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Dialog With God

IN a few weeks the Seventh-day Adventist church will participate in an official dialog with God. This is the solemn import of the General Conference Session.

According to our constitution, the highest authority of the church rests in the officially called assembly of representatives selected from each of the world divisions. The organizational pattern has been specified in such a way that it is not possible for any one segment of delegates or for any geographical grouping to control or dominate the councils. When, therefore, a decision is reached by a majority vote, it represents the voice of the church.

Impressive as this fact is, our faith, our teachings, and our traditions point to an even more significant aspect. Since God has chosen this people to be the custodians of His final message to earth, the pronouncements of the Session represent the voice of God giving leadership to His people.

Even Ellen G. White, to whom God spoke directly with messages for the church, did not claim authority exceeding the General Conference in session. She wrote: "When, in a General Conference, the judgment of the brethren assembled from all parts of the field, is exercised, private independence and private judgment must not be stubbornly maintained, but surrendered. . . . God has ordained that the representatives of His church from all parts of the earth, when assembled in a General Conference, shall have authority."—Testimonies, Vol. IX, pp. 260, 261. The whole passage from which these words are quoted makes it clear that she considered the decision of a General Conference Session to be the voice of God.

Is it possible to conceive of a more significant convocation?

The voice of the church, reporting to God on its stewardship.

The voice of God, appealing, admonishing, directing His chosen representatives.

As the General Conference Session of 1970 convenes in Atlantic City much that is done will seem to be technical, routine conduct of the church's business. But the moving panorama of the church at work will get its real stereoscopic dimensions and perspective when seen against the background of this divine-human dialog. Not only the organizational function is at stake, but also the whole spiritual posture and evangelical dynamic of the Advent movement.

What does the voice of the church have to say to its God? Of gratitude, of confession, of account, of dedication?

What will God say to His church? His rebukes, His commands, His promises?

And how will we respond?

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

"We Are What We Eat"

"WHAT we eat today we are tomorrow" has been paraphrased from the even more well-known quotation found in our title. There is a good deal of truth in these simple statements, although at first glance it does not seem so, for if we eat a large amount of candy, cake, ice cream, and sweet drinks today, we do not feel "sweet" the next day. But people actually "grow fat and starve" on the high calorie diets that are so popular today.

According to a report from the National Nutritional Council, about 97-million persons in the United States are living on inadequate, unbalanced diets. This means that two out of every three men, women, and children are not eating properly. The doctors tell us that 976 persons out of every 1000 are suffering from disease.

A large percentage of the inmates of mental institutions are suffering from nutritional deficiencies. Many have been greatly improved and a large number can be released after therapy that corrects the deficiency. The B vitamins have been especially helpful in the treatment of mental illness.

Nutritionists have called attention to the Hunza people of northern India, to the Bantus of Africa, and to other Asiatic races who have lived for centuries on a very meager diet as proof that there is a correlation between the diet that people eat and the health and long life that they enjoy.

They have come to the conclusion that "hardening of the arteries, high blood pressure, heart failure, diabetes, goiter, fatty livers, injured kidneys, excessive body weight in adults, stomach and duodenal ulcers, tooth decay, loosening of the teeth, underweight in children, tuberculosis and anemia in children and adults, these and many other disease are all acknowledged by medical and public health authorities to be in a significant degree subject to lessened occurrence by a more intelligent use of food."—*Nutrition Reviews*, April, 1951.

Former President Calvin Collidge, of the United States, summed up the problem tersely: "One of the difficulties of the world is not that we are lacking in sufficient knowledge, but that we are unwilling to live in accordance with the knowledge which we have. Somewhere in human nature there is still a structural weakness. We do not do as well as we know."

"God is working in behalf of His people. He does not desire them to be without resources. He is bringing them back to the diet originally given to man. Their diet is to consist of the foods made from the materials He has provided. The materials principally used in these foods will be fruits and grains and nuts, but various roots will also be used."—*Counsels on Health*, p. 473.

"These foods, prepared in as simple and natural



Staff Meeting Brings Together FED Office Group

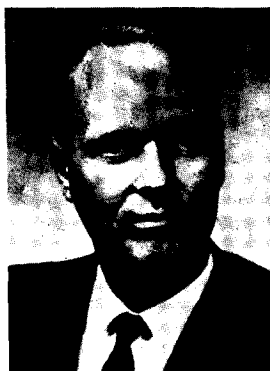
SINGAPORE. A three-day staff meeting of the Far Eastern Division was held at headquarters in Singapore. The office staff, including wives and office secretaries, are shown in the picture. In the front portion of the Division headquarters building. In the center front are the three senior officers, Pastors H. D. Johnson, P. H. Eldridge, and H. W. Bedwell.

a manner as possible, are the most healthful and nourishing. They impart a strength, a power of endurance, and a vigor of intellect, that are not afforded by a more complex and stimulating diet."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 296.

"If ever there was a time when the diet should be of the most simple kind, it is now. Meat should not be placed before our children. Its influence is to excite and strengthen the lower passions, and has a tendency to deaden the moral powers. Grains, and fruits prepared free from grease, and in as natural a condition as possible, should be the food for the tables of all who claim to be preparing for translation to heaven. The less feverish the diet, the more easily can the passions be controlled. Gratification of taste should not be consulted irrespective of physical, intellectual, or moral health."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 352.

The conclusions of modern nutritionists and of Sister White agree on the necessity of:

1. Simplifying the eating habits.
2. Reducing the consumption of rich, complicated dishes.



General Conference Visitor To the Far East

MV. Clark Smith, director of the National Service Organization of the General Conference, is itinerating in the Far Eastern Division with Pastor Gilbert Bertochini, MV Secretary. They are conducting Medical Cadet Corps sessions in the Philippines and Korea as well as meeting other appointments. The Triennial Medical Cadet Corps Training School will be held in May at Philippine Union College.



C. W. Teel

Chaplain Itinerating in FED

FROM USA. Pastor C. W. Teel, Chaplain of the Loma Linda University Hospital in California, has been itinerating in the Far Eastern Division following the Chaplains' Workshop in Singapore. He is visiting nearly all of the hospitals in the Division, giving assistance to chaplains and administrators.

3. Replacing refined foods with natural ones, and eating of fruits and vegetables according to the instruction given by Inspiration.

4. Eating just enough quantity to maintain normal weight.

Do we do as well as we know?

—Mrs. Shirley Johnson

G. C. Session Slide Information

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Atlantic City is Almost Here!

JUST a few more days now and thousands of God's people will be gathered in Atlantic City, New Jersey, for the 51st Session of the General Conference. Some 1,500 official delegates will be present to transact the business of the church. Many thousands more church members and friends will come in over the weekend to swell the attendance to an anticipated 30,000. What a gathering of the faithful it will be!

This General Conference Session must be more than just a gathering of the faithful—a time to meet old friends and enjoy fellowship with the saints. Our main objective for the Session is to make a lasting spiritual impact upon God's church—an impact that will stir all of us to a richer, fuller experience in Christ Jesus. There is business to transact it is true, and with God's help this will be cared for

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efficiently and effectively, but there is something even more important than the nominating committee report and the financial reports—this is the spiritual renewal of God's people that will prepare us all for a finished work.

The opening Sabbath has been set aside by the General Conference Committee as a day of fasting and prayer. It is our desire that the whole Session, throughout the time we are together, will move forward on the knees of revived, renewed members of the remnant church. We will fail except God be with us, and we can expect His presence only as we are in right relationship to Him.

Pray, pray, brethren and sisters, for the Session soon to convene in Atlantic City. We need help from above, and if we are prepared He is very willing to send that help!

THIS MONTH'S COVER

Mrs. Mundahoi is a lay delegate to the General Conference session in Atlantic City, N.J. She leaves next month to take a two-month itinerary of the United States with Pastor William Smith, district leader for Goshen in the Sabah Mission. They will meet appointments of camp meetings and churches in a tour sponsored by the Public Relations office of the General Conference. She is shown in the cover picture in her witch doctor's outfit with the "charms" around her neck. She was a confirmed witch doctor before she became a Seventh-day Adventist. She has won more than 100 persons to the church since she became an Adventist.



CHURCH. This is the group of members attending services near Sandakan, Malaysia in a palm oil plantation. Many of the people have been brought to the church by Mrs. Mundahoi, a delegate to the General Conference session from the Sabah Mission. At the right with the group is Pastor Ralph S. Watts, president of the Southeast Asia Union.

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Loma Linda University Heart Surgery Team Visits Greece

IN a world where everyone tries to convince us that there is no room for anything but inhumanity and selfishness, love always finds ways to show up. For it is love that brought you here. . . .

"We dare say that the best reward for your efforts is only our smile. We are indeed very sorry that we cannot, each one of us separately, thank you in your language. But feelings have an international language."

The letter was signed by 13 of the 31 patients operated on by the Loma Linda University Heart Surgery Team (*) during their 1969 trip to Athens, Greece.

Invited to Athens by the Greek government, the team took with them nearly a ton of supplies including \$14,000 worth of plastic heart valves on loan from the manufacturer, antibiotics, tracheostomy tubes, respirators, heart-lung machine tubing, and many medicines which are indispensable for the examinations, operations, and postoperative care.

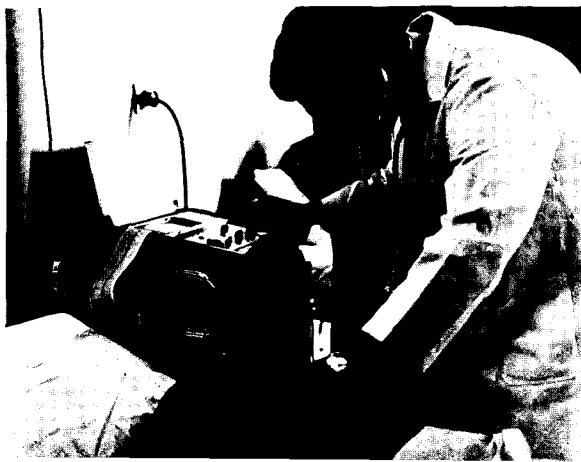
The invitation to the Loma Linda University team was extended by the government as a result of similar trips started in 1963. After a successful operation in that year to correct a congenital heart defect in the daughter of a Pakistani factory foreman, word of the team's efforts spread throughout the world.

The United States Department of State, with the aid of then Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson, arranged for the surgical team to travel throughout Asia. Operations were performed in Pakistan, India, Thailand, and the Republic of China.

In 1967 the open-heart surgery team received an invitation from the president of the Evangelismos Hospital, the largest hospital in Greece, to help instruct their physicians in the techniques of open-heart surgery. They went.

Two years later—almost to the day—the team, headed by Dr. Ellsworth E. Wareham, arrived in

EXAMINATION. Dr. Jutzy examines one of the more than 300 patients seen by the American doctor team in Greece.



SURGERY. Dr. Ray Jutzy, seated, former missionary to the Philippines, adjusts the heart lung machine. Dr. C. Joan Coggin and Dr. Larry Miller watch other aspects of the operation.

Athens for the second time. The first surgery was performed Nov. 10, 1969, on 13-year-old Margarita Lykari, daughter of a fisherman from the island of Naxos in the Aegean Sea. Other surgeries, 31 in all, followed in succeeding weeks. It wasn't uncommon for the physicians to work for 36 hours, sleep eight hours, and then return for another 36 hours of work.

But the heart surgery team members were not the only ones who helped make the project successful. Expenses for the trip were raised through the efforts of Peter M. Kalellis, pastor of the Westfield, New Jersey, Greek Orthodox church. Air fares were donated by a member of Pastor Kalellis' parish and by Aristotle Onassis, owner of Olympic Airways, the Greek national airlines.

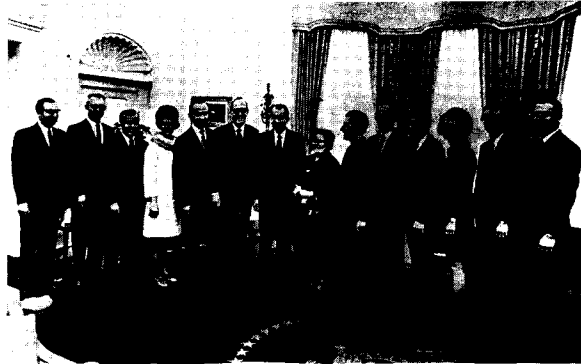
The trip was successful. Over 350 patients were examined. Thirty-one difficult surgeries were performed with only three deaths. The climax of the team's visit to Athens came when they held a party for their special guests, the 28 surviving patients. Here the patients received membership in a highly exclusive international club, Mended Hearts, Incorporated.

The heart team met with the prime minister of Greece, George Papadopoulos, just prior to their departure for the United States. Mr. Papadopoulos expressed the gratitude of his nation for the team's "hands and hearts of gold," and invited them to come back in the near future for a third visit.

Late word received from Athens indicates that all 28 patients have been released from the hospital and are now living a normal life.

Other team members are Dr. C. Joan Coggin, pediatrics cardiologist; Dr. Wilfred M. Huse, cardiac surgeon; Dr. Roy V. Jutzy, cardiologist; Dr. Allen

* Friends of Dr. Roy V. Jutzy in the Far Eastern Division were pleased to discover his work as cardiologist with this team. Dr. Jutzy is remembered in the Philippines where he arrived on July 11, 1955, for a term of service at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital. With him were his wife and four children.



TEAM. Heart team members are shown meeting with President Richard Nixon in his White House office. Former overseas worker in the Philippines, Dr. Roy Jutzy, is shown with the group.

L. Brandt, anesthesiologist; Dr. Leonard L. Bailey, surgical resident; D. Larry Miller, senior School of Medicine student; Lavaun W. Sutton, intensive care cardiac nurse; Ann J. Ekroth, operating room nurse; Raymond M. Savage, heart-lung machine technician; and Richard W. Weismeyer, Loma Linda University public information officer.

Home Study Institute Offers New Course in Science and the Bible

DR. Harold Coffin, of the Geoscience Institute, is the author of Home Study Institute's newest course, **Science and the Bible**. The eighteen-lesson, three-hour college course is an up-to-the-minute, thorough-going study of creationism and evolution. More than a year of work has gone into the preparation of the course, and it promises to be one of the most useful and popular series of studies by correspondence offered through Home Study Institute.

Dr. Coffin, a leading expert in the Seventh-day Adventist church in the field of creationism, has based the course on his latest book entitled, **Creation—Accident or Design?**, recently published by the Review and Herald Publishing Association. The new study includes creation and the flood, problems involving fossils, marine geology, glaciers, radio-active dating, a careful analysis of evolution as it is currently being taught, and a variety of other fascinating items. The course is designed not only for the college student who needs to fulfill science requirements but it is also aimed at the minister, teacher, and alert church laymen who want a solid background in creationism.

It is evident that problems of creationism and evolution will be increasingly raised during the coming years. The administration of Home Study Institute strongly recommends the study of this course to anyone concerned about this area of Bible study. For more details and enrollment information write: Home Study Institute, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., 20012.

Adventist Singing Wins

CARLOS Ortizano lived next door to a Seventh-day Adventist, a Seventh-day Adventist who enjoyed singing. In fact, he enjoyed it a great deal inside the house as well as out in the yard.

Carlos, a very strict Catholic, was intrigued with the singing of this Adventist neighbor. So one day he sauntered over to his friend and asked him to teach him these songs that he was singing so often.

The Adventist neighbor said that he would be happy to teach Carlos how to sing. However, the most effective way for Carlos to learn, he explained, would be to attend Sabbath school.

Carlos accepted the invitation and started attending Sabbath school. Since the Seventh-day Adventist church was located quite a distance from his home, Carlos requested his neighbor to come and help him teach some of his friends these new songs. Soon this little group increased in size, and Carlos was chosen by the group to serve as the superintendent.

Some months later Carlos was baptized and the Branch Sabbath School organized into a regular Sabbath school with Carlos continuing as Sabbath school superintendent. From that day onward, Carlos has been their only superintendent and has done a most commendable job.

Last year Carlos was chosen as the president of the district Sabbath School Association and has given outstanding leadership in all phases of Sabbath school endeavor.

—R. S. Watts,
Former Sabbath School Secretary,
Far Eastern Division

Tour of United States Scheduled for Former Witch Doctor and Missionary

A FORMER witch doctor from Sabah, Mrs. Mundahoi, a lay delegate from the Sabah Mission, leaves her home on May 29 to go on an extensive tour of the United States with Pastor William Smith, district leader for Goshen, Sabah.

The highlight of the tour, of course, will be the General Conference session in Atlantic City, N.J. Enroute to the east coast they will meet appointments in churches and at the Iowa Camp Meeting. On their return to the west they will visit many camp meetings and churches.

TOUR. Pastor and Mrs. William Smith look over some of the items Mrs. Mundahoi plans to take with her to the General Conference session.





NEWS *from the* UNIONS



EAST INDONESIA

Phenomenal Growth at Mount Klabat College

IT seemed like spontaneous generation at Mount Klabat College when students seemingly came out of nowhere day after day to swell the total enrollment in February to 198, compared with 65 students at the close of 1969.

In faith a budget for 120 had been planned. There were even beds for 120. But not long after registration began, this figure was easily passed. Soon a crash program began to provide facilities for all who came.

Students have arrived from almost every part of East Indonesia—Minahasa, Ternate, Ambon, Toradja, South Celebes, Central Celebes, and Sangihe, even from Java and Sumatra. This trend cannot but greatly help the work of God in Indonesia as these trained young people enter the work or return to their home villages to live and witness more effectively for the truth.

Mount Klabat College has entered a new age in its history, one of growth in enrollment, staff, and physical facilities. We will appreciate the prayers of God's people that special wisdom will be given

for meeting the ever-increasing requests of our young people in East Indonesia for Christian education.

—E. W. Higgins, Jr.,

President, Mount Klabat College

Week of Prayer at Mount Klabat College

"JESUS Lives to Make Man Whole" was the theme of the Week of Prayer conducted at Mount Klabat College by Mrs. Marion Simmons, an associate secretary of the Education Department of the Far Eastern Division. The unusual aspect was timing, for this Week of Prayer began the 1970 term. However, since a good start is one important secret to winning a race, what better start could there be for a new college term?

With never-flagging enthusiasm, Mrs. Simmons commanded the interest of the largest group of students in the history of the College. Concern for and understanding of Seventh-day Adventist young people gained during a lifetime of fruitful service showed through in the many hours Mrs. Simmons spent in counselling. Several non-Adventist young people took advantage of this opportunity and later joined a special Bible Speaks class, which now totals 20 students.

Mount Klabat College heartily recommends the Week of Prayer way to launch a school term, especially if someone possessing dedication like Mrs. Simmons can power the launch!

—E. W. Higgins, Jr.

STUDENTS A record-breaking enrollment of 198 has been registered at Mount Klabat College in East Indonesia. The entire student body is shown in this picture taken at the close of the annual week of prayer conducted by Mrs. Marion Simmons, associate secretary of the Department of Education of the Far Eastern Division.





SOUTH CHINA ISLAND

Taiping Mission Winter MV Camp

ON February 9 nearly 60 youth from the churches of the Taiwan Plains Mission gathered at the Lu Shan Hot Springs resort area for a week long MV Winter Camp.

The Lu Shan Warm Springs Hotel served as camp headquarters with the campers living dormitory style in the large tatami rooms. The hotel dining room became camp headquarters and served as the general meeting place. An outdoor camp kitchen provided wholesome, healthful food with all meals served on time despite occasional light showers of rain.

The Lu Shan Warm Springs are located in the

central mountain area of Taiwan and provided a most beautiful and inspirational setting for the camp. The discussion periods when the youth exchanged points of view on such questions as, "At what age should one have a religious faith?" and "What criteria should youth use in choosing a church to unite with?" were highlights of the encampment. These discussions were climaxed at the Friday evening vesper service when nearly a score of youth responded to the call given by the camp pastor, Pastor Robert Tseng, to prepare for baptism and full church membership.

One interesting feature of the encampment was the one-day trip to the higher mountains to see and play in snow. Unfortunately, the road was blocked by a landslide so the campers had to settle for a strenuous mountain climb and a distant view of snow covered peaks.

Those who led out in the encampment were again reminded of the importance of working with and for the youth of the church.

—Delbert W. Curry,
President, Taiping Mission



WEST INDONESIA

Indonesian Night at Loma Linda University

ON a Sunday evening early this year Miss Theodora Djagia and the Loma Linda Graduate Nurses' Class of 1970 organized an Indonesian Night program, held at Kate Lindsay Hall, Loma Linda Uni-

INDONESIA NIGHT. Here are some of the ladies who dressed up in Indonesian garb for the special night held at Loma Linda University.



versity campus. Miss Djagia is sponsored by the West Indonesia Union to work on her M.A. degree in nursing.

Delicious Indonesian food was prepared and tickets sold, the proceeds to be used in purchasing a Bird respirator, which is greatly needed for the Bandung Adventist Hospital. There were approximately 70 people present for the evening program, including a number of former missionaries in the Far East: Pastor and Mrs. I. C. Schmidt, Pastor and Mrs. K. Tilstra, and Pastor and Mrs. H. E. McClure. Also present were David Brodeur and Victor Aaen.

Miss Marietta Deming, dressed in a beautiful Indonesian costume, took an active part in the program. She had served for three months at the Rumah Sakit Advent, our hospital in Bandung, and has now accepted a call to join the nursing staff of the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital.

Highlights of the evening program included a Javanese Kris dance, by Mrs. Surtine Lambri, who is taking postgraduate work in dentistry at Loma Linda; and an umbrella and candle dance by the three Sitompul girls, Genevieve, Geraldine, and Gladia.

Besides food, some Indonesian batiks were sold. About US\$200 was raised, which was more than half the amount needed to purchase the respirator. The equipment will soon be a reality since others have already promised the balance needed.

Practically all the Indonesians in the community were present. Miss Djagia is finishing her thesis for an M.A. and will shortly return to Indonesia to strengthen the work at the Rumah Sakit Advent.

—P. Sitompul



FAR EASTERN ISLAND MISSION

Miracle Builder For God

HE is small, slender, quiet and unassuming. But in the minds of those with whom he has worked, Merritt R. Crawford looms large and commanding as a miracle builder for God. He not only builds schools, churches, and hospitals for the denomination, but he builds within the congregations with whom he works a stronger faith in God.

"It can't be built for that price," is the common remark of hard-headed businessmen sitting on church building committees with Brother Crawford. His answer is a quiet smile and a request to "reach out to the Lord for help." This reaching out is the first step toward a new church and a larger faith.

Merritt Crawford and his wife Doris call Chico, California, home. But since 1949 he has worked on 42 different Adventist building projects, including churches, schools, and hospitals. Consistently he has saved 25-50% of normal building costs.

It was while constructing the mission hospital at Monument Valley that Brother Crawford discovered "reaching out" brought miracles. Untrained Indians had to be taught how to build and supplies had to be hauled to the remote site. Through a series of "faith happenings" too numerous to mention here the \$300,000 hospital was built for \$138,000.

Building comes naturally to this dedicated Seventh-day Adventist, who learned his lessons from his father, James M. Crawford. "Dad," at the age of 76, is still building; right now a church at Lancaster, California. He also trained his own son Donald in the traditions of the family.

Speaking of miracles, for example, there was the church at Hartford, Michigan. When local building suppliers heard that Adventists were planning on building for about \$85,000 a church valued at \$200,000 they wanted no part of it.

However, Brother Crawford "reached out to the Lord for help." As a result, he came away from one supplier, who had had no enthusiasm for the project, with a promise of a 15% discount **below wholesale costs!** The supplier would even check the billing personally to make sure the discount was given!

How did it happen? In "reaching out" Brother Crawford found the conversation turning toward Indian lore, a favorite subject of the supplier. When he heard of our work among the Navajos of Arizona and what our man had done in building the hospital there, his attitude changed.

Another time the prohibitive cost of the desired stained glass windows was being discussed. When it seemed the congregation couldn't afford them, Broth-

A "First" for Far Eastern Island Mission



GROUP. The first Teachers' Institute ever held in the history of the Far Eastern Island Mission was held on the island of Guam. The group who attended this meeting is shown in this picture. The chief instructors were Dr. Boyd Olson and Mrs. Marion Simmons of the office of Education, Far Eastern Division. For a special "Tribute to Teachers" please turn to this month's center spread.

er Crawford decided that they could make their own! It was considered impossible for untrained people to do this, but he put the church members to work, knowing his God was still able to help. The Hartford congregation today worship in the warm glow of their stained glass windows, as well as stained glass light fixtures which pick up the colors of the windows.

The challenge of building for this consecrated construction family becomes a challenge of miracle building for God.

"When someone says it is impossible," Merritt Crawford muses, "we prayerfully want to find a way. We always let the Lord lead, and He always shows a way out of our problems."

Brother Crawford and his wife have left Michigan for mission service in the Far Eastern Division. They left this summer shortly after the Hartford church was consecrated. He is on Guam to build a hospital, and then to Korea to build another one there. Brother Crawford will do this and at a cost to fit a mission's budget. But he will do more. This miracle builder for God will leave behind a monument far greater than the concrete, steel, and glass hospital buildings. When he moves on, he will also have left a strengthened faith in God that will enable many with whom he works to enjoy one day a temple "whose builder and maker is God."

New Pastor Appointed for Guam

PASTOR Keith Hassinger, II, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, has been appointed new pastor of the Guam district of churches in the Far Eastern Island Mission.

He is expected to arrive in Guam just as soon as he has completed his work in his present district in New Mexico. He fills the call which the mission placed with the Far Eastern Division and the General Conference for a man to give spiritual leadership to the churches on the island of Guam.

April - Teacher Re



Mrs.



GROUP. Here is a group of teachers from the Philippine Islands.



MANY years ago a major prophet of the rewards of teaching. In the book regarding the resurrection and the return of the three, we find recorded: "And they that inhabit the firmament." Here is a word of encouragement for a teaching career, which is a noble profession. In this mortal life, there is this glory. Having followed in the path of the Master Teacher, was heaven's best and greatest Gift to man. He returns for the faithful. Teachers will receive their glories.

In the Master Teacher we find the principle. And more than this; what He taught, His aim for perfection. Children are quick to detect a defect. Teachers will gain the respect of the children they seek to teach. "This is the will of Him."—*Ibid.*, p. 282.

"As the highest preparation for your work, the methods, of the Prince of teachers. I beseech you. Behold it, dwell upon it, until the Spirit of God shall be in your heart and life."—*Id.*

Since 1957, April has been designated as Recognition Month, by the National Education Association, now spread to other nations. We, as Students, are praising all our faithful school teachers of this month. We commend these teachers for their secrecy and dedication to the work of the Master Teacher, and for the better world soon to come. For the cause, the cause of Jesus Christ. May it be so that it will be their privilege to "show forth the glory of Him that shall come will come, and will be with them."

May it truly be said of them as it is written:—*Testimonies*, Vol. 2, p. 136. And again: "I will be a Father to the fatherless, and a God to the widow" (John 3:2). We commend them ever to be true to the teaching profession, and commissioned to do by God, the General Agent of their respective unions and missions.

This commission is stated simply in the words: "I will be a Father to the fatherless, and a God to the widow" (John 21:15).

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TEACHER. This young man teaches under primitive conditions.



—Marion S. Simmons,
 Associate Education Secretary,
 Far Eastern Division



The New Koganei Church in Tokyo, Japan

THE opening for the Koganei Church in Tokyo took place on February 8. This church had its beginning back in 1958 when some members from the Amanuma Church on the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital compound met to form a new group. The original building was erected from surplus materials obtained by O. L. Aaby, then business manager of the hospital, from the U.S. Military Forces.

As the years passed, it was obvious that a more adequate building was urgently needed. In 1963 the Koganei Church board adopted plans for a new church home. The church group itself pledged generously for this project, and other groups assisted, especially the U.S. military service people meeting at the Tachikawa Air Base and workers of the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital. Several pastors assisted as they led out in the church work, including S. Arima, T. Ueda, and K. Yokoyama. T. Oinuma, a hospital employee and charter member of the group, also worked hard on this project.

When the lovely two-story structure was officially opened on February 8 of this year, Pastor C. B. Watts, president of the Japan Union Mission, gave the main address. Pastor T. Tomita, present pastor of the Koganei Church, led out in the planning and presentation of the program.

The church building is of wooden construction and contains a chapel, a mothers' room, Sabbath school rooms with kitchen facilities for children, storage rooms, and living quarters for the pastor.

The accompanying photograph shows the exterior of the building.

—Lois May Watts

DEDICATED. This is the new Koganei Church.



VISIT. Pastor and Mrs. C. G. Cross, left, visit Japanese blind. Looking at the cameraman is Pastor Yasui, union secretary.

Pastor and Mrs. C. G. Cross Visit the Japan Union

PASTOR and Mrs. C. G. Cross, of the Christian Record Benevolent Association, Lincoln, Nebraska, visited Japan, December 2-7, 1969, in the interests of work for the blind in this country. They visited as many institutions for the blind as possible and were interested in the possibilities of developing additional work along this line in the future.

Escorted by Pastor K. Yasui, secretary of the Japan Union Mission, Pastor and Mrs. Cross traveled to Kagoshima, on the southern island of Kyushu, to get acquainted with the work for the blind which the Japan Union has in that area.

The accompanying photo shows Pastor and Mrs. Cross watching M. Yamaguchi demonstrate the Braille typewriter, as he types out Voice of Prophecy lessons for the blind. Pastor Yasui, Pastor S. Kondo, of the Kagoshima Church, and Mrs. M. Yamaguchi are also shown. Mrs. Yamaguchi assists in the printing of these lessons.

—Lois May Watts



NORTH PHILIPPINES

Biggest Colporteur Beginners Seminar Held at Philippine Publishing House

THE biggest gathering of colporteur beginners in publishing history in the North Philippine Union was held in the Philippine Publishing House chapel from February 9 to 11. New colporteur recruits numbering 89 were listed in attendance.

Pastor A. N. Santiago, Union Publishing Secretary, geared the entire seminar to provide studies on the various phases of colporteur work. Effective techniques and modern canvassing aids and devices were also presented. Pastor Santiago, who was coordinator of the activities during the seminar, was optimistic that sales this year will be better than last.

During the final day of the seminar the new colporteurs were sent out to various districts in



INSTRUCTION. This large group of men and women attended a beginners' institute held at the Philippine Publishing House near Manila.

Manila to participate in a sales drive as part of their training program. Mrs. R. N. Emralino, Union Assistant Publishing Secretary, together with the mission publishing secretaries and their assistants, supervised the sales training drive.

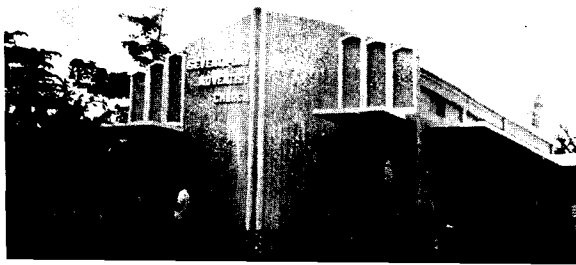
W. D. Jemson, publishing house manager, discussed some of the common problems which colporteurs encounter in their relationship with the publishing house. He suggested some pointers to avoid difficulties and problems. It was announced that a new cookbook which is "colorful" and "attractive," with an international compilation of the latest recipes, will be ready for circulation by colporteurs sometime the latter part of this year.

Seminar instructors were publishing secretaries, as follows: Pastor E. C. Lagabon, Southern Luzon Mission; Pastor B. S. Brutas, South-Central Luzon Mission; Pastor P. M. Mayor, Central Luzon Mission; and Brother Alfredo Reyno, Northern Luzon Mission. The morning devotional messages were presented by Pastor E. J. Tanguan, Union Lay Activities Secretary; Pastor T. V. Barizo, Union Sabbath School Secretary; Pastor R. H. Woolsey, publishing house editor; and the writer.

—Flor Conopio, Assistant Editor,
Philippine Publishing House

Church Remodeled in Southern Luzon

NEW. This is the newly-remodeled church in Ligao, Albay in the Southern Luzon Mission. Inauguration was on December 20, 1969, with Pastor T. C. Murdock, Union president, as speaker. He described the new church as a "city set on a hill," it being located along the highway between the cities of Legazpi and Naga. Church pastor is Pastor J. M. Imperio, who started the work in the area in 1927.



Prison Baptisms Total 102

WITH much rejoicing the 50th convert among the inmates of the Tarlac Provincial Jail was baptized on Feb. 3, 1968. It had taken a little over five years to win the first 50 believers there. The next 50 and more were won in one year and ten months, making the number of Seventh-day Adventists in that penal institution pass the hundred mark.

The baptism of 21 precious souls on Dec. 21, 1969, 18 of whom were prisoners, brought the total to date to 102. The service was conducted in connection with the fourth Far East Harvest Gift Bible Evangelism graduation and the annual Christmas program.

Governor Jose G. Macapinlac, guest speaker, exhorted to diligence in the study of the Scriptures, especially in these serious times when the things of God should be given foremost attention.

Early in the program Chief Warden Rosendo D. Cawigan extended a warm welcome to all in attendance which included, aside from the inmates and prison officials, members from neighboring Seventh-day Adventist churches, literature evangelists, the district pastor, and the local mission president. Instrumental music was provided by the jail rondalla which is composed of baptized inmates, while vocal renditions were given by the group of literature evangelists and a duet by A. B. Reyes and Ester Medenilla, district pastor and Bible instructor, respectively.

Gifts, donated by members of the San Miguel Church, were distributed to all the inmates. Then refreshments were served. The program was in charge of Rafael G. Gonzales, church elder, who leads the evangelistic work in the jail.

Baptism followed with Pastor B. A. Martin, mission president, officiating. For the first time an improvised baptismal tank was installed inside the jail compound which rendered unnecessary holding the rite in the nearby river.

—J. O. Bautista

Most Modern Hospital in Cagayan Valley Inaugurated



SPEAKER. The main drive behind the new Cagayan Valley Hospital was Dr. Fernando, Medical Director.

THE day when the world was awaiting the return of the three astronauts from their conquest of the moon was also a big day in the history of the medical work in the North Philippine Union. It was the day of the inauguration of the new Ps.800,000, 50-bed Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital in Santiago, Isabela. Some 500 attended the two-hour affair which lasted until noon.

The guest list was headed by Senator Helena Z. Benitez, who cut the ceremonial ribbon. She was aided by Mrs. C. A. Fernando, wife of the medical director; Mrs. Raymundo Miranda, wife of the town mayor; and Mrs. Melanio Singson, wife of the Isabela congressman. Others came from Manila and Hong Kong.

In his welcome speech, Dr. C. A. Fernando, medical director, expressed his joy and that of his staff for the realization of a dream. The main speaker for the occasion was Pastor E. L. Longway, chairman of the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Development Board and one who has given much of his time soliciting funds for the hospital. He said that the greatest tribute a doctor could receive was to be called the "beloved physician," like Luke. Dr. D. M. Hechanova, Jr., the Union medical secretary, offered the dedicatory prayer. Other guest speakers were Mayor Miranda, Congressman Singson, and Senator Benitez.

SNIP. Senator Helena Benitez cuts the ribbon officially opening the new Cagayan Valley Sanitarium and Hospital in the Philippines. She is assisted by, left to right, Mrs. Raymundo Miranda, wife of the mayor of Santiago; Mrs. Melanio Singson, wife of the Isabela congressman; and Mrs. C. A. Fernando, wife of the medical director of the new hospital.



The new hospital sits in the middle of a 3.1-hectare lot along the national road. The compound has a nurse and employee dormitory, water tank, motor pool and other hospital facilities. The doctors residences will be constructed later on inside the compound.

The hospital building has a self-supporting structural steel frame, hollow block walls, G. I. roofing, insulated ceiling, and screened steel windows. It has a total floor area of 25,230 square feet or more than six times the floor area of the old building. It is shaped like a letter X with a large covered patio in the middle part. Two additional wings of private and semi-private rooms and wards can be added on opposite sides of this covered patio without altering any of the existing facilities. While at present it will accommodate three private and six semi-private rooms, and 35 ward patients, the existing hospital facilities are designed to handle from 100 to 120 patients. It has three large operating rooms and a big out-patient department; emergency, laboratory and X-ray rooms, dental and optical clinics, a pharmacy, a big chapel and conference room, and kitchen, dining, and canteen facilities to accommodate the two patients' wings which will be added later on, including the electrical and plumbing requirements that will be needed.

Wall type oxygen and suction outlets are provided in all operating rooms including the labor and recovery rooms, while all private and semi-private rooms, and all ward beds are also supplied with wall type oxygen outlets, eliminating the inconvenience of handling cylinder gas tanks. The electrical installation also includes an intercom connection to all important areas in the hospital building aside from a separate address and paging system.

—B. B. Alsaybar

Mammoth Order Delivered to the Philippine National Library

ANTONIO Tangalin, a retired literature evangelist of the North Philippine Union Mission, delivered books worth Ps. 13,800 to the Philippine National Library on Feb. 12. Pastor A. N. Santiago, Union publishing secretary, has revealed that this is the largest amount of Adventist books to be delivered at one time in the North Philippines.

According to Tangalin this brings to more than Ps. 50,000 the books he has delivered to the Philippine National Library. These volumes are intended to be distributed to the various branches of the National Library throughout the Philippines.

Dr. Serafin Quiazon, Director of the Philippine National Library, commented that Seventh-day Adventist books are "the best for health and moral teaching."

Tangalin is married to Prof. Luz Tangalin, of the English Department at Philippine Union College.



Lonergans Give Health Lectures in Bacolod

DR. and Mrs. Lester H. Lonergan, of the Loma Linda University Department of Public Health, dropped in for a visit of the medical and mission work in Bacolod City March 2 and 3. They have just finished their term assisting the Spangler Better Life Crusade in Davao City.

Dr. and Mrs. Lonergan presented lectures on health the evening of March 2 at the Bacolod Central Church. About 200 people attended the meeting.

—W. E. Lim,
Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital

Ecumenical Meeting Held in Cebu

ON March 7, at 7:30 p.m., it was the turn of representatives of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to present their beliefs and teachings before an ecumenical group in Cebu City. The meetings had been organized by the YMCA of the Cebu Chapter, with the thought that an ecumenical group, meeting regularly, could create an atmosphere of goodwill and understanding among the different religious groups of the city.

The beliefs of Seventh-day Adventists were presented by the writer, who also summarized our church organization and achievements on a worldwide scale. The last part of the program was the open forum which lasted until ten o'clock that evening. The audience was so interested in Adventism that there was a spirited discussion on topics ranging from vegetarianism to everlasting fire.

Rev. George Johnson, of the Lutheran Church, queried on church finances and how our ministry is supported. Atty. Salvador Fernandez, prominent city lawyer and active Catholic layman, spoke of our

church history. All questions were clearly answered because the truth is Scripturally based. Dr. F. T. Geslani, of the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital, Engr. Habaradas, local church elder, and the writer took turn answering questions. One alert Catholic theological student bombarded us with questions on the Sabbath, but like an old fortress the Sabbath truth stood firm against onslaught.

There were about 50 people present. A mimeographed sheet of church doctrines was given to everyone. One gentleman said after the meeting, "I'm keeping this paper to study again when I reach home."

—D. M. Niere,
Public Relations Secretary,
Central Philippine Union

Bacolod Sanitarium Workers Win Twelve Prisoners

ANOTHER group of 12 prisoners were baptized on Sabbath afternoon, January 10, as a result of the efforts of four active workers from Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital. Ben Opilas, Rey Fiesta, Asher Tanamal, and Loreto Ordinario had faithfully visited the prisoners at the provincial jail, giving them Bible studies. After three months of study, these 12 prisoners requested baptism.

Pastor H. Gayares, Bacolod Sanitarium chaplain, approached the warden for permission to allow the 12 men to be baptized in the Taculing River, behind the Bacolod Sanitarium compound. After some deliberation the request was granted.

The men have completed the Far East Harvest study plan and the Voice of Prophecy Bible course. After witnessing the change in the lives of these 12, many other prisoners have expressed their desire for Bible study.

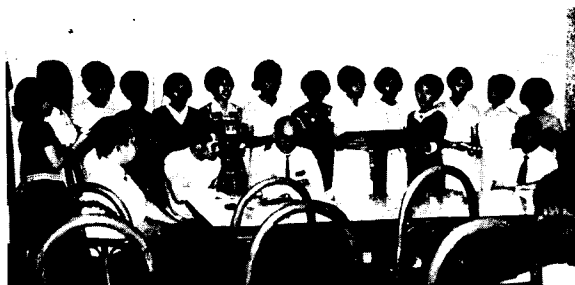
—W. E. Lim, PR Officer,
Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital

Site For Samar Hospital

DR. W. G. Dick, Health Secretary for the Central Philippine Union, spent a few days on Samar Island to survey two possible sites for the proposed Samar Adventist Hospital. Dr. Dick, who is also medical director of Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital, visited Barrio Ipao near the capital of Samar, Calbayog, and Catarman, a barrio on the other side of the island. While there, Dr. Dick was discovered by the local press and put on the air at the only radio station for an hour of interview about the medical work of the Seventh-day Adventists.

Dr. Dick flew to Manila the following day to meet the prospective donors of the two sites. While there is great interest and need for a hospital in the Calbayog vicinity, Dr. Dick discovered that the

CEBU. From left to right, the panel consisted of Attorney Escario, an interrogator; Engineer Habaradas, local church elder; Pastor D. M. Niere, union public relations secretary; and Dr. F. T. Geslani, medical director of the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital. Student nurses are in the back.



prospective donor for the Catarman site, a lumber yard owner, was willing to donate lumber, too. Catarman does not have a hospital. With this, the idea of having a hospital in each place is not a remote possibility.

—W. E. Lim, PR Officer,
Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital

Alumni Chapter Organized for Central Philippines

MOUNTAIN View College alumni in Cebu during the biennial session last December organized a Central Philippine Union Mission Chapter of the Mountain View College Alumni Association. It was noted that 40% of the workers in the Central Philippines are MVC alumni. Fifty-five attended the organizational meeting where the following officers were elected:

President, Violeto F. Bocala
Gen. Vice President, David J. Recalde
Executive Secretary, Reuben P. Moralde
Treasurer, Winston E. Lim
Gen. Secretary, Ophelia Sunega
Vice President, CVM, Jimmy V. Sagulo
" " , WVM, Nicotades F. Fadri
" " , EVM, Nelson L. Ornopia
" " , NM, Lowell D. Teves

Asst. Secretary, CVM, Hany F. Aguirre
" " , EVM, Mrs. Wenceslao C. Solon
" " , WVM, Mrs. Nicotades F. Fadri
" " , NM, Mrs. Winston E. Lim

The aim of the association is to promote closer relationship among workers in the Union field and bolster the prestige of Mountain View College.

—W. E. Lim, PR Officer,
Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital

Second Tithe Helps Build Bacolod English Church

THE Bacolod English Seventh-day Adventist Church at Barrio Taculing came into being when the Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital was opened during the last quarter of 1966. It soon became obvious that the temporary auditorium where services were held was much too inadequate.

Pastor H. V. Gayares, Sanitarium chaplain and church pastor, told his congregation how funds for a permanent church home could be raised. He suggested a tithe-after-tithe plan that, with the enthusiastic support of the members, went into effect at the start of 1969. A church building committee, with Civil Engineer E. Roca as chairman, has produced plans, and now, thanks to Sanitarium workers giving a second tithe, the building fund is growing and the Bacolod Church looks forward to a truly representative church building.



Funeral Service Opens Door for Branch Sabbath School

BERT Rosa from Santa Maria Mindanao, Philippines, has conducted a number of Branch Sabbath Schools over the years. One of his most unusual Branch Sabbath Schools originated at a funeral service.

A small child had passed away and a little group of mourners had gathered in the family home to worship the idols and offer various sacrifices. As Bert was watching this, he could not help but notice the despair and utter grief the family demonstrated as they proceeded with their funeral ritual.

These were his friends. He could not bear to see them continue in this way. In the midst of their mourning, he stood to his feet and began to talk to them about a brighter day, about the Blessed Hope. Fascinated with what Bert told them, they urged him to return again and explain more of these new teachings.

Bert faithfully followed up this interest with a Branch Sabbath School that met on Saturday afternoons.

Eight of that little group of mourners are today rejoicing in the promises of God.



SMILE. Bert Rosa's winning smile and friendly Christian manner opened the door to new hope at a funeral service. See story on this page.

After Many Days

TWENTY-THREE years required in making a decision for Christ! Such has been the experience of Andres Agustin of Doclong, San Clemente, Tarlac, who recently renounced the world while in Mindanao and took his stand with the people of God.

It all began in the year 1945 when the Third Angel's Message first came to the home of Andres Agustin. His interest aroused, he and his family began to study God's Word. But the enemy of truth did not agree with this plan and succeeded in diverting their attention. However, once planted in honest hearts the seed of truth is bound to grow.

A few days after their first contact with the Advent message, a baby girl was added to the Agustin family. This child was to play an important role later in the conversion of her parents.

Edita grew into a sturdy young lady. Time came when the Advent message again entered the Agustin home. Daughter Edita not only showed an interest but decided to be baptized. Her parents encouraged her, saying that they planned to follow "later." It was a happy day, Dec. 16, 1964, when Edita was baptized.

A few days after the baptism, the Agustin family moved to Cotabato City in Mindanao. After settling

Ordination Held at Cotabato City

CEREMONY. At a recent meeting of the Southern Mindanao Mission in Cotabato, Philippines, Ebenezer Gulfan was ordained to the gospel ministry. The candidate was introduced by Pastor T. A. Layon, mission president. Pastor M. M. Claveria, union president, gave the ordination sermon, and Pastor C. S. Rosco, union ministerial secretary, gave the charge. The prayer and laying on of hands was administered by Pastor A. A. Villarin, Davao mission president. —Bert L. Ulaguna, PR Secretary



in the barrio of Sultan sa Barongis, the first desire of sister Edita was to locate the nearest Seventh-day Adventist church. She finally found it and started attending. During the Ingathering campaign in October of 1968, members of the Sultan sa Barongis church found their way into the Agustin home while distributing literature and soliciting contributions for our welfare work. Not long after, one of the church groups visited sister Edita and her parents and invited the Agustin family to attend church.

True to their promise, the Agustins came to church the following Sabbath. A series of Bible studies was conducted by Hipolito Rabanes. Andres Agustin was baptized by Pastor Isaias C. Ladia on Dec. 7, 1968, 23 years after his first contact with the Advent message.

Brother Agustin is now an active member of the Sultan sa Barongis church and is looking forward to the time when his wife and a son will follow the good decision he and their daughter Edita have made.

—Hipolito Rabanes,
Cotabato City

Adventists Gain Foothold in Moslem Sulu

SCATTERED on the vast green sea, southwest of Mindanao, Philippines are the more than 800 lush islands of the Sulu Archipelago inhabited by 400,000 Filipinos who are mostly faithful followers of Islam. Among these land-settling Tausogs and sea-faring Badjaos, one can meet a Hadji or Hadja, distinguished by a white cap or turban, a person who has achieved prominence among his fellow Moslems by having gone on a pilgrimage to Mecca.

Endowed with beautiful scenery and abundant in all kinds of tropical fruits, these islands look deceptively like the Garden of Eden. But here a life may be snuffed out instantly in a sudden flash of anger. Exciting and challenging, Sulu is becoming one of the booming tourist attractions of the Philippines.

Of the islands of Sulu, the principal ones are Jolo which is the seat of the provincial capital, Siasi, and Tawitawi which is just a few hours away by motor launch from Sabah, Malaysia.

For decades, the Catholic and Protestant churches have tried to make a foothold in these islands. For many years, the South Philippine Union Mission has also tried to reach the people of Sulu. The late Pastor Alfonso Sumicad, on his initiative, pioneered the work in these islands. He was followed by Pastor Francisco Cabansag, now retired, Pastor Dionesio Niere, and Pastor Gerundio Ellacer. Working side by side with these ministers were mission school teachers Felix Suico, Gideon Suan, and Consorcio Racoma. These brethren braved the dangers of living in the midst of a violent people for the sake of their Lord. Their courageous wives developed nervous

breakdowns as they witnessed people being killed before their eyes.

At present, there are only 40 baptized members in the whole of the Sulu Archipelago. Of these the majority are converts from other Christian denominations. The active members among former Moslems are only three: a faithful poor widow who serves as a deaconess at the Jolo Church; Exsuan Dagbusan, a government Community Development representative assigned in Bongao, who was converted through his fellow student, who subsequently became his wife, while they were scholars at the Mindanao State University in Marawi City; and Abdulmusin Abdulmajid, a student of Mountain View College and a former Hadji, who enrolled accidentally at M.V.C. last year and by God's grace was converted there. Taking the education course, he is looking forward to the time when he will be able to work among his people. The other former Moslems have either left the church or moved to other places because they were ostracized and persecuted by their parents, relatives, and friends.

During the last Ingathering Campaign, I was in Jolo. It was a joy to see our lovely chapel and parsonage. One wonders how such an edifice could be built with only Ps.4,000 appropriation. Half came from the Union, and the rest was raised by the local church members from their own funds and from friends' donations. This building "miracle" was made through the construction ability of Brother Consorcio Racoma, a former working student of M.V.C. who has been district leader of Sulu for three years now, and Brother Rosendo Lenaming, a carpentry teacher in Sulu High School and the current church elder.

There are bright days ahead for the Adventist work in these Moslem islands. At present, in addition to the permanent foothold at the capital town, there are two Sabbath school home divisions in Sulu, one in Bongao and another in Batu-batu.

"When our people know that we have already a permanent work in this archipelago, with a lovely chapel and a large congregation of believers in Jolo, they will settle in these islands. Then through their active and consecrated influence, we will see many more souls converted to the truth, especially from among the Moslems," declared Brother Racoma as he viewed the future with courage and confidence.

Our small group of believers in Jolo, who number one Adventist for every 7,500 of the population, are praying that God will touch the hearts of our people that they may strengthen the work in these Paradise-like but benighted isles.

—B. U. Donato,
Public Relations Secretary



Forty-nine Crowd Nurses Dormitory at Saigon

YOU wouldn't think in a country as small as Vietnam that we could find 49 young ladies, mostly from Catholic or Buddhist homes, who would desire to be trained as Christian nurses at the Saigon Adventist Hospital. But this is exactly what has happened.

For two years now, a strong nurses' education course has been preparing 24 of these young ladies for service. Then in February, 1970 a new class of 25 girls was accepted from nearly 500 applicants.

Miss Marilyn Bennett, director of the School of Nursing, and the faculty of the school are making an outstanding contribution to the future of our medical missionary program as they train these young ladies.

—V. L. Bretsch, Mission President



ONE. This is the first year class of student nurses at the Saigon Adventist Hospital.

TWO. The second year nurses.





THREE. Third year nurses of the Saigon Adventist Hospital.

Student Missionary Directs Building of New School

BERT Jager, Walla Walla College's student missionary to Vietnam, began last September to lay the groundwork for what some day would be a mission school at Can Tho, Vietnam.

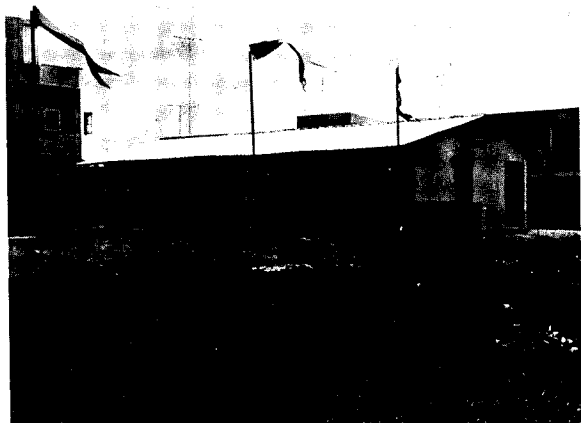
Without a budget to build, and almost always alone, he visited military and civilian personnel in hopes of gaining local support.

Today, after six months of real hard work, the US\$10,000.00 school is finished and ready for occupancy.

Bert has directed its construction from start to finish at no cost to the mission for supplies. Through the gifts of many friends, another institution for the glory of God, has been established in this war torn land.

We in Vietnam appreciate the hard work of our student missionaries. Their influence and dedication will live in the hearts of people here forever.

—V. L. Bretsch, Mission President



BUILDING. This is the new three-room school at Can Tho in South Vietnam constructed by a student missionary.

Prefect Master is Filipino Missionary



MASTER. Romulo Daquila, prefect master of the Ayer Manis School in Sarawak, is shown at the far right as he presents the student prefects for 1970. He came to the school from Philippine Union College. Ayer Manis is fortunate to have the services of sa capable and dedicated a worker.

Literature Evangelist Institute at Golden Sands, Port Dickson

GOLDEN Sands, at Port Dickson, is an ideal spot for meetings. Here an institute for literature evangelists was opened on Monday evening, January 19, at 7:30 p.m. S. S. Daniel, Assistant Publishing Secretary of the Malaya Mission, was chairman. About 20 literature evangelists were present.

Instructors and speakers during the institute included: Pastor M. R. Lyon, associate secretary of the Division Publishing Department; Choo Yau Fong, manager of the Malaysian Signs Press; Lim San Hoe, secretary-treasurer of the Press; Pastor T. K. Chong, president of the Malaya Mission; Pastor S. Tsai, secretary-treasurer of the Mission; C. K. Chan, manager of the Malaya Book and Periodical Agency; Pastor Cheah Hun Yong, of the Penang English Church; S. S. Daniel, and the writer.

The meeting closed with a rededication of all present to the task of finishing God's work in Malaya and Singapore.

—L. Pandjaitan,
Acting Publishing Secretary,
Southeast Asia Union

INSTITUTE. Here is the group of literature evangelists and leaders of the Malaya Mission who met recently at Port Dickson, Malaya for an institute.





High Honors Given Press Worker by Vietnam Government

By Vernon Bretsch

RECENTLY the president of Vietnam, Nguyen Van Thieu, awarded trophies and awards to a group of Vietnamese citizens who have made outstanding contributions in the field of music and photography. The picture above shows the president awarding Le Van Khoa, editor of the Vietnam Signs Press, for his ability in both music and photography. He was one of the top ten in both fields. The awards were presented by the president at the palace in Saigon. This month the press worker will return to receive an award in the field of psychological warfare. Every Saturday night for the past two years he has produced a 45-minute TV program for children in which he teaches character-building lessons.

Harvest Time is *NOW!*