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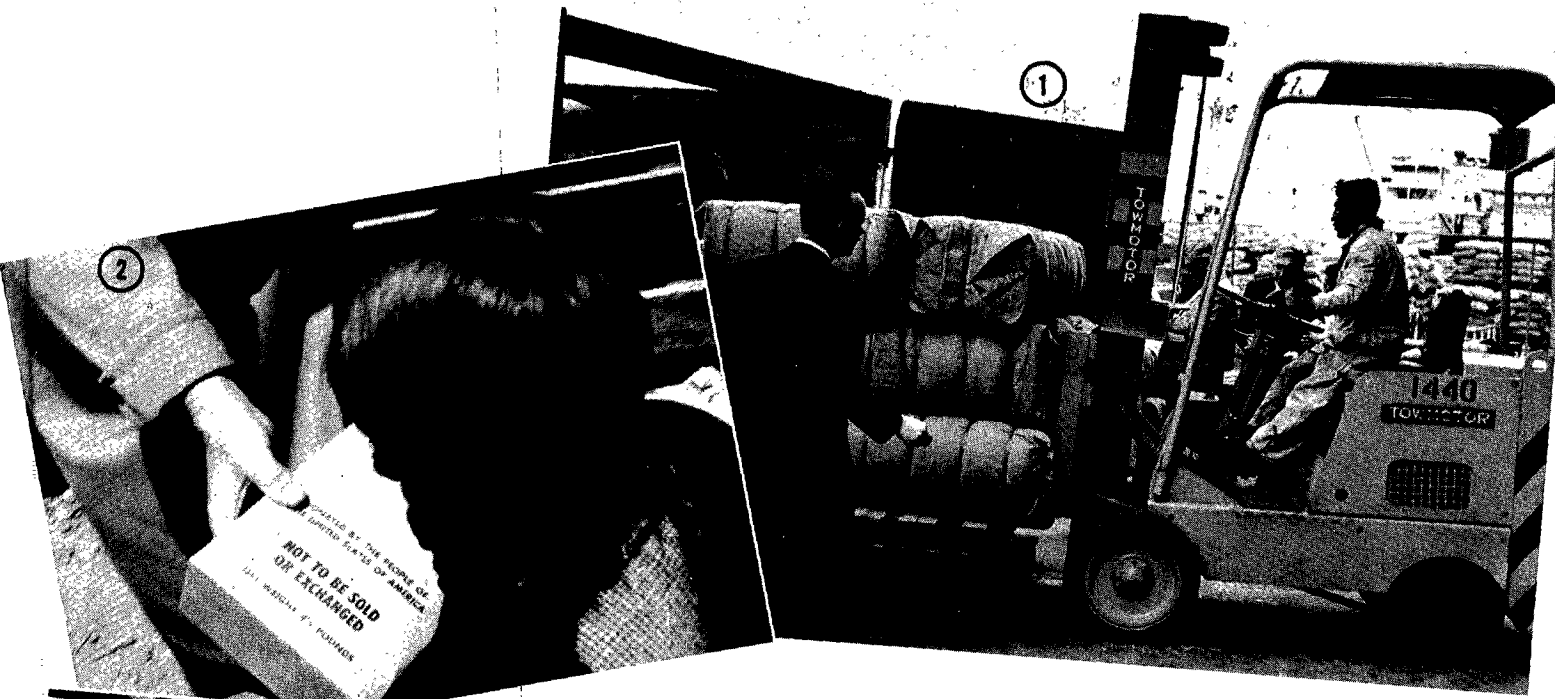


*It's
Not Winter
in My Heart*

By **STELLA
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When winter comes and chill blasts
Whistle through the trees
An ermine blanket covers everything
With snowy white,
And all the land is
One perfect work of art.
But, since God loves me,
It is not winter in my heart.

When winter comes with icy fingers
To trace a frosty pattern on my windowpane
All the world seems cold and cheerless,
And joys depart.
But, since God loves me,
It is not winter in my heart.



Adventist Welfare Serves Peru

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1. Charles Case, Peru director of OFASA (Spanish abbreviation for SDA welfare service), supervises the unloading of 139 bales of used clothing at the port of Callao.

2. F. C. Webster, director of SDA welfare activities for South America, hands powdered milk provided by Foods for Peace to an Aymara Indian mother. Under this program hundreds of tons of food have been distributed.

3. The aviation program of the Upper Amazon Mission of Peru provides free medical service to thousands. Nurse Flora Kalbermatter treats a child at the mission air base.

4. Nurse Evelyn Neuendorff, of the jungle dispensary, treated this Campa child's infected eye and saved its sight.

5. The Arequipa, Peru, earthquake destroyed hundreds of homes and left thousands homeless.

6. These children, whose parents died in the earthquake, received meals each day from the SDA welfare service.

7. After the Arequipa earthquake the SDA Church distributed 1,000 lunches a day to children whose homes had been destroyed.

8. Staff of the Good Hope Clinic, in Lima, Peru, with two vehicles used in disasters and emergencies.

9. Nurse Miriam Zegarra with the rolling clinic of the Central Peru Mission. A similar unit is operated by the Lake Titicaca Mission of Peru.

10. The greatest need of the Campa women is to learn to help themselves. Here, Missionary Siegfried Neuendorff teaches two of them to sew.

The world around, Seventh-day Adventists are ministering to the physical and material needs of humanity, as well as to their spiritual and intellectual needs. One aspect of this service is the welfare ministry, which has mushroomed into a major church activity. SDA welfare organizations provide medical services, food and clothing, and housing in areas where these are not otherwise adequately provided, in times of emergency and natural disasters.

Charles C. Case has recently been named director of the SDA welfare service for Peru. This picture story presents some of its activities.

Even under normal circumstances many Peruvians are to some extent dependent on SDA welfare for food, clothing, and medical help that are not otherwise available. When disaster strikes, as in the recent Arequipa earthquake, these usual needs are multiplied many times.



A SURVEY may never have been made to determine what parts of our body structure are the most common sources of discomfort or pain. Headache, backache, the common cold, indigestion, and many other ailments bother most of us at some time during our lives. Among a shoe-wearing population, painful feet are another frequent source of disability. One might even be tempted to ask whether our feet are well designed for the burdens they have to bear. Airplane engineers must be as particular in designing landing gear as in designing wings, if an airplane is to be serviceable, even though the wheels are out of sight most of the time when the airplane is flying. Our Creator must have intended that we be able to move freely over the face of the earth, and so equipped us with suitable lower extremities, as well as brains to direct their movement.

The fact is that our feet are admirably designed for the function

provide for a springy gait. Many delicate structures of the body and brain would not tolerate repeated hard jolts, and our feet allow us to move about at various speeds while cushioning these organs much as do the springs and shock absorbers of an automobile.

Normal Foot Function

Normal function of the foot requires that each part be present and in good order. At times one of the smaller toes is lost by accident or disease without a marked change in gait. Usually the loss of anything more than the little toe weakens the foot enough so that running and even walking is affected. When a major deformity of the foot occurs—such as severe bunions, hammer toes, painful callouses or corns, or a bursitis—the resultant hobbling gait is obvious and the condition may be quite crippling.

Discussions of foot problems inevitably raise questions as to the extent that shoes are responsible for foot

troubles, or whether shoe wearing is necessary or desirable. The traveler in tropical countries may observe that vast numbers of people never wear shoes and do not suffer from the lack. Unshod people usually have better developed muscles in their feet, and use their toes more actively in walking than do shoe wearers. Also, they are quite free of bunions and corns. Those of us living in temperate climates find that shoes are comfortable as a protection against hard floors and pavements, and as a protection against cold and wetness. Probably we wear shoes more for social convention than for any other reason. If we grow up wearing shoes, our feet have become adapted to the support they afford and we have difficulty doing without them. Undoubtedly shoes have been both a blessing and something of a minor curse to a large segment of humanity.

Most of the problems that result from wearing shoes have to do with shoes that do not fit properly, or that

A doctor looks at

FEET AND HIGH HEELS

they perform. As erect bipeds, we require feet quite different from those of four-footed beasts. Neither the hoofs of the horse or cow, nor the paws of the dog or cat, would serve to support and balance a two-footed creature. Yet we do not require the ability to grasp a tree limb with our feet like a monkey, nor do we paddle in the water like some birds. There are many similarities in structure between our feet and our hands, and some unfortunate individuals who are born without hands learn to perform many activities with their feet instead. For the normal person, the hand is primarily an organ of agility and the foot of stability.

The foot is built of 26 bones held together by supple ligaments and supported by a complex of muscles and tendons. These structures are nourished by arteries and veins and supplied with nerves for communication. The heel bones are massive and strong, to carry our weight when we are standing still. The bones of the forefoot are smaller and lighter, and are connected by movable joints to

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[See also editorial in this issue under same title.—Ed.]

Fellowship of Prayer

force the feet into abnormal positions. An extreme example is the practice of foot-binding that made cripples of many wealthy Chinese women of past generations. It would not be fair to state that all painful feet are a result of improper shoes, but such shoes are the common cause of bunions, hammer toes, and corns. Women are much more frequently bothered with these problems than are their husbands or brothers. For reasons not entirely clear, the males of our population have been rather free of the compulsion to crowd their feet into shoes that are too small or are poorly designed.

The use of high-heeled shoes fitted a trifle too short is perhaps the single most important reason for the foot suffering of the ladies. Cowboys, too, wear boots with elevated heels, but the stilted gait of the cowpoke on the TV screen testifies eloquently that his boots are not designed for walking comfort. A sociologist might make a study of the motives women have for wearing high-heeled shoes, but that would be beyond the scope of this article.

Orthopedic research teams, however, have studied the disturbance of foot function that results from the use of high heels. It must be apparent that normal posture for the foot is flat on the floor with no elevation under the heel. The body is then balanced on a base which is the length of the foot, from the heel to the metatarsal heads, plus some assistance from the additional length of the toes. When the heel is elevated, the length of this base is shortened so that greater muscular effort is required to maintain erect posture. One research group recently reported a study of the additional stress placed on the forefoot by the use of heel elevations. With a heel one and one quarter inches high, the stress on the forefoot was increased by 50 per cent; with a heel two inches high, forefoot stress was almost double that found with a one-half inch heel. The report states that with heel heights of over two inches there is a marked tendency for the forefoot to pronate, or roll inward, placing the entire stress on the first two metatarsal heads instead of on all five.

The Effect of High Heels

Actually, such a study of pressure and stress simply confirms the common observation that persistent use of excessively high heels is likely to produce bunions, corns, callouses, and arch pain. The degree of discomfort will be proportional to the height of the heel and the length of time the shoe is worn. Clinical observation indicates that a heel height

of up to an inch and a half is not likely to be the source of much foot trouble, but that prolonged wearing of heels higher than this is often a cause of difficulty. It is safe to predict that constant wearing of heels in the too-high range will always produce foot trouble. As in any health hazard, there will be found a wide range of individual tolerance to the insult to the foot occasioned by high heels.

The balancing of esthetic considerations of beauty and style against the penalty of foot discomfort and possible deformity, confronts each girl as she reaches the age for her first high heels. The wobbly, unsteady gait of the novice in high heels demonstrates the instability of this type of shoes. The slim, athletic girl may find them much easier to wear than does the obese and more poorly coordinated.

The older woman who has worn high heels for many years will likely find that, in addition to whatever forefoot problems she has developed, there is also a shortening of the calf muscles that makes her uncomfortable standing in bare feet. Poor body posture resulting from high heels is regarded by many physicians as a common cause of low backache, and the experience of many women would confirm this impression.

Compared to some of the affronts that we impose on our bodies, brains, and spirits, the use of improper footwear may be a minor vice. But many women suffering with painful feet and faced with the necessity for surgical correction of bunions and other deformities must heartily regret the day they first exchanged comfort for style.

"God Does Hear and Answer"

"Please continue to pray for my dear family. My son has not yet given his heart to the Lord, even though he is in one of our colleges. He has become bitter and cynical. Thanks to your prayers and mine, my daughter has been baptized. Pray for her that she will meet and associate with Christian young people. . . . I will be praying along with you at sunset on Friday nights. God bless you in this most wonderful endeavor. I know God does hear and answer prayer."—Mrs. S., of Washington.

"Our Prayers Were Answered"

"Thank you for your prayers and your recent letter. Our prayers were answered. My grandchildren started to church school the second week of school. Please continue to pray for my boy, that God will do something to change his heart. . . . I want him to be ready when Jesus comes."—Mrs. H., of California.

"I Am Very Thankful"

"A few years ago I wrote to you for prayer for some of my children. One of my sons and his wife joined the church since then, and my daughter also stepped out in spite of almost losing her husband. He fought her in every way possible. . . . I am very thankful for all the prayers for them and others who received help."—Mrs. A., of Iowa.

"Things . . . Did Change"

"I want to thank all the prayer group for their honest, sincere prayers. The Lord surely did answer the request I sent to you the other day. Things really did change within two days and nights after the Fellowship of Prayer meeting."—Mrs. C., of Florida.

"I thank you for your prayers in behalf of some of my family. My son-in-law has been a church member for a year now, and also my husband is back in church."—Mrs. D., of Colorado.

"More than a year ago I sent an urgent request for my daughter and son-in-law. The Lord has worked in a marvelous way, and their home has not broken up. But please continue to pray that they will give their hearts and lives to Him in service."—Mrs. T., of Washington.

This column is dedicated to the encouragement of prayer for others at the sunset hour each Friday evening. Because of the large number of requests received and the complexities of the problems presented, it is impossible for us to answer each letter personally, but all requests will be acknowledged and will be kept on file in our office. Portions of letters, especially those that tell of answers to prayer, will be published as space permits.

*A word picture of Christ
ministering the blessings of salvation
on our behalf in heaven above—*

The Epistle to the Hebrews—5

Our Master's Portrait

By Bernard E. Seton

THE presence of the Father broods reassuringly over the whole of the Epistle to the Hebrews, but it remains in the background as if unwilling to distract attention from the radiant Being at the center of history's stage—from Him whom the Epistle describes as Christ or Jesus Christ (13 times), Jesus (9), High Priest (9), Son (7), Son of God (4), Priest (4). In addition to these are certain unique titles that present various aspects of the Saviour's ministry not used by other New Testament writers.

From first to last—from the dazzling revelation in the first three verses to the benedictory doxology in chapter 13:20, 21—the dominant figure, brilliantly portrayed, is that of the Son, the Son of God, the Son of man, "the Apostle and High Priest of our profession," the Captain of our salvation, the Minister of the sanctuary, the Mediator of the new covenant, the Author and Finisher of our faith, that great Shepherd of the sheep, our Lord Jesus. Nowhere else is He more gloriously portrayed, not even in the Apocalypse. In the writer's own words, "We see Jesus, . . . crowned with glory and honour" (chap. 2:9), seated "on the right hand of the Majesty on high" (chap. 1:3). Three other almost identical reminders of His exaltation are given (chaps. 8:1; 10:12; 12:2). The exaltation of Christ is the ultimate revelation the writer wishes to leave with his readers.

The author of our letter sees many other aspects of our Lord's ministry. He looks upon His incarnation and explains how the Son of God became the Son of man, "that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man" and "that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to

bondage" (chap. 2:14, 15). These high objectives, both aimed at releasing man from the devil's clutches, more than vindicate the humanity of the Son, revealing it as a necessary step in our redemption.

It is in this context of Christ's human nature that the writer first introduces the thought of His priesthood (chap. 2:17). It leads him to his second earnest appeal (the first being in chap. 2:1-3): "Wherefore"—in view of the high priesthood of God incarnate—"consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus" (chap. 3:1). This appeal may well be taken as the central message of the Epistle. Christians in every age, as Paul well knew, constantly need to turn their eyes upon Jesus, to consider their Master in His apostolic, priestly role.

Christ as "Apostle" and "Priest"

It is worthy of note that this first verse of chapter three is the only place in Scripture where our Lord is given the title "Apostle" (that is, "one sent"). How appropriate a title for Him who chose to describe Himself as "he whom God hath sent" (see John 3:34, etc.)! How seldom does the Christian world acknowledge its Lord as its Priest, as the writer does in this same verse. This aspect of His saving ministry has been largely neglected, at great loss to the church. There is no need for us, however, to perpetuate that neglect.

The book of Hebrews presents a convincing, well-rounded portrait of our divine-human Representative, rich in detail. As we have already seen, special emphasis is given to His humanity (chap. 2:14-17), and in this respect the Epistle stresses, in a unique manner, the Saviour's sufferings as a qualification for His priesthood. He does not limit these to the

agonies of Calvary, but sees them throughout His earthly life. The Epistle speaks of "the suffering of death," of His being made "perfect through sufferings," of "the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears," and of His having learned "obedience by the things which he suffered" (chaps. 2:9, 10; 5:7, 8). This personal participation in suffering makes Him a singularly sympathetic and effective High Priest, one who is "touched with the feeling of our infirmities" because, on earth, He was "in all points tempted like as we are." "In that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted" (chaps. 4:15; 2:18). What other religion can offer its devotees a leader like that? There is none other! Christianity, and Bible-believing Christianity alone, has such a leader.

The climax of Christ's sufferings came on that "green hill far away" where the Lamb of God was lifted up to take away the sin of the world. There we come face to face with the difficulty the human mind always encounters in trying to grasp the many-sided nature of the work of our Lord. He is both priest and victim. He offers the sacrifice, yet is the sacrifice. This difficulty, of course, arises from our finite limitations, which keep us from understanding the resources of infinity.

The Inadequacy of Human Language

In a sense, even God Himself is limited by our limitations. He must reveal His messages to men within the narrow limits of human language, a pitifully inadequate vehicle. We must ever bear this inadequacy in mind as we study the Epistle to the Hebrews, for unless we recognize the

restrictions imposed by our humanity we shall ever be falling into the error of interpreting the eternal in terms of time, the illimitable in terms of space. This ever-present danger dogs the footsteps of those who would understand it, and we must continually remind ourselves of our own insufficiencies as a safeguard against the blasphemy of confining God to the minute world of our own existence.

Protected by these mental and spiritual safeguards, we can safely contemplate our great High Priest offering Himself as the all-satisfying sacrifice, to which the Epistle repeatedly refers (chaps. 1:3; 7:27; 8:3; 9:12, 14; 10:20; 13:12). The point to which we need to give special attention, however, is the *finality* of that sacrifice. On this point, Paul is emphatic.

One of the great differences, he explains, between the earthly high priest and the heavenly, is that the former "entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others" while Christ, providing a perfect sacrifice, has no need to "offer himself often." Were this so, "then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world" (chap. 9:25, 26). To the contrary, He "was once offered to bear the sins of many"; He has "appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself" (chap. 9:28, 26; cf. chap. 7:27). This one final sacrifice rings the death knell for all other sacrificial systems, and particularly for Judaism.

This conclusion is emphasized in chapter ten. "We are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all," he says, then speaks of Christ making "one sacrifice for sins for ever" and "by one offering" perfecting "for ever them that are sanctified" (chap. 10:10-14). With the forgiveness of sin now provided, "there is no more offering for sin" (verse 18), and the sacrificial side of the heavenly High Priest's work is over. He has become

"the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him" (chap. 5:9).

The expiatory aspect of His service was thus completed before the Epistle was written. What else remains to be done, and where are we to look for our glorified Lord? The first question is amply answered in the book of Hebrews. Christ upholds "all things by the word of his power," He succors "them that are tempted," He "ever liveth to make intercession for them" that "come unto God by him," He is mediating the new covenant. Finally, He is making ready to "appear the second time without sin unto salvation," and "expecting till his enemies be made his footstool" (chaps. 1:3; 2:18; 7:25; 8:6; 9:15, 28; 10:13).

The second question—Where is Christ now?—may seem more difficult to answer. But the difficulty, if any exists, arises largely from our human tendency to place a too literal interpretation on the language by which heavenly realities are conveyed to earth-bound minds. An awareness of that danger will save us from many an untenable position. For example, the apostle speaks of the Son as sitting down "on the right hand of the Majesty on high" (chap. 1:3). But are we therefore to think of Christ as being immovably, eternally seated at His Father's side? Surely not! Instead, we realize that



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these words are a vivid way of describing the honored position of the Son upon the successful completion of His earthly mission. Not for a moment do we imagine Him confined permanently to that one spot. The Father Himself—infinite and incorporeal Spirit—is not to be restricted to any one, finite, measurable section of the universe, nor are we to imagine the Son similarly restricted to a fixed seat at His right hand.

Christ had already entered into the Father's presence by the time the letter was written (chaps. 1:3; 9:12, 24), and was engaged in His high-priestly ministry (chap. 4:14-16). Father and Son have ever since been intimately associated together in the work of redemption on behalf of fallen man in that heavenly sanctuary of which the earthly was a shadow. (For further discussion of the subject, see *The SDA Bible Commentary*, volume 7, pages 467-469.)

An earnest study of this Epistle should result in a clear picture of the great High Priest who has made our salvation possible. We see Him as an everliving Intercessor, as a just but sympathetic Judge, and as our returning Lord. By accepting all that He has done and all that He seeks to do for us, we shall enter into fellowship with Him now, and one day not far distant, into the ineffable joy of eternal years in His presence.

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Your Denominational IQ

By Idamae Melendy



Match the country or area with the evangelist(s) who labored there in the early days. Answers on page 25.

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| () 1. Switzerland | A. F. H. and J. H. Westphal |
| () 2. Pacific Coast | B. H. A. St. John |
| () 3. South America | C. B. L. Whitney |
| () 4. South Africa | D. F. L. Mead |

By his words and by his conduct, every Christian is preaching a sermon to the world each day.

SILENCE, although often a virtue, can be criminal. Especially so when man's eternal interests are at stake. In times of spiritual peril God's church never held its peace.

Consider the prophets and apostles. Ambiguity and equivocation could never be charged to them. They stated their message with singular clarity, force, and conviction. What they had to say, they said. And men understood what they said.

They were understood so well that many suffered martyrdom. Pleasing platitudes, vague generalizations, and meaningless statements were not the cause of their death. Stephen, James, Paul, and Peter lost their lives because their Christian testimony was clear, lucid, and explicit. When commanded to refrain from preaching and teaching in Christ's name, Peter and John answered: "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20).

Unpopular, striking at the root of sinful attitudes and practices, their message never diluted the call to repentance and obedience. God's love and justice were presented as interlocking truths, and the sinner understood that the two could not exist apart from each other. The scriptural road back to God was clearly defined, and the repentant sinner was made keenly aware that all alternate roads were dead-end streets.

Not only were the Biblical messengers remarkably clear but they were remarkably consistent. No *double-entendre* pervaded their utterances. Although expressed by diverse personalities, the consistent testimony was "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

Watch Peter on this day of Pentecost. When confronted with the question "What meaneth this?" he did not retort, "Well, to be sure, we are not certain ourselves." Peter had something to say and he said it, contemporary theological views notwithstanding. With resolute courage and with conviction he lifted up his voice and said, "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel" (Acts 2:16). "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins" (verse 38).

The detailed Biblical answer astounded and convinced some 3,000 persons so much that they joined the newly formed church. Had Peter's



Give God's Message...

CLEARLY

By Theodore Carcich

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message been permeated with the faith-destroying interpretation of the skeptics of his day, the early Christian church would have suffered an irretrievable loss, if not dissolution. It was Spirit-filled Bible preachers that made the apostolic church an irresistible power for God. Those early preachers declared God's message and compelled the world to listen.

The Church's Commission

Consider, therefore, the solemn responsibility of the remnant church to proclaim clearly God's last warning message to a doomed world. The eternal destiny of billions now living depends upon how plainly and fully we set forth the truth for these last days. Surely, this is no time for God's serv-

ants to confuse the eternal issues by becoming involved and entangled in the political and social inequalities that fill the world.

Let it be repeated again and again that the Christian church has not been commissioned to educate, reform, civilize, or govern the world. Neither has it been sent into the world to solve economic problems, nor to Christianize the social order, and certainly not to meddle in politics.

The church's commission is clear and distinct, namely, to "preach the gospel to every creature." Nothing more, nothing less, nothing else! It exalts one Person, and one Person only—Christ crucified, Christ risen, Christ coming again. Urgently it invites mankind to become reconciled

to God by exercising faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. When the church permits itself to be diverted from this divine commission it blurs its witness and muffles its message.

The present state of modern Christianity illustrates the point. Lately certain churchmen have advanced theological propositions which, if accepted by churches, would abandon every major tenet of faith, including the very existence of the Biblically revealed God.

In order to accommodate themselves to an age when historic Christianity is declared intellectually "indefensible," certain churchmen have questioned and rationalized, among other things, inspiration, the Incarnation, the resurrection, the Holy Spirit, the need of foreign missions, and the second coming of Christ. From the Scriptures these same men have composed a theological menu of their own choosing, which in essence devaluates God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

The practical results of this devaluation are both dangerous and devastating. Especially so since moral absolutes always go the way of theological dogmas. As a result, men are led to believe that the Ten Commandments are out of date. Why insist on a rigid moral code, they argue, if God and judgment are not what the Bible pictures them to be?

As a result, society today is confronted with a general moral decline. Notably apparent in the political, financial, and social world, the decline strikingly manifests itself in the disintegration of family life. Sensuality and an easy morality now dominate literature, art, the theater, and have in places invaded the pulpit.

Witness the shocking announcement of a Scandinavian cleric who recently stated that the church, in order to be relevant with the modern generation, must stop condemning premarital sex relationships. Clearly this is a call to forsake the traditional Christian sexual morality and to resort to pagan practice. Such unscriptural thinking, teaching, and preaching, from whatever source it may come, indicates the rapidly fulfilling development of nominal Christianity as described by the Revelator, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" (Rev. 18:2).

We Have Something to Say

In such a frightful and momentous hour, what are we Seventh-day Adventists to say? Do we have anything to say? We do!

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A Story FOR THE YOUNGER SET

Fred's Christmas Gift

By Elizabeth Spalding McFadden

BUT why can't I go to the pasture with Fred, Mother?" begged Merry Beth. "I wouldn't get in his way."

"I know, dear, but this time Fred doesn't want you to go," answered mother with that certain twinkle in her eye. "I think he is making a surprise for you, Merry Beth," she added, "so try to be patient and not bother him."

"A surprise for me! Oh, Mother, how can I wait?"

"But you must, dear. Surprises are no fun if you find out beforehand."

Merry Beth tried to busy herself with her dolls. She put on Patricia Ann's new blue dress, on which mother had embroidered some orange flowers. She brushed her hair and set her on the little chair for breakfast.

"You look very sweet," she told her newest daughter. "When I grow up and get married I'm going to have a little girl just like you, with black hair and blue eyes, and I'll make her a blue dress like this one. Blue is very nice on you, Tricia Ann, for it makes your eyes look even bluer." She kissed Tricia Ann as she set the make-believe food on a tiny plate in front of her. Then she turned to her other children.

"I declare, Libby Sue," she scolded, "here you are sleeping late again! I wonder—is it because you can't shut your eyes that you never get enough sleep?" Libby Sue was soon dressed and sitting

in her chair. Then Merry Beth turned to Baby Lucille. She slipped off the little flannel nightie with its pink feather-stitching around the neck and sleeves, and put on her pink gingham dress that buttoned down the back. Baby Lucille really looked like a baby, reflected Merry Beth. Two Christmases ago she had been sitting under the Christmas tree dressed in a pretty white dress with slip to match, which mother had made from one of Merry Beth's own baby dresses. "I love you," Merry Beth told her youngest daughter now, and set her in the little high chair by the doll table. Proudly she surveyed them. They were a left-looking doll family, she decided, and left them to "eat" breakfast, while she went out to look around the yard.

Queenie's puppies came running to meet her, and behind them their doting mother, wagging her tail proudly.

"You think *your* family is pretty nice too, don't you, Queenie?" said Merry Beth, as she picked up first one and then another of the round balls of fur at her feet. As she sat holding the tiniest one in her arms she heard a faint noise. Pound! Pound! Pound! Where was it coming from? It seemed to be so far away.

Merry Beth stood on the top step and stretched as tall as she could. The noise seemed to be in the direction of the pasture; that was where Fred had gone. What could he possibly be building as a surprise for her? She could not see a thing down there, but she could still hear the steady pound, pound, pound. She was so curious!

When Fred came back about an hour later, Merry Beth ran to meet him. She followed him into the shed where he was putting away his tools.

"Oh, Fred, what are you making? Please tell me!"

But Fred would only say, "It is a surprise for you, Merry Beth!"

Merry Beth was so curious! Nearly every day Fred went down to the pasture, and she could hear his pounding. Not even on Sabbaths would mother or daddy let her take a walk down there. When school began, Fred could only work an hour or so after school, and sometimes even then he preferred to play or work at something else. Merry Beth thought he would never finish what he was making for her, but Fred kept saying, "Oh, it's for Christmas, and Christmas is a long way off yet. I have plenty of time to finish it."

The last few days before Christmas, Fred did work hard on his project. But on Christmas morning Fred looked very sad.

"Merry Beth," he had to tell her, "your Christmas present is not finished yet."

"I think you should let her see it anyhow, Fred," said mother. "She has waited so long, and has been quite patient for a small girl."

"All right," agreed Fred, looking a little ashamed. "Come along with me to the pasture, Merry Beth." Merry Beth was so excited. She tripped along by his side, keeping up a lively conversation. Down by the creek Fred led her, and a short way along its banks.

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AKIKO MEZIAS, ARTIST

"A surprise for me! Oh, Mother, how can I wait?"

God's message for us is clearly outlined in Revelation 14:6-12. Within the context of the "everlasting gospel" the message places special emphasis on the sovereignty of God, the judgment hour, man's obligation to worship the Creator, and the wrath that will fall upon the despisers of God's grace.

Each emphasis is a distinct answer to the apostasies of our day. Categorically the message affirms that dedication, loyalty, and moral discipline will characterize the redeemed of God, for "here the fortitude of God's people has its place—in keeping God's commands and remaining loyal to Jesus" (Rev. 14:12, N.E.B.).*

The message of the three angels is not something new and strange. Far from it! In essence it is the everlasting gospel of the prophets and apostles uplifting the crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour. It presents to men everywhere the imputed and imparted righteousness of Christ as the only means of a sinner's justification, sanctification, and ultimate glorification. As in the days of the apostles, "Neither is there salvation in any other."

A person in 1965 may brush off the claims of the everlasting gospel, but in so doing he settles his eternal destiny just as surely as people did in A.D. 33. Death and judgment face every man, and all must know that sin must be confessed and forsaken before death occurs, otherwise a person is eternally lost. Whether they wish it or not, all men will be confronted by the searching claims of the gospel "in the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ" (Rom. 2:16).

Therefore, it is imperative that men everywhere hear and understand God's invitation of mercy. The invitation is "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon" (Isa. 55:7). Those who heed and come unto Christ so that they "may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need," will be saved. Death, or the close of probation, forever ends these provisions of divine grace.

No Time for Ambiguity

As Seventh-day Adventists, ours is the solemn responsibility to preach again the cross of Christ in the context of the everlasting gospel. The cross of Christ, besides meeting every need of modern man, is God's holy answer to the sophisticated wisdom of men from Aristotle to Kant, Barth, and Bultmann, and to all the intel-

lectually intoxicated "neo-ists" of our day.

We have something to say. Let's say it! Let every minister, teacher, physician, literature evangelist, church officer, and layman speak up. Let every Adventist book, tract, magazine, school, hospital, Sabbath school, radio and television program, swell the chorus. This is no time for ambiguity or equivocation. This is the time for God's men to arise and proclaim God's message.

"Satan has devised a state of things whereby the proclamation of the third angel's message shall be bound about. We must beware of his plans and methods. There must be no toning down of the truth, no muffling of the message for this time. The third angel's message must be strengthened and confirmed. The eighteenth chapter of Revelation reveals the impor-

tance of presenting the truth in no measured terms but with boldness and power. . . . There has been too much beating about the bush in the proclamation of the third angel's message. The message has not been given as clearly and distinctly as it should have been."—*Evangelism*, p. 230.

"The sacrifice of Christ as an atonement for sin is the great truth around which all other truths cluster. In order to be rightly understood and appreciated, every truth in the word of God, from Genesis to Revelation, must be studied in the light that streams from the cross of Calvary. I present before you the great, grand monument of mercy and regeneration, salvation, and redemption,—the Son of God uplifted on the cross. This is to be the foundation of every discourse given by our ministers."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 315.

A Sabbath Afternoon Visit With Sister White

Ellen G. White loved the youth and always enjoyed having them in her home. While living in Healdsburg, California, she helped several young women attend college by giving them room and board. Likewise in Australia, while living near Australasian Missionary College at Coorambong, she mothered several needy girls. It was a rewarding experience to her to see many of her young friends grow into earnest workers in the cause.

Recently I received a letter from one of our pioneer church school teachers in northern California, Miss Esther Francis, who became the conference educational secretary, and who is now Mrs. L. L. Rockwell, of Loma Linda. In the letter she mentions her trip with Miss Sarah Peck in September of 1914 from Lincoln, Nebraska, to St. Helena, California, where she was to teach. She wrote:

"Elder W. C. White met us at the railroad station with a horse and buggy, and took us to his mother's home at Elmhaven. Miss Peck had spent several years with Sister White, and so to her it was like coming home again. And I was welcomed as an over-the-Sabbath guest.

"At dinner Sister White sat at the head of the long table with her helpers about her. There was an abundant supply of fresh vegetables and other foods, which tasted so good after three days of train lunching. Sister White was anxious that everyone feel at home, and asked that someone pass a second helping to me at the other end of the table. It was a very enjoyable occasion.

"Later that fall I was a Sabbath guest there again, and at the close of the day we all gathered around the cheerful fireplace to sing familiar hymns. A feature I

shall never forget was when Sister White requested us to sing 'Home of the Soul,' number 919 in the old *Christ in Song*, especially the words of the second stanza.

"In the firelight glow it appeared to me that Sister White was seeing that home with an unspeakable anticipation. Her companion of many years, Miss Sarah McEnterfer, wondered whether Sister White was able to sing the entire song, but her strong voice led on—'That unchangeable home is for you and for me.' She lived her long life with the abiding reality of this hope which, through her writings, she has inspired others to cherish—'which hope we have as an anchor . . . both sure and stedfast.'"

I remember that Ellen G. White enjoyed having her grandchildren and their young friends at Elmhaven on Sabbath afternoons. They would gather in the old parlor to hear Sister White tell a story of the pioneer days. Then, around the faithful old reed organ, they would sing some of the hymns of the Advent. On one occasion Sister White remarked, "Singing the songs of Zion here will help prepare us to sing them in the hereafter."

Sister White always knew what to say to young people who came to her for counsel, and they never forgot it. In her last illness, between February and July of 1915, she thought much of our youth. In the night when she awakened she could be heard whispering a prayer for them. This I learned from her night nurse, Mrs. Carrie Hungerford. Sister White knew that the youth constitute the hope of the church, and she prayed earnestly for their loyalty and faithfulness to God, and to the work committed to His people in this generation.

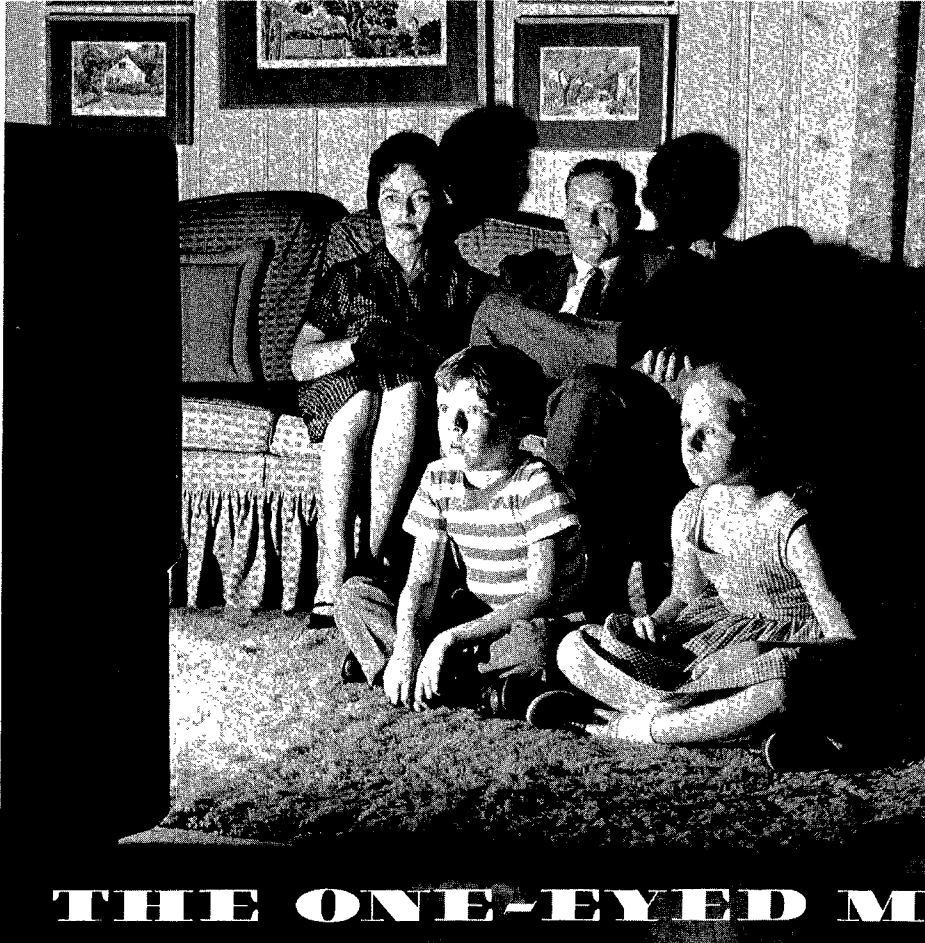
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THE ONE-EYED MONSTER

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By David S. Knierim

(A student at Andrews University)

THIS very night millions of Americans will be lured by a seemingly harmless and innocent tempter. Little will they realize that they are standing in the position of Pandora when she was about to open her woeful box of mystery. Just as the plagues and sorrows of mankind flew out of her box, the television, when not controlled, can spread violence and destruction wherever it is permitted to warp and twist minds and emotions.

Its influence affects us in every phase of our lives. It ranges from the selection of the next President to what brand of soap to buy. This can be a good thing if only truth is presented; but when twisted thinking is served up to a gullible audience, only disaster can result.

Why is it that the person able to control this one-eyed monster is the rare exception? Countless numbers of fine people and otherwise exemplary citizens find themselves unable to sever the cords that bind them to this ruthless beast. Families no longer enjoy the peaceful serenity that was once associated with life at home. At the dinner table the blessing is interrupted by the roar of a killer's guns or the ever-present suggestion of a cigarette commercial. Children refuse to go to bed at night because they want to see more. Arguments arise as to which of several programs is going to be seen.

Grown men sit before their sets with their eyes glowing like sparks from a fire, unable to pull themselves away from the late, late movie. Tele-

vision is a habit-forming drug keeping them away from needed sleep when they know that tomorrow will be a hard working day. The temptation of the set pulls students away from their studies, and once they have broken away from the television they find that their minds are unable to concentrate because they are still living in another, imaginary world.

TV a Degenerating Influence

Becoming lazy and degenerate, the American public depends on television instead of finding its own entertainment. This entertainment is definitely not of the finest quality, and it often is not even what the people really want. Since the programs are furnished with no effort whatsoever on the part of the viewers, people sit in front of them by the hour, passively watching, like a snake entranced by a charmer's flute. Good books stand on the shelves unread. Worth-while hobbies are ignored. There is a lack of demand for quality, and our society suffers from the great quantity of creative work that is left undone.

Many people are asking where the youth of today are who will contribute to the world of tomorrow. Where are the scientists that will put our country in first place in the space race? Where are our budding teachers, lawyers, doctors, engineers, and statesmen? Why is crime on the increase? Perhaps some of these questions can be answered by seeing what the American youth is doing with his spare time today. He spends his time watching television instead of pursuing a higher education in preparation for a worth-while career. Much of what he views involves violence and vivid examples of morally low-class living. Hour after hour of such stimulation inevitably impresses and warps the mind. Unless this situation changes, our country of the future

The Beloved Robber

By PATRICIA SULLIVAN GEACH

A robber entered our home—
Not by stealthily creeping in through a window by night,
But he entered through the front door in the brightness of day.
He did not slink along the corridors in search of valuables—
Gold, silver, and expensive wearing apparel—for he would have found none of these.
He took a prominent place in the living room.
From that position, day after day, he began his work of robbery.
He stole from the whole family their most precious gifts—time, hearts, and social life.

Their God-given gift of time he took freely, openly, and without shamefacedness—
Time that had heretofore been spent in worth-while hobbies, reading, projects, and music;
Time that should have been spent in household duties;
Time for devotion, meditation, and prayer;
Time to teach the smallest members of the family memory verses and Sabbath school lessons.
He stole it all!

He stole the hearts of the children from their parents.
He stole the hearts of the parents from their children.
He stole the hearts of both parents and children from God.
He stole the love for spiritual, heart-to-heart talks together;
The love of Bible games and stories;
The desire to help that needy neighbor;
The devotion to sacred duties; the high calling of sharing our faith.
He stole them all!

The family worshiped before the shrine of the "robber" who had swiftly and unconsciously become an idol.
What is more, he stole from friends, relatives, and neighbors who came to visit;
No more friendly, social conversation without his intrusion.
No more long evenings spent with friends around the piano singing hymns.
He stole from every person who entered his domain—the family living room.

The money that he stole from the family pocketbook
That had slowly been saved to pay a long-owed debt
Was of the least value of all that he stole.

The name of this robber must not be revealed
Lest his devotees be offended at the charges made.
But a clue must be given for the benefit of the innocent and unwary ones who may be his next victims.
His initials are TV.

will never be able to hold first place in anything.

The Results of Our TV Diet

This may not be as fantastic as it seems. What can we expect when our children are being confused to the point where they don't know right from wrong? While their minds are still being molded in ways that will affect their entire philosophy, they are constantly being exposed to the many crimes committed on television. They are taught that all heroes carry a gun, drink, smoke, and gamble. With gangsters for examples, how can we expect these children to grow up with a proper sense of what is right and wrong? Without doubt this is a significant factor in the increase of juvenile delinquency.

How much better it would be to see children doing constructive things! Instead of being glued to the television, they should spend time outside learning about the world around them. They should be studying things firsthand at an early age and developing interests that will serve as a foundation for later learning. Many parents have become so dependent on the television that they regard it as a baby-sitter. If they realized the hazards involved, they would be most careful about what their children watch. After all, children have been brought up successfully for years without it.

The material shown on the screen is usually of poor quality. It varies so much from day to day that one can never depend on it. A typical evening

of television has half a dozen murders, several brutal beatings, and maybe a robbery or two just to enrich the plot.

What crimes are being committed this very instant that had their beginnings on some television program? Most people watching television would never consider committing a really serious crime. Nevertheless, they are shown time and time again, how the most successful robbery can be planned, and how the cleverest detective can be fooled. Too often the craftiness of the villain is exalted while the innocent victim is portrayed as a fool. Those who obey the dictates of their conscience are laughed at, while those who follow after the dazzling life of the world are considered bold and courageous. It is no wonder that more and more people are experimenting with crime and immorality for the first time every day.

A Sane Use of TV

Although television can do a great deal of harm when it is not used properly, it should not be condemned altogether. In the right hands it can be a useful and educational tool. Many programs are of the finest quality, consisting of classical music, art, history, religion, and news. This type of program is beneficial and worth while. Many stations offer classes in foreign languages, art, history, and other subjects.

Potentially, television has great beneficial power, a fact that is just beginning to be realized. This medium of communication is excellent for conveying ideas. In addition to explaining things audibly, it provides vivid illustrations of the topics being discussed. Educators have found time after time that a student learns material much more rapidly and effectively when his interest can be held by more than one of his senses.

Many large universities are already using closed-circuit television in their classrooms, while the commercial television industry is also experimenting with teaching methods. How else but through the wonder of television could a man in Los Angeles watch a rocket at Cape Kennedy during take off?

In the hands of someone who can master this Pandora's box and not be mastered by it, television can prove to be a valuable invention. On the other hand, when someone finds that television is becoming his master, he should seriously consider what it is doing to him and bring this monster back under control, at any cost. If this cannot be done, he will be wise indeed to eliminate television entirely from his home.



Foolish Flyers—and Others

Judging by the chances they take with their lives, some people seem almost eager to die. Teen-agers drive wildly across town, trying to outrun a pursuing patrol car. Shoppers step off the curb, scarcely glancing at the oncoming traffic. Sick people take medicine in the night without bothering to turn on the light to make sure they have the right bottle.

But surely one of the most foolish of all mortals is the man or woman who imbibes alcoholic beverages and then attempts to fly a plane. To drink and drive is bad, but to drink and fly is worse. According to Dr. Sheldon Freud, a research psychologist with the U.S. Federal Aviation Agency, "One drink in the air can produce the effect of four consumed at ground level."

Last year, according to the FAA, 436 private pilots were killed in light airplane accidents in the United States. Of this total 193—or 44 per cent—were submitted to post mortem examinations. Autopsies revealed that 78 had been drinking either shortly before flying or during the fatal flight. Eight of the 78 had sufficient alcohol in their blood to be in "an advanced state of drunkenness." Think of it—pilots soaring around in the heavens, drunk. Up in the air—where their safe return to terra firma depends on good judgment, clear vision, quick reflexes—tipsy pilots are courting disaster. With their bodily functions operating below peak efficiency, how can they expect to handle emergencies skillfully? How can they judge distances accurately or perform without error the numerous tasks on which their safety depends?

No Defenders

We are certain that the dangers of flying while "under the influence" are so great and so obvious that the practice would find no public defenders. To make a case for drinking and flying would be almost like defending cruelty to children.

But, surely the perils of drinking and driving a car are almost equally great. How strange it is that an otherwise right-thinking person will attempt to mix alcohol and gasoline. For anyone to attempt to drive the crowded freeways, *autobahns*, or *autostradas* of the world after confusing his senses with liquor is little short of insanity. Perhaps 20,000 lives a year could be saved in America alone if drivers stopped playing the dangerous game of "drink and drive."

Let us carry the matter a step further. Can any possible situation be imagined where alcoholic beverages are beneficial? Is their presence a blessing at an office party? Do they raise the intellectual quality of the conversation at a social entertainment? Do they improve the judgment of an executive faced with a major decision? The answer in every case must be a thundering No!

That people continue to use alcoholic beverages must be an amazement to heavenly beings. How astonished must be the angels and inhabitants of other worlds as they behold human beings whose mental faculties have already suffered 6,000 years of degeneracy pour into their systems a substance that perverts judgment, removes inhibitions, weakens the will, and generally disorders the system. Can those who drink beverages that contain even minute amounts of alcohol honestly claim that they are heeding Paul's inspired counsel: "Whether therefore ye

eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 10:31)?

When Jesus was led away to be crucified, the authorities offered Him "vinegar to drink mingled with gall" (Matt. 27:34). Textual evidence favors the reading of *oinos* instead of *oxos*—"wine" instead of "vinegar." "To those who suffered death by the cross, it was permitted to give a stupefying potion, to deaden the sense of pain. This was offered to Jesus; but when He tasted it, He refused it. *He would receive nothing that could becloud His mind.* His faith must keep fast hold upon God. This was His only strength. *To becloud His senses would give Satan an advantage.*"—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 746. (Italics supplied.)

Jesus is the Christian's example. With the enemy of souls seeking to deceive even the very elect, with issues that may affect one's eternal destiny daily calling for decision, dare any follower of Christ take even one swallow of a beverage that will becloud the senses and "give Satan an advantage"?

K. H. W.

A Dead-End Road

One of the problems with which contemporary America is trying to grapple, is the fact that altogether too many young people leave school too soon. Dropouts occur for a variety of reasons—such as to earn money for a car, to get married, boredom, frustration, friction at home or at school. In at least one respect a dropout is like a premature child—the child may live, but all too often it may be handicapped for life. Similarly, the dropout faces life in a highly complex economic world at a great disadvantage, and is all too often a misfit for the rest of his days. At best, he usually dooms himself to eke out a drab existence on a low economic level; at worst, he visits his frustrations upon the world in the form of antisocial acts. The dropout doesn't know it, but he is headed down a dead-end road.

The church also has a serious dropout problem. A recent survey conducted by the National Sunday School Association reported, this October, that one youth in six severs every connection with the church during his teen years. This report was based on responses from 331 pastors of conservative Protestant churches throughout the United States. In the order of frequency, the reasons given for youth quitting the church were: lack of youth activities, adult hypocrites who are "holy" on Sunday and anything but holy the rest of the week, boring sermons and Sunday school classes irrelevant to youth needs, too many other things to do, parental unconcern, lack of religious interest, and the social pull of friends who do not go to church. Seventy per cent of the dropouts came from homes where one or both parents are not Christians.

Youth dropouts are also a Seventh-day Adventist problem. Too many of our youth are lost to the church. Because Adventist young people inevitably live in the same world as other Christian youth, their reasons for dropping out would doubtless be similar. In addition, they might cite such things as worldly friends, entertainment, and recreation, which are not part of the Adventist way of life.

What is your church doing to keep its youth in the school of Christ, in preparation for this world and the

world to come? Are you providing youth activities, a Sabbath school, and sermons that will challenge them? Do you give them an opportunity to share in carrying church responsibilities? How they need the church, and how the church needs them! More than that, the Lord Jesus needs them, with their youthful ardor, energy, and talent. Finally, are we adults living the right example before them, not only on Sabbath but during the week?

As we lay our church plans for the new year soon to begin, we shall do well to give thought to these and related questions. May 1966 be a great year for Adventist youth because the hearts of the fathers in the church are tuned to their needs. Then we can expect their hearts, in turn, to remain with the church. Let us do something more than talk about youth dropouts this coming year. Let us halt the flow of traffic down this dead-end road.

R. F. C.

Feet and High Heels

Under this title there appears on page 4 of this issue an article from one of our medical doctors at Loma Linda University. It deals with the subject on which subscribers write to us at times, the wearing of high-heeled shoes. Some of our correspondents deal with the whole matter in terms of the "evil of following fashion." They imply that there is something intrinsically bad about the high heel—morally bad, one might conclude from certain letters. The writers wonder why we have not spoken out forcefully from time to time on this matter. Perhaps now is the time to say a few words.

We believe that good journalism requires that an editor keep a sense of proportion, that he not repeatedly go off on secondary issues, with such intensity that he has no moral or spiritual reserve left to deal with major issues.

Again, we must always keep in mind certain facts if we are rightly to evaluate fashions. It is no sin to wear a certain kind of dress or shoe, for example, simply because it is the current style. It is difficult for some folks to realize this. Actually, some fashions have been very decorous and proper. Mrs. White speaks explicitly on this point, that sin does not reside in the wearing of something simply because it is "in fashion." However, in view of the fact that too often changing fashions carry us to one side or the other of the Christian ideal, we need some rule by which to measure what is right or what is wrong in attire. We believe that these rules may be summed up thus:

Four Rules on Style

1. Does the particular style that is in fashion pander to our vanity and conceit, so that we make an unwarranted display of ourselves instead of maintaining that decorous modesty that should distinguish the Christian?

2. Does the fashion in vogue call upon us to spend an unwarranted amount of money in order to be in style? Something very much in style at one time may be quite out of style in a few months. The apparel may still be good, but too often we may be tempted to spend money to get the latest, even though that is not really necessary in order for us to be truly well dressed. Our goal should ever be economy and thrift, so that we may give generously, even sacrificially, to the work of God. Spending on ourselves more than is needful carries us into the area of wasteful expenditure, and that can be sinful.

3. Is the style of the hour less than modest? Too often the dictators of style seem to make a point out of immodesty. But modesty is one of the Christian virtues and a forgetfulness of it carries us down the road toward sin.

4. Is the fashion healthful? This question was much more relevant in the days of our grandmothers than now, when, for example, tight-fitting corsets did damage to the body. The Christian goal in living includes the proper care of our bodies that we may best glorify our Lord.

A person may find himself, at times, garbed from head to toe in what is in fashion, and yet violate none of the above rules. When that is so, we may all sigh a sigh of relief and go on to problems in other areas of Christian living. In other words, whenever the question of style is involved, we must define what we mean when we say that we deplore the style. We deplore it for what reason?

Now let us return to the high-heeled shoes. We frankly confess that we feel sorry for our dear ladies who think that they must endeavor to walk, or even to keep their balance, in spike-heeled shoes. But we have never thought of them as outside the pale of good Adventism simply because they attempt a balancing act.

We have never thought of them as violating any of the above rules, except it might be the last one, the healthfulness of the style. Obviously, it does not cost any more to buy a pair of high-heeled shoes than other ones. In fact, at our house, we find that the reverse is sometimes true. At least, other kinds of shoes seem to be more difficult to find in the stores. Nor do high-heeled shoes pander to evil desire. But what of the last of the rules, the matter of the healthfulness of the style? That is really the one question before us. And we wish to hold the discussion tightly to this question. Only thus can we hope to keep emotions from bubbling over in all directions, like the foam from detergents, which can soon obscure everything in the field of apparel.

A Specialist Writes

We have often wondered why, if God intended the human heel to be raised as high as the high-heeled shoes require, He would not have made the arch of the foot different, and also the connecting muscles. But that is only a vagary of the mind of a poor editor who knows nothing of the construction of the body. That is why we asked a physician if he would try his hand at writing an article for us on this subject. We chose one who has specialized training in the field of the anatomy and physiology of the bones. What else should we do? What else *could* we do, if we wished to present to our sisters an article that makes sense, and thus is entitled to a hearing? We invite you to read this article. We think it is very much worth reading. We also would encourage you to be guided by what the doctor has written.

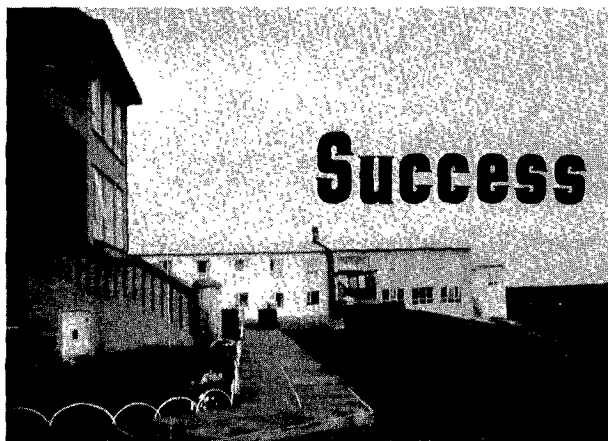
We hope that what we are here saying lifts this article out of the blue haze of emotions, so that you may read it on its merits. We doubt if we shall have an article on this subject again in quite some time. We have too many other subjects with which we must deal. You may wish to clip it out and read it again at your leisure; and as you read, please remember that the article does not bear the editor's name, but rather the name of a physician well qualified to speak on this subject.

Before the Chinese revolution, Americans used to write pitying articles about the cultured Chinese women whose feet were bound. We all shuddered at the senseless customs of the "heathen Chinese." Well, the physician who writes the current REVIEW article on high heels seems to think that such heels do something damaging to the foot, not of the "heathen Chinese" but of the Christian American. It is all a little confusing—our sense of values and styling.

Fortunately, dear sisters, it is possible for you to stand high in the esteem of men without high heels. That ought to strengthen your conviction to wear what is sensible and what is healthful.

F. D. N.

Reports From Far and Near



Corner of main building and boys' dormitory of Hlidardalskoli, the Seventh-day Adventist academy in Iceland.

Success in the Land of Frost and Fire

By B. B. BEACH
Departmental Secretary
Northern European Division

Below I can see the Outer Hebrides. Ahead lies Scotland. Two hours ago my plane left Iceland, where, together with R. Unnersten, the Northern European Division treasurer, I spent ten activity-packed days visiting our churches and schools, conducting meetings, attending boards, and meeting civil and ecclesiastical officials in the general interest of our church work.

Iceland is a large island in the middle of the Atlantic on the edge of the Arctic Circle, blessed by the kind Creator with the gift of the warm Gulf Stream. Since 1944 Iceland has been an independent republic.

Iceland was discovered and settled by land-hungry Norsemen back in the ninth century. This was the last convulsive movement of population in the great Scandinavian migrations that sent Viking ships and raids as far as Russia, the British Isles, France, Sicily, and North Africa.

Christianity was officially adopted as the religion of the Icelanders in the year 1000 A.D. by the *Althing*, believed to be the oldest legislative assembly in Europe. By 1550 the Protestant Reformation had become an accepted fact, and Roman Catholicism on the island disappeared for all practical purposes. Today the Lutheran Church is the established national church of Iceland, and enjoys financial support (primarily for the salaries of ministers) through the state. The Seventh-day Adventist Church is probably the next largest religious community in the country, closely followed by the Roman Catholic. There are also some Pentecostal groups.

Adventism reached Iceland in 1897 when David Ostlund, a printer-missionary, went to the island from Sweden. In 1898 he published *Steps to Christ* in Icelandic. "The Apostle of Iceland" is O. J. Olsen, who reached the island in 1911. He is now a retired worker living in southern Norway. Though already on sus-

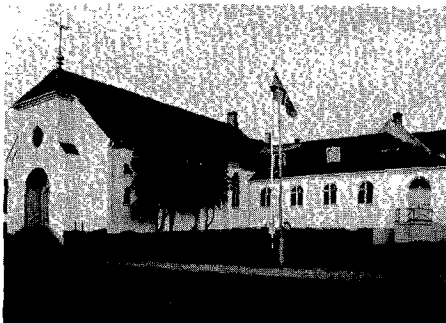
tentation for a number of years, he recently visited Iceland again, and immediately launched into another evangelistic campaign.

The mid-1920's was a key period in our work. In 1924 Elder Olsen achieved a great evangelistic breakthrough in the Westman Islands, with the founding of a 50-member church, and the next year a representative church building was constructed in Reykjavik, the capital.

A second period of advance began during World War II, with concentration on youth evangelism. The original impetus came when a youth club in the capital gave instruction in various crafts, and highly successful youth camps were held out in the countryside. This was a brand-new idea in Iceland, and the members rallied enthusiastically behind the camp plan.

The climax came in 1950 with the founding of Hlidardalskoli as the center of postprimary Adventist education in the country. This came on the four hundredth anniversary of the acceptance of the Reformation in Iceland. Today some 85 boarding students, mostly non-Adventists, attend this institution.

The president of Iceland told me that



The Reykjavik, Iceland, Seventh-day Adventist church and church school.

the school has a good "*renommée*," and the mayor of Reykjavik said that our educational work in the island is known for its "high standards." This gives us a reputation we must work hard to live up to. A spacious gymnasium is being built at the school. We are drilling for hot water and hope sometime in 1966 to strike this "liquid gold." In contrast to its glaciers, Iceland has tremendous subterranean hot-water resources.

We have two church schools in Iceland and are building a third one in Keflavik, a town famous since the '40's for its large airport and American base.

It was a happy experience to visit our believers in the Westman Islands. These are rocky volcanic islands situated off the southern coast of the mainland and in the direct vicinity of Surtsey, a new island created by a volcanic eruption on the ocean bed in 1963. The many sea birds nesting on the ledges of the steep cliffs are much more numerous than the fish-industry-oriented population of about 5,000. The islands resound with the echoes of the birds' wild cries.

In 1928 we established our church school in the Westman Islands, and today the number of students (including those of preschool age) is 77. In the same year the church school in Reykjavik was opened.

Every so often these islands are cut off from the mainland because of bad weather. In fact, this is what happened to us during our October visit. The only way we could get out to continue our itinerary and work was to climb aboard a small fishing boat, whose captain was willing to drop us off on the mainland one night on his way out to fish for herring. The trip took just under five hours and was terribly unpleasant in the ups and downs and arounds of the heavy sea swells. It must have been really hazardous in days gone by, when these boats had no radar or two-way radio commun-

Protected From a Stream of Molten Lava

An elderly woman, a Seventh-day Adventist, was living on the side of a mountain in Java. Every year she walked down the mountain with her year's tithe in a bag, which she left at the mission. Suddenly, as she arose one morning, there was a great shaking and roaring. She looked out just as the top of the volcano blew off. Boiling white-hot lava was rolling down the mountainside, destroying everything in its path.

This trusting woman, who had been faithful to her Saviour, dropped to her knees and prayed for protection. The hot river of boiling lava parted and went around her garden, and then roared on down the mountain, destroying thousands of lives in a few moments of time. But this woman's home was spared, like an island in the midst of fearful destruction—a testimony that God watches over His humble children who are faithful to Him.

C. B. GUILD, Treasurer
Southern Asia Division

ication to help them face North Atlantic gales and other emergencies.

Besides the churches already mentioned, we have two small churches in Skagastrom (North Iceland) and Budir (East). Our church members in Iceland are very active in welfare work. In early October, 95 large boxes of mostly new clothing were collected and then airlifted to Greenland with the gracious help of the United States Naval Air Arm base at Keflavik.

Our membership in Iceland is nearing 500. The increase, despite some emigration, has been constant and steady. It is remarkable what our members in this rugged island have been able to do in building up a strong church and educational work. Julius Gudmundsson has, for many years, been giving fine leadership to the conference, ably assisted by experienced Secretary-Treasurer Magnus Helgason. Jon Jonsson is the principal of the secondary school. His associates are a dedicated group of well-trained teachers.

Geologically speaking, Iceland is still a country in the making, with the forces forming the face of the earth observably at work there. Spiritually, the kingdom of God is also still in the making, and the power of God unto salvation is forming the visage of the church.

With the emphasis now given to youth evangelism, we believe the future face of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Iceland will be a bright one.

A Hospital for Malaita—Land of Devil Drums

By E. R. Plez, Secretary-Treasurer
Bismarck-Solomons Union

"Turn starboard!"

"Starboard," replied the helmsman.

"Hold steady."

"Steady," again came the reply.

"Port side now."

"Port," came the reply, and the ship responded to each change of course called.

I glanced up from where I was sitting on the wheelhouse steps and noticed in the gathering darkness we were passing through a narrow passage between the shore and a small island. We were on board the 53-foot mission ship *Lao Heni*, and the captain was on the lookout on the roof of the wheelhouse, calling in-

structions down the speaking tube to the helmsman. His compass lights were off, and so were all other lights. Thus they could see the land outlines better in the darkness.

We were traveling from Honiara on Guadalcanal across to Malaita and had just spent Sabbath anchored in the Florida Passage. As soon as Sabbath was over, the ship was abustle as we prepared for the trip out to sea. Everything had to be made secure, for even though we expected a calm trip, a rough one must be prepared for. Doors and drawers must be fastened. The anchor must be tied in place, the dinghy securely fastened in its davits, and all deck cargo checked.

We had used about 20 minutes of daylight preparing the ship and had about 20 more minutes to get to sea before complete darkness set in on us. Darkness comes quickly in the tropics. Being the only European on board and not knowing the passage, I was relieved when I heard the order, "Set course 345°!"

Next instant the compass light was switched on, and 345° was reported back up the speaking tube. The ship adjusted course, and I rose to join Captain Anakwai on the lookout. "All clear now?" I asked him.

"Not quite," came his reply. "A short run on this course will put us out past the last reef, then we will steer for Malaita."

Malaita, I thought as I stood beside him, Malaita, one of the few Solomon Islands where heathenism is still practiced by a large percentage of the people. Devil

priests still work their witchcraft from their dirty little huts and hold an evil sway over those who know nothing but fear.

In spite of the hold Satan has had on this island for hundreds of years, there is today a great interest in spiritual things. Since the Malaita Mission was divided from the Eastern Solomon Islands Mission as a separate mission 18 months ago, 31 branch Sabbath schools have been organized. Twenty-six of these are still operating and show signs of developing into regular Sabbath schools.

"Set course 10°," shouted the captain down the speaking tube. A muffled "10°" came back up to where we were standing as the ship changed course slightly. I knew we were now at sea heading up to the northern tip of Malaita and that it would be nine hours before we arrived there. The throttles on the two Gardiner engines were eased forward. Our maximum speed of 7½ knots was soon reached, and the engines settled down for 16 hours' work, for it would take us seven hours to go down the east coast after we reached the northern tip and picked up the local mission president to go with us.

To avoid catching the disease *mal de mer*, I left the lookout, which by this time was swaying like a pendulum upside down. I went down to my bunk to pass the night in sleep.

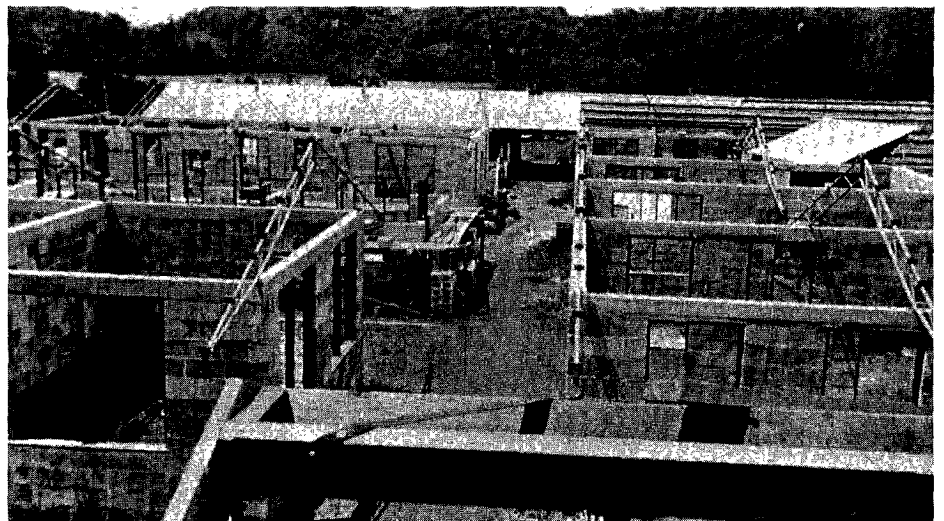
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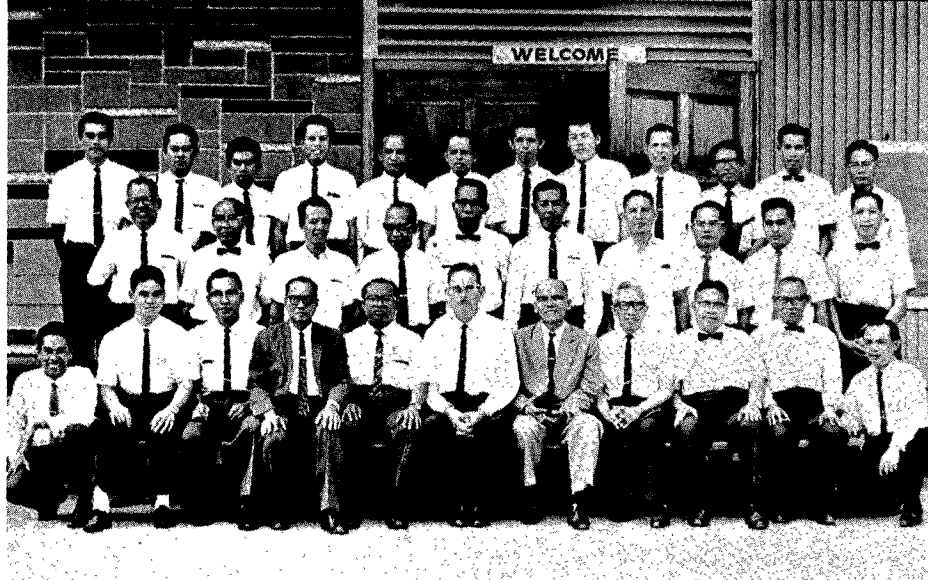
This was my sixth visit to the island of Malaita, each one connected with the program of rebuilding our hospital there. Since the original land lease was expiring and the location was not the best, we endeavored to find a better site. At last we found one and entered into negotiations for a new land lease. But the delays were great.

In 1961 part of the North American Missions Extension Offering was allocated for the building of a modest hospital. Other money was appropriated, and in 1962 preliminary work was begun. Delays in obtaining title to the land held up the building work.

In 1963 it was felt that this project should share in the 1965 fourth quarter Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow, which had been allocated to the Australasian Division. How glad we at the union

Partially completed hospital on island of Malaita in the Bismarck-Solomons Group. This hospital is to benefit from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow this quarter.





Medical Evangelism Institute Held in Philippines

A medical evangelism institute was conducted recently at Cebu City, Philippines, by the medical secretary of the Far Eastern Division, Dr. Ralph Waddell. At the same time in the city in the evenings, he conducted a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. During the day, meetings were held for the workers in a training program. In the photo Dr. Waddell is in the center, front, with a large group from the Central Philippine Union Mission. At Dr. Waddell's right is J. R. Obregon, temperance secretary of the Central Philippine Union Mission, and at the doctor's left is F. M. Arrigante, president of the Negros Mission.

**D. A. ROTH, Assistant Secretary
Far Eastern Division**

were to hear this news. Now additional equipment could be obtained and a doctor could be called, as well as a nurse to care for the many sick and needy on the island.

Our planned X-ray unit will be the first on the island, and so will some of the other medical equipment we hope to provide.

Unfortunately, the 18 tons of cement and other building material that were on board will be the last we can provide from the funds at present available. We will now have to wait till the hospital share of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering is known before we can continue. (Betikama Central School on Guadalcanal is to receive the balance.) In the meantime people are still getting sick and dying of diseases because there is no one to help them.

On the northern point of Malaita we had planned a rendezvous with the small mission launch *Dani* used by Peter Cummings, the Malaita Mission president. We were to meet at 3:30 A.M. outside the passage to Kwailibisi, the old hospital site. The passage is several miles long and dangerous for the large ship at night, so Pastor Cummings was to sleep on the boat and come out to meet us. He was to travel with me down to the hospital, which is to be a union institution in his territory.

We had on board two of his national teachers and families returning from Honiara, where they had to go for needed medical attention. They had been away from their schools for several months. We also had a new appointee to his field—a national district director who was transferring from Manus in the north of our union to Malaita in the south.

The *Dani* was to take these folks ashore at Kwailibisi, as we traveled on hoping to be at Uru before midday. However, when we arrived at the passage there was

no sign of the *Dani*, though a light was visible several miles away. Our captain was sure it was the *Dani*, but the light seemed to be making no progress. It could easily have been a native sitting in his canoe fishing, with a lantern beside him. I hesitated to wait longer, for my six hours of daylight at the hospital were precious and I did not wish to keep the boat longer from its own work back at Honiara. Pastor A. R. Mitchell, the union president, was arriving on the plane, which would take me back to Rabaul, and he had an itinerary to Rennel and Belona that could not be held up.

Finally I asked the captain to put to sea again, and as our speed increased we noticed some flashing lights waving beside the other light we had been watching for

Vacation Bible Schools in Bahia, Brazil

During November and December last year three well-attended Vacation Bible Schools were held in Bahia, Brazil. In Ibicaraí they had an attendance of 70, counting both non-Adventist and Adventist children. A small child attended our Vacation Bible School at Ibicaraí. She went home and told her aunt that she really enjoyed what she heard and saw. After the school ended she persuaded her aunt to come to Sabbath school. She has attended many times since and is impressed with the truth.

Another child at another school mastered one of the Bible songs and now sings it from the balcony of her house so that all the other children can hear it. She is a real blessing to the children in her neighborhood.

**R. C. BOTTSFORD
PR Secretary
Bahia and Sergipe Mission**

20 minutes. Now we felt sure it was Pastor Cummings, so we turned around and waited for him. Yes, he was sorry to be late and had not expected such a low tide and had been sitting on a mud bank for a long while. He had taken three hours to travel what normally takes 40 minutes.

To make matters worse, he had on board another urgent medical case for Honiara, which could not even wait for our return trip there 30 hours later. His captain had to travel the 15-hour trip in the 28-foot boat in an endeavor to save the life of a wife of one of the national workers. This meant the families we had on board and the supplies for Kwailibisi had to stay on board until our return the next day. If only we had our own hospital finished and our medical staff in attendance how much better it would be, we both thought as we lay in our bunks trying to get a few hours' sleep before daylight as we traveled on down to Uru.

We arrived there just before dawn and were pleased to notice that the wharf and jetty were now completed, and we were able to tie up to the wharf while the cargo was unloaded. The jetty is about 150 yards long and 8 feet wide, built of coral, rock, and sand.

The two carpenters from Australia were there to welcome us with their national helpers, and we quickly went ashore and up to the building site. It felt good to be on solid ground, as well as at our destination, after 48 hours on the ship.

A Broken Arm

While checking on materials still needed and the work still to be finished by the carpenters I was stopped by a young native father. "Masta, I want to ask you a question," he asked.

"Go ahead," I said, while I continued to look around at various items, for my six hours of daylight were ticking away.

"Will you take my son back to Honiara?" he asked.

"What is the trouble?" I inquired, for we must always be careful whom we take or the ship would be overcrowded on every trip with those who do not have good reason for traveling at all.

"He has a broken arm, sir," he said. "He fell and broke it last Thursday."

"Sure, he can come," I said. "See the captain and have him back here before ten tonight, for we will leave shortly after that."

The father had about eight miles to paddle his canoe back to his village to get his boy, and then the little lad with his arm in a rough splint was placed in the canoe and brought back to the ship. How glad the father was that we called. The arm had been broken for four days, and it would be another two before we were back at Honiara.

I thought to myself again, Yes, in three months we will have a doctor and equipment here. In three months you could have your treatment here today, instead of waiting for a long boat journey and the chance of rough seas and jagged edges of bone slipping in roughly made splints. Yes, you are too early, but your "tomorrow" is coming! In the meantime there are more bricks to lay, more plastering to do, and more nails to drive.

Now with my work complete I am traveling by air back from the Solomon Islands to our headquarters at Rabaul. I am thankful for a calm return trip, and as I fly at 15,000 feet and 275 miles an hour above the ocean my mind goes back to the little ship *Lao Heni*. Somewhere behind me on the ocean it has just begun another 30-hour trip to outlying islands far south of Guadalcanal. My prayer is that it will have calm seas and a safe landfall at these tiny islands. I ask you to remember the missionaries in your prayers from day to day, as well as in your offerings each Sabbath.

Strong National Workers at Ile-Ife Hospital

By Beryl M. Turtill, *Press Secretary*

At our Adventist Hospital in Ile-Ife, Nigeria, many of the ward and clinic procedures are carried on by Nigerian young men and women. More and more we are endeavoring to let those who show initiative and talent lead out in the different phases of the work.

Emmanuel Oludumila, who is in charge of our male wards, was first trained here as a nurse. Later he worked at our Jengre Hospital as a staff nurse, then came back and worked for the Nigerian Government for some years while his brother was in England at Newbold College. Later it was Emmanuel's turn to get a chance to further his education, so he, too, left for England and took further studies in nursing, specializing in the care of tuberculosis patients. He was joined by his wife, who also is a trained nurse-midwife and is now in charge of our midwifery work.



Above: The male ward supervisor, Emmanuel Oludumila (second left) teaches the nurses on the ward to give medicine to a patient.

Right: The dispensary is always busy. Our dispenser is a trained nurse who works under the supervision of a registered pharmacist.



tients. He next greets them by asking about their health. Then he brings his conversation around to the love of Jesus for all of us, especially those who do not know Him as their personal Saviour.

He has been successful in getting a new Sabbath school organized, and because of his faithful work, a number of potential members have been added to the group meeting at Ile-Ife. He has been in the work of evangelism for nearly 20 years, and has been loved and respected wherever the Lord has called him to labor. He is a real gem.

Laboratory Technicians

Timothy has been working in our laboratory for the past seven years. He came to us as an older student who was interested in doing laboratory work. He was selected among five or six other students, and was successful in the course. He is very faithful in his work both as a technician and as a church member.

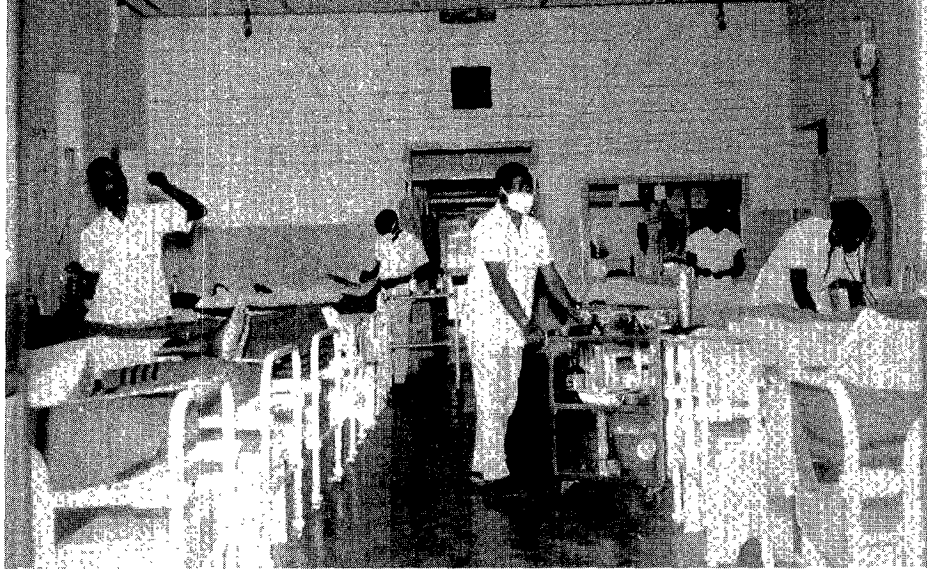
James is in charge of our dressing room. He took training with us as a nurse and has been doing a faithful work as a treatment-room nurse ever since.

Johnson is a more recent graduate, but he is showing ability for dispensary work, so, under the supervision of the pharmacist, he serves the many patients who come every day to our clinics for medicines.

Miss Johnson, a senior midwife, helps with the training of the younger graduate



Students of nursing at our Adventist Hospital in Ile-Ife, Nigeria, show good attention in anatomy class. Most of them do well in this subject, as a large part of their learning is done by rote memory. The need for trained national medical personnel is urgent.



Nurses caring for patients in the male surgical ward of our Ile-Ife hospital, West Nigeria.

nurses as they enter the school of mid-wifery.

Not only do we try to train the nurses for work in the hospital but we endeavor to give them an insight into how nursing can be done adequately in the home, such as a home delivery, and care of the mother and child after delivery.

Hospital, school, church, Sabbath school, and young people's work all have their place in our program, and our student nurses are all appointed to one of these missionary activities on the Sabbaths they are free from routine hospital duties.

Ward services are held in every ward each afternoon, and a special Sabbath school for the children's ward is held in the morning. Sabbath school and church services are relayed to the wards over the public-address system. A group visits the local prison each Sabbath afternoon. Others go to a branch Sabbath school, of which there are at least nine in various parts of the town and surrounding villages.

What we see gives us courage to try to do more while we have the chance. The night cometh when no man can work in Nigeria, as far as the overseas worker is concerned. More and more we see evidences of the fast-approaching day when all our work will be left to our Nigerian brothers and sisters. We want to sow the seeds and leave the great Master of the field to reap the harvest.

New Lethbridge Church, Alberta, Canada

By A. E. Anderson

For some time the small congregation at Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, felt the need of a new building where they could have better facilities to carry on the various branches of the work of the church. In early May of this year a rumor came to the attention of the pastor that the "Chapel of Chimes," built in early 1964 and operated as a funeral home for about a year, was for sale. Immediate inquiry was made and an offer placed for the land, building, pews, and rugs. After much negotiation and having two offers refused, it appeared that it would not be possible to get the building. However,

the church continued in prayer that if it were God's will, the church would get it.

Another bid was placed in late August, this time to include all assets, building, furniture, and all equipment having to do with the funeral business. Previous arrangements had been made to sell the undertaking equipment to another funeral home in the city. This offer was accepted and our members feel that this was only because God overruled.

The building is designed as a church, having a lovely sanctuary seating about 200 people, with side rooms that can be opened or closed by folding doors to seat another 60 or 70. These side rooms make excellent Sabbath school rooms where each class can meet privately without distraction from other classes. There are other lovely rooms along the side of the building for children's divisions, and a large room downstairs providing further space for church gatherings. A large area at the back of the building is being remodeled into a Dorcas room where there will be sufficient work and storage space.

After having sold the funeral equipment, the cost to the church for the building, land, and furniture was only \$66,000. The approximate value of the assets received is estimated at about \$113,000.

The official opening of the building was celebrated on October 2, with friends

and members coming from far and near to join in the happy occasion. R. A. Figuhr, newly elected president of Canadian Union College, presided over the lesson study of the Sabbath school hour. Many items of special music were provided by students from the college, and Mrs. R. A. Figuhr was the guest organist for the day. The local pastor, A. E. Anderson, stated during the eleven o'clock hour that the story of how the church was able to get the Chapel of Chimes was as great a mission story as any from overseas.

Philip Moores, Alberta Conference president, presented a challenge to the congregation during the official opening services of the afternoon.

Mayor Frank Sherring of Lethbridge, during the opening service, congratulated the members on having been able to get this fine building as a place of worship and community service.

The building was filled to capacity during the day's program.

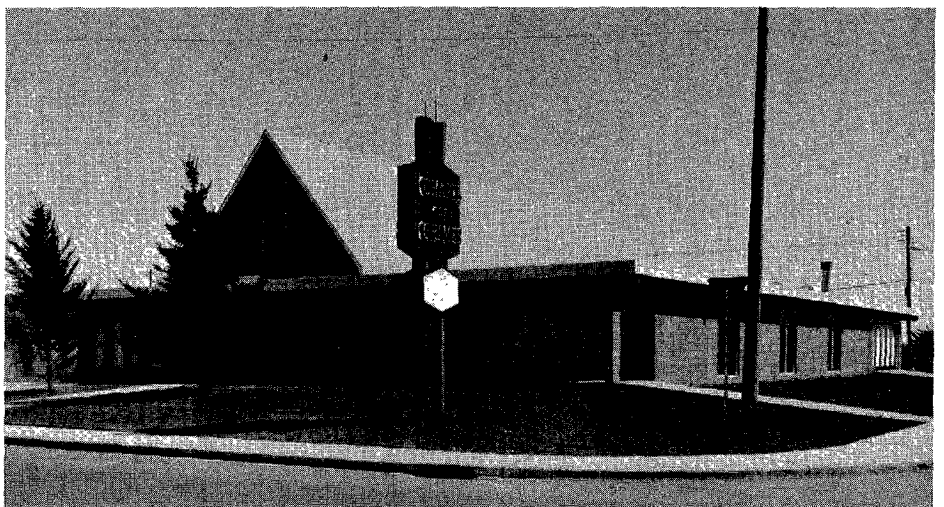
Surinam Mission Holds First Session

By J. G. Fulfer, President
Caribbean Union

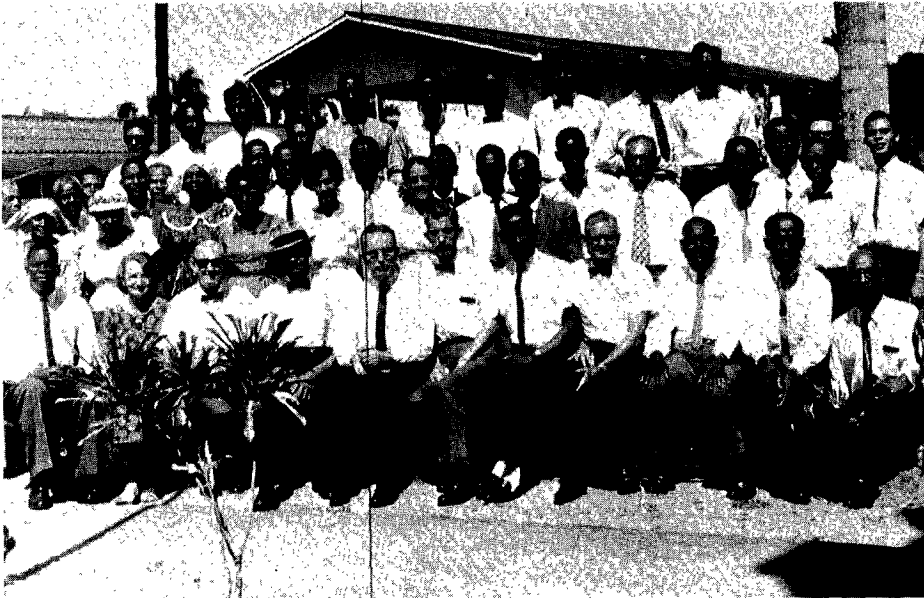
Nestled on the northeast shoulder of South America is the little country of Surinam (formerly Dutch Guiana). Consisting largely of rivers and jungle, its 302,000 inhabitants are Negro, East Indian, Indonesian, Chinese, Amerindian, and European.

Settled by the Spaniards in 1499 and later handed over to the Dutch, this land became the recipient of the first Protestant foreign missionary in modern times—sent from Europe by the Moravian church early in the seventeenth century.

The Advent message was first preached here around the turn of the present century. Though the progress of the work has not been rapid, under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. Jan Brinkman, missionaries from Holland, the work has now developed to the extent that it was felt advisable to hold an official mission session. This historic event took place in the



The new Lethbridge, Alberta, Seventh-day Adventist church.



Delegates attending first session of the Surinam Mission, September 8 to 11.

capital city of Paramaribo, from September 8-11.

Visiting guests for the occasion were C. E. Moseley from the General Conference, C. L. Powers and D. J. von Pohle from the Inter-American Division, officers and departmental secretaries from the Caribbean Union, and the presidents of the East and South Caribbean conferences.

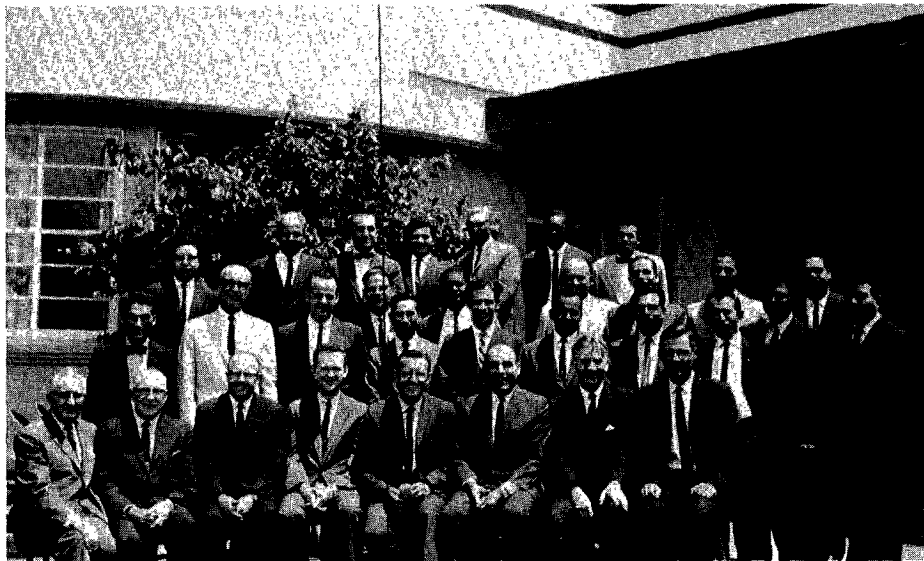
The mission now has three churches and seven companies, with a total membership of 440. Fifty-two were baptized

during the first eight months of the year.

During the past eight years Pastor Brinkman has preached over the radio six times a week. This has placed our work in a favorable light.

At the close of the session, the delegates accepted the challenge of reaching a membership goal of 1,000 by the next biennial session.

A new worker who arrived recently from Holland, P. M. van Bemmelen, was elected secretary of the publishing department.



Central American Union Holds Workshops

Administrators, Book and Bible House managers, and publishing secretaries of the Central American Union recently met at the Central American Vocational College in Costa Rica for seven days of intensive study and discussion to improve efficiency in carrying on the Lord's work in this field. Pictured above are those in attendance at the publishing leaders' workshop.

Leading out in the councils were (front row, left to right): J. C. Culpepper, Inter-American Division; F. L. Baer, Pacific Press; C. O. Franz, Inter-American Division; D. P. Huey, Central American Union; G. E. Maxson, Central American Union; L. A. Ramirez, Central American Union; Benjamin Riffel, Pacific Press; Richard Utt, Pacific Press.

D. P. HUEY, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Central American Union

From Home Base to Front Line

Martha May Horn left Miami, Florida, October 13, returning, after furlough, to Montevideo, Uruguay. Miss Horn is an office secretary in the South American Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Heisler and four children left Miami, Florida, October 13, and crossed the Mexican border on October 21, returning to Nicaragua after furlough. Sister Heisler's name before marriage was Ethel Florence Blabey. Brother Heisler is business manager of the Nicaragua Adventist Hospital.

Elder and Mrs. Ivan T. Crowder, of Galax, Virginia, left Miami, Florida, October 31, for Trinidad. They served previously in Trinidad from 1959 to 1962. Sister Crowder's maiden name was Lorraine Crager. Brother Crowder has accepted a call to be head of the Bible department of Caribbean Union College in Port-of-Spain.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart P. Berkeley and three children, who have been on furlough from Ethiopia, sailed from Houston, Texas, on the S.S. *Del Rio*, November 8, for Ghana. The maiden name of Sister Berkeley was Roberta Morene Hawkins. Brother Berkeley is to be educational secretary of the West African Union Mission.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Owens and four children left New York City November 16, returning, after furlough, to Northern Nigeria. Sister Owens' maiden name was Luthea Eleonore Estey. Dr. Owens is medical director of the Jengre Hospital.

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Gospel Advances in Japan

W. A. Higgins, *Associate Secretary*
GC Publishing Department

Japan is a country the size of California. Its population is almost 100 million. Tokyo and Yokohama will soon be united, making a great city of 25 million.

Only 1 per cent of the population is Christian. However, surveys reveal that 3 per cent prefer Christianity to other religions. Japanese have for centuries been Buddhists or Shintoists.

Seventh-day Adventists have a growing work in this colorful island field. Our church membership now totals 5,957, which is almost double the membership of ten years ago. Our college, sanitarium, and publishing house are vital institutions contributing much to the spread of the message.

Japan boasts one of the highest rates of literacy in the world; 10,000 book stores give evidence of the extensive reading done by the people. Last year our own publishing house produced enough books and magazines to make a stack 7,883 feet high, or two thirds as high as famed Mount Fuji.



Literature evangelists and their publishing department leaders who attended a recent institute in Japan.

The book *The Desire of Ages* has been well received. Forty thousand copies of volume 1, first printed three years ago, have been produced; 30,000 copies of volume 2 have been printed.

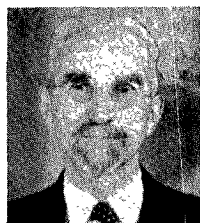
There were 150 literature evangelists who attended the recent Japanese Union institute. From Hokkaido in the north to Okinawa in the south they came with thrilling experiences of souls being won to the message through their contacts. One literature evangelist has won 50 persons. The most recent convert came to the institute with the literature evangelist who won him, and was baptized on Sabbath, the last day of our meeting.

Last year, in addition to the many books and magazines sold, these workers gave away 195,000 pieces of literature and prayed in 24,000 homes.

The prospects are bright for our work in Japan. Literature will play an increasing role in taking the message to every home in Japan.

A 90-Year-Old Jewell in Africa

By R. Brandstater, Pastor
Bulawayo Church, Rhodesia



F. B. Jewell

Frederick Burton Jewell is a living link with the early struggles of the Advent message in Africa. More than that, he takes us back to Battle Creek, Michigan. He recalls how he was a Sabbath school teacher in the Dime Tabernacle;

was a preceptor in Battle Creek College before it was moved to Berrien Springs. Indeed, to sit beside this faithful worker, now over 90 years of age, and hear him reminisce, is to rub shoulders with denominational history.

Brother Jewell was born in a log cabin in September, 1875, at Ithaca, New York, close to Cornell University. He was converted to Christ at 18 years of age. Three years later his employer, Henry Lawson, brought him the Advent message, which changed the whole plan and pattern of his life.

He went to Battle Creek College to

train for the ministry, and on graduation took charge of the book work in Georgia, and later in Wyoming. Brother Jewell tells how, while showing pictures of the falling stars from the book *Coming King*, he met with some who became quite excited, declaring they had seen this with their own eyes. "The heavens were ablaze, and we thought it was the end of the world!" they said.

One day in 1902 he announced to his wife that he was offering his services to Africa. "Good for you," she said. "I am with you all the way!" His first appointment was with Elder Sturdevant at Inyazura Mission, Rhodesia. This mission had received a grant of 3,666 acres from

the government in exchange for the same acreage from the Solusi Mission property. Our brother served through the tragic days of this Inyazura Mission, when a number of our faithful workers laid down their lives in service, through smallpox, malaria, and blackwater fever.

Here the Jewells labored for 11 years, and were then transferred to Solusi Mission. On arriving, he set up a dispensary, and soon became busy in medical work. His wife had given much time to obstetrics, but was now engaged in full-time teaching in the college. Brother Jewell carried on the dispensary with whatever help was available. One year he rode more than 6,000 miles on his bicycle, and in his 30 years of service at Solusi he was privileged to bring 1,350 babies into the world. Proudly he shows his little black book, with all their names recorded.

In December, 1956, Brother Jewell retired, and two years later he lost his devoted wife. He has read the Bible through 36 times and has memorized many chapters and psalms. Now that he is blind he takes great comfort in repeating large portions of the Word of God from memory. His memory is vivid, his mind is clear, and his powers of expression so lucid that he brings the past to life as he discusses the work and the people of the early days.

On Brother Jewell's ninetieth birthday, September 8, 1965, he received more than 100 cards and telegrams, and was prominently featured in our local newspaper. The Bulawayo church, Rhodesia, turned out in full force to congratulate and honor him at the home of his son Eugene and his wife, also retired workers of the mission fields.

May the Lord continue to richly bless this venerable servant, who remains such an inspiration to those who visit him.



Church Purchased in Chicago, Illinois

The East Chicago (Illinois) church under the leadership of J. E. Cox, Jr., has just purchased a new church home from another denomination. The property, consisting of three buildings—a church, gymnasium-auditorium, and a seven-room manse—valued at \$125,000, was secured for \$55,000.

Our church in East Chicago was organized some ten years ago. This is their first church home. For ten years they have met in private homes, the community center, and non-Adventist churches.

C. E. BRADFORD, President
Lake Region Conference

Twin Churches Dedicated in Queensland

By M. M. Stewart

The official opening and dedication of twin churches at Dalby and Chinchilla, Queensland, on Sabbath, June 19, was probably a first in denominational history. Never before have we heard of two almost identical churches in neighbor-



New Seventh-day Adventist church at Chinchilla, Queensland, which was dedicated recently. A "twin sister" church was dedicated in the adjacent town of Dalby, on the same day, by the same pastor, R. V. Moe. This may have been a first in denominational history.

ing towns being opened and dedicated on the same day by the same minister. Pastor Rex Moe is the evangelist responsible for this marathon effort that has wonderfully consolidated and advanced our work in western Queensland.

Newspaper coverage of both events totaled more than 100 column inches, including a front page story in the *Chinchilla News*. The write-ups and pictures were highly complimentary. The *Dalby Herald* devoted an impressive half page to the dedications, while the *Northern Downs News* printed a representative story covering the happenings in detail.

The Dalby church is valued at more than £4,000 (about U.S.\$9,200). The mayor of Dalby, Alderman R. C. Drew, M.B.E., who officially opened the church, extended congratulations from the council and the people of Dalby. The dedicatory prayer was offered by the president of the Queensland Conference, K. S. Parmenter, and the address was given by the president of the Trans-Tasman Union Conference, D. Sibley.

Others associated with the service were Pastor R. V. Moe, who gave a brief history of the building of the church and led in the Act of Dedication; L. Butler, secretary of the Trans-Tasman Union; conference secretary O. H. Twist; M. M. Stewart, Queensland Conference public relations and medical secretary; and T. R. Kent, senior elder of Dalby.

At Chinchilla on Sabbath afternoon the chairman of the shire council, Councillor J. Dorney, spoke in glowing terms of the contribution our church is making to the progress and impressive growth of the shire. Mrs. Dorney also expressed her delight in being present.

On both occasions Pastor Moe paid high tribute to the unstinting work and other gifts contributed by laymen. "On one occasion shortly before the completion of the Chinchilla church the brethren worked right through one night and were unaware of it until day began to break."

Building of the Dalby church was completed in 12 months, and the Chinchilla church in 17 months. In each case more than £1,500 (U.S.\$3,450) worth of voluntary labor was contributed.

MV Silver Award Winners in Far East

By C. D. Martin, *MV Secretary Far Eastern Division*

Another "first" was chalked up by Missionary Volunteers in Singapore when seven teen-age young people received MV Silver Award medallions—the first such awards to be presented in the Far Eastern Division. For these seven students of Far Eastern Academy this marked the completion of a strenuous, nine-month program of physical and cultural activity.

These teen-agers, from missionary families of four countries in the Far East, are Karen Downing, Singapore; Catherine Hilliard, Japan; Norwyn Ludden, Singapore; Kathy Coffin, Singapore; Douglas Brown, Philippines; Kathleen Holmes, Indonesia; and Merlin Ekvall, Philippines.

This physical-fitness program for academy students is sponsored by the Missionary Volunteer Department and was launched in the Far Eastern Division one year ago. Faculty members Don Aldridge, Betty Millard, and Jack Staddon of Far Eastern Academy supervised the program and checked carefully each participant. The 30-mile, two-night expedition, required for the award, was made in up-country Malaya. It provided an unusual adventure for the leaders and young people alike as jungle trails led to unexpected surprises.

John Hancock, associate MV secretary of the General Conference, was on hand to present the medallions.

MV Silver Award winners in Singapore pose with their medallions. Left to right: Karen Downing, Catherine Hilliard, Norwyn Ludden, Kathy Coffin, Douglas Brown, Kathleen Holmes, Merlin Ekvall.



AVENUES TO *Reading* Pleasure

By H. M. TIPPETT

Charles Darwin spent so many years on concentrated study in the fields of biology and botany that he lost contact with the world of music and the fine arts. Late in life he expressed regret that he had not kept up his reading in wider fields and maintained his earlier fondness for music.

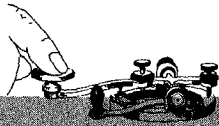
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A delightful book by Helena Welch has just come to my desk with the title, *When They Were Children*.* It comprises 35 stories out of the childhood experiences of famous men and women of the past two centuries. Many of these stories are familiar to adult readers, but all of them will prove new and fascinating to juniors. At least half of them were new to me. The pen-and-ink drawings by Don Fields illustrating special episodes are especially well done, and the type can be read by grandpa without his glasses. 136 pages. \$2.95.

Another title in the Bible Made Plain series will please the great radio family of H. M. S. Richards and all who have heard him at camp meeting or in their home church. The book, *Why I Am a Seventh-day Adventist*,* is an answer to the question so often put to the author by his Voice of Prophecy listeners as to why he believes as he does. Its seven chapters are biographical and expository and its pages come alive in Elder Richards' warm, personal, conversational, preaching style. It is evangelical in tone and provides a wonderful missionary book to present to friends and neighbors. 128 pages. \$1.00.

From time to time we are going to remind you of some books of permanent value that should be in every believer's home. One of these, *For God and C.M.E.*,* deserves a special notice. It is a biography of Percy T. Magan and his pioneer leadership in our educational and medical beginnings. As one of the founders of Emmanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University), and Madison College, and later a prime figure in our medical school in California, now Loma Linda University, Dr. Magan's life story is the saga of a man of dedicated talents. It was authored by the late Dr. Merlin P. Neff. 340 pages, \$6.95.

*From the Southern Publishing Association, the Review and Herald, and the Pacific Press, respectively.



Brief News OF MEN AND EVENTS



Atlantic Union

Reported by
Mrs. Emma Kirk

► The Atlantic Union Conference sponsored its first council on administration and management at the union headquarters, South Lancaster, Massachusetts, October 5-9. Delmer Holbrook, president of the Home Study Institute, set the pace for this activity with a stimulating study of group dynamics and creative committee work. R. E. Firth, professor of business administration, Andrews University, and his associate, Harold Phillips, made valuable contributions to the council. W. P. Bradley, secretary of the North American Division, J. C. Kozel, assistant treasurer of the General Conference, and J. W. Peeke, manager of the General Conference Insurance Department, also took a leading part in the presentations and discussions. Others contributing to the program were F. R. Millard, K. W. Tilghman, and F. R. Aldridge of the Atlantic Union Conference; R. L. Reynolds, president of Atlantic Union College; R. L. Pelton, administrator of New England Sanitarium

and Hospital; and the presidents of the local conferences, C. P. Anderson, R. T. Hudson, M. L. Mills, A. J. Patzer, and L. L. Reile.

► The 1965 school year saw a first in the history of the academies of the Atlantic Union Conference. Ten leading students were selected from the student bodies of each academy and delegated to represent their academy at a spiritual retreat and Bible conference. This conference was held at Southern New England's Camp Winnekeag, in Ashburnham, Massachusetts, September 23-26. For three days the young people studied ways and means of practical Christian living. J. Melvyn Clemons of the Atlantic Union College Bible department, presented a challenging series of studies centering on the important question, "How Do I Know God's Plan and Calling for Me?" Many other topics were presented during the retreat. The young people joined in a reconsecration and have carried back to their academies the spirit of devotion to God's plan for the youth of the church.

► From October 25 to October 30 the fall Week of Spiritual Emphasis took place at South Lancaster Academy. The speaker

for the week was G. S. Remick, pastor of the New England Sanitarium church. The climax of the week was a "hilltop" experience following the Friday night meeting.



Columbia Union

Reported by
Morten Juberg

► The Allegheny, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania conferences held a joint teachers' convention in Mount Pocono, Pennsylvania. The West Virginia and Chesapeake conferences met for their teachers' convention at the Atholton, Maryland, junior academy.

► According to a report from Harold Friessen, MV secretary, Voice of Youth efforts in the Chesapeake Conference have resulted in 49 baptisms.

► After meeting in temporary quarters for many years, the members of the Berean church in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, have opened their new church. W. L. Cheatham, president of the Allegheny Conference, was guest speaker for the initial services.

► Blue Mountain Academy was featured in a full-page article in the Allentown, Pennsylvania, *Call Chronicle*. The article resulted from a Rotary Club talk given by M. W. Shultz, principal of the school. A reporter for the paper was in attendance and made arrangements for the story.

► Charles Mowry is the new associate pastor in the Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, district. He is a recent graduate of the Seminary.

► Teachers from J. N. Andrews Elementary School in Takoma Park spent a week in New England touring Adventist historical sites.

► With the successful completion of an every-member canvass, members of the Roanoke, Virginia, church are laying plans for the construction of an educational building. The new unit will house the elementary school and provide space for Sabbath school rooms and a welfare center.

► A new church has been organized in Rocky Gap, Virginia, with 20 members. This is the first Adventist church in Bland County.

► A Story Hour, which is a follow-up for a Vacation Bible School conducted earlier, is held each Sabbath afternoon at the Takoma Park church. More than 100 children attend, directed by Mrs. Ernest Runge.

► Twenty-six sophomore nursing students of Columbia Union College received their caps in special ceremonies. Mazie Herin, associate secretary of the Medical Department of the General Conference, was the speaker.



Adventist Relief in Honduras Flood

W. H. Waller, president of the Honduras Mission, reports that many lives were lost, and about 6,000 persons lost everything and were left homeless, by floods that swept through Tular, Department of Valle, Republic of Honduras, Central America.

The welfare unit from our neighboring Salvador mission was rushed across the border and joined the Honduras Mission welfare workers in putting up tents to house the homeless and to set up a program of food and clothing distribution.

As far as can be ascertained at present, only one Seventh-day Adventist reported any loss in the flood.

In the picture SDA welfare workers, using the Salvador mission disaster unit as a base, distribute clothing to the destitute.

B. L. ARCHBOLD, Secretary
Department of Laymen's Activities
Inter-American Division



New Books for Bible Lands

On display are copies of each book published by the Middle East Press since it was established in 1951. Four new volumes are in the hands (left to right) of Naim Awais, Arabic editor, holding *Bedtime Stories*, in Arabic; R. E. Anderson, press manager, holding *Your Baby*, in Armenian; D. L. Chappell, Middle East Division publishing secretary, holding *Your Way to Health and Happiness*, in Farsi; and Jabbour Samaan, editor in chief, holding *Your Baby*, in Arabic.

These new volumes, appreciated especially for their high-quality printing, have been readily received by literature evangelists and the public alike.

D. L. CHAPPELL, *Departmental Secretary
Middle East Division*

► A semiannual retreat for theology and religion majors of Columbia Union College was attended by 70 students.



Lake Union

Reported by
Mrs. Mildred Wade

► The evangelistic campaign conducted by J. Malcolm Phipps, conference evangelist for the Lake Region, and his evangelism staff, in the heart of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, proved highly successful. Results were so unusual that the *Milwaukee Courier* gave three full-page writeups to the meetings, with a baptismal service receiving front-page space. The Sharon church with 161 members is now overflowing with 194 new believers. More are in the preparatory classes.

► Adelphian Academy has added a number of new members to its faculty this year. Carl H. Ashlock is in the department of music; Jack Stiles serves as boys' dean; Willard Clevenger is associate maintenance director; Donald D. Rice teaches biology, world history, and Bible doctrines; and Charles H. Schlunt is the physics and algebra teacher.

► Although Mrs. Bertha Small of the Clearwater Lake, Wisconsin, church has been confined to a wheel chair for many years, she faithfully solicits her Ingathering by telephone and through the mail. Her donations range from \$2 to \$100.

► Gwendolyn Husted has joined the staff at Wisconsin Academy as teacher of piano and organ. She received her B.S. degree in music education from Union College last spring.

► Two students of the West Suburban School in Illinois were awarded trophies for winning posters during Fire Prevention Week, October 4-8. These were presented by the Broadview Fire Department to Judy Florczak, eighth-grader, and Shelly Portner, sixth-grader. All the students and teachers in the school were commended for clearing the school in 23 seconds when an unannounced fire drill was conducted by the fire department.

► J. P. Winston, departmental secretary of the Lake Union, recently conducted the fall Week of Prayer at Indiana Academy. His theme was "Get Personally Acquainted With God." At the close five students indicated their desire to join the baptismal class and two asked for rebaptism. D. W. Anderson, head of the Bible department, will follow up with an instructional class.



North Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Ione Morgan

► In October ground was broken for a new church building to house the congregation in Seaside, Oregon. The pastor is Larry Boyd.

► Using as his theme, "Strength for Today," Gordon S. Balharrie, dean of Walla Walla College school of theology, discussed Christ and His meaning with Columbia Academy students during the fall Week of Prayer.

► A youth Bible conference for the Washington Conference was attended by many high school and academy delegates at Sunset Lake the latter part of October. William E. Baxter, district pastor, led in the study of prophecies in Daniel and Revelation.

► Willis J. Hackett, president of the North Pacific Union Conference, recently held a series of meetings in the Boise, Idaho, church. Franklin Fowler is the pastor.

► Idaho's literature evangelist family, under leader Don Orsburn, has been blessed with a 41.5 per cent gain in deliveries thus far over 1964. Colporteurs have already sold 1,100 volumes of the Spirit of Prophecy.

► Andrew Leonie, associate professor of education at Walla Walla College, presented the fall Week of Devotion at Gem State Academy, Caldwell, Idaho.

► Idaho Conference church schools enrolled 12 per cent more students than last year. A new school of 26 students was opened in Pocatello. Boise added one teacher to make a four-teacher school, and Caldwell and Nampa have consolidated for a three-teacher school and are studying plans for a new building.



Northern Union

Reported by
L. H. Netteburg

► Jerry and Judy Aitken have joined the working force of North Dakota. Mr. Aitken is working with the evangelistic team in the Grand Forks area as singing evangelist. His wife, who is a graduate nurse, is aiding in the meetings by playing the piano. Jerry is the son of Elder and Mrs. J. J. Aitken. Elder Aitken is president of the South American Division. Judy is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Boyd Olson who are on leave from the Far Eastern Division.

► J. L. Dittberner, Northern Union Conference president, was the featured speaker at the dedication services of the Nevada, Iowa, church on Sabbath, November 6. The Oak Park Academy music department presented a short musical program.

► Elementary teachers of the Northern Union met at Loretto, Minnesota, October 17, for a four-day teachers' convention. G. M. Mathews and Ethel Young of the General Conference Education Depart-

ment, Mrs. Autumn Miller of the Union College department of education, and Mrs. Frances Blahovich, primary grades instructor at Des Moines, Iowa, gave valuable counsel and instruction. H. E. Haas is the Northern Union education secretary.

► Plans were laid on October 23 for the organization of a church at Bloomfield, Iowa. Meetings held about a year ago by E. B. Lundin and A. R. Klein culminated in several persons being baptized in June.

► On Sunday, October 24, the new Cedar Rapids, Iowa, church school was dedicated. H. E. Haas, Northern Union educational secretary, was the featured speaker.

► The best Ingathering field day in the history of Oak Park Academy, Iowa, was conducted October 13 when \$2,403.47 was raised.

► David Wolkwitz, a 1965 Union College graduate, who has served as assistant publishing secretary for the past few months in Iowa, has been invited to serve as pastor of Albia, Bloomfield, and Centerville, Iowa.

► E. R. Gienger opened a series of meetings at Linton, North Dakota, on October 24 with an attendance of 35. Linton is located in a dark county about 75 miles southeast of Bismarck.



Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Margaret Follett

► G. D. Bras, new principal of Fresno Union Academy, comes from the Minnesota Conference where he was educational superintendent and MV secretary. He served previously in the same capacity in

the North Dakota Conference and has also taught school and pastored several churches since his graduation from Walla Walla College. New teachers at Fresno Union Academy are Arlee Torkelsen, from Plainview Academy, chairman of the music program; Mrs. Arlee Torkelsen, who teaches English and cares for the library; Cleo Bloom, former secretary in the Minnesota Conference office, who is registrar, secretary to the principal, and teaches commercial subjects; and Glen Heath, 1965 graduate of Walla Walla College, who heads the physical education program and teaches biology and English.

► Milo C. Sawvel, from South Lancaster, Massachusetts, where he served as associate and youth pastor of the Village church, has come to the Northern California Conference as associate MV secretary.

► Capping exercises for 41 nursing students in the current two-year program of nursing at Pacific Union College were held in Dauphinee Chapel on October 31. Dr. Wilbert M. Schneider, academic dean of the college, addressed the group on the subject "The Head and the Heart."

► Dr. Lee Fuller, owner of radio station KONE in Reno, Nevada, spearheaded a clothing drive in that area during the summer months. As a result the Dorcas Welfare workers prepared for shipment to orphans in Korea 263 cartons of clothing weighing 7,183 pounds.

► H. E. Fagal, an assistant professor of religion at La Sierra College, conducted the autumn Week of Spiritual Emphasis at Thunderbird Academy.

► A new assistant in the Napa, California, church is John R. Jones, of Washington, D.C., a graduate of Andrews University.

► John Loor, Sr., conducted the fall Week of Devotion at Golden Gate Academy.

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The Baton Rouge MV Society Sunshine Band has sung at the Greenwell Springs, Louisiana, Sanatorium for 20 years. Twenty souls are known to have accepted the truth as a result of this faithful witnessing.

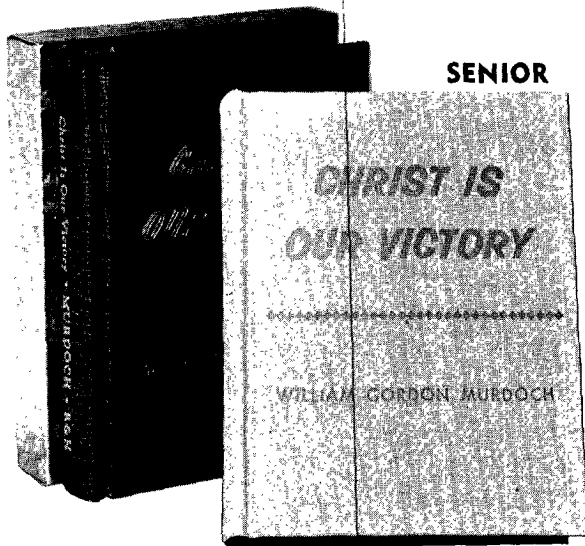
The leader is Brother John Speyer, who also visits the patients on Friday evenings, leaving with them our missionary journals. When facing death or surgery, many call for him to pray for them.

On Sunday mornings Brother Speyer often preaches in the sanatorium chapel. When the Sunshine Band sings on Sabbath afternoons, often the patients will join with the group in singing old favorite gospel songs.

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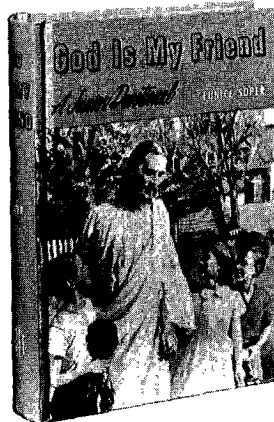
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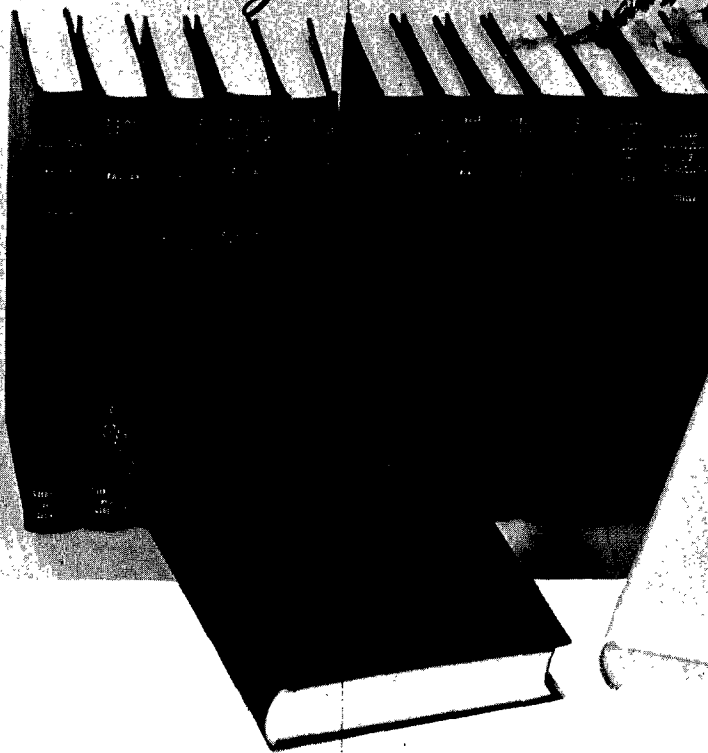
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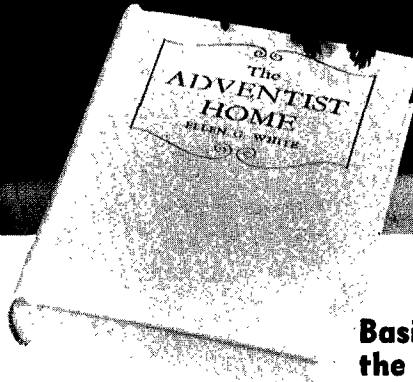
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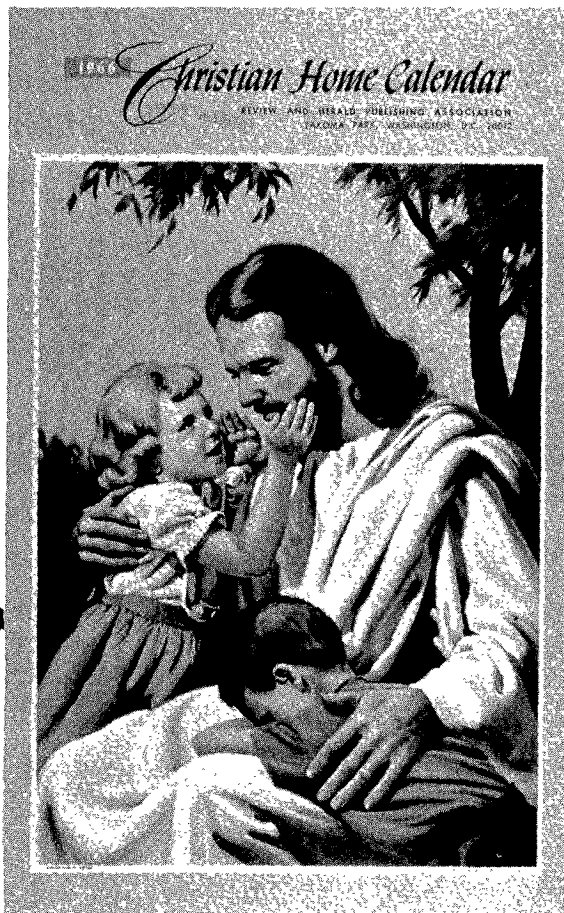
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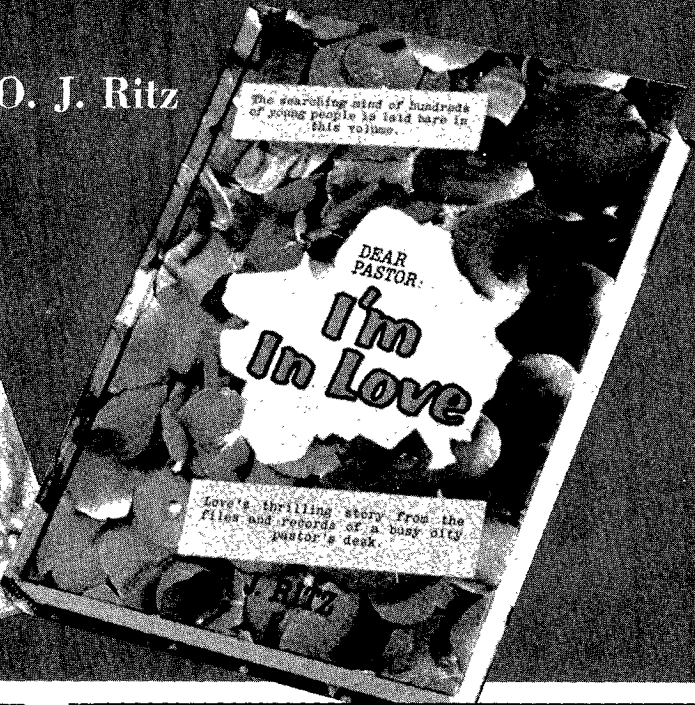
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News of Note

First SDA Elementary School Opened in Italy

Word has just reached us that the first SDA elementary school ever to be established in Italy opened on October 24, 1965, with eight pupils. The school is housed in a remodeled fruit house on land owned by our secondary school in Florence, Italy. Writing of this, Enrico Long, principal of the secondary school, states that "two brethren from America were sent by God and gave us sufficient money to modernize the building and to buy a bus for the transportation of the children."

Continuing his account of the experience, which he says was nothing short of miraculous, he writes, "It has not been easy to bring parents to realize the need of Christian education for their children, as state schools are available free; but by the grace of God a few were willing to go ahead in faith. The school of Villa Aurora (the secondary school) gave its preceptress, who was willing to be the teacher, so now in Italy there is a church school."

Brother Long closes his report by saying, "Probably next year we shall organize a second school, in Palermo, Sicily, with Gabriella La Marca as the teacher."

We rejoice in this history-making event. Pray for God's special blessings upon the leaders of our work in Italy and the new church school in Florence.

G. M. MATHEWS

Report From the Congo

Despite unsettled conditions, our literature evangelists in various parts of the world are pushing forward in their quest for souls. This is true in the Congo Union. J. T. Knopper, publishing secretary, writes:

"In Divuma, I met with a group of our colporteurs. They were short of literature because transportation and communications are chaotic in this country. We have now worked out plans for them to secure books without delay.

"The central part of the Congo is still unsafe to enter. We just got word from the Nebasa Station, and they are all alive and doing fine. This is the first news received from them in a year.

"A few months ago, with several of our colporteurs, I conducted our first literature evangelist follow-up effort. This lasted two weeks and was held in Sampwe, an unentered area where we have many Bible course students. Some persons cycled 40 kilometers (24 miles) to attend the meetings. Twice a day meetings were held for the public (morning and evening). In the daytime we canvassed and visited the homes.

"As a result, ten persons were baptized and a Seventh-day Adventist company was organized. Sixteen people decided for Christ, and many more showed favor-

able interest and were enrolled in the baptismal class. Three thousand Swahili Bible tracts were distributed, and 487 books and magazines were sold."

GEORGE A. HUSE

Medical Cadets in the Far East

A letter just received from C. D. Martin, MV secretary of the Far Eastern Division, reports 17 Medical Cadet Corps units with a current enrollment of 1,400 in the Philippines, Borneo, Sabah, South Korea, and Taiwan.

In each country this church-directed program has been carefully worked out with government authorities to help our members who may be called to military training or service. The young men students in our two colleges in the Philippines are required by the government to take 240 clock hours of military training.

THEODORE LUCAS

Study Guide for Adventist Home

The Southern Publishing Association has just published a *Study Guide to the Adventist Home* by Ellen G. White. This neat little booklet will be welcomed by pastors, teachers, and youth leaders who wish to conduct parent-training classes. The *Study Guide* was prepared under the direction of the Ellen G. White Estate and the General Conference Education Department.

The book *Adventist Home*, by Ellen G. White, is divided into 18 sections. The *Study Guide* contains 18 guide sheets with assignments for reading the sections of the book. There is also a self-rating department, questions for group and family discussions, and a simple question-and-answer quiz to be filled in by the student. An answer section enables the student to correct his own guide sheet.

This carefully prepared booklet has been long anticipated. Now pastors, husbands, wives, and teen-agers who contemplate marriage and parenthood, will welcome the study of this guide to successful Christian homemaking.

A similar study guide for *Child Guidance* is being prepared.

D. A. DELAFIELD

Vacation Bible Schools Enroll 400,000

Eight of our ten world divisions conducted Vacation Bible Schools in 1965. A partial report shows a total of 3,200 Vacation Bible Schools, with almost 400,000 children in attendance.

The Far Eastern Division leads the world field with 2,034 schools and 286,236 children enrolled. South Korea alone en-

rolled 267,004 children, of whom 214,156 completed the course and received certificates. One church, the Cross Orphanage church, with 300 members, conducted 120 Vacation Bible Schools, with a total enrollment of more than 39,000 children.

H. E. McClure, Sabbath school secretary of the Far Eastern Division, writes: "Each morning the children were taught in the VBS, and in the evening the message was presented to parents, as well as the children. A special effort was made to follow up every school with at least one branch Sabbath school. At present that church is conducting 120 branch Sabbath schools. All who attend are invited to the evangelistic effort being conducted by Elder George Munson in the center of the city."

WILLIAM J. HARRIS

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LIVERPOOL—Sixty-three per cent of Britain's Roman Catholics do not attend Sunday Mass, according to Father Francis Ripley, director of the Catholic Information Center here. The Liverpool diocese has the largest Catholic population in England and Wales.

VATICAN CITY—A moment's silence and then a roar of applause greeted Pope Paul VI's surprise announcement at the Second Vatican Council's solemn public session that he had initiated moves for the beatification and eventual canonization of Pope Pius XII and Pope John XXIII. Diplomats, Italian notables, and many newsmen attending the session joined the 2,300 council fathers in applauding the announcement.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—The Greater Little Rock Presbyterian Ministerial Association has adopted a resolution recommending repeal of the Arkansas law that prohibits the teaching of evolution in public schools. It said the "theories of evolution do not necessarily conflict with the Scriptures" and that the law is "out of harmony with the free spirit of Christian inquiry and the best interests of education in the community."