer of Maitum, Siaton, Negros Oriental. The church voted her as their Sabbath School Superintendent, Missionary Volunteer leader, Assistant Treasurer and Church Schaol Treasurer.

-F. M. Arrogante

West Indonesia

A Dream Led Her To Become An Adventist Nurse



BAPTIZED. Miss Cindy Tan, a senior nursing student at the Bandung Sanitarium and Haspital, Indonesia, was recently baptized.

CINDY Tan was a Baptist when she entered our school of nursing. Because the Baptists operate a school of nursing in East Java, we asked Cindy why she had chosen to come to our school, and she answered that she'd had a dream in which an angel told her that she could learn to be a good nurse, and could do the Lord's work at Rumah Sakit Advent as anywhere else. This greatly encouraged her, for her father, who lives here in Bandung, is an invalid, completely paralyzed. Cindy had long wanted to become

Cindy had long wanted to become a nurse, but had dreaded the thought of leaving her mother to care for her father, and going to far-off East Java. We smile at "faroff", but with travel conditions as they are here, it would take her a full day to travel one way.

As it is now, with her parents living only a few blocks from the hospital, Cindy can go home often to lend a helping hand.

It took Cindy a long time to make a full decision—she was convinced long before she took her stand—because of opposition from home, and also strong urgings from the Baptist community.

Her genuine Christian life and her sweet ways have a winning way, and truly, she is "doing the Lord's work" as the angel promised her in her dream!

New Clinic and Office Building Opened in West Kalimantan

A CLINIC and office building of the West Kalimantan Mission in Pontianak has been officially opened. This building is a twostoried unit and is built from the clinic funds and without financial help from the Union. The first story is to be used as a clinic while the second story will be occupied as the mission office.

The Lord has blessed the work in the West Kalimantan Mission so



SNIP! Mrs. L. Silitonga, wife of the Mission president, cuts the ribbon officially opening the new clinic.

The Story of the Typhoon That Turned a Corner

"INCREDIBLE!" "How could it have happened?" "Probably because it was a Christian school." These and other remarks brought pride and happiness to a group of Adventist students as they rode along on a public bus a few days after a vicious typhoon had struck Taiwan, dealing savage and destructive blows to the banana plantations of the south.

The Mountain Bible Training School, on a 12-acre plot of land, snuggles up close to the base of a

that this Mission, where the Lord's work has just been carried out for a few years, has already been able to build this building. Construction of a new church building and housing for workers is still on the program, and this will be started as soon as funds are available.

> —G. A. Muntu, Secretary-Treasurer, West Kalimantan Mission



OPENING. Here is a group of Pontianak church members who attended the official opening of the Pontianak Clinic and Mission Office building.

WORKERS. Here are the group of workers leading out in the West Kalimantan Mission.



South China Island

range of low mountains in southcentral Taiwan. Opened in 1964 for the training of our youth from the mountain areas of this island, one of the chief sources of income for this school is its delicious bananas, grown on school land.

Death-dealing hurricane-force winds came to most of the island as typhoon "Elsie" slammed into it with winds of up to 150 miles an hour. It also brought new evidence of the loving care of our heavenly Father over His people and His property when this driving, pummeling wind swept down over the area where our Bible Training School sits, surrounded on two sides by its banana trees.

The winds roared down the mountain side, hit the edge of our property, turned a corner where our stone landmark stood, and completely obliterated the banana field immediately adjacent to our own bananas. But in our own field the banana palms stood tall and straight, only two and three feet from the imaginary line that marks the boundary between the two properties. While perhaps a half-dozen or so of our weaker trees went down, the adjacent field was completely wiped out, destroying hundreds of trees. I climbed the side of the mountain to take some pictures, and the incredible sight of a winding property line, with banana palms lying flat on the ground on the one side, and standing tall and erect on the other, I'll not easily forget.

Nor will the neighbors and people of that area forget either for this experience has created a tremendous impression upon them. Where 80 percent of the banana crops were totally destroyed, our banana palms stand tall, silent but compelling witness to the power and love of our God. One of our neighbor's banana plantations was already cleared and plowed and under preparation for new plantings, so we did not get a picture of it, but the crop was a total loss.

-W. T. Clark, President, South China Island Union



SHOTS. The main activity far Miss Jensen at her Saigon student missianary post is ta supervise a massive inaculatian pragram for the youngters of Vietnam. The program is spansored by the Saigan Hospital and extends ta the immediate haspital cammunity, a dozen arphanages, and villages in the cauntryside. Here Miss Jensen uses an inoculatian gun on an orphan while athers wait in line. Laoking on fram the back is the Vietnamese directar.



VISIT. Ruthita visits the area where the orphans sleep. Here an older arphan is rubbing the back of a sick youngster. The bed consists of a hard piece of wood and a thin mat.

H2O. Water for the orphans' village comes from deep wells and is stored in crocks, one far each unit of the camp. Since the weather is always warm and tropical in Vietnam, Ruthita takes time off for a drink af water.



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SNIP. America's current fad for long hair would or female—all have clean-shaven heads. It requires Ruthita watches the village barber perform the hai Ruthita's golden

SIESTA. In the tropics the tradition of the peop in the kitchen of the orphans' village. The pictur Ruthita never gets a chan





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in the orphans' village. Everyone—young and old, male barber to keep up with more than 2,000 people, peration on a lady staff member. The barber looks at a gleam in his eye.

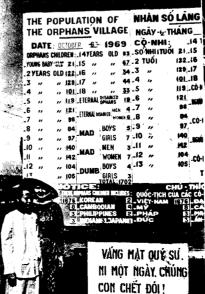
ke a siesta. Here Ruthita tries out a hammock found ctly posed and requested by the photographer because ernoon siestas in her busy program.





START. Ruthita Jensen, student missionary from Union College now serving in Saigon, South Vietam, stands beside her Japanesemade car ready to leave for her busy day of activities. Her program for the week includes teaching, inoculation clinics in ophanages, the Saigon Hospital, and nearby Vietnamese villages, and giving general assistance to the church's medical work in this war-torn country. Because the clinics and other places are so scattered the Saigon Hospital has given her the use of a private automobile.

SHOT. Ruthita takes a good look at this orphan's arm and then applies the inoculation gun. This method of inoculation is just as painful as a needle, but it is faster and more efficient. She has given more than 80,000 injections since she arrived in Vietnam last August.





ORPHANAGE. Every week Miss Jensen visits the "Orphans' Village," about 20 miles nartheast of Saigon near Long Binh, the world's largest military camp. Here mare than 2,000 orphans (the total was 1,702 in October, 1969, but the total rose ta mare than 2,000 by December, 1969) are under the care of a group of Buddhist priests. Here she stands in frant of the orphanage sign with one of the lady staff members.



BIBLES. These people were instrumental in securing Bibles for orphans in Vietnam. The stacks of Bibles are shown with the active Branch Sabbath School leaders.

Bibles for Orphans

MEMBERS of the Phu Nhuan church (next door to the Saigon Adventist Hospital) are shown here as they prepare to transport two hundred Vietnamese Bibles to the Orphan's Village Branch Sabbath School. These Bibles cost US\$1.00 each and are used in Bible marking classes for older orphans and their leaders. More than two thousand orphans and one-hundred sixty leaders are living at the village now. This is the largest Branch Sabbath School in the world. Our goal is to put a Bible in the hands of every child who is able to read.

-V. L. Bretsch, President, Vietnam Mission

PUC Overseas Graduates Find Places in Southeast Asia

FIVE overseas students who graduated from Philippine Union College have answered calls to serve in Southeast Asia Union. They are Pastor Le Huu, Nguyen Thi Cam, Miss Paichit Keerikoolparn, Miss Susan Supanunt, and Miss Sumitra Tangyararat.

Pastor Le Huu, a Vietnamese radio evangelist, graduated with a M.A. in Theology. Now he serves the Vietnam Mission. His 500-paged thesis. "A Historical Study of the Seventh-day Adventists in Vietnam 1929-1959," according to Dr. Sydney Allen, was one of the best



DEGREE. Pastor Le Huu of Vietnam is shown receiving his M.A. degree in theology from A. P. Roda, President, Philippine Union Colleae.

theses that PUC graduates have produced.

Prior to his upgrading Le Huu served in several capacities in the Vietnam Mission, treasurer of the Mission, pastor evangelist, teacher of the Saigon Adventist Academy, translator of French into Vietnamese literature, and a radio evangelist since 1954.

He graduated in English and Accounting at Southeast Asia Union College in 1948. He continued his studies at PUC intermittently during the summers of 1956, 1962, 1963 and 1964. Then he came with his family in July 1966 and he graduated with a B.A. in History and Philosophy.

Student Nurses Capped at Saigon

FIFTEEN lovely young Vietnamese student nurses recently received their caps at a very impressive church ceremony.

Miss Marilyn Bennett, director of the school, and Dr. Philip Pritel, acting in the absence of Dr. Jess Holm, led out in all the arrangements. Caps were donated by Miss Bennett's classmates of 1967 at Loma Linda University. All of these young ladies came from Buddhist and Catholic homes.

This second class of students are benefitting from the gift of friends that made possible a dormitoryclassroom facility capable of handling 50 students. This is the first time in the history of our work in Vietnam that we have had such accommodations. Eleven full and part-time teachers make up the faculty.

In the regular course of study undertaken by the nursing students, Bible classes and worship hours are faithfully attended.



CEREMONY. This is a general scene in the Saigon Church when the capping ceremony was held for nurses of the Saigon School of Nursing.



CAPPED. Student Nurses kneel as the caps are pinned on by nurses on the staff of the School of Nursing.



MASSACHUSETTS. Asian students at Atlantic Union College have made a fine contribution to this institution. Their objective is to first get the best training possible and then to serve God. RIGHT. Hundreds of Asian Adventists are located in Southern California. Liang Wai Chow, Pastor of the Los Angeles Chinese Church, tries to keep their interests together and to deepen their interest in returning to their homelands. E. H. Wu, standing, is a retired worker who took part in a potluck dinner in Los Angeles.

Asian Students Around the World

A Picture Story by Pastor and Mrs. Doyle Barnett



ENGLAND. Eighteen Adventist nursing students in the London Jewish Hospital gave a hearty welcome to Pastor and Mrs. Doyle Barnett and Mrs. Bertochini during their brief stopover. It was nearly midnight before they were able to leave the students and return to their downtown hotel. RIGHT. For Southeast Asians, Hong Kong is also an "overseas" country. Here are 13 young people attending South China Island Union College near Hong Kong.

MICHIGAN. A happy group of Asian students fellowship together during the visit of Pastor and Mrs. Doyle Barnett. Many of them are from Singapore. RIGHT. David Wang, with a royal Chinese name, dines with Dayton Chong, son of Joshua Chong, of Singapare.



South Philippines

South Philippine Union Holds Third Biennial Session

THE South Philippine Union's third biennial Session was held at Mountain View College, Valencia, Bukidnon. Inspiring messages and words of counsel were given by our guests, Pastors W. J. Hac-kett and R. R. Frame, General Vice President and Associate Secretary of the General Conference, respectively; from the Far Eastern Divi-sion, Pastor P. H. Eldridge, President, and Pastor H. D. Johnson. Treasurer. A two-day Administra-tive Council was held at the same place before the biennial session started to acquaint mission and institutional administrators and departmental secretaries of their respective responsibilities.

Greetings from the South Philippine Union's 22 organizations comprising more than 45,000 members were brought by the secretary-treasurer. The union territory has now the ratio of one Seventh-day Adventist for every 175 people.

The following tabulation shows the increase in our church membership during the past three years:

	at Beg. of 1 1967	967 34, 296 3,402
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As of Sept.		3,887
As of Sept.		11,294
	Total	11,294
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Dropped;	1967-1969	570
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Membership	ar tha or bep	45.144

The total membership in our 698 churches and companies at the end of September, 1969 was 45,144. We thank the Lord for the 7,892 souls baptized during the biennial period, 1968-1969.

The laymen of the South Philippine Union helped win 82% of the total number of persons baptized during the years 1968 and 1969. One layman alone has reported several lay efforts in 1969 and a baptism of about 100 from January to September. Our Union Lay Activities Secretary reports that the laymen of Bukidnon province made an outstanding record when in January of last year 114 persons were baptized in one day, in one place, and again last September when 163 were baptized, again in one day and



BAPTIZED. Here is a group of Filipinos from the Bukidnon area of Mindinao who were won to the church as a result of the work of laymen. The layman is Albino Bulalabus, left, and the pastor is S. J. Balansag, right.

in one place, as a result of the Far East Harvest program.

The trend of our tithes and offerings is as follows:

	19	67	196	8	1969*
lithe	955,14	4.18	1,081,38	30.30	852,388.05
Sabbath School Offering					
	149,342		169,48		138,001.59
13th	Sabbath 31,92			ng 11.59	23,607.84
Ingat	hering				
	139,11	5.19	140,24	46.10	45,202.13
*Fig	ures for	1969 a	re up	to Oct	tober only.

Pastor M. M. Claveria, Union president, made an appeal for our greatest need at this time—a reevaluation of our potentials for a more vigorous action to prepare ourselves to face the greatest challenge of soul-saving, "While it is Day," which was the theme of our biennial session.

The two projects at Iligan City are nearing completion, two-story Mountain View College Nurses' Home building and the Mindanao Sanitarium and Hospital annex building.

The nominating committee brought in a report which produced two new mission presidents to replace veteran leaders who were retiring. The new presidents are Pastor D. A. Brion, Northeastern Mindanao Mission, and Pastor B. P. Moralde, Northern Mindanao Mission. The other missions remained the same. The new secretary of the Department of Education is E. A. Moreno, former principal of the Southern Mindanao Academy. Pastor B. U. Donato is the new Sabbath School Secretary of the union.

–C. P. Legaspi, Secretary-Treasurer

Far East Harvest 1970

Bukidnon Natives Accepting the Advent Message

A LBINO Bulalahus of Northern Mindanao Mission in South Philippines is an ordinary farmer barely able to support his family, but his main profession is lay preaching in which he excells. Being very loyal to the message and to the mission administration he works and plans his missionary endeavors with the guidance and counseling of his district leader, Pastor S. V. Balansag of Bukidnon district.

Penetrating deep into the interior areas of Bukidnon, Bulalahus found the native Bukidnons ready to hear the message of the soon-coming Saviour of the world. Sensing the prospects of a good harvest of many souls the brethren and sisters in the district contributed some support to encourage brother Bulalahus in his follow-up work. After more than a year of continuous follow-up visitations and Bible studies 70 persons, 25 of whom are pure aboriginal natives of Bukidnon, were baptized into the Advent fellowship.

The accompanying picture shows eleven candidates for baptism with Albino Bulalahus at the left and Pastor S. V. Balansag at the extreme right.

---F. M. Arrogante

Visit, Visit, Visit for Successful Branch Sabbath Schools

TEN years ago Dominador Alinar from the Upper Labon area of Southern Mindanao, Philippines visited a Sabbath School Rally and was greatly impressed with the challenge to go out and conduct Branch Sabbath Schools. Although not yet



LAYMAN. Dominador Alinar is a layman whose persistent efforts in visitation resulted in the baptism of 34 Branch Sabbath School members.

a baptized member, he felt impressed that this would be a good missionary project for him. He requested one of the members of the church to teach him how to lead out and conduct a Branch Sabbath School.

The next question was where to have a Branch Sabbath School. Dominador felt a real burden for his immediate family, and so first went to his father and mother and invited them to his Branch Sabbath School, but he received a negative response. He went to his wife's parents, another negative response. Dominador persistently contacted his relatives. Finally on the first Sabbath seven of his relatives at-tended his Branch Sabbath School. After a few weeks, a number of other friends started to attend, and it was not long before there were approximately twenty who were attending regularly.

The district pastor realizing the wonderful potential of Dominador's Branch Sabbath School, arranged Bible studies with the various families represented and in the ensuing months baptized a total of thirtyfour individuals, including Dominador and his father-in-law.

A little church has now been erected and the membership organized into four teams that are now conducting four separate Branch Sabbath Schools in the vicinity. The father-in-law now serves as the church elder.

In telling this experience, Dominador said that he believed the secret for successful Branch Sabbath School evangelism is a continuous program of visitation. He exclaimed that he made it an objective to visit every member of his Branch Sabbath School every week so as to encourage faithful attendance.

-R. S. Watts

First Moslem Worker in the Philippines

JIMMY Hadji Adil was baptized with his wife February 13, 1965. He studied for some time in Mountain View College and got more acquainted with the Adventist doctrines and methods of soul winning. He was taken into the organized work as district leader in Dadiangas area, Southern Mindanao in South Philippines, preferably to win his Moslem friends and relatives.



FORMER MOSLEM. Jimmy Hadji Adil is a district superintendent in the Southern Mindanao Misson in Mindanao. A former Moslem, he is shown with his wife who stands by his side in his work trying to win souls to Christ.

In 1968, 13 souls were baptized into the fellowship of the church, two of whom were Moslems. In 1969, 79 were won to the message, and seven of these were Moslems.

Adil is 35 years old and has six children. He is the only Moslem worker we have in the organized work in the Philippines.

-F. M. Arrogante

Davao Campaign Report Coming

Watch next month's OUTLOOK for a complete picture story and report on the Davao evangelistic campaign conducted by Pastor J. R. Spangler, of the General Conference Ministerial Association. Associated with him in the series was Pastor R. C. Williams, Division Ministerial Association Secretary.

North Philippines

Ordination of 10 Highlights Biennial Session

THE ordination of ten men to the gospel ministry and the adoption of a record budget of Ps.975,933.96 highlighted the 9th biennial session of the North Philippine Union which was held on the Philippine Union College campus. Day meetings were held in the academy chapel and night meetings were held in the auditorium.

The recently ordained ministers are as follows: Alejandro P. Miguel, Principal of Tirad View Academy; Alfredo G. Corpus, Mountain Provinces Mission district pastor; Victormio A. Arreola, Northern Luzon Mission educational secretary; Zineo L. Manalo, Northern Luzon Mission district pastor; Nemesio Ico, Central Luzon Mission assistant treasurer; Augusto B. Reyes, Central Luzon Mission district pastor: Armando Fabella, Central Luzon Mission district pastor; Timoteo J. Osorio, Northern Luzon Mission district pastor; Efinito Macalintal, South-Central Luzon Mission secretary-treasurer; and Alberto Regoso, Manila Center assistant director.

The boards of directors of four Union institutions — Manila Center, Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital, and Philippine Union College met during the sessions.

lege met during the sessions. The report of the nominating committee introduced four new workers in the Union and one new mission president. Pastor T. V. Barizo, former president of the Southern Luzon Mission, is the new Sabbath School Secretary, while Mrs. Barizo, former SLM assistant secretary for child evangelism and parent and home, is the new Union assistant educational secretary for home and school fellowship. Mrs. R. H. Woolsey, who has been acting assistant Sabbath School secretary for child evangelism, is the new assistant secretary for child evangelism. B. O. Gravino, former Central Luzon Mission secretary, is the new Union chief accountant. Pastor V. N. Napod, former Southern Luzon Mission evangelist, is the new president for Southern Luzon.

The status quo is maintained in the leadership of the Union institu-



ORDINATION. Narciso Penaflorida, south Bulacan district pastor, was ordained to the ministry at a special service held at the Malolos Church, the district headquarters church. With him in the picture is his wife, Olive Tirona, whom he married a week before. Greeting him is Pastor B. A. Martin, Central Luzon Mission President.

tions save PUC. Dr. O. C. Edwards, dean of faculties who has been acting president since last September, is now the president.

-B. B. Alsaybar

Thirteen Awarded College Scholarships to PUC

THE number of Adventist youths enjoying free tuition scholarships in Philippine Union College has increased. This year each academy in North Philippine Union Mission has been entitled to two awardees passing the scholarship tests creditably and recommended by their respective school faculties. Three other Adventists coming from non-S.D.A. academies have also been selected for the Ps.500-grants.



STUDENTS. Here are 12 of the 13 students who were awarded scholarships at Philippine Union College.

The "lucky thirteen" and their courses are:

From Narthern Luzon Academy—		
Naami Rufa	B. S. N.	
Alfreda Isidro	B. S. N.	
From Nartheast Luzon	Academy	
Teresita Albano	B. S. E.	
William Hacas	Pre-Med.	
Pasay City Academy— Shirley Yanit Reyn a ldo Abejar	B. S. M. T. B. S. N.	

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Award Given to Students



AWARD. Prof. J. V. Afenir, principal of the Philippine Union College Academy, greets Eunice Sevilla after awarding her the Insular Educational Life foundation Gold Eagle Award for superior scholarship. She is the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. M. B. Sevilla, Assistant Publishing Secretary of Central Luzon Mission. -B. B. Alsaybar

From Philippine Union	College Academy	
Evelyn Adante	Pre-Med.	
Alden Pasco	Pre-Med.	
Fram Naga View Acade	my—	
Israel Adayo	Ministerial	
Judy Nantes	B. S. E.	
From Non-S. D. A. schaols— Ireneo Pasamba (SCLM) A. B. Leila Salamanca (CLM) B. S. N. Emerita Escopete (SLM) B. S. M. T.		

"Were it not for this scholarship." confesses Leila who is one of eleven children in her family. "I might not be in school now. I thank God for this wonderful gift!"

Each of the thirteen consider the award a privilege and a challenge.

New Class of Nurses Capped in Ceremony at PUC

NURSES. A total of 43 nurses were capped in a candlelight ceremony conducted in the auditorium of the Philippine Union College. The speaker was Mrs. Marion Simmons, Associate Secretary of the Department of Education of the Far Eastern Division.



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Temperance Receives Boost in the North Philippines

TEMPERANCE recently received a big boost and was in the news during the one-week visit of three men from the United States and Singapore — Dr. Lawrence Senseman, president of the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism (ICPA), Pastor E. H. J. Steed, ICPA, executive director, and Dr. G. C. Ekvall, president of the Asia Block of the ICPA.

Included in their busy schedule were courtesy calls on dignitaries of the National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism (NCPA), speaking engagement at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital family worship, a press conference, tem-



Manila Hospital Nurses Dedicate Themselves to Service

GROUP. Here is the latest class of nurses to graducte from the School of Nursing of Philippine Union College and the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital. The picture was taken at the time of the dedication service in the Pasay English Church near Manila, Philippines. Some af the instructors in the school are shown on the front row.



RECEPTION. A social event in Manila honored the men from the International Commission for the Prevention of Alcoholism.

TEMPERANCE LEADERS. Temperance secretaries of three Philippine unions attended the Temperance Council when Pastor Ernest Steed was in Manila.





CONFERENCE. Dr. L. A. Senseman answers questions during a press conference.

perance council at Philippine Union College, and reception in their honor at the MSH social hall. Capping their round of activities was a two-day seminar on the prevention of alcoholism for public school teachers and government officials in Balanga, Bataan.

Three of the four major morning metropolitan papers were represented at the press conference. As a result of this and their other activities, we reaped 122 column inches of publicity in five different newspapers.

Student Receives Award in Pasay City

AWARD. Ruth Brutus, a student at Pasay City Academy, is shown here receiving a silver medat from Principal S. G. Miraflores for attaining second place in the recent declamation contest sponsored by the Bureau of Private Schools. She is the daughter of Pastor Beato Brutas, Publishing Secretary of the South-Central Luzon Mission. -S. G. Miraflores





A Sustentation All-Time High— Pastor Jose Bautista of the Philippines

PASTOR Jose O. Bautista, the first foreign missionary of the Philippines, has set an all-time sustentation record of 28 years and 9 months of "major responsibility."

Pastor Bautista entered denominational service on July 1, 1931 and went on the Far Eastern Division sustentation list on January 1, 1970 with a total of 38 years and 6 months of service.

Pastor Bautista's record is not in the number of years served, but in the long years in which he served positions of major responsibility. In April, 1941 he was appointed president of the South Central Luzon Mission. He maintained the position of a mission president until March 15, 1958. His field of service in the Philippines included a term as president of the South Philippine Union. He also served at one time as vice-president of the North Philippine Union while serving concurrently as president of the Central Luzon Mission.

For the past 12 years Pastor Bautista has served as a departmental secretary in various places of God's work. He served last as Lay Activities Secretary.

Pastor Bautista was the first Philippine worker to accept a call to serve outside of his home country. He spent a period of seven years, from 1934 to 1941, in the Palau Islands as a field worker for the Japan Union.

We wish God's richest blessings on Pastor Bautista as he enters into a new role in life—a sustentation beneficiary!

> -Hartley Ludden, Secretary, Sustentation Committee, Far Eastern Division

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