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CENTRAL AMERICAN UNION PLANE—In the photograph above Elder Robert S. Folkenberg, pilot for the Central American Union, thanks Elder J. L. Tucker, founder of the radio program "The Quiet Hour" for the substantial help which made possible the adquisition of the twin-motor Piper Aztec, a six-passenger plane. Even with only two on board, the cost of each trip is more economical than commercial fares, so the Central American Union gets more benefit from each of the travel budgets for its staff.—*Prof. D. G. y Poyato.*

STONE-LAYING CEREMONY—In the picture below, Elder M. G. Nembhard speaks at the stone-laying ceremony on the site of Pierson High School in South Caicos on Sunday, May 12. The island's commissioner and prominent business men were present. The arrival of the pre-fabricated building in a trailer created excitement. A new day has dawned for Adventism in the Turks and Caicos Island.—*M. G. Nembhard.*



PATHFINDER CAMPOREE—The Dominican Adventist Academy campus in the North Dominican Mission was the scene of an Antillian Union Pathfinder camporee from June 27 to July 4. The camporee was to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Pathfinders in that union. Four plane loads of Pathfinders and their leaders came from Puerto Rico for this event. Elder Leo Ranzolin from the General Conference, Elder George Brown of the Inter-American Division and Elder Jose Hernandez from the Antillian Union, were present for the occasion. Elder Hernandez was the camp director. The youth directors from the four local fields in the Antillian Union participated in the camporee.—*Hector Acosta.*



COURSE IN PUBLIC SPEAKING—In the photograph is a group of 19 laymen and workers of the West Puerto Rico Conference which met in the second church in Mayaguez to take a course in the Art of Public Speaking. Dr. Israel Recio, chairman of the Humanities Department at Antillian College, led out in the course. He was assisted by Brother Franklin Rivera, a professor at Inter-American University; Brother Miguel Muñoz, first elder of the church, and the writer. On Sabbath, July 6, a graduation ceremony, at which each participant received a certificate, was held. The purpose of the course was to prepare our brethren better in the techniques of public speaking so that they can be more effective in preaching the third angel's message. This church is being organized to begin a series of lay efforts and those who took this course will be the first to take an active part in the evangelistic campaigns.—*Felix Rios.*

ORDINATION IN MEXICO—On Sabbath, June 29, during the fourth ministerial council of the Mexican Union, David Guzman, treasurer of the Pacific Mission, and Cristobal Werekeintzen, secretary of the Sabbath School, Lay Activities and Communication departments of the Inter-Oceanic Mission, were ordained to the gospel ministry. Elder Alfredo Aeschlimann preached the sermon, Elder J. R. Spangler offered prayer, Elder Samuel Guizar gave the charge, and Elder Jaime Castrejon welcomed the new pastors.—*Velino Salazar.*

ALPHA CLUB LABOR DAY PROJECT—On Labor Day this year, the Alpha Pathfinder Club at Race Course, Jamaica, had as their project the cleaning of the Lionel Town Hospital. The boys cleaned up the fences and walls and painted the out-patient department and one of the surgical wards. Meanwhile, the girls assisted in making dressings on all the wards. During the day, the press reporter from the *Daily Gleaner* newspaper had an interview with the Pathfinders. Besides serving them refreshments, the matron and hospital staff praised the club for the work it was doing for young Jamaicans.—*C. A. Holness.*



NEW SCHOOL—French Harbor, Bay Islands, now has its school building finished and inaugurated, thanks to the donation made by Captain Hyde. Many children will learn of the love of Jesus in this beautiful school.—*Prof. D. G. y Poyato.*

SAN PEDRO SULA CRUSADE—More than 1,600 persons were present for the opening meeting of the evangelistic crusade being conducted in a huge tent by Elder Salim Japas in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Evangelist Japas was presented by the governor of the state, Mr. Emerito Hernandez. A week before the crusade began, Elder R. S. Folkenberg and Dr. Frank McNiel held a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking in the city's cultural center. The sixth night, Elder Japas spoke on the subject of better living, and on the seventh night, 661 persons received diplomas at a Voice of Prophecy graduation ceremony. Elder B. L. Archbold, president of the Inter-American Division, Elder Alfredo Aeschlimann, acting president of the Central American Union, and Elder T. R. Haylock, Communication secretary of the division attended the first meeting of the crusade. Five Spanish-speaking students from Andrews University and a group of theological students from the college in Costa Rica are assisting Elder Japas. Elders D. J. Poyato and Dagoberto Barrios are handling the publicity for the meetings.—*T. R. Haylock.*



TREASURERS' COUNCIL—On June 24 and 25 the Inter-American Division was host to the presidents, treasurers and stewardship secretaries from the seven unions. During these two days many aspects of the union treasurer's work and responsibilities were discussed. Elder H. D. Johnson, assistant treasurer of the General Conference, was present as was Jewel Peeke, manager of the General Conference Insurance and Risk Management service. Elder R. R. Drachenberg and the writer led out in these meetings which were held in the chapel of the Inter-American Division office. In the picture Jewel Peeke is presenting insurance and risk management items to the group.—*A. R. Norcliffe.*

BAPTISMAL REPORT—The crusade conducted by K. S. Wiggins in the Dutch-speaking country of Surinam, ended with 110 souls added to the church. Antonius Brandon was translator. On July 20 in the first baptism at the tent effort being conducted in Queen's Park, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad by Elder Stephen Purcell, 232 persons joined the remnant church.—*K. S. Wiggins.*

COMMUNICATION COUNCIL IN EL SALVADOR—With the help of Elder Tulio Haylock and Elder David G. y Poyato, of the Department of Communication of the Inter-American Division and the Central American Union respectively, the first Communication Council was conducted June 13 to 15 in the central church in San Salvador. Fifty official delegates from all the churches in the republic attended. This council marked a new day for public relations in the churches in El Salvador.—*Flavio Villarreal.*

