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## Jerusalem, Jordania

THE traveler's arrival at Jerusalem, be it the first or the tenth time, is always inspiring. One cannot scan the hills and the city walls without feeling that Jerusalem is like no other city on earth. Within its walls have occurred such great events in the history of mankind that to walk its streets is to walk on hallowed ground and to experience a spiritual and moral enrichment.

Jerusalem is on the plateau of Judea at about 2,280 feet above the Mediterranean. The city extends on a hill-like promontory isolated from the surrounding mountains by the valleys of the Kidron, to the east, and Hinnom, to the west and south. A small valley, the Tyropoeon, today still traceable, divides in two the inhabited center—anciently called the upper city and the lower city. The Old City is enclosed by a heavy wall, built almost on the ancient lines by Suleiman the Magnificent about 1540. The wall has seven gates, the two most popular and accessible today being Herod's Gate and the Damascus Gate. The name Jerusalem appears in cuneiform documents in the fourteenth century before Christ, as Urusalim, meaning probably "city of the god Shalim," but in Hebrew probably "city of peace."

The three great monotheistic religions—Jewish, Christian, and Moslem—count this city one of holy significance.

On the north of Palestine are the massive foothills of southern Lebanon, including Mount Hermon. On the east is the Syro-Arabian Desert, while on the south the country merges into the Negeb and Sinai Peninsula. To the west, of course, is the Mediterranean.

From a geological point of view, the outstanding characteristic of the area is the great depression running through it, from Asia Minor to the Zambezi in East Africa. It is clearly marked by the river Jordan, the Arabah, the Dead Sea, the Elanitic Gulf, and the Red Sea. This immense rift is flanked by mountains of considerable height and ruggedness. From about 2,500 feet above sea level at Jerusalem you descend rapidly in less than 15 miles as the crow flies, to the Dead Sea, about 1,300 feet below sea level, lowest spot on the world's surface. Even Lake Tiberias, a fresh-water body, is 685 feet below sea level.

Upon entering this territory about 1875 B.C., Abra-

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A view of modern Jerusalem.

ham found numerous Amorite and Canaanite tribes, who had supplanted earlier settlers. New migrations continually brought new elements—Arameans, Hittites, and Cretans, the precursors of the Philistines. Perhaps in no other country is the ethnic mosaic so variegated.

Palestine arose from the ruins of the Roman invasion and the destruction of Jerusalem under Titus in A.D. 70, to decorate itself with magnificent basilicas, monasteries, and great buildings of all kinds. Constantine in the fourth century, Empress Eudoxia in the fifth, and Justinian in the sixth marked the sites sanctified traditionally by the birth, life, death, and ascension of Jesus with splendid monuments. Pilgrims flocked to the places hallowed by the presence of Christ. The centuries wrought their havoc, but recent restoration by pious hands has made the city and surrounding countryside a place for thoughtful recollection.

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## Progress and Perils of the Remnant Church—Part 2

THE book of Acts portrays the infant church going forth conquering and to conquer. Luke's prime purpose in writing the book was to record the conquests of the gospel. In 30 years the glad tidings of a risen Saviour swept through Asia Minor and across into Eastern Europe until it threatened the heathen altars and pagan temples in mighty Rome, capital of the world.

In the face of deadly and malignant opposition, with the forces of evil struggling savagely to stay their onward march, the heralds of the cross stormed one bastion of paganism after another. Then, finally, they planted the ensign of the crucified One upon the very doorsteps of the imperial household.

The disciples faced a whole world "unentered" and waiting to be evangelized. The number of workers was only about 120. In Palestine alone there were some 4 million Jews. In the rest of the world lived millions of pagans. Prospects of winning Jews and pagans to the Christian faith were not bright. The odds against success were great.

There were large, wicked cities unentered where the cross must be uplifted. Antioch, the third largest city in the first-century world, was a byword for luxurious wickedness. Rome and Alexandria, too, posed tremendous problems for those early planners. Into such strongholds of sin the gospel penetrated.

Opposition and persecution arose to block their way and slow their advance on every side. Stephen, Paul, Peter, and John felt the cruel, searing breath of the dragon. Mocked, scorned, beaten, imprisoned, they knew well the heavy hand of the oppressor. Still God's work advanced.

Once the early believers gained a foothold Satan opened a new front from within the church. God's people in apostolic times knew what it was to contend with disgruntled members and offshoots. The apostle Paul was harassed by heresies and plagued with counter movements. There was fanaticism in Thessalonica, false teachings among the believers at Colosse. Judaism asserted itself among the new believers in many places. But still the church moved forward.

Within weeks of their Master's ascension, Luke writes, "The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:47). Shortly thereafter, he writes again, "many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand" (chap. 4:4).

This was but the beginning of a saga of praise and prayer, power and progress. Soon the high priest himself acknowledged ruefully, "Ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine" (chap. 5:28). Even Jewish spiritual leaders, once the bitterest foes of the hope-filled evangel, yielded to its appeal; "a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith" (chap. 6:7).

In wicked Antioch, the stronghold of Daphne worship, "a great number believed, and turned to the Lord" (chap. 11:21). This rich ingathering of souls harvested in the face of pagan opposition was repeated in Iconium, in Thessalonica, and in Corinth. In each place great multitudes believed. Finally the chronicler of progress in the early church closes his story with these words of triumph, "And Paul dwelt two whole years [in Rome] . . . , preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him" (chap. 28:30, 31).

What a paean of power! What a proclamation of progress! Two thousand years later it still stirs our hearts to read these words. What was the secret of the irresistible advance of the apostolic church? One does not search Luke's writings long before discovering the source of their spiritual dynamics. *The early church was a Spirit-filled church.* Someone has referred to the book of Acts as the gospel of the Holy Spirit. And so it was!

"The Saviour knew that no argument, however logical, would melt hard hearts, or break through the crust of worldliness and selfishness. He knew that His disciples must receive the heavenly endowment; that the gospel would be effective only as it was proclaimed by hearts made warm and lips made eloquent by a living knowledge of Him who is the way, the truth, and the life. The work committed to the disciples would require

great efficiency; for the tide of evil ran deep and strong against them. A vigilant, determined leader was in command of the forces of darkness, and the followers of Christ could battle for the right only through the help that God, by His Spirit, would give them."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 31.

### The Secret of Power

The early church was *Spirit inspired*. Before the apostles set out upon their mission of world conquest they tarried for an infilling of divine power. The early church was *Spirit sustained*. "In weariness and painfulness, . . . in hunger and thirst, . . . in cold and nakedness" (2 Cor. 11:27) God upheld and strengthened the believers. The early church was *Spirit controlled*. Leaders and laity alike were *possessed* of the Holy Spirit. Their words, their thoughts, their actions were under His control.

The early church was *Spirit directed*. It was the Holy Spirit who led Philip to the Ethiopian eunuch, and who prepared Peter for the visit of Cornelius' servants. The ministry of the early church was *Spirit empowered*. Peter and Paul spoke with tremendous effectiveness. Thousands were converted under their power-filled preaching.

The early church was *Spirit led*. The Holy Spirit was in the council at Jerusalem when issues of great import were decided. The administrators of the apostolic church recognized their complete dependence upon guidance from above.

Little wonder this Spirit-filled church was *Spirit blessed*! In the might and the power of the third Person of the Godhead those early leaders and believers accomplished the task before them. They fulfilled the commission of their Lord, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15).

### The Challenge

The commission directed to the disciples of Christ is familiar to Adventist ears. Now, at the very close of time, the voice of our Master still persists, "Go ye!" But the command today is nearly two thousand years more urgent than it was when Peter, John,

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"Ye shall receive power."

and Paul accepted the challenge. The world we know in 1966 is infinitely larger and more populous than the portions of Asia, Africa, and Europe known to the apostles.

Theirs was the generation in which the work began. Twenty centuries of time stretched before them. Ours is the generation divinely destined to witness the finishing of the work. A few more years at most—and then eternity stretches before us.

What a task! What a challenge! What an hour in which to live!

The problems and perplexities inherent in our worldwide task are much the same as the apostles faced. We have unentered lands—Tibet, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Zanzibar, Brazzaville Congo. The Advent message must still make greater impact upon many large cities of earth filled with vice and crime. Through opposition and persecution Satan still seeks to block the way and slow the advance of Advent messengers in many lands. Numbers of our workers today face prison walls and death for sharing their faith.

Satan seeks to maintain his "second front" in the church of the remnant. There are offshoots—those "troublers of Israel" who work insidiously to infect the church from within, to distract its attention from the great worldwide commission.

Still God's church will triumph!

In the apostolic church the power of the Holy Spirit broke down all of the barriers, breached all of the opposition, evangelized the wicked cities, uprooted the heresies, baffled the offshoots, and scorned the oppressor. The Holy Spirit won through to Rome and victory so that Paul could announce from the heart of paganism that the gospel "was preached to every creature which is under heaven" (Col. 1:23).

The church needs the same power today—the divine power of the Holy Spirit!

We need personal power in our individual lives. Power to conquer self and sin, power to break the steel bands of evil habit. Enabling power to hold high the standards of the Advent message though the heavens are

falling about us! How much you and I need the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives!

As a church we need power! Power to stand firm for the faith of Jesus in the face of apostasy and spiritual treachery. Power to face faith-shattering situations with quiet and unyielding confidence in God. Power to master complex circumstances that threaten to master us. Power to pass the breaking point of stress and strain and not break. Power to press the battle to the very gates of hell during the peril-filled last days that are upon us!

We need power to guide the army of God steadfastly forward until the last line of the enemy has been breached, the last fortress of evil stormed. We must press on until the gates of pearl swing wide before us, and numbered with the redeemed of all ages, we move victoriously into the New Jerusalem to abide with our great Deliverer forever! May God hasten that day!

Only the power of the Holy Spirit will see us through to such victory. Laity and leaders alike in the Advent Church today must be *Spirit inspired*, *Spirit sustained*, *Spirit controlled*, *Spirit directed*. The Advent ministry must be *Spirit empowered*, our administrators must be *Spirit led*! Then the problems of the church will be solved, the commission of the church will be fulfilled, and the church of the remnant will triumph gloriously, as did the early church.

Thank God, Heaven has promised such power for you, for me. "Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost" (Acts 1:5) is as much a promise to us as it was to the church of the apostles. Victory in personal living, in church planning, may be ours today as surely as it was in the days of Peter and Paul. God promises it. Listen:

"You need power, and this power God is willing to give us without stint."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 35. "At this very hour His Spirit and His grace are for all who need them and will take Him at His word."—*Testimonies*, vol. 8, p. 20.

Let us take God at His word, meet His conditions, and move forward in the power of the Holy Spirit to a finished work in our own lives and in all the world so we may soon say with our spiritual forebears that the gospel of the kingdom has been "preached to every creature which is under heaven" (Col. 1:23). Then and then only Jesus will come!

(Continued next week)



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# Prophecies in the Process of Fulfillment

Part 3

By M. E. Loewen

[This week Elder Loewen concludes his series on the fulfillment of prophecies relating to the infringement of religious liberty.—Eds.]

## 10. Religious Observances Enforced by Law

LET the principle once be established in the United States, that the church may employ or control the power of the state; that religious observances may be enforced by secular laws; in short, that the authority of church and state is to dominate the conscience, and the triumph of Rome in this country is assured."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 581.

When the Supreme Court considered the Sunday law cases it was argued that Sunday laws are not religious. In his dissenting opinion Justice Douglas contended they are still religious. In spite of the impressive evidence presented, the Court ruled Sunday laws to be secular laws.

In 1962 an amendment was proposed to existing Massachusetts Sunday laws that would have permitted observers of the seventh day to keep their places of business open on Sunday. This was approved by the State senate on June 7, by a vote of 21 to 14.

Immediately an editorial appeared in the *Pilot*, Catholic archdiocesan paper, fiercely attacking the senators who voted for this amendment. The names of these senators were printed, and the promise was made that these

men would be remembered at the next election. The editorial said, "The senators responded to pressures that will destroy the Sunday observances in favor of those—principally Jews and Adventists—who worship on Saturday." This was a frank admission that the religious motive was predominant.

The following Sunday, Catholics attending services in the Boston area were all urged to contact their senators and urge reconsideration. As a result, a vicious attack was mounted against the proposed amendment. On Monday morning reconsideration of the amendment was voted, and after a short discussion the measure was killed by a vote of 31 to 8.

We have the prophecy before us. We also have clear evidence that a religious observance can be protected by law.

## 11. Children of God Called Enemies of Law and Order

"Those who honor the Bible Sabbath will be denounced as enemies of law and order, as breaking down the moral restraints of society, causing anarchy and corruption, and calling down the judgments of God upon the earth. Their conscientious scruples will be pronounced obstinacy, stubbornness, and contempt of authority. They will be accused of disaffection

The Supreme Court ruled that Sunday laws are not religious.

toward the government."—*Ibid.*, p. 592.

A look at two statements from two church leaders will give us an idea how these words can be fulfilled. First, we turn to the words of Cardinal Cushing:

"United States Catholics feel as I do—that the one thing that can save Latin America, even in its relations with this country, is the (Roman) Catholic religion. It is the one bond shared by all. . . . Some non-Catholic sects such as the Jehovah's Witnesses, the Seventh-day Adventists, and other extremists, are doing immeasurable harm by destroying the faith of the poor people. They are simply making the roadway wider, more attractive, and more accessible for the army of Communists."—Quoted in *Sign*, a Catholic magazine, October, 1961, p. 73.

Then we turn to the words of the Methodist Bishop of Michigan: "When we give our consent to a wide-open Sunday which becomes as any other day, we copy the program of the atheistic Communists and reveal a greater stupidity by approving what they have demonstrated cannot be done."—Bishop Marshall Reed, *The Michigan Christian Advocate*, March 13, 1958.

The spirit reflected in these statements emphasizes the words of Mrs. White: "The Protestant world today see in the little company keeping the Sabbath a Mordecai in the gate."—*Testimonies*, vol. 5, p. 450. Now let us turn to the last prophecy in this series.

## 12. Attempts to Make It Impossible to Keep the Sabbath

Words of Satan are not cited often, either in the Scriptures or in the Spirit of Prophecy. Three times they appear in the Bible: in Eden, during Job's experience, and during the temptation of Christ. In *Prophets and Kings*, Mrs. White employs the unusual practice of quoting a lengthy statement by Satan:

"The world will become mine. I will be the ruler of the earth, the prince of the world. I will so control the minds under my power that God's Sabbath shall be a special object of contempt. A sign? - I will make the observance of the seventh day a sign of disloyalty to the authorities of earth. Human laws will be made so stringent that men and women will not dare to observe the seventh-day

Sabbath. For fear of wanting food and clothing, they will join with the world in transgressing God's law. The earth will be wholly under my dominion."—*Prophecies and Kings*, p. 184.

In his famous encyclical, *Mater et Magistra*, Pope John XXIII wrote: "249. . . . [The church] has never failed to insist that the third commandment: 'Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day,' be carefully observed by all. . . .

"251. . . . The Catholic Church has decreed for many centuries that Christians observe this day of rest on Sunday. . . .

"253. . . . We exhort, as it were, with the words of God Himself, all men, whether public officials or representatives of management and labor, that they observe this command of God Himself and of the Catholic Church, and judge in their souls that they have a responsibility to God and society in this regard."

During the second session of Vatican Council II, on October 25, 1963, an action was taken by the vote of 2,058 to 9, to favor a perpetual calendar that would fix the date of Easter. In *The Christian Century* of November 13, 1963, an editorial on this action of the council, but particularly favoring the fixing of a date for Easter, said: "We suggest that a world conference of representatives of the various Christian bodies be held to bring to fruition what Vatican II has made possible."

Two points should be noted. First, a leader of the Catholic Church takes the credit to his church for the change of the Sabbath. Second, pressure is mounting for a reformed calendar.

It is true that Vatican Council II specified that its action was taken "providing this is agreeable to all others who are concerned with the problem, especially to other Christians." However, there is evidence that a movement is at work behind the scenes building opinion favoring a change of the calendar even if it should disrupt the cycle of the week.

Can you imagine the economic hardship on a wage earner who attempted to keep the creation Sabbath as it wandered through the week in a calendar with a blank day? It isn't hard to visualize the confusion that would take place even in the ranks of Sabbathkeepers should such a calendar be adopted. Perhaps this will be one of the means Satan will utilize to make his proud boast come true.

We have considered a dozen prophecies. We have noted several ways in which these prophecies are being fulfilled. What more could a loving God

do to warn His people of the approaching crisis?

Have you noticed the timeliness of these prophecies? Ten years ago we could not have seen these evidences of fulfillment. In fact, most of these prophecies have come of age during the past five years or so. Five years ago we could not have pinpointed these prophecies as accurately as we can today. Of all these prophecies, only church union was becoming evident five years ago. But then we had no clear statements from champions like Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, or Dr. Douglas Horton, advocating so openly an approach to Rome.

Five years ago it would have been considered absolute heresy for a minister of a Protestant church to suggest that a Roman Catholic cardinal become the leader of his denomination. Five years ago the thaw on the part of the Roman Catholic hierarchy toward the "separated brethren" was not even hinted at. Five years ago the Act of Congress of 1963 providing funds for church schools was only a dream in the heart of church-state advocates. The approval of Sunday laws by the Supreme Court took place in 1961. In 1963 more than 250 Sunday laws were considered by various state legislatures.

Yet ten years ago, even five years ago, Seventh-day Adventists were preaching these prophecies. But the fulfillment was still in the future. We asked ourselves: "Will I live to see the fulfillment of these prophecies?"

Now, during the space of a few years, the accumulated fulfillments have become a tidal wave sweeping us toward the climax, the return of Jesus.

If these startling events can take place in the short space of five years, what will the next five years bring? Do I dare say it? Will we have five years more? We are standing on the threshold of eternity. Do we realize this?

Again the question comes: What more could a loving Father do to warn His people of the approaching end, of the nearness of the end of time? What more will it take to alert us to the fact that the blessed hope, the appearance of our Saviour, is right at hand?

The pioneers of this message preached with power the prophecies of the Word, believing they would, indeed, come to pass. If they could rise and see what we see and hear what we hear, they would cry out in a mighty voice, "This is the hour of fulfilled prophecy! This is the time to lift up the voice as a trumpet, to sound the voice of the third angel, and to finish God's work!"

Earth's last hour is fast approaching. The hour is late. What we do we must do quickly. Let us accept the wonderful provision God has made for personal cleansing from sin, and let us claim the power He has made available to witness for Him. The world needs to know these things. We are His heralds of the last tremendous events now coming upon the world.

## Encouragement for Our "Restricted" Workers

Ellen G. White had this encouraging word for our elderly brethren and sisters who sometimes feel that they are "all through": "The work of many may appear to be restricted by circumstances; but wherever it is, if performed with faith and diligence it will be felt to the uttermost parts of the earth."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 822.

Some of our retired workers may feel restricted by circumstances, but they should be glad that God can still use them in His great work, and happy in knowing that their influence reaches across the earth. They need not feel that the time has come for them to live in rocking chairs. The rocking chair has its place, but we are not to spend all of our precious time in one.

Lord, keep me out of the rocking chair—  
Help me to go, and do, and share;  
Be helpful here, and helpful there,  
But not be "hugging" the rocking chair.

Too many long for a life of reposeful, do-nothing ease. That is about the most foolish longing one can entertain. Such a life often means groans and aches and discontent. Wise men and women never really retire. They may drop out of their former trade, business, or profession, but in one way or another they keep occupied, knowing that this is best for them.

The happiest people are those who are occupied with some useful employment, or engaged in some form of helpful service. It brings inner satisfaction, greater contentment, genuine thankfulness, and often better health as well.

ERNEST LLOYD

# From the Editor's Mailbag

[We continue, here, our reply to a letter from a sister who challenged the views we presented last October on the subject of vegetarianism.]

You declare: "Mrs. White says 'grains, fruits, nuts, and vegetables constitute the diet chosen for us by our Creator.' This is not true. Vegetables were not added to man's diet until after the fall. Genesis 3:18. Vegetables are no more a part of man's original diet chosen for us by our Creator than are flesh foods, according to Scripture. Both were added after the fall."

I find in your statement no true indictment of the nonflesh diet, but only an indictment of alleged inaccuracy by Mrs. White, a point that you feel you must stress. Let's look at the facts.

Remember, first, that all speech, inspired or otherwise, is handicapped by the limitations of human language. The book of Genesis was written in Hebrew. The word "vegetable" is not found in the King James Version, which most of us use. The dictionary uses the word rather loosely. I conclude that Mrs. White was simply using the word to complete the list of nonflesh foods, along with fruits, nuts, and the like.

God said to Adam in Eden: "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat" (Gen. 1:29). Note the phrase "every herb bearing seed." The words could have been properly translated: "Every plant bearing seed." Now turn to Genesis 3, where God pronounces a curse upon Adam for his disobedience: "Cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground" (Gen. 3:17-19).

Note the phrase "the herb of the field." The word "herb" here is from the same Hebrew word as in Genesis 1:29. To what extent the qualifying phrase "of the field" modifies the meaning is not evident to the uninspired eye, but this fact is certain—we are still dealing with the "herb," the plant. You say that "vegetables were not added to man's diet until after the fall." If you had said that the "herb of the field" was "added," you would have been ac-

curate, but that would have taken the whole point out of your indictment. Now, Mrs. White wrote all this long ago. She said that when Adam was driven from Eden he "received permission to eat also 'the herb [plant] of the field.'" Her next sentence reads: "Grains, fruits, nuts, and vegetables constitute the diet chosen for us by our Creator."—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 296. In view of all this, I simply fail to see the point of your indictment. If only you had quoted Mrs. White more fully! Why do those of you who challenge her health teachings generally quote stray passages?

Near the close of your letter, you say: "I could go on and on pointing out the ridiculous reasons Mrs. White gives for not eating flesh foods, but won't, because I'm sure you haven't any more time to give me. In the light of Bible truth Mrs. White's reasons just do not hold up. It is a simple question, Shall we choose Mrs. White or God's Word?"

Well, my sister, you'll agree that I cannot consider "the reasons" that you did *not* give—you presumably gave your best—and you may not agree that the answers I have given to your stated "reasons" are valid. However, if you took occasion to read my editorials in the issues of September 9, 16, and 23, you would find there some current scientific findings in the area of cholesterol, for example, that seem to provide almost breathtaking support for some of Mrs. White's counsels—against "grease," for illustration.

We are not forced to face the question "Shall we choose Mrs. White or God's Word?" Nowhere does Mrs. White say that the eating of clean meat is, *per se*, a sin. Nowhere does she say that under no conditions

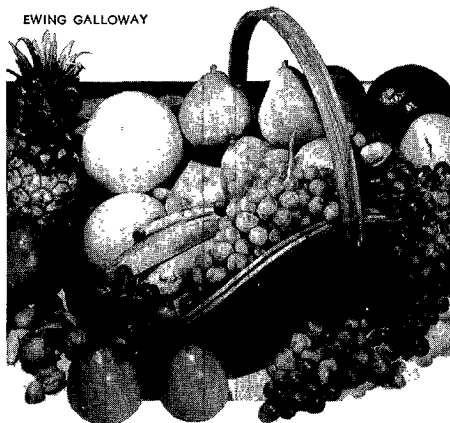
should a person ever eat a piece of meat. What she does say, and she says it explicitly and repeatedly and with increasing earnestness, is this: Meat is not the best food; it was not God's original diet for man; and we who are making ready for the day of our God will turn to nonflesh foods as far as they are available. In her writings she makes calm and reasonable exceptions for those countries where it is well-nigh impossible to secure a truly adequate nonflesh diet. She appeals to all of us to turn our faces heavenward in every area of our lives and to seek to reach the heavenly ideal for man, an ideal originally given to him in Eden, an ideal that we shall return to forevermore when we enter Eden restored. Pray tell, where, then, is there any inconsistency between Sister White and the Bible? I find none!

It is in this setting that the story of Christ's feeding fish to the multitude loses its force as an argument for eating meat. Christ took the best that was available—a few loaves and fishes. His miracle simply made it possible for all, rather than a few, to have some bread and fish to eat. There is no conflict here with what Mrs. White has written. She speaks specifically about the poor, declaring that we should be slow to take from them what they presently have, in an attempt to institute the ideal in diet. Time and education are needful ingredients in any reforms, not simply in diet. Also, there is a proper order in which the reforms in our lives should be brought about if we are to do the most solid work of reforming lives.

There was a striking lesson, easily understood by the multitude, in Christ's increasing by His blessing the food available rather than discarding it and sending, let us say, manna. When the widow of Zarephath had but a "handful of meal" and a "little oil in a cruse," Elijah most dramatically highlighted God's power by causing the available food—the oil and the meal—to continue to provide sustenance for them. He could have ignored these and rained down heavenly food. But he did not.

Or let us look at the matter this way: There is no record that Christ ever preached a sermon on the need even of primary sanitation, a common modern procedure that saves multitudes of lives. Then why assume that He would deliver a lecture to a hun-

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gry multitude on the superiority of a nonflesh diet? He simply took the best food available and fed the people, and many of them probably ate it with *grimy* hands that were crawling with germs!

Not even to His disciples did Christ reveal all truths. He said to them: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now" (John 16:12). If He did not feel to explain all spiritual matters, why should He seek to explain all nutritional matters? But in the meantime the disciples and the multitudes had to eat.

Now there is only one way that a plausible—though, I believe, invalid—argument for meat can be drawn from this incident. I can quote it from memory, for it shows up so repeatedly in letters to the REVIEW: "Health reformers, drawing on Mrs. White, hold that meat eating is a sin. But Christ fed men fish. Is not His example better to follow? He certainly did not sin. Besides, He blessed the fish and bread."

The case as thus stated seems impressive. But the trouble is that Mrs. White does *not* say it is a sin to eat meat. On the contrary, as already stated, she pleads for moderation when we seek to improve men's diet, especially the diet of the poor. Nor do our official Adventist "Fundamentals of Belief" say it is a sin to eat the clean meats. Yes, Christ blessed the fish. But the Bible reveals that often God's blessings do not prove that the objects blessed measured fully to the divine ideal. For example, He richly blessed Jacob, who had two wives and two concubines. We are not perplexed by this blessing, and for the simple reason that we feel that the blessings God gives do not necessarily imply either perfection of the one blessed or Heaven's complete approval of him.

You may, indeed, prove that some persons described as health reformers affirm explicitly that eating meat *is* a sin. But that is not a true Adventist view, nor is it a part of our historic teaching on health reform as set forth in Sister White's writings. Perhaps I might here paraphrase a famous line and say: O health reform, what crimes have been committed in thy name. But to keep the picture in balance, I must immediately add: O Second Advent doctrine, what crimes have been committed in thy name. It is an embarrassing fact that the most distressing exhibits of fanatical excess throughout the history of Christianity have had to do with extreme positions on the doctrine of the Advent. We have had a few sorry exhibits in our own church history.

But let me go on. If you had lived 100 years ago in some parts of the United States you would have found

## Meanings

By THAIS COLE

I see the sky, and wish for wings  
To fly to skies above;  
But while I stay, my wish has wings,  
And flies on beams of love!

I hear a bird, and cry inside  
Because such beauty lives—  
I know the Author of that song:  
He lives because He gives!

I feel the sorrow of the lost,  
But cry with faith in Thee,  
And hear the Shepherd's thrilling voice  
Responding, "Follow Me!"

clergymen right and left arguing that the Bible teaches that the Negro should be a slave to the white man. I am sure you do not believe that this should be. I like to think that if you had lived 100 years ago you would not have believed it. But the fact remains that some very plausible arguments for this belief were allegedly found in the Scriptures, arguments that we consider invalid. All those living in the United States a century ago who held that the colored man should be the white man's slave would probably have used the very question you

offer me in another context, namely: "Shall we choose Mrs. White or God's Word?" for Mrs. White thundered against slavery.

If you had lived in areas of the United States years ago where the Mormons were prominent you would have found them asking you, as the African chief asked the missionary: Where does the Bible indict polygamy? In fact, they could go a step further and make a most plausible claim that God commanded, in certain instances, that a man be a polygamist. Note what were described as levirate marriages. A man was commanded—not permitted, but *commanded*—that in the event his brother died he should marry the widow and raise up seed to his brother (see Deut. 25:5). Now Bible commentators quite uniformly have understood this to mean that he should marry her even though he already had a wife—a bachelor was the rare exception. You and I indict polygamy and certainly Mrs. White did. Nor would we have been impressed whatever if an early Mormon had sought to overthrow our position by asking: "Shall we choose Mrs. White or God's Word?" And so I might go on.

F. D. N.

(Concluded next week)

## "Who Daily Loadeth Us With Benefits"

By K. H. Emerson

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THESE two experiences from the Caribbean Union prove once again the psalmist's words: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits."

Wilfred Flemming, of Anguilla, West Indies, writes:

"When I accepted this blessed message I found it very difficult to work and have my Sabbath privileges. Finally I decided to build a boat and trade between the islands of Anguilla and St. Martin. Other men were doing this on Wednesdays and Saturdays. I set my days for trade on Tuesdays and Fridays. People thought I was crazy, but I prayed daily and promised the Lord a faithful tithe and offerings if He would bless me. God answered my prayers. My boat business was a tremendous success. Other traders changed their days to Tuesdays and Fridays also when they observed how I prospered on those days."

From St. Thomas, Christian Vivanz relates the following experience:

"On the evening of April 22, 1963,

on returning home from work, I noticed that a window of my room was broken. On entering, to my amazement I found that the bag in which I keep my hymnal, Bible, and tithe receipts was open, and the books and receipts were scattered on the floor. Every secret place in the house had been searched. Shelves had been ransacked, and my suitcase had been ripped open with a kitchen knife. My clothing had been rummaged and thrown everywhere. The thief had turned out the pockets of my clothing. But the one hundred dollars that remained after I had paid my tithe and offerings the previous Sabbath was still where I had placed it, in one of my shirt pockets. I believe the Lord protected this money and prevented the thief from taking any of my valuable belongings because I have been faithful to Him in tithes and offerings."

Surely the Lord "daily loadeth us with benefits," both spiritually and materially, if we are faithful in our tithes and offerings.

**T**HE next day Ajun returned to Kabatasan. There he found three families who had bravely decided to forsake devil worship and accept Ajun's God. Among these were Ajun's guide and his wife. The others were much interested, but waited to see what evil might befall these three families. If no evil or sickness overtook them, they too would become Christians. They did not want Ajun to leave, but he promised to return the following weekend to help them remove their idols and devil-worship fetishes.

On his third trip Ajun was accompanied by two young pastor-teachers, Tommy Golotoh, from Marabau, and Lausin Bangkuai, from Tambarulan. No harm had befallen the three families who bravely had decided the week before to become Christians, and now many others were interested. At the request of the people themselves, the new pastor-teachers began removing the devil charms and objects of worship.

On November 7 Pastor Mandatang Gaban and we made a trip to the Marudu Bay area, including the Bengkoka Peninsula.

Early Wednesday morning we set out in the old 20-foot boat belonging to Madawai Godohau, the Bible instructor at Nangka. Halfway across the bay the wind came up and the swells increased in size. We were happy as the peninsula gradually came closer. Ahead there were rolling breakers as far as the eye could see. Pastor Gaban, who had made the trip twice before, warned us that the mouth of the river, for which we were heading, was very dangerous! Suddenly our boat struck sand, and we had to get out in order to push it into deeper water. We passed safely through the breakers and were on our way up river.

#### Conversion of These Families

At the village we met the three families who are already studying to become Seventh-day Adventists, and that afternoon held a meeting in the second longhouse. It is amazing how these people learn to sing the gospel hymns Ajun has taught them during his brief visits. They love to sing and memorize the words.

That evening we conducted a special meeting in the first longhouse at Kabatasan, and the people from the second longhouse came the mile distance at night through the slushy mud, over narrow, slippery mud ridges, through paddy fields and jungle. Pastor Gaban was in charge. Afterward a little clinic was held. The people were most appreciative. They suffer much from malaria, dysentery, diarrhea, and worms.



The young man holding his son served as Ajun's guide. He has indicated his desire to become a Seventh-day Adventist.

The village chief and a group of his fellow Rungus tribespeople crowded into the little bamboo shelter where we were resting for the night. We were to leave at four o'clock the following morning, in order to reach the sea before strong winds would make it impossible to pass through the rough breakers. "How can you leave us?" the chief implored. "We have no one to lead us. We have given up our devil worship. We want to learn about the true God. We need you to lead us! How can you leave us all alone?"

As he stood silently awaiting our answer, thoughts of the mission budget, already stretched to the breaking point, flashed through my mind. Yet, how could we leave them without help? That very afternoon we had accompanied a group of eager Rungus people from the longhouse to inspect a fine site above the river for a church!

We thought, also, of the pleas of other village chiefs in other parts of this same unentered Bengkoka Peninsula. One village chief told Pastor Gaban, "We want the Adventists. We're going to wait for you." They have been waiting for three years. Another denomination has entered the peninsula from the east and is rapidly expanding toward this side.

Our best answer to the chief was, "We will see what we can do as soon as possible."

It was already late, yet others kept coming up the ladder to our little shelter. So eager were they to hear more about the powerful Book. So many questions to ask! Pastor Gaban, speaking the Kadazan language the Rungus understand, was busy answering questions until midnight.

#### The Return Journey

As our little boat left Kabatasan and headed downriver to the sea the sky was threatening. But the full moon came through the haze, shining with velvety softness on the mirrorlike waters of the river. The jungle was alive with insects, and here and there a lone owl hooted. Tall coconut palms and other jungle trees were reflected on either side of the river. Soon the sky turned red and gold, heralding a new day. To our dismay, when we reached the sea two hours later high waves and foaming white breakers crashing far out met our sight, and ominous black clouds covered the sky.

Noticing a place without breakers, we decided to follow the mouth of the river out to sea. Rolling breakers broke on either side of this passage-way, and the sea became very rough.

The little engine kept up a reassuring chug, but a mile out to sea we

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**Part 2**

By Andrew and Hazel Peters



knew we could never make it. The sea was wild. A big roller was coming toward us. As far as the eye could see, the water was a heaving mass. Quickly we decided to try to turn around as soon as possible and get to shore, to await calmer seas. But Ajun, concern written all over his face, called out, "I can't turn around! It's very dangerous!" But he slowed the engine down, and as soon as he saw his first chance he swung the boat around before we should be hit broadside by the next big wave. We turned safely, and the little boat rocked and climbed up and down with the crest of the waves. Safely past the sand bar and onto the shore, we thanked the Lord for getting us back safely.

### Safely Across the Bar

Two hours later a Bajau fisherman stopped by in his boat and told us: "Now is the time to cross to Kudat. The wind has gone down some; you will find it rough on this side, but it will be better farther out. It will get worse again later in the day, and you cannot leave at all. You must go now." The Bajaus are respected for their knowledge of the sea and their ability as sailors.

We thanked our friend for his advice, but a glance at the rolling breakers made us wonder whether we dared follow it. He pointed out the safest passage, and we set out without further loss of time. It was rough, and we sat on the floor of the boat, the waterline only about twelve inches from the gunwales. Ahead lay the restless sea—more than 17 miles of it.

As our minds moved restlessly with the sea the words kept coming back, "How can you leave us? We have now given up our devil worship. We want to learn about the true God. We need you to lead us! How can you leave us alone?"

Safe at last at Kudat! But our minds were troubled like the troubled sea we had left behind. What could we do to answer this Macedonian cry from Bengkoka?

We took Ajun back to the junction to his village, but before parting we talked things over together. We agreed that he should return to Bengkoka. The Lord had spoken, and now it was time to step forward in faith. We were determined that the heathen in Bengkoka would not have to wait longer. Brother Gaban and we got together enough money to meet Ajun's expenses for three weeks—U.S.\$35—and sent him back.

Ajun is in Bengkoka now, in the village of Kabatasan. The cry from Bengkoka is being answered. Jesus died to save these people. We are confident that He will open the way for Ajun to keep on working there.

## Middle East Correspondence

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The Seventh-day Adventist Church is now doing an appreciable work among the 1.7 million inhabitants of Jordan. We have acquired a suitable property in the center of Jerusalem, and an extensive program of expansion is planned. Approval has been given for a physiotherapy clinic. The director of this enterprise will arrive before many weeks pass.

Our largest work in Jordan is located at Amman, the capital. There we have an acceptable church property, a school, and other necessary facilities. The center provides a good public hall in addition to the church sanctuary. In March, 1965, the first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking to be organized in the Middle East Division was held in Amman. The new, spacious auditorium of the Amman Adventist girls' school was packed with participants day after day. The two daily newspapers took note of the experiment and reported it graphically. *Ali-Jihad*, semi-official organ of the Jordan Government, wrote: "The church's sponsoring this plan is a part of its contribution to the physical fitness of the Jordan nation at a time when clear minds and healthy citizens are needed." Never before in the Middle East has our church been the recipient of such glowing public acclaim.

Other activities are meeting with success also. The summer training camp for youth had a particular spiritual ring and was most encouraging. Introduced for the first time was a plan to give each camper a new Bible, with his name written on it. One or two periods daily were devoted to an adaptation of the Bible Marking Plan. At the end of the camp, each camper returned home with a new Bible marked with 25 studies on our basic doctrines. What better gift could have been given these boys and girls? Twenty-seven attended the baptismal class, three of whom were baptized at the close.

### Morning Prayer

By SARAH JANE KING

Lord, in this early morning hour,  
Reach down and grasp my hand,  
Impart to me Thy mighty power,  
So I can bravely stand.

Give me strength to meet the day  
With all its care and strife.  
Walk by my side and point the way  
To everlasting life.

A year ago (Christmas Day, 1964), Hubert S. Goodlett of Los Angeles, California, sent \$100 to Jordania for gift literature. He had toured the Holy Land. When he read in the *REVIEW AND HERALD* an announcement about the new Arabic edition of *The Desire of Ages*, he thought of the manager of the El Aourdon Hotel in Amman, Jordan, and of others who had been kind to him on his trip. With his gift he sent the names and addresses of his new-found friends, and each received copies of our various books.

Evangelistic study groups pursue the search for truth, and baptisms are taking place. Our largest church group meets at Amman—some 100 Seventh-day Adventists and friends.

A fitting conclusion to our itinerary here was a moonlight visit to Gordon's Garden Tomb for thought and meditation. There the story of salvation moves into redeeming focus. Isaiah's song for our day breaks upon the silence, "We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks. Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in" (Isa. 26:1, 2). Then the psalmist's words become ours, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem. . . . Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. . . . For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within thee. Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good" (Psalm 122).

We shall not soon forget the fine people and the courageous leaders in the Holy Land. Though most rewarding, the task here is not an easy one. With the construction of two new centers the future looks bright. This message from the Master of the harvest field comes to encourage these dear people and our believers around the world: "He bade them be brave and strong; for One mightier than angels would be in their ranks,—the General of the armies of heaven. He made full provision for the prosecution of their work, and took upon Himself the responsibility of its success."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 29.

Together let us dedicate our strength to the finishing of God's work. It will not be finished anywhere until it is finished everywhere, including Jerusalem and beautiful Jordan.

W. R. BEACH

## A Pony for Merry Beth

By Elizabeth Spalding McFadden

COME, Merry Beth!" shouted Fred. "Come and see what is out in the yard!" Merry Beth quickly dropped Baby Lucille into her bed and ran out to see.

"Where, Fred? What is it?" she called as she ran.

"Over here. Around the corner of the house. You'll be surprised!"

Merry Beth rounded the corner, and there in the driveway stood the prettiest little brown pony she had ever seen. There was only one white spot on her, and that was right on her nose. All Merry Beth could say was "Oh, Fred! Is it ours?"

"It surely is, and look down there—that belongs to our pony too." He pointed toward a little buggy with two seats, back to back. Merry Beth was so excited she jumped up and down, shouting, "Where did we get it? Where did we get it?"

"Daddy just brought it home. Do you know what it's for?"

"Why, to ride, of course. Aren't all ponies to ride?"

"Yes, but more than that."

"Well, what, then?"

"It's for Jenny and Ron and me to get to school in, that's what." Fred's satisfied smile told his little sister how pleased he was.

"But can't I ride it too? Can't I go to school?" Merry Beth asked, disappointed.

"Of course you can ride it too, but you are too young to go to school."

"I'm almost six," Merry Beth reminded him.

"Yes, but you know mother never sends us to school until we are older than that. She will teach you to read and add when you are old enough."

"But I want to go to school," wailed Merry Beth. "I'm going to go and ask mother."

"Don't worry about that now, Merry Beth," consoled her brother. "Come! You can have the first ride on Nellie's bare back."

"Is that her name? Nellie?"

"Yes, father said the folks who owned her named her Nellie, and she knows her name, see?" He whistled, then called softly, "Nellie. Come here, Nellie."

In Fred's hand was a raw carrot he had just recently pulled from the garden behind him. Holding it out to the pony, he coaxed her slowly toward him. She nibbled at the carrot, then took the whole thing from Fred's outstretched hand. Fred patted her as she ate it. Then he took hold of the reins which hung loosely from her bridle, and pulled them back over her head.

"Nice Nellie," he kept saying as he patted her. "Come, Merry Beth. I will lift you up."



Merry Beth rounded the corner and there in the driveway stood the prettiest little brown pony she had ever seen.

"I don't know—are you sure she—well, won't she run away?" asked Merry Beth.

"No, she is very gentle, and I'll keep hold of her bridle and lead her around the yard. Come on." Fred sounded so reassuring. After all, he was 12 years old, and he should know how to control a pony! So Merry Beth let Fred lift her onto Nellie's back. The pony did not even flinch. Fred began to lead her around the yard slowly, while Merry Beth clung to her mane.

After a few minutes Merry Beth cried in glee, "Oh, this is fun! I love Nellie. She is so gentle, Fred."

"Yes, she is a nice pony, and we will have fun with her. But the most important thing is that we will have a way to get to school when it begins next week," said Fred. He lifted Merry Beth down from Nellie's back; then he took a few turns around the yard on Nellie's back himself. When he returned to the shade of the tree under which his little sister stood he said, "Do you know what I'm going to do?"

"No, what?"

"Next summer I'm going to buy a small plow for Nellie so she can help me plow up the garden."

"Will she do that?" asked Merry Beth, skeptically.

"I think she will," said Fred. "At least we can try her. She already knows how

to pull the buggy, so why couldn't she pull a plow, too?"

"She prob'ly could," agreed Merry Beth.

"Come, children," called mother from the front door. "Lunch is ready. Fred, put the pony in the barn, and come wash your hands, both of you."

"Mother," asked Merry Beth as she dried her hands on the towel mother handed her, "how did we get Nellie? Did we buy her?"

"Yes, but we didn't have to pay very much for her, Merry Beth," answered mother. "Remember a few weeks ago when Fred asked me how he and the older children were going to get to Madison to school?"

"Yes."

"Well, daddy and I have been praying about it ever since, and just yesterday daddy saw an ad in the paper. Last night daddy and I went to see the pony, and her owner told us that we could have her, buggy and all, for only \$25."

"That was really a miracle, wasn't it, Mother?" asked Fred. "Here we had been praying for a way to get to school, and just one week before school opens this happens."

"Yes, son, it was a miracle. But you see, God always answers our prayers when we try to do what He instructs us to do, and as you know, that's why we moved out here in the country."



# For Homemakers

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The long-expected day has come, and baby is here.

in this direction will be abundantly repaid in both the physical well-being and the moral character of her children."—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 374.

Exercise and work, within reason, are of benefit to the mother during pregnancy. Heavy work, however, is not recommended. Muscles that have been kept in good condition are better able to do their work efficiently during labor and delivery, and may actually shorten the length of labor. However, daily rest periods should be planned to minimize fatigue. Today many young women wish to work during pregnancy. They should seek counsel from their physician as to how long they may work, and what kind of work they should avoid. It is not likely that a baby is influenced by the mother's work unless she becomes so tired that she cannot eat or rest properly, or so burdened by domestic

baby of vital oxygen, with resultant damage to the nervous system. Muscles of the abdomen and pelvis can be put into shape for their work during labor by daily walks and the usual homemaking activities. Some doctors also give their patients special exercises. Body muscles that have been in training for the feat of labor carry out their work with dispatch and effectiveness.

### The Danger of Prenatal Infection

Infections, both viral and bacterial, may affect the unborn child. It has been known for many years that syphilis in the mother would infect her baby before birth. This is why there are laws requiring blood tests in the medical care of every expectant mother. We now know that other infections (especially in the early months of pregnancy) can damage the developing baby. Rubella, or three-day

## INFLUENCES on the UNBORN

By Ruth M. White, R.N., M.P.H.

**M**ATERNAL emotions are known to be a prenatal influence. Emotions such as fear and anger do affect nervous, muscular, and glandular functions in the mother's body. Studies have shown that when stress continues over a period of time during pregnancy, babies after birth seem to have more problems with regurgitation, diarrhea, and colic. This can be explained by the fact that strong emotions cause release of potent hormones into the mother's blood stream. Cortisone and adrenalin directly affect the nervous system of the infant, inasmuch as they can pass through the placental membrane, which separates the mother's blood supply from that of her infant. There also seems to be evidence that women who experience considerable anxiety and stress during pregnancy tend to have more premature babies.

For these reasons, "the mother should cultivate a cheerful, contented, happy disposition. Every effort

duties in addition that she becomes tense and worried much of the time. Each woman differs in her capacity for physical endurance, and none should compare herself with other pregnant women, but the expectant mother should discuss the matter with her doctor.

It is quite common for the expectant mother to feel a great spurt of energy a day or two before labor begins. She often decides to use this energy in house cleaning, so that everything will be spotless and in order when she goes to the hospital. She has used that renewal of strength for other things than that for which it was intended. Her body needs that energy for the work of labor. It should be saved for that purpose. The tired or exhausted mother often has a slow, ineffective labor. Strength may be present for the first hours of labor but lacking in the last hours, when it is most needed for a safe delivery.

A prolonged labor may deprive the

measles, in the mother is capable of causing deafness, eye defects, and congenital heart disease. Every mother-to-be who knows she has been exposed to this disease should immediately contact her physician for preventive treatment, if the doctor deems it necessary. Intensive research is going forward to learn about other infectious diseases that may influence the development and future health of unborn babies.

The thalidomide incident reminded us that drugs can reach the infant during the early weeks and months of pregnancy, and prevent normal development. We also know that one of the infection-fighting drugs received later in pregnancy may cause permanent discoloration of the enamel of the already forming second teeth. Every pregnant mother should avoid self-medication. If you consult a physician other than the one caring for you during your pregnancy, be sure that he knows you are pregnant.

Dr. Apgar, pediatrician and director of the division of congenital malformations for the National Foundation's March of Dimes, advises against tranquilizers and such drugs for reducing tension and adjusting the mood. Many of these may be obtained without a doctor's prescription. Discuss your problem with a physician, as he knows the safest medicines to give if you really need something.

### The Danger of Smoking

Smoking by the pregnant woman has a specific effect on the baby within the mother. It is born with a lower birth weight. Even though the baby may be considered full term by months, it must often be classed as premature because it is below five and a half pounds, the lowest safe weight for a newborn baby. Such infants have an added risk to life during the first weeks, when their bodies must adjust to the world about them and fight infections. The inhalation of tobacco poisons by the mother interferes with the circulation of blood, particularly in smaller blood vessels such as those in the uterus, which must supply the baby with food and oxygen. If these important vessels associated with the placenta are constricted, there may well be interference with the nourishment of the baby. Research is now being done to determine what other effects to the baby may occur as a result of smoking. The more cigarettes smoked, the greater the possible effects on the growth of the baby. Mothers who hope to give their unborn child the best start in life will curb their selfish desires and either avoid or break the habit of smoking.

Radiation can have a detrimental effect on the unborn child, probably more so in the early months of pregnancy, but to some extent at any time. Therefore physicians are most cautious in ordering X-rays for an expectant mother. Fortunately, X-ray machines today are required to have special filters to help keep the rays within safe limits. Good X-ray technicians use methods that keep hazards to a minimum if X-rays are necessary for diagnosis. An expectant mother should always tell her doctor and the X-ray technician that she is pregnant if she must have diagnostic X-rays early in pregnancy, so that proper precautions can be taken. Radiation from atmospheric fallout in the United States is constantly monitored by public health departments. It is not really known to what extent this kind of radiation affects the unborn child.

Another hazard to infants is that of blood incompatibility between mother and child. This can occur when they have different Rh factors, or if their ABO blood-group factors

are not compatible. This can cause anemia in the baby before he is born. It will often cause jaundice after his birth. Such babies require exchange blood transfusions during the first days of life. Since these conditions cannot always be predicted, the physician takes a blood sample early in pregnancy to get information about Rh and the blood group. If you are Rh negative he will continue taking blood samples as the pregnancy progresses, to determine any rise in the indications of incompatibility.

Diseases such as diabetes, kidney disease, and high blood pressure often interfere with the mother's health to such an extent that the infant being carried is affected. Early prenatal care is vitally important for these mothers.

These are the factors, both hereditary and within the environment and health status of the mother, that may influence the present and future health of the unborn child. It is a

wise expectant mother who sees her doctor within the first three months of pregnancy, and regularly thereafter. Studies have shown that women who receive early prenatal care have fewer complications, less prematurity, and fewer infant abnormalities.

It is also essential that all women in the childbearing years maintain good nutrition and sound health practices, in order to give the best start to the new life at the very beginning.

"Most of the evils that are bringing misery and ruin to the race might be prevented, and the power to deal with them rests to a great degree with parents. . . . Did fathers and mothers do what they might to give their children a good inheritance, and then by right management endeavor to remedy any wrong conditions of their birth, what a change for the better the world might see!"—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 380.

## Fellowship of Prayer

### Grandson Overcame Smoking and Drinking

"Three years ago I wrote you requesting prayer for our grandson, who was smoking and drinking. . . . Our prayers were answered. He gave up his drinking and smoking. Please pray that he and his brother and their parents will see the truth and be brought into the church before it is too late. We thank you for your prayers."—Mrs. M., of Colorado.

### "Thank You for Praying"

"Thank you for praying for my husband. He is now with me in the church. I am so thankful. I would like you to pray for my daughter and her family and for my husband's three brothers and one nephew. They have all been members."—Mrs. W., of British Columbia, Canada.

"In our home we have a great burden for prayer for my great-grandchild. She is sixteen. Her parents separated when she was tiny. She never knew her father. Her stepfather has been a real father to her though he isn't an Adventist. She went to church school through seven grades, but the little church school had no eighth grade, so she entered the public school. She had been baptized, but two years in a worldly school made a difference in her life. We (her mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother) were all praying daily for the Lord to work out something in her life so that she could attend one of our schools. We were hardly prepared for what happened. Her stepfather lost his job and had to sell their home and move to another town. Here there was a church school teaching ten grades. She could attend there only one year. Then her real father died of a brain hemorrhage at the age of 35. She was his sole heir. He didn't have any property, but he had social security benefits. She has enough paid to her by the month to put her in one of our academies, and last week her parents took her to our academy. The social security will be paid to her through her two years of high school and four years of college if she will stay in school. Will you help us pray that she will have a new experience in her Christian life while at the academy and that the associations will be just what she needs to draw her close to Jesus so that she will want to have a part in the Lord's work?"—Mrs. B., of Louisiana.

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.



## Fellowship in the Quest for Truth—2

Last week we took note of the four ground rules suggested by Presbyterian stated clerk Eugene Carson Blake for discussion of the proposed new "Confession of 1967"—know the facts, state an opponent's position fairly, credit him with being sincere, and remember that you both "belong to the same church and belong in it." This week we wish to comment briefly on the spirit in which a fruitful discussion of points of difference can take place within our own church.

On the great fundamental points of the Christian faith Seventh-day Adventists are in hearty agreement. On many minor points of interpretation, where the evidence may not always be altogether conclusive, there is room for differences of opinion. Discussion of differing points of view on such matters can help greatly in the discovery of truth, if it is carried on in a sincere spirit of brotherhood and with a purpose to apprehend truth and not to prove one's own view right and the other wrong.

Complete unanimity of opinion on every detail of Biblical exegesis and prophetic interpretation is not necessarily evidence of a healthy spiritual condition in the church. "The fact that there is no controversy or agitation among God's people, should not be regarded as conclusive evidence that they are holding fast to sound doctrine," writes God's messenger to the remnant church. "There is reason to fear that they may not be clearly discriminating between truth and error. When no new questions are started by investigation of the Scriptures, when no difference of opinion arises which will set men to searching the Bible for themselves, to make sure that they have the truth, there will be many now, as in ancient times, who will hold to tradition, and worship they know not what."—*Counsels to Writers and Editors*, p. 39.

On the other hand, we should avoid controversy and conflict that tend to generate more heat than light. The law of brotherly love always takes precedence over the discussion of moot points of interpretation, and where the opposite is true, discussion should be suspended until it is possible to proceed in the right spirit. "There is to be closed every door that will lead to points of difference and debate among brethren."—*Ibid.*, p. 82.

### "Let All Contention Cease"

It is never right to make differences of opinion on moot points prominent, nor to press one's private views upon others. Once when certain brethren were debating "the daily" of Daniel 8:11-13 Sister White wrote: "While the present condition of difference of opinion regarding this subject exists let it not be made prominent. Let all contention cease. At such a time silence is eloquence." "Let us not agitate questions that will reveal a marked difference of opinion."—*Selected Messages*, vol. 1, pp. 168, 167.

At another time, amid heated discussion about the king of the north in Daniel 11, James White "had some ideas on some points differing from the views taken by his brethren." Sister White later wrote of

being "shown that however true his views were, God did not call for him to put them in front before his brethren and create differences of opinion. While he might hold these views subordinate himself, once [they are] made public, minds would seize [upon them], and just because others believe differently would make these differences the whole burden of the message, and get up contention and variance."—*Counsels to Writers and Editors*, p. 75.

Men of mature, balanced judgment should be able to discuss points of difference in a calm, if earnest, spirit. Inability to do so is a symptom of emotional immaturity. Let us discuss our differences of opinion as responsible, mature Christians.

(Concluded)

R. F. C.

## Fill Up the "Waiting" Spaces

A survey by students at the University of Wisconsin showed that a man who lives the Biblical "threescore years and ten" spends about twenty years sleeping, five years shaving and dressing, a year talking on the telephone, seven years in amusements, seven years in sports and walking, and three years waiting.

An author with a great dislike for the last item—"waiting"—wrote an article in the *Christian Herald*, entitled, "Wanted: Clock Watchers." He began: "I am fed up with wasting my time waiting around for people who make a specialty of being tardy." The author waxed eloquent as he discussed the importance of punctuality, then he made a point that all of us should remember: "An habitually tardy person steals your time and mine." One of the ancients put it this way: "A man who has taken your time recognizes no debt, yet it is the only debt he can never repay."

### Utilize the Time

Perhaps it is unrealistic to expect that we shall never be kept waiting, so let us make the best of the situation, and utilize the time. Ellen G. White suggests: "A few moments here and a few there, that might be frittered away in aimless talk; the morning hours so often wasted in bed; the time spent in traveling on trams or railway cars, or waiting at the station; the moments of waiting for meals, waiting for those who are tardy in keeping an appointment—if a book were kept at hand, and these fragments of time were improved in study, reading, or careful thought, what might not be accomplished."—*Christ's Object Lessons*, pp. 343, 344.

Yes, "what might not be accomplished." People who seldom read a book might be able to read at least one a month. People who owe letters might be able to catch up on their correspondence. People who are losing their foreign language might recapture it by reviewing their flash cards. People who are "too busy" to do serious Bible study might memorize at least one verse each week.

One writer put it this way: "The real secret of how to use time is to pack it as you would your luggage, filling up the small spaces with small things." In the course of a long life, small "waiting" periods can hold big blessings for mind and soul.

K. H. W.

# Reports From Far and Near

By O. A. Blake  
*Undertreasurer, General Conference*



Australasian Division executive committee and overseas representatives. Front row, left to right: W. E. Zeunert, E. J. Johanson, O. A. Blake (undertreasurer, General Conference), L. C. Naden, H. E. Rice (associate secretary, General Conference Medical Department), R. R. Frame, J. K. Irvine. Second row: R. H. Adair, A. R. Mitchell, O. D. F. McCutcheon, J. B. Keith, R. W. Taylor, D. Sibley, W. L. Kilroy, W. E. Rudge. Third row: R. E. Pengilly, A. H. Forbes, W. J. Richards, E. E. White, L. J. Stace, G. Burnside, W. E. Batty, H. White, B. O. Johanson. Fourth row: E. A. White, F. T. Maberly, H. F. Rampton, T. C. Lawson, R. M. Kranz, R. A. Vince, S. A. Kotz, K. S. Parmenter, E. H. J. Steed, P. Hanley. Absent from picture: E. G. McDowell.

## **Australasian Division Annual Council**

With committee members present from all parts of the far-flung Australasian Division territory, the division annual council began November 22 in the spacious division headquarters building in Wahroonga, New South Wales. The president of the division, L. C. Naden, rendered his report at the first meeting. He said, in part:

"A few months ago, while on the island of Bougainville, I was approached by an influential national, an ex-catechist of the Catholic mission. This man was sent by the Catholic Church to Sydney to train for the ministry. Recently, he and his followers, numbering some thousands, left the church, and many of his devotees have returned to heathenism. As we talked together I gave him the prophetic outline of Revelation, and concluded with the picture of the remnant church triumphant over her enemies, safe home in the gloryland. He then declared, 'I want to be on the winning side.' So do we all. I am sure that the way is open for us to reap a great harvest in this particular area someday soon."

Elder Naden emphasized repeatedly the numerous signs of the soon coming of our Lord.

The It Is Written program is a tremendous witness wherever televised. J. B. Keith, president of the Trans-Commonwealth Union, reported that one day he was visiting in the area where the It Is Written program was being televised. He knocked at a door and introduced himself as being connected with the It Is Written program. The man said, "Come in. Anyone connected with that program is a friend of mine."

The work in the three union missions is going forward as never before. Today the combined membership in the islands exceeds that of the two home field un-

Adventist school children and teachers on island of Ambrym, New Hebrides, Central Pacific Union Mission. Their appearance gives evidence of the transforming power of the gospel.





Fulton Missionary College, Fiji, Central Pacific Union Mission. Young people from many language groups come here to gain an education.



Betikama schoolgirls learn to make their own dresses as part of their education in the Bismark-Solomons Union Mission.



Native teacher uses gramophone to preach the gospel among the Fore tribe of New Guinea in the Coral Sea Union Mission. Note primitive weapons and nose ornaments.

ions. As the mission work expands, it places greater financial burdens upon the home base.

The division president said further: "In some areas of New Guinea we notice unprecedented advance. In the primitive Lake Kapiago territory, entered by plane approximately 18 months ago, Missionary Len Bernard expects approximately 100 baptisms by the end of the year, and almost 1,000 are now in baptismal classes in his field. Did we not know that the Lord is with us, we would be weighed down with the problems that face us in the islands. These situations have arisen in the main through unprecedented advance. It is heartbreaking to have people in their great need pleading for ministers, teachers, and schools, and not be able to help them."

The division secretary, R. R. Frame, reported that 4,646 were added to the church in 1964 by baptism and profession of faith. The total accessions from 1962-1964, the first three years of the quadrennium, totaled 15,159. The church membership as of 1964 has now reached 70,837. The Australasian Division leads the world field in ratio of church members to population, the present figure being one Seventh-day Adventist for every 232. The division secretary stated:

"Thursday, November 25, marks the diamond jubilee of the arrival of the missionary vessel *Pitcairn* in the South Seas. She dropped anchor at Pitcairn Island on that date in 1890. We praise God for the developments in mission field activity since those early days. The brave pioneers laid strong foundations, and we honor their work. If those men and women had the privilege of visiting in the South Seas today, they would find more than 80,000 worshipers in Sabbath school from week to week, from Pitcairn to Papua."

#### Reports of Division Departments Reveal Progress

Reports of the various division departments were encouraging, indicating that the work in all lines is going forward.

The division treasurer, E. J. Johanson, has reported total offerings for 1964 of A\$435,152 and pointed out that a 10.1 per cent increase in tithe is the highest proportionate increase since 1959.

The reports of the three union mission presidents were most encouraging. However, the tasks that confront them are staggering. Continually, native chiefs approach our leaders and plead for teachers to come to their villages. Recently, as one of the mission boats pulled up alongside an improvised pier on an island, the chief of the village moved forward and said, "Why have you been so long in coming? We wanted a Seventh-day Adventist teacher, but now a teacher is here from another mission society. If you will send a teacher to a nearby island we will move to the place where the Seventh-day teacher settles."

In the island unions the territories are beyond comprehension. The Central Pacific Union Mission alone has 10 million square miles of water and land.

The last report presented to the council was that of the budget committee. All

listened intently as the figures were read by the division treasurer. The budget for 1966 was the largest ever for the division, amounting to A\$2,834,969. The brethren were all well pleased and happy for the funds voted for their fields.

H. E. Rice, associate secretary of the General Conference Medical Department, attended the division council. He had been at the division headquarters for some weeks giving valuable help in the building program of the Sydney Sanitarium.

It was a pleasure to attend this division council. The work is progressing and all are of good courage.

## Better Living Institute in Korea

By Ralph F. Waddell, M.D.  
Medical Secretary  
Far Eastern Division

Harvesttime is not only working time for our people in Korea, it is learning time, as well. The medical department of the Korean Union Mission, under the direction of Dr. Clarence Lee and assisted by Mrs. Grace Kim, conducted a Better Living Institute in the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital recreation hall, September 19-23. Representatives of our many churches in Korea—including ministers, teachers, Bible workers, field nurses, and a large number of enthusiastic laymen—joined the class of 150 health-conscious students determined to learn the art of medical ministry as appropriate at village levels.

Dr. Lee reports that an intensive course consisting of 24 hours of classroom work besides bedside demonstrations and practice periods were crowded into five days. Students were instructed in anatomy and physiology so as better to understand body structure and function; the cause, prevention, and treatment of disease; home nursing; baby care; midwifery; healthful cookery; and homemaking. Devotional studies were oriented to the relationship between health and spiritual growth and vigor.

On the closing night of the institute 125 students were given diplomas, signifying their success in mastering the subject matter presented. C. A. Williams, president of the Korean Union Mission, and Dr. Clarence Lee welcomed them as



Dr. Clarence Lee, medical secretary of the Korean Union Mission, addressing the Better Living Institute, held in Seoul, Korea, September 19-23. Seated, left, R. S. Lee, president of the Central Korean Mission; right, S. S. Pak, president of the Middle East Korean Mission.



## Church Leaders' Council in Southwest

The Southwestern Union Conference administrative and departmental leaders met in council from November 8 to 11, in Hot Springs, Arkansas. This was the second annual council of church leaders to plan thoroughly the Adventist program in the Southwest for the ensuing year.

The council was under the direction of L. C. Evans, union president, and K. C. Beem, treasurer, with the assistance of the union departmental secretaries.

J. N. MORGAN, Departmental Secretary  
Southwestern Union Conference

graduates into a life of dedicated service for God and community.

Preventive medicine and health education are prominent features of the church's activities in Korea. Dr. Clarence Lee is giving dynamic leadership to combining Christlike work for the body with Christlike work for the soul. Teams of health workers make frequent trips into the villages and to offshore islands, bringing healing and courage through the story of Jesus' love, to hapless thousands.

The Korean Union Mission and the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital have pooled their resources to evangelize the ancient land of Chosen by means of a combined ministry according to the well-defined mandate given through the servant of the Lord. This concept is resulting in a tremendous harvest of souls that parallels the success of the church in apostolic times.

## Valiant Layman of Ecuador

By Nathan Merkle, President  
Ecuador Mission

The deadly coral snake was easily identified by its prominent orange, yellow, and black stripes. The bright headlights of the truck confused it, and the serpent paused in its journey across the roadway. With an easy movement of the steering wheel the driver directed the wheels of the vehicle toward the venomous creature. The truck's load of green bananas provided sufficient weight to crush out its life. I glanced at the driver and detected a look of satisfaction on his face. There would be one less danger now for the workmen in the banana plantations that bordered the roadway.

It had been a Sabbath of many blessings. The isolated group in Empalme, on the tropical coast of Ecuador, expressed their gratitude for the visit as I wished them God's blessing and boarded the banana transport that had stopped to give me a ride to the next village in my itinerary.

My mind went back to the viper—dangerous, at times deadly, but subject to conquest. Satan, the serpent, also can be overcome. In a conversation that very afternoon Yolando Quinto, faithful member of the Empalme group, had given evidence of the ability of man, through Christ, to overcome the enemy.

With his two sons, who are not yet members of the church, and two members Brother Quinto traveled to the neighboring province to spend several



weeks in the rice and coffee harvest. Near the village of Pedro Pablo Gómez the five found work in the hacienda of Pablo Guaranda and were provided with lodging in a separate building. Brother Quinto made it clear to Señor Guaranda that they would not be able to work on Sabbath and that they would prefer a plain fare at mealtime. He told Señor Guaranda that they did not eat pork or drink coffee.

After a day or two Señor Guaranda's granddaughter, Yola, brought in a platter of pork for the workmen's dinner. "Please be so kind as to return this dish to the kitchen," said Brother Quinto. "We'll not be eating it."

"Why?" asked the girl. "It's some of the best pork grandfather has ever gotten."

"We don't eat pork," was the answer.

"But why?" she insisted. The matter was dropped, and the platter was carried to the kitchen when Brother Quinto offered to explain later.

That evening when the work had ended, Yola asked Brother Quinto for the reason. Finding his Bible, he read sections from the Pentateuch and the Epistles and carefully explained the difference between clean and unclean meats. "I must tell grandfather," said the teenager, "for I'm sure he doesn't know about this." The following morning before they all went to the fields Señor Guaranda was heard instructing the market boy that he was not to bring any more pork for the cook.

Ramón Solórzano, Yola's father, was not so happy about this change in the hacienda diet. He resented it even more when he learned that his father-in-law had given permission to the workmen to have their Sabbath free. Ramón worked about the main buildings that first Sabbath morning. He heard the men singing hymns in their private Sabbath school meeting. The Adventist workmen were soon to learn of Ramón's anger.

Following supper that evening all were gathered in the main house talking about the work for the following day. When the conversation slacked Ramón, who had been sitting sullenly to one side, suddenly arose and left the room. In a moment he returned with a bottle of cane whisky. Pretending a jovial mood and pouring into a glass, he announced, "We're all going to take a little drink now. Señor Yolandito Quinto, you be the first."

"Thanks, but I don't drink alcohol," was the startled but polite response.

"But *tonight* we're *all* going to drink, aren't we!" said Ramón as he looked about the room for some support. Then in bitter tones he snarled, "Even you Saturday-worshipping heretics that are trying to change our customs are going to drink tonight."

Brother Quinto is a very unassuming and humble man. He is small of stature, and his face portrays what some may interpret as timidity. To take the glass and drink the small amount of alcohol would save him embarrassment, but this cowardly thought was quickly dismissed from

his mind. Resolved to accept whatever the consequence, he firmly but kindly replied, "No, thank you, Ramón. I do not drink." The offered glass remained unaccepted.

Ramón's anger was evident. He again looked about the room hoping that someone would support him in his proposal. Just then Antonio, Brother Quinto's son, spoke up. "Why don't you leave my father alone? He doesn't drink."

Still looking about the room, Ramón noted that there was an air of disapproval to his proposal. Clumsily lifting the glass he announced, "Then I'll drink it for you."

#### Ramón Watches Brother Quinto

During the following days Ramón's attention was especially fixed on Brother Quinto. All well knew that in that province injustices were often passed by because of the lack of law enforcement. Murderers had a way of evading arrest and imprisonment. Fearing that Ramón might seek an opportunity to take his life, Brother Quinto always stayed within sight of some of his brothers in the faith.

On the following Sabbath Ramón was again around the hacienda buildings. Brother Quinto earnestly prayed for him in the Sabbath school. The hymns were now sung in low tones. Another week passed, and a third Sabbath came. Then the principal harvest was over. On the following Wednesday the group of five planned to leave.

On Tuesday evening Señor Guaranda paid the men, and they went to their cabin to retire. Hardly had they entered when Ramón approached the building and called Brother Quinto to come outside. Hesitant to do so, Brother Quinto called back asking what he wanted. "I want to talk to you alone," was the response.

Stepping outside, he approached Ramón, who was waiting a few yards away, his arm extended for a handshake. Brother Quinto accepted but somewhat hesitatingly and at a prudent distance. Claspng Brother Quinto's hand tightly, Ramón stepped up close to him. Ramón was trembling, but he had not been drinking.

With evidence that it was a new experience for him, Ramón began to stumble through an apology. "I'm sorry," he said, "for having tried to oblige you to drink that night and I'm sorry for having spoken against you as a heretic. I have been watching you and I can see that you are a true Christian. I only wish," he added, "that you had sung those religious songs louder on those two last Sabbaths so I could have heard them better. Can you copy some of the words of those songs for me before you go tomorrow?"

Faithful laymen such as these are crushing the deadly serpent of prejudice and intolerance by their valiant, consistent testimony. But a follow-up work must be done in the many waiting villages and rural areas. The serpent of sin can be fully overcome only as these interested ones are brought all the way to the Saviour. Can we not all have a share in quickly finishing this task by our prayers and offerings?



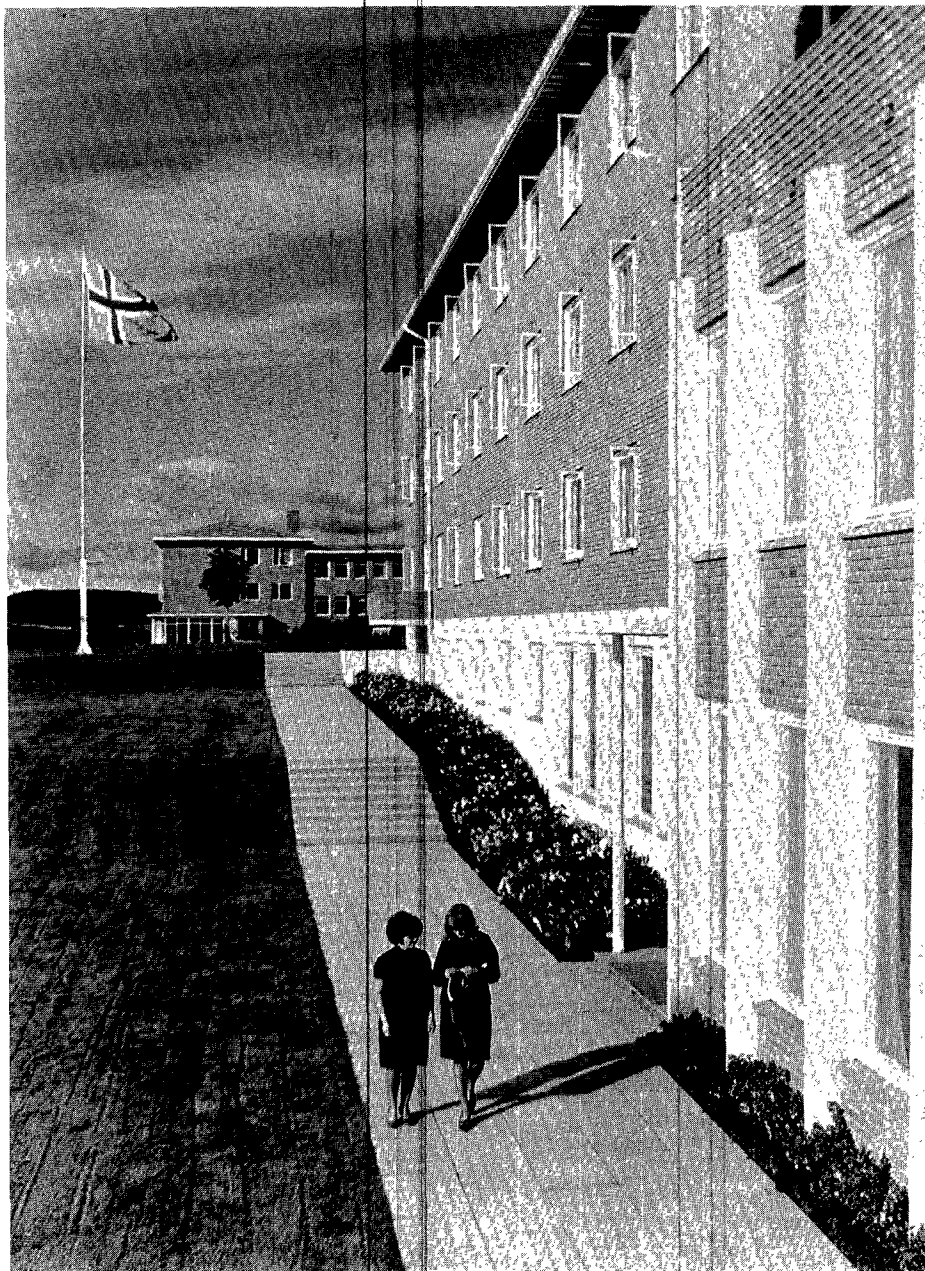
### Academy ASB Officers' Workshop in New York

Under the direction of LeRoy Taylor and Leon Davis, MV secretaries of the Greater New York and Northeastern conferences, respectively, an academy Associated Student Body officers' workshop was held October 22 to 24 at Camp Berkshire, Wingdale, New York. Present were Associated Student Body officers of Northeastern and Greater New York academies and Pearl River Junction Academy.

Plans were made to increase the spiritual impact of the student body upon the community and to raise the level of student participation in personal evangelism on campus.

The weekend program included a consecration service Friday evening, church service Sabbath morning, plans for personal evangelism Sabbath afternoon, a presentation on speech principles by Mrs. Retha Tapper, and a recreational program in the evening. On Sunday morning Leon Davis graphically illustrated the calling and choices of Moses as related to our day. The final presentation was a challenge to the ASB officers to do their part in the total school program.

C. WAYNE GRIFFITH, Youth Activities Director  
Atlantic Union Conference



Situated on the shores of Lake Tyrifjord, Norwegian junior college is now one of the newest and most up to date of our denominational colleges in Europe. In foreground: New young men's dormitory. In the distance: Part of the young women's dormitory.

## Norway Junior College Featured on TV

By Alf Lohne, *President*  
*West Nordic Union*

Tyrifjord Høyere Skole, our junior college in Norway, is one of the newest and most modern SDA educational institutions in Europe. Recently it opened its new dormitory, which provides much-needed accommodations for 104 students in double rooms. It also contains three apartments and four classrooms. Formerly many of the students were quartered in the basements of other buildings, in the bakery, and in farm homes surrounding the college. Now all can live at the college in its two dormitories.

The new dormitory was originally planned as a home for the young women. But so many young men have enrolled that this building, which is the largest on the campus, was assigned to the men.

We invited the state-controlled, state-monopolized television station to televise the dedication proceedings. The program director refused at first, but when he heard of the many unusual aspects of an SDA-operated educational institution he sent a team of four men to cover not merely the dedication but the college as a whole.

One thing that impressed the reporters and was given prominence in the telecast was the fact that all students have to do physical work one and a half hours per day as part of the school program. The telecast showed students at work on the farm, in the kitchen, in the school home, et cetera.

Another feature of interest was the vegetarian diet at the college. Interviews with students in the dining room while the food was being served were telecast to hundreds of thousands of viewers all over the country. The program was released at eight o'clock in the evening, when the audience is largest.

As a large part of the building program has been financed by appropriations from the Northern European Division and thousands of small gifts from individual believers, this was explained in the program. It was set forth clearly that our believers sacrifice for the educational work because we have a definite program and a strong faith in the youth.

There is no doubt that our special principles—especially that of compulsory physical work for the students—appealed to many. The next day quite a few viewers of the TV program telephoned, wrote, and visited us in person, hoping to get their children into our college as students. Since all the youth can receive free training in state schools, it is interesting that the parents are willing to pay in order to have their young people come to ours. As the college is full, we could only advise inquirers to put their names on the list for next school year.

The college now has 230 students from all parts of Norway, with a sprinkling of representatives from a few other countries including the United States. Every year a fine group of students is baptized. Ingathering this year broke all former records. Students and teachers collected in three days the large sum of Nkr. 140,000 (U.S.\$20,000). Practically all the students took part in the campaign.

At the dedication Dr. B. B. Beach, educational secretary of the Northern European Division, gave the main address. Others who took part included the principal, J. Reichelt, the conference presidents, Paul Frivold, Alfred Lie, J. H. Wollan, Editor Karl Abrahamsen, Union Secretary Trygve Aasheim, the writer, and public representatives from state and local educational authorities.

## Evangelism in the Davao Mission

By A. A. Villarin, *President*

One of the outstanding achievements on the east coast of Davao Mission the past five months was a short evangelistic effort conducted in Baganga. This important commercial center faces the great Pacific Ocean, and to us represents a vast unentered area. For a number of years we have had our eyes on this part of our field, and even though a lack of men and means has hindered evangelism in this area, we have been happy to see how the Lord has gone before us and prepared the way.

Baganga is a Catholic town, and even a few months ago a strong anti-Protestant feeling prevailed here. This town has a thriving logging business, with six lumber companies in operation at present. Baganga thus serves as a hub with spokes, or roads, leading to the many villages nearby. It is a strategic center from which our message could be sent to the hundreds who live in the hills, valleys, and along the shores of the Pacific.

Last January the mission committee sent Brother Levi Tabo to the east coast to fill the town of Baganga with our publications. In his friendly way Brother Tabo gained the confidence of almost every



The first baptism at Baganga, Davao, Philippine Islands. Thirty-three candidates were immersed in the Pacific Ocean. The officiating ministers were A. A. Villarín and J. A. Corpus, president and Sabbath school secretary, respectively, of Davao Mission.

businessman in town. He began his short campaign last February with an intensive follow-up. People became aware of the unsatisfied longing in their hearts for something better than the meaningless forms and ceremonies to which they were accustomed.

Recently Brother Tabo requested me to visit Baganga to baptize a number of candidates. A little later Pastor Jose Corpus and I baptized 33 of these. They were the direct result of Brother Tabo's effort. Another 30 are being prepared for baptism.

Our work is growing along the east coast, and the mission committee is sending Brother Mike Damayo, an intern, to help Brother Tabo. Both will be conducting three short evangelistic efforts in one town and two large barrios until early in 1966. We solicit your fervent prayers for our work.

## Condensed News

### Waddell-Obregon Team Conducts Five-Day Plan in Cebu

As a public service feature under the auspices of the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital in Cebu City, Philippines, from August 29 to September 2, 1965, Dr. Ralph F. Waddell, with J. R. Obregon, secretary of the temperance department of the Central Philippine Union Mission, conducted at the Physicians' Club in Cebu City, the first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking.

People from all walks of life, numbering close to 100, attended the lectures of the physician-clergyman team on how to break away from the cigarette- and tobacco-smoking habit. The five-day seminar consisted of regular evening group therapy sessions from 7:30 to 9:00 P.M. and a daily personal control program at home or at work. Enlightening discussions were presented on such topics as "The Psychology and Physical Aspects of the Habit," "The Physical Effects of Smoking," "How Will Power Can Be Strengthened," "How Craving Can Be Lessened," and many other techniques

designed to break the habit of smoking.

Special feature films depicting the injurious effects of smoking on the human body, such as *One in 20,000*, *Time Pulls the Trigger*, and *Verdict at 1:32*, were shown.

L. L. QUIRANTE  
Public Relations Secretary  
Central Philippine Union

### Ingathering at AUC

The students and staff of Atlantic Union College, in their recent Ingathering field days, raised \$9,364.08. Vernon H. Silver, business manager of the college, and Francis F. Bush, College church pastor, coordinated the program. Participating students and faculty members were organized into 30 bands, with student leaders and assistants. Each of the top five bands raised more than \$400, with one band raising more than \$700.

The \$9,364.08 raised this year was double the goal, and \$1,500 more than was raised last year. The grand total for the college church, including the funds collected by the students of South Lancaster Academy, and the business contacts, will total more than \$12,000.

Assisting in the Ingathering program were H. W. Peterson, of the Atlantic Union Conference, and V. A. LaGrone, of the Southern New England Conference.

H. D. KINSEY

### Five-Day Plan in Manila

Fifty out of 63, or 79.3 per cent successful—this is the record of a recent Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking held in Manila, Philippines, by R. F. Waddell and P. H. Eldridge. Besides the 63, wives and male nonsmokers attended. Attendance ranged from 72 on the first night to 110 on the last night. The nonsmokers said they wanted to be "of help to the smokers in the family."

Those who attended included Dr. Basilio J. Valdes and ex-Governor Juan de G. Rodriguez, chairman and member, respectively, of the Philippine National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism. General Valdes is also Philippine Cancer Society president. Governor Rodriguez, a heavy smoker for 34 years up to 1958, has suggested that an international foundation be organized

in order to better realize the objectives of the Five-Day Plan.

The 50 who overcame had smoked an average of 17.8 years, and coincidentally had smoked an average of 17.8 cigarettes a day. The range was from two weeks to 36 years. The 13 who did not overcome had smoked an average of 24.7 years and 37 cigarettes daily. Apparently the length and degree of addiction militate against one's desire to quit.

B. G. Mary, North Philippine Union educational and temperance secretary, with the help of the writer, did the publicity.

B. B. ALSAYBAR, *Principal*  
*Philippine Union College Academy*

### Hong Kong Businessman Donates Auditorium

By D. A. Roth, *Assistant Secretary*  
*Far Eastern Division*

A Hong Kong Seventh-day Adventist businessman, Chan Shun, has provided the full construction cost of a new chapel-auditorium for the South China Union College at Clearwater Bay, Hong Kong.

Dedication services for the structure were held Sabbath, November 27, with General Conference, Far Eastern Division, and South China Island Union Mission officials in attendance. Brother Chan Shun was an honored guest.

The new building was dedicated in memory of King Huy, father of Chan Shun, chairman of the board of directors and general manager of the Crocodile Garment Company and a member of the board of directors of the college. The cost of the building was HK\$350,000 (U.S.\$61,400). The complete cost of the building, plus all furnishings, was provided by Brother Chan.

Main speaker for the dedication program was W. E. Murray, vice-president



Chan Shun, of Hong Kong, chairman of the board of the Crocodile Garment Company in Hong Kong, who provided the full cost of a new auditorium at the South China Union College.



King Huy Hall, erected in honor of the father of a Hong Kong businessman, Chan Shun. The building will be used as a chapel-auditorium for the South China Union College.

of the General Conference, who was in Hong Kong attending the biennial council of the Far Eastern Division.

A large number of persons took part in the program, including C. P. Sorensen, president of the Far Eastern Division; C. B. Miller, president of the South China Island Union Mission; Samuel Young, president of the college; E. L. Longway, field secretary of the Far Eastern Division; Tate V. Zytoskee, acting secretary of the department of education of the Far Eastern Division; L. T. Dunlop, physician of the Adventist Sanitarium-Hospital of Hong Kong; and D. W. Curry, educational secretary of the South China Island Union Mission.

#### Made of Concrete

The new building is constructed of reinforced concrete and contains 6,000 square feet of space. Facilities include a 500-seat auditorium, choir loft, choir room, baptistry, and a reception foyer. It is furnished with oak pews, a Hammond electric organ, suspended chandeliers, and stained-glass windows.

King Huy Hall will be used for religious and cultural affairs of the college. Up until the opening of the hall no place was provided for group activities at the school. The new facility will make it possible for the school to conduct many meetings there—worship services, youth meetings, concerts, vespers, rallies, and other similar types of program.

For many years Chan Shun has been appreciative of the efforts made by his father to educate members of the family. Ten years ago the father died, and during these years Brother Chan has been eager to erect a suitable memorial to his late father. He decided that the best and most practical memorial would be a building to be used in the education of other young people. He then offered to finance this new building, which is now in use at the Hong Kong school.

The chapel is the first step in a long-range development program for the school overlooking beautiful Clearwater Bay near Hong Kong.

## Temperance Activities at Southern Missionary

By James V. Scully

Southern Missionary College opened its 1965-1966 school year with the organization of a 701-member American Temperance Society Action Unit, under the enthusiastic leadership of Richard McLeod and a committee, many of whose members had served in academies before coming to Southern Missionary College. J. M. Ackerman, professor of history, is faculty sponsor.

One of the first projects sponsored by the Action Unit has been the Smokers Dial. Two message units were taped, carrying the voice of John Newbern, a student. Reports indicate that the Smokers Dial is receiving a lively response. This public service feature was publicized

Dr. James M. Ackerman (left), ATS Action Unit sponsor, and James V. Scully (third from left) of the General Conference Temperance Department, discuss the SMC Action Unit's activities with its officers.



through the columns of the Chattanooga newspapers.

Mail is being received from neighboring States as well as from Chattanooga and surrounding towns in southern Tennessee. The first letter came from Kensington, Georgia, and like many others that followed, it requested that the college conduct a Five-Day Plan in the writer's area, so that he might have the opportunity of participating.

The Action Unit plans to sponsor as many Five-Day Plan programs as possible throughout its territory. Films purchased last year by the college and the church will be used. With the cooperation of the church pastor, R. B. Thurmon, and Dr. T. C. Swinyar, the college physician, this phase of their program, along with the Smokers Dial, should help many in the community to conquer the tobacco habit.

Each year the Action Unit sponsors a Temperance Week at the college. A schedule of speakers and programs is announced for each evening of the week as well as for the two morning chapel exercises.

During this school year Temperance Week was held from November 1 to 6. Featured speakers were J. V. Scully, associate secretary of the General Conference Temperance Department, Dr. T. C. Swinyar, and Cyril F. Dean, head of the college physical education program. E. S. Reile, temperance secretary of the Southern Union Conference, spoke at the two Sabbath morning preaching services.

The Action Unit plans for various programs throughout the school year that will include such items as the drawing of posters and cartoons and the writing of jingles and essays. Speech programs will be presented in both Adventist and non-Adventist churches. High schools in the area will be visited and literature distributed.

C. N. Rees, president of Southern Missionary College, and the faculty are giving wholehearted support to the Action Unit program and its missionary aspects within the Southern Union.

## Evangelistic Results in Toledo, Ohio

By Marion Thomas

The Toledo, Ohio, First church was host to the Christ Above All evangelistic team of William Bornstein and Bruce Chittenden in a series of meetings from September 12 to October 3. As a result 80 people took their stand for Christ.

The Bornstein-Chittenden team, working with Lawrence Kagels, the Toledo church pastor, Mrs. Helen Wall, its Bible instructor, Mrs. Bornstein, and Mrs. Chittenden, followed the three weeks of evangelistic meetings with a Know Your Bible Better Week, then a week of cottage meetings to further acquaint all interested persons with every point of church teachings.

In three services 60 people were baptized. More are preparing to take this major step.

The experience of one couple who



For 17 years the William Binkerts (left) corresponded with the Harry Maces (right), endeavoring to explain to them the Advent message. Recently the Maces were baptized. Pastor L. F. Kagels stands in center.

were baptized should encourage Christ's followers to be faithful in their soul-winning efforts. Seventeen years ago Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mace lived next door to the parents of William Binkert. When Mr. Binkert's mother died, Mrs. Mace sent a sympathy card to Mr. and Mrs. Binkert, then living in Berrien Springs, Michigan. In turn, the Binkerts wrote a letter of thanks for the card. A friendship by mail developed between the two families.

Mr. and Mrs. Mace have been "pen pals" for the past 17 years with Mr. and Mrs. William Binkert, who now live in Loma Linda, California. The Binkerts have sent literature, books, and letters with the Adventist message in them to the Maces all these years, even though they had never met.

When Harry and Nina Mace gave their hearts to the Lord in Toledo, they wanted the Binkerts to witness their baptism. The Binkerts made the trip from Loma Linda to Toledo and shared the joy of welcoming the Maces into the faith that has been dear to them so long.

The Toledo First congregation benefited in many ways from the Bornstein-Chittenden evangelistic meetings. Several missionary-work bees were held, in which many helped to send out invitations and tickets, and personally delivered advertisements to doors in the Toledo area. Contributions at the meetings completely covered the evangelistic expenses.

## The Work Moves Forward in Taiwan

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

Taiwan is 250 miles long and about 100 miles wide. The Portuguese discoverers called this island Illha Formosa—"Beautiful Island." The present name, Taiwan, means "Terraced Bay."

The mountains rise sharply over much of the island. Many peaks reach above 10,000 feet. The valleys and mountains are covered with rice terraces. The winters are mild, only the highest peaks being touched by snow. The foliage is rich and there are many varieties of fruit.

Thirteen million inhabitants on the island make this one of the most densely populated areas in the world. New roads (including one toll road), factories, and great housing developments testify to the growing economy of the country.

Our mission work in Taiwan is quite new. Many of the workers in China were transferred to the island following the change of government on the mainland. About 2 million refugees from China have found sanctuary on Taiwan.

One of the missionaries is Mrs. Thelma Smith, a teacher at Taiwan Missionary College. She and her husband went to China in 1927, following graduation from Emmanuel Missionary College. A year and a half later Brother Smith was killed by bandits. Sister Smith remained in southwest China until 1933. Returning later to China, she has spent a total of 30 years in China and Taiwan. She speaks of her son and family in the United States, but she says, "my home is here." She will go to the United States next year for a three-month furlough.

The most recent missionary arrivals are Larry and Carol Colburne, also graduates of Emmanuel Missionary College, in 1961 and 1960, respectively. They went to Taiwan in 1963. Brother Colburne is union publishing department secretary, directing the activities of the rapidly growing publishing work. This new missionary preached his first sermon in the Chinese language after being in the country for only about one year.

Taiwan Missionary College has 240



Mrs. Thelma Smith (right), the missionary with the longest service record on Taiwan, chats with Larry and Carol Colburne, who have the shortest.

students. Many of these will no doubt be future workers in our growing missions program.

Each year some of the students from this college canvass for scholarships, with good success. Last year, during vacation period, two of these students went to the southern part of the island to canvass. They sold many books; they also did special missionary work. During the summer they invited people to attend evangelistic meetings. As a result, one person was baptized. They recruited six non-Seventh-day Adventist students to go to Taiwan Missionary College. Three of these have already been baptized.

Our hospital in Taipei has recently been enlarged to accommodate 150 beds. A large staff of doctors and nurses is do-

## Branch Sabbath School Evangelism in Thailand

Each week for nearly two years Mrs. Jean Smith, Bible instructor at Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital, has been conducting a branch Sabbath school with the help of a group of practical nursing students. While the children learned to sing the Sabbath songs and listened to Bible stories, another Bible instructor studied with several of the mothers. In time two of these mothers obtained employment at Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital. They continued Bible studies with Khun Boonsong Taechinda, and on a recent Sabbath were baptized. This branch Sabbath school continues each week. We hope for more fruit in days to come from this and other branch Sabbath schools being conducted by the Bangkok Sanitarium church and other churches throughout Thailand.

The picture shows Mrs. Smith, Khun Boonsong, the two women who were baptized, and their children who attend the branch Sabbath school.

BETTY WEBSTER, Director, Public Relations  
Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital





Two student literature evangelists who sold many books and won souls last summer on the island of Taiwan. The young man on the left is training for the ministry. The other plans to be a publishing department leader.

ing a great service in this large city. A nursing school, with 20 nurses in each class, is operated by the hospital.

There are about 4,500 baptized church members on the island, and many thousands of interested people in the Sabbath schools.

The leaders in all departments are laying strong plans and building for a growing work in Taiwan.

## From Home Base to Front Line

### Australasian Division

Mr. and Mrs. Lynray Wilson left Sydney, Australia, November 13, to join the staff of the Coral Sea Union Mission office at Lae, New Guinea. Brother Wilson will serve as assistant accountant, and Mrs. Wilson as a stenographer in the office.

Pastor and Mrs. John B. Trim and four children sailed for Bombay, India, on the *Orcades*, November 14. Brother Trim has accepted a call to serve as home missionary and temperance secretary in the Western India Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dunn, who have both completed training at the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital, left November 20, for the island of Malaita, in the Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission. They are to connect with the Malaita Hospital. Their first task will be to organize national staffing, and to prepare to receive the first patients in this newly constructed hospital. [As reported on the back page of the January 6 REVIEW, Brother Dunn was attacked and killed in the line of duty, December 19.—EDITORS.]

D. S. JOHNSON

### North American Division

Richard M. Gates, returning to Bolivia after furlough, left Takoma Park, Mary-

land, October 24, flying his own plane. Sister Gates and their two sons left Miami, Florida, November 25, returning to Bolivia. Sister Gates's maiden name was Meraldine Delores Dickerson. Elder Gates is to be a pastor-evangelist in Beni, Bolivia.

Elder and Mrs. Ray L. Jacobs, returning after furlough, left Miami, Florida, November 18 for Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Sister Jacobs' name before marriage was Alberta Mabel Beardsley. Brother Jacobs will continue his work as president of the Franco-Haitian Union Mission.

Dr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Nelson and four children left Washington, D.C., November 29, returning to Puerto Rico after furlough. Before marriage Sister Nelson's name was Carole La Verne Sundean. Dr. Nelson will continue as a

surgeon in the Bella Vista Hospital at Mayaguez.

Elder and Mrs. Johnny D. Johnson sailed from New York City on the S.S. *African Planet*, December 14, returning to Bekwai, Ghana, after furlough. Sister Johnson's name prior to marriage was Ida Adelaide Clemmons. Brother Johnson is a teacher in the Bekwai Training College.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Appenzeller and two children, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, sailed from New York City on the S.S. *MorMacLand*, December 17, for Cape Town, South Africa. The maiden name of Sister Appenzeller was Mary M. Hale. Brother Appenzeller is to be publishing secretary of the South African Union Conference.

E. W. DUNBAR

## AVENUES TO Reading Pleasure

By H. M. TIPPETT

From *The Royal Bank of Canada Monthly Letter* we borrow this interesting excerpt on reading: "Books instruct us without anger, threats and harsh discipline. They do not sneer at our ignorance or grumble at our mistakes. They ask only that we spend some time in the company of greatness so that we may absorb some of its attributes. You do not read a book for the book's sake, but for your own. You may read because in your high-pressure life, studded with problems and emergencies, you need periods of relief and yet recognize that peace of mind does not mean numbness of mind.

"You may read because you never had an opportunity to go to university, and books give you a chance to get something you missed.

"You may read because your job is routine, and books give you a feeling of depth in life. . . .

"You may read because you are tired of the shallowness of contemporary life, bored by the current conversational commonplaces, and wearied of shop talk and gossip about people.

"Whatever your dominant personal reason, you will find that reading gives knowledge, creative power, satisfaction and relaxation. It cultivates your mind by calling its faculties into exercise."

Perhaps you remember the thrilling episode on the popular *This Is Your Life* television program nine years ago when Alice Suwundhla was the featured guest. Forty million television viewers watched it, marveled, laughed, and cried as the life of this lovely girl from Africa was unfolded under the skillful direction of Ralph Edwards. She and her husband have been graduated from Oakwood College and are seeking advanced university degrees. Protegee of Elder and Mrs. Lowell Edwards, who brought her

from Africa, Mrs. Suwundhla has written her autobiography, beginning before her Malamulo Mission days and climaxing in the program that thrilled so many television watchers. It's a fantastic, heart-warming story that should stir the slumbering ambitions of every life, no matter what the age of the reader. Include *Alice Princess* in your next book order. 166 pages, \$2.95. Pacific Press.

And here is a new book about an adventuresome safari into the country of Africa's dwarf Bushmen, who live in what is known as the Great Thirstland, the Kalahari Desert. Medical missions among one of the world's most primitive people should yield a wealth of stories and strange interludes, and this gripping narrative will not disappoint you. What a wealth of information it brings, too, about the flora and fauna of the great grass and desert lands of the African continent, with drawings to whet your interest. How does one get water out of barren sand? Read the chapter "At the Sipwells." Ever hear a jackal stalking a lion? Read "Hysterical Laughter in the Night." The title of the book? *Arrow by Day*, by Jean Donaldson Cripps. 160 pages, \$3.75. Review and Herald.

Before I broke the protective seal on the book *Old Stubborn*, by Irene Butler Engelbert, I knew I was going to like it for I edited one of her earlier books here at our office. As a dedicated church school teacher, Mrs. Engelbert has lived with and loved children in all strata of life. These 20 stories sparkle with the drama of exciting episodes in the lives of children and their parents and teachers. *Old Stubborn* was a mean old cow, so mean she wouldn't even feed her calf. You take it from there. "A timber wolf leaped from the woods and began following her"—that's only one caption of the ten pictures sprinkled through the book. And wouldn't you like to read that story "Afraid of the Dark" or the one about the fire in the feed mill? The book is for juniors, but if grandfather isn't watched he'll read it too. \$3.50. Southern Publishing Association.



# Brief News OF MEN AND EVENTS



## Trans-Africa Division

Reported by  
Peggy Dawkins

► An important change took place during the year-end Trans-Africa Division committee meetings when the South African Union Group II was organized into a separate union, to be known as the Southern Union. Formerly this field, which operates among the African people of South Africa, was affiliated with the South African Union Conference. J. D. Harcombe and M. B. Musgrave, vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the former organization, continue to lead the new union, assisted by M. W. Cuthbert as auditor, and S. Ioannou, J. N. Mseleku, R. E. Appenzeller, D. M. Malotle, and H. E. Clifford as departmental secretaries.

► Changes in union leadership also took place during the recent session of the division committee. Since it became impossible for P. H. Coetzee to return to East Africa because of passport difficulties, F. G. Reid, formerly of the Zambesi Union, was voted as president of the East African Union. Fred G. Thomas becomes the president of the Zambesi Union, and P. G. Werner, of the Central African Union department of education, has accepted a call to the presidency of the Tanzania Union.

► Henri E. Marais is the new principal of Helderberg College, in South Africa, filling the vacancy caused by the death of P. J. van Eck. Brother Marais formerly was principal of Malamulo College in Malawi.

► Maurice D. Hodgen, of Solusi College, has responded to a call to head the teacher training course at Helderberg College.

► Prince Juko, a brother of the Kabaka of Buganda and a member of our Kampala church in Uganda, conducted a successful laymen's effort recently, assisted by church members.

► A cabinet minister of the Kenyan Government requested a private showing of the film *One in 20,000*. He stopped smoking after seeing it.



## Atlantic Union

Reported by  
Mrs. Emma Kirk

► Mrs. Joan Page, of Bermuda, was won to Christ and accepted the third angel's message five years ago. Since then she has won 17 others. Her most recent converts are Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Fox. About a year ago Mrs. Page brought some literature to the Fox home. Mrs. Fox was interested, but her husband was quite opposed and prejudiced. However, as Bible studies progressed he became convinced of the truth. Now he is one of the

most active laymen in Bermuda. He systematically visits and leaves literature in more than a hundred homes every week. He is giving Bible studies in several homes. Last quarter Mr. Fox gave away almost 3,000 pieces of truth-filled literature.

► The Jamestown, New York, church was selected to host the Korean Orphan Choir on its recent Sunday trip to the city. The Ministerial Association and several church groups cooperated in the project, providing, preparing, and serving two meals to the choir. The mayor and his wife and one of the city councilmen, along with local ministers, were on hand to welcome the children. Several speeches were made, and then all ate lunch in the gymnasium of the church. The afternoon concert was held in the largest auditorium of the city, and the group returned to the Jamestown church for the evening meal. Many



## National Leaders for Puerto Rico

A new president and secretary-treasurer were elected recently for the Puerto Rico Conference. The election was held at the beautiful new conference MV campground, *Rincon de Borinquen*. Jose Figueroa (right), secretary-treasurer of the conference, was elected president, in place of R. R. Drachenberg, who was leaving to attend Andrews University. Hector Brignoni (left) was elected secretary-treasurer.

The Puerto Rico Conference now has 7,209 members, 90 churches, 12 groups, and a yearly tithe income of more than half a million dollars. Its territory includes Puerto Rico and several smaller islands nearby, with a total population of 2.25 million.

AMERICO CIUFFARDI  
Departmental Secretary  
Puerto Rico Conference

of these people toured the church and school for the first time. Leaders of other churches in the area expressed sincere thanks to the Adventists for their help in entertaining the Korean Orphan Choir.

► The health and welfare department of the Mount Zion, New Haven, Connecticut, church sent 176 pounds of dry beans, valued at \$64.04, and 75 pairs of shoes to Mississippi.

► A vocal solo entitled "Expectation," composed by Dr. Margarita Merriman, professor of music at Atlantic Union College, was premiered at the joint convention of the Massachusetts Music Teachers Association and the Rhode Island Music Teachers Association held in Boston, November 7. Gail Young, a senior music major, sang the selection, accompanied by the composer at the piano.



## Canadian Union

Reported by  
Evelyn M. Bowles

► Seventeen Vacation Bible Schools were held in the British Columbia Conference during 1965. The total enrollment was 1,267, with 830 children from non-Adventist homes.

► The Dorian Singers, an 18-voice ensemble under the direction of Florence Sangerloo from Canadian Union College, recently made a tour to Saskatchewan and gave concerts at various places. They also performed at the Rotary Choir Festival at Lacombe, Alberta, and gave two concerts at the college. The wind ensemble under the direction of L. Fisher accompanied The Dorians on tour to Saskatchewan.

► The TV Bible School with Kathie Moores, aired from Calgary, Alberta, each week, is winning friends among parents, as well as boys and girls. It is estimated that the Bible stories reach 4,000 boys and girls.



## Central Union

Reported by  
Mrs. Clara Anderson

► W. H. Johnson is the new pastor of the Scottsbluff district. Elder and Mrs. Johnson and family moved to Nebraska from Racine, Wisconsin.

► B. Y. Baughman has moved into the Central Union Conference office from the Christian Record Braille Foundation. Elder Baughman is now stewardship secretary of the Central Union.

► The Word of Life evangelistic team began a series of meetings in Joplin, Missouri, on January 8. This team just completed a series of meetings in Lincoln, Nebraska, where 37 were baptized.

► Mrs. Russell Robinson has recently

joined the staff in the practical nursing program at Porter Memorial Hospital. Prior to this she was director of nurses at Memorial Hospital in Beeville, Texas.



## Columbia Union

Reported by  
Morten Juberg

► A *Curriculum Guide in Mathematics* for grades 1-8 has just been published by the Washington College Press. Ethel Johnson, elementary education supervisor of the Columbia Union Conference, served as chairman of the group of educators from the Atlantic, Columbia, Lake, and Southern Union conferences who worked last summer in the preparation of the new manual.

► Church officers from throughout Pennsylvania met at Blue Mountain Academy, January 2, for a conference-wide meeting.

► Worship services of the Wytheville, Virginia, church were broadcast over the local radio station during December. C. G. Fisher is the pastor.

► The Lester Carney-Robert Clark evangelistic team has just concluded meetings in the Bladensburg, Maryland, church. Eight have been baptized, and another baptism is planned. The Potomac Conference revivalist, Kenneth McComas, recently completed meetings in Roanoke, Virginia. Seven were baptized.

► A project of the Hopewell, Virginia, Dorcas Society this past fall was a Red Cross first-aid training class. Mrs. Donald Rima, wife of the pastor, was the instructor. A class of 14 completed the instruction.

► Following the instructions of their pastor, C. G. Fisher, members of the Pulaski, Virginia, church emphasized the free Bible course in their Ingathering contacts. One hundred and fifty requests for the Bible course have been received so far.

► The Dorcas Societies of the Chesapeake Conference recently shipped a vanload of clothing to the New York Welfare Depot.

► Zen Ervin is pastor of the Blythedale and Providence, Maryland, churches. For the past six months he has assisted with evangelistic campaigns in Laurel and Baltimore, Maryland.

► Dedication services have been held for the Wooster, Ohio, church. A former pastor, Fred Stauffer, spoke at the Friday night consecration service. Ohio Conference President F. W. Wernick was the speaker for the Sabbath morning worship services.



## Lake Union

Reported by  
Mrs. Mildred Wade

► Robert Kloosterhuis, a native of Michigan and a 1954 graduate of Andrews University, has recently joined the working staff of the Illinois Conference as as-



## Books for Ethiopian College

At the beginning of this school year the Ethiopian Adventist College was presented with a gift of 3,000 books from America. These books came from both Adventist and non-Adventist institutions.

The former principal of Ethiopian Adventist College, Stuart Berkeley, has been the man behind the drive for these valuable books, and also has taken care of the shipment. These books represent a number of subject areas but most of them are within the fields of English language, nursing arts, science, political science, education, and manual arts.

The Ethiopian Adventist College has just opened its new library, which has a capacity of 100 seats and shelf space for 10,000 books. A. Sbacchi, the librarian, reports that at present the library contains about 7,000 books. The library is the newest addition to the college to meet the requirements as a junior college. In another few months a new classroom section will be finished, and there are plans also for a new boys' dormitory.

In the picture Mr. Sbacchi (right), and the writer examine the large shipment of books.

OLE-CHR. BJERKAN, *Principal*  
*Ethiopian Adventist College*

sociate pastor of the West Central church in Chicago. He was called to the Haitian Mission field in 1954, where he organized the industries of our schools. He then served as principal of the Franco-Haitian Union junior college, and later as secretary-treasurer of the union. He recently completed studies at Andrews University for a Master's degree in New Testament theology.

► A. W. Bauer is the new home missionary and Sabbath school secretary of the Lake Union Conference. He has served the Wisconsin Conference for a number of years in the same capacity. He comes to the union with a good background of experience in departmental work, having given excellent service in three local conferences over a period of 20 years.

► Dr. Horace Shaw has recently been appointed director of development for Andrews University. He will take up his new work the second semester. A graduate of Columbia Union College, he received his doctoral degree from Michigan State University, and for 33 years has held teaching and administrative positions in

the denomination. For the past 16 years he has been connected with Andrews University as a teacher. He will now assist the president, Richard Hammill, in raising funds for the development of the university by approaching foundations, corporations, and alumni for contributions.

► Donald L. Hanson, with a degree in business administration, has been appointed to the newly created position of assistant administrator at the Hinsdale Sanitarium. He has served at Cedar Lake, Mount Aetna, and Mount Vernon academies, and spent four years with a C.P.A. firm in Michigan. He will be responsible for coordination of public relations along with other supervisory duties. The administrative staff includes: M. J. Blair, administrator; W. H. Wilson, associate administrator; Norman Prusia, controller; Gladys Davis, director of nursing; Valrie Rudge, director of the school of nursing; and Kathryn Sieberman, administrative assistant.



## North Pacific Union

Reported by  
Mrs. Ione Morgan

► Melvin Gilliland and family will be moving to College Place, Washington, next summer where he will join the Walla Walla College faculty as assistant librarian in charge of cataloguing and government documents.

► Saturday evening, December 11, nearly 500 Walla Walla College church members went caroling and attained the \$1,000 caroling goal for Ingathering. The church members have already turned in Ingathering funds exceeding the \$4,000 goal for the current campaign.

► A five-week series of meetings under the direction of conference evangelist John Boyd recently ended in Glendive, Montana. Five new believers have made decisions for Christ, and several others are continuing to study.

► F. Douglas Horton, former pastor in the Southeastern California Conference, has moved to Moscow, Idaho, to have charge of the Moscow and Farmington churches in the Upper Columbia Conference.

► Dr. and Mrs. Cyril Blaine have returned to mission service in Africa, this time to Heri Mission Hospital in Tanzania, East Africa. Dr. Blaine has previously served at Malamulo Mission Hospital and Leper Colony. Since 1957 the Blaines have been in the United States, where the doctor has specialized in cardiology. Mrs. Blaine was Mariel Jean Darnell, of Cottage Grove, Oregon.

► Dr. Louis O. Machlan, Jr., has been named eighty-first president of the Multnomah County Medical Society. On the staff of Portland Sanitarium since 1950, he will lead a group whose membership includes approximately half of the doctors of medicine in Oregon. He is a member of the Sunnyside church in Portland.





## Northern Union

Reported by  
L. H. Netteburg

► C. E. Felton and Lyle Anderson began a series of meetings at Gaylord, Minnesota, Sunday night, December 5. Young people from Maplewood Academy are assisting in the meetings and providing the music program.

► F. B. Slater, pastor of the Minneapolis Glendale church, baptized four converts on Sabbath, December 5.

► M. D. Gordon, North Dakota pastor, has been invited by the Church of God minister to give a series of Bible studies in Cogswell every Wednesday evening, beginning in early January. He also reports that 56 families are receiving Bible studies as a result of Operation Bible Speaks in the Wahpeton, North Dakota, church.

► E. J. Kanna was interviewed on KDIX-TV, Dickinson, North Dakota, on December 3, concerning some of his experiences in the mission field. The station management plans to have him back. The contact for this interview had its beginning in an Ingathering visit with the station manager.



## Pacific Union

Reported by  
Mrs. Margaret Follett

► Nearly 600 delegates and 300 observers were on hand to participate in the fifth annual International Youth Rally at Calexico, December 3 and 4. Students from Southeastern California Conference's five academies and three intermediate schools helped distribute more than ten tons of food, clothing, and toys to extremely poor people in Mexicali, Mexico, and participated in the meetings. The supplies given away had been collected by the students during the weeks preceding the event.

► Harwood Coffey, ten years old, attends Sabbath school and church at San Pedro, California. He has a dog named Doodles and operates a small kennel. This past year Harwood made \$195 from his business and donated every penny of it to Sabbath school investment.

► A group of San Diego Academy students on Halloween collected food in their neighborhood; then on November 13 they visited the House of Hope Orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico, where they delivered 450 cans of food along with several large boxes of clothing. The students received a warm welcome from the children and were given a tour of the orphanage.

► Beverly Fletcher, a graduate of Andrews University, is a new teacher in the music department of Thunderbird Academy this year, teaching organ, piano, and marimba.

► The La Sierra department of agriculture provided a field day in November for the Future Farmers and the girls enrolled in vocational agriculture in River-

side County high schools. More than 200 students spent an afternoon at the college farm.

► Glen A. Coon, evangelist, family counselor, and revivalist, is holding four series of meetings in the Southern California Conference—at Culver City in January, Norwalk in February, Baldwin Park in March, and Inglewood in April.

► The convention for the elementary and junior academy teachers of the Northern California Conference was held at Hoberg's Resort, November 21 to 24. Featured speakers were R. R. Bietz, James Chase, H. C. Retzer, and Dr. Leslie Hardinge.



## Southern Union

Reported by  
Oscar L. Heinrich

► The first of a new series of It Is Written television programs was televised in Charleston, South Carolina, on November 7. H. K. West, pastor, reports that the interest in the program was even greater than expected.

► N. W. Baker, pastor of the North Miami church, presented "Inspirational Messages" for one week recently on Channel 7 in Miami, Florida.

► Dr. R. F. Swanson, Orlando optometrist and member of the Orlando Central church, recently made his third trip to Haiti in connection with his "glasses for Haiti" project. Lenses and frames no longer of use to their owners have been collected by the hundreds to be used in this mission project. Dr. Swanson classifies and marks the lenses to facilitate prescription for the needy Haitians.

► Scores of members are enrolling in the Open Bible Crusade being conducted in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. The program enlists church members in a campaign to give hundreds of Bible studies.

► First Sabbath services were held in the new Madison, Florida, church on Sabbath, November 13. Guest speaker was H. H. Schmidt, Southern Union Conference president. C. W. Beach is pastor of the district.



## Southwestern Union

Reported by  
J. N. Morgan

► The West Memphis, Arkansas, congregation, organized two years ago, has been meeting in a restaurant for Sabbath services. On Sabbath, December 4, the congregation met for the first time in its own church fellowship hall, and is looking forward to the completion of the sanctuary that will seat 200 people. This new church lightens another dark county in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.

► W. S. Jesske, of the Voice of Prophecy, and Elder and Mrs. Orley Ford, of San Salvador, were featured guests at the Tyler, Texas, church, November 20. The

entire district was represented for the day's activities, which climaxed with the baptism of four persons.

► In just two weeks the Houston, Texas, church raised \$15,025 for Ingathering, exceeding their Vanguard goal by \$1,500.

► In the Texico Conference the Barron-Turner evangelistic team is finishing a series of meetings in San Angelo, with R. E. Cash. Attendance has been good.

► Evangelistic meetings have been started in Carlsbad, New Mexico, by L. E. Tucker, Texas Conference revivalist, and S. J. Elie, pastor of the Carlsbad church. Early reports indicate a good attendance.

► Four persons have recently been baptized and 12 more are receiving Bible studies as the result of meetings in the Irving, Texas, church by evangelists Dick Barron and Ray Turner.

► Mrs. Oleva Riffel has recently received commendation from the Texas Conference department of education for teaching 22 successive years in the elementary school at Valley Grande Academy.

## Church Calendar

Liberty Magazine Campaign	January 15-22
Religious Liberty Offering	January 22
Stewardship Sabbath	January 29
Bible Evangelism Crusade	February 5
Church Missionary Offering	February 5
Faith for Today Offering	February 12
Christian Home and Family Altar Day	February 19

## REVIEW and HERALD

In 1849 a company of Sabbathkeeping Adventists whose background was the Millerite movement began to publish a paper called *The Present Truth*. In 1850 they also published five issues of *The Advent Review*. In November, 1850, these two papers merged under the name, *Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*, now titled simply *REVIEW and HERALD*. Its editorial objective remains unchanged—to preach "the everlasting gospel" in the context of the Sabbath, the Second Advent, and other truths distinctive of the Advent Movement.

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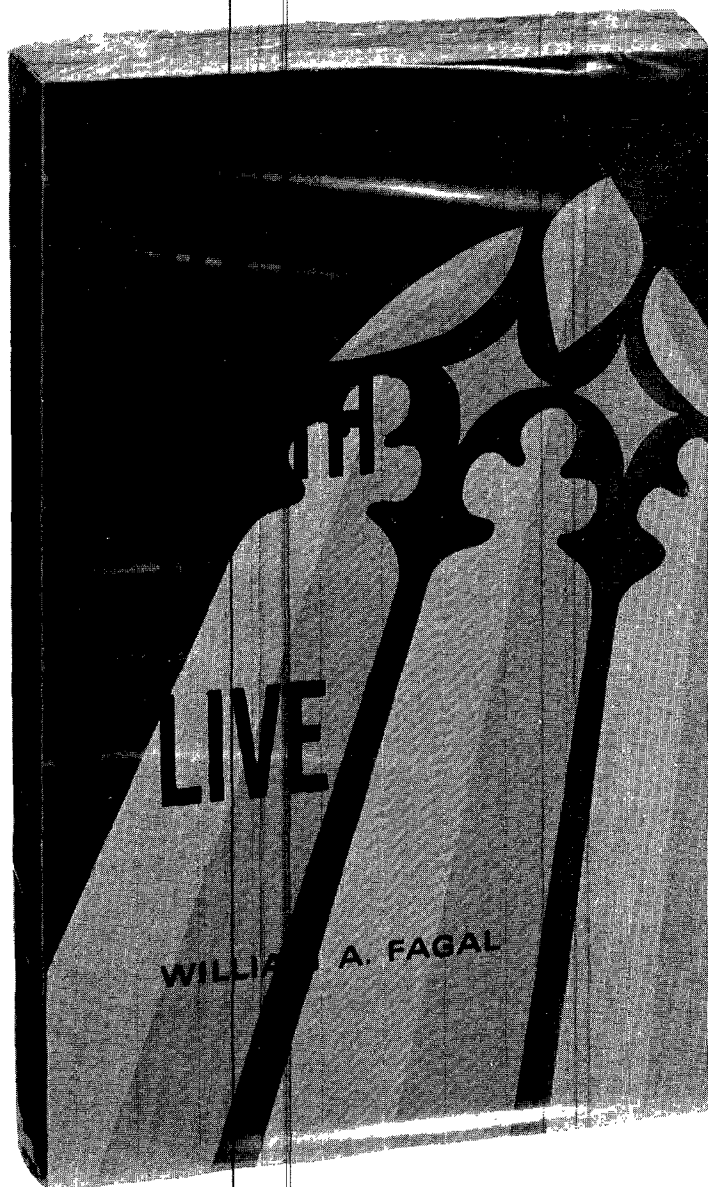
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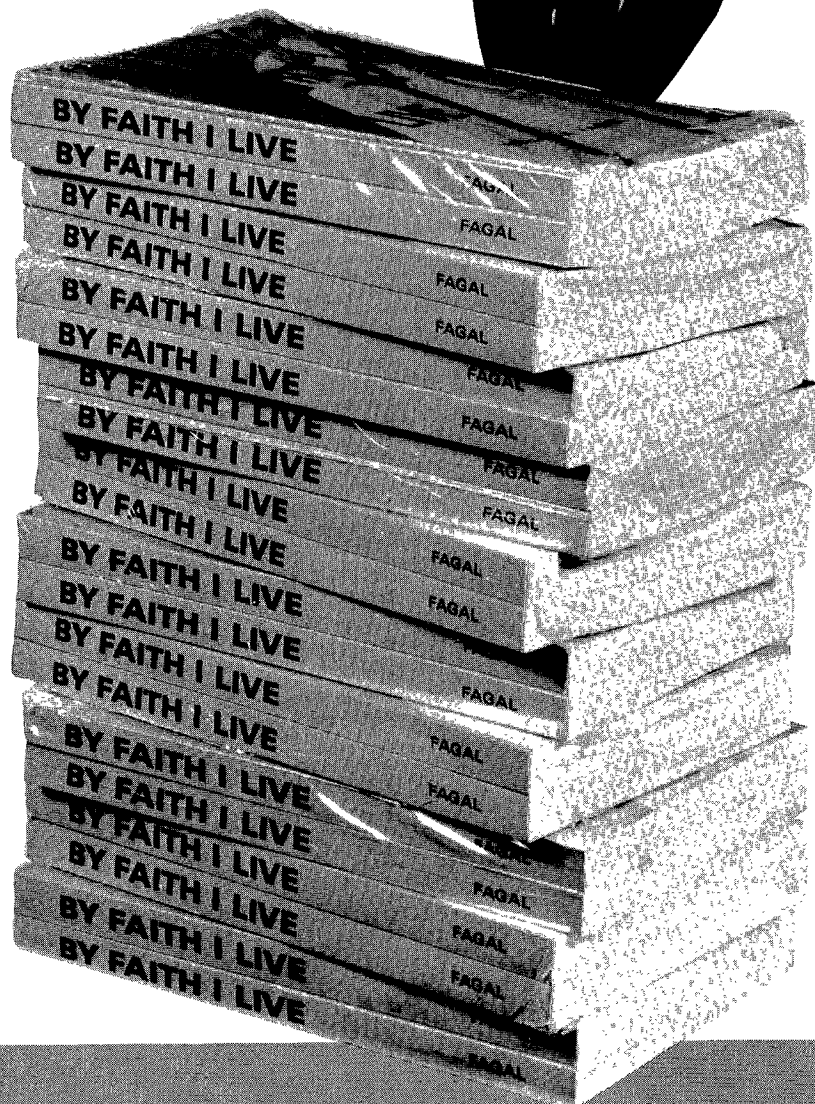
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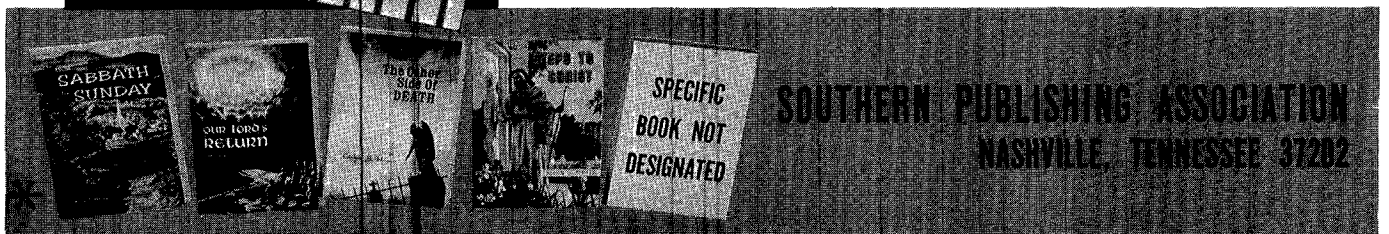
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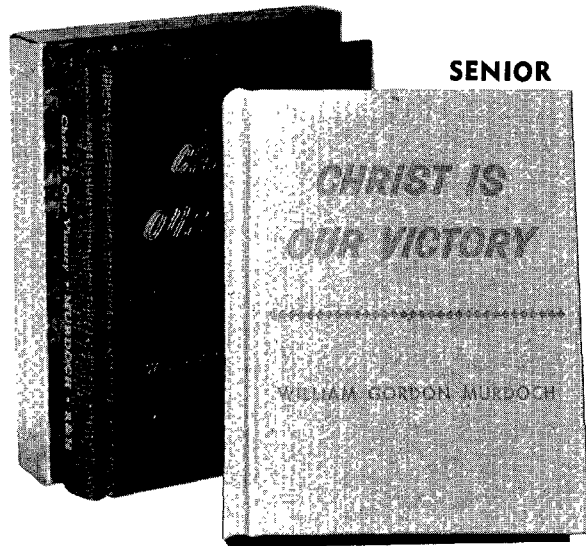
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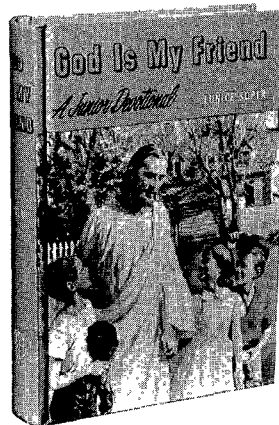
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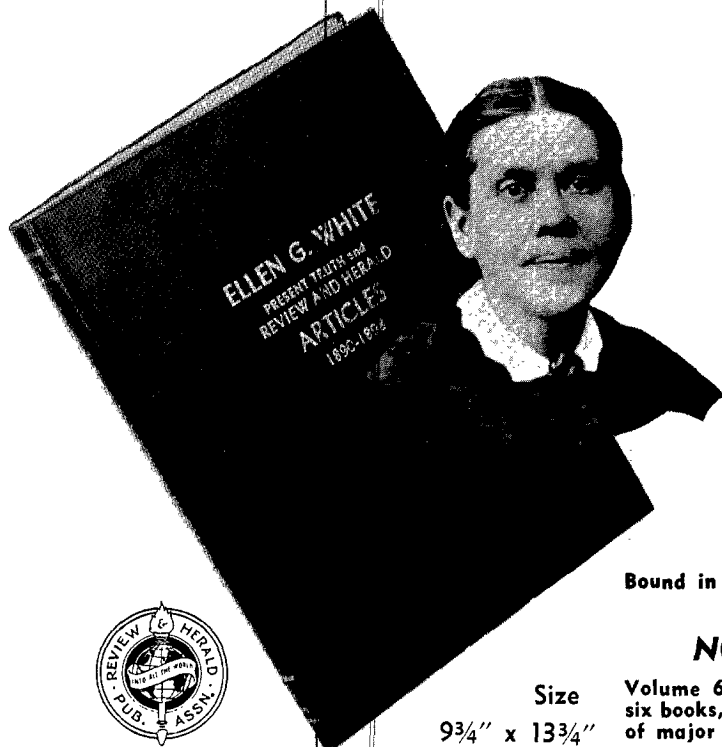
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# News of Note

## Sharp Gains in Inter-America Revealed in SS Report

Statistical reports of our Sabbath school work around the world often seem to be chapters in a modern book of Acts. For example, the third quarter, 1965, Sabbath school report from the Inter-American Division reveals that in that division a total of 26,722 branch Sabbath schools were held during the quarter, with a membership of 85,810.

This means that on the average more than eight branch schools were conducted for each parent school. This enthusiastic activity on the part of the laymen of our Sabbath schools in that field largely accounted, we are sure, for an increase of 11,225 in regular Sabbath school membership, and an increase of 9,239 in average attendance.

During the second and third quarters of 1965 Inter-America showed an increase of 58 in the number of organized Sabbath schools, a phenomenal rise of 9,086 in the number of branch Sabbath schools, with an accompanying increase in branch school membership amounting to 25,273. During the same six months regular Sabbath school membership grew by 34,353, and average attendance by 46,258.

Surely God's people everywhere will rejoice that the blessings of the Sabbath school are being thus shared with so many thousands. We trust that many will emulate the faithful and zealous labors of our brethren in Inter-America.

R. CURTIS BARGER

## Large Meeting in Ghana

From the West African Union headquarters in Accra, Ghana, E. E. Roenfelt, president of the Northern European Division, writes under date of December 27, 1965:

"We have just concluded a large camp meeting here in Accra. I am told that some of the workers actually counted the attendance, which they said to be 15,000. It was a great convocation! On Sunday morning the crowd marched for five miles through the city of Accra. The procession was 1½ miles long and was wonderfully colorful and impressive. The city of Accra was certainly stirred."

A. F. TARR

## Ingathering—All-Time High

The seventh Ingathering report compiled in the General Conference office indicates that 37 conferences have surpassed last year's final achievements. We now have ten Silver Vanguard conferences in North America: Alabama-Mississippi, Arkansas-Louisiana, Chesapeake, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Southern New England, and Texas.

All ten unions are ahead of where they were at this stage of the campaign last year. Canadian, Columbia, North Pacific, Northern, Southern, and Southwestern unions have already surpassed their last year's final total. We now have an increase of \$278,259.62 over last year at this time, and a grand total of \$5,986,913.95.

With this figure the North American Division surpasses last year's victory report and achieves an all-time high in our Ingathering history. We are grateful to God and to our dedicated ministry and laymen who have helped make this excellent report possible.

V. W. SCHOEN

## A Story of Special Interest

On this page we reported two weeks ago that Brian Dunn, a 25-year-old nurse-missionary from Australia, died from a sneak spear attack, on Malaita Island, December 19. He and his bride of less than one year had been in mission service less than a month.

A complete report of the attack, together with the efforts that were made to save Brother Dunn's life, is now being prepared. It will appear in our February 3 issue.

## Home and School Associations Win Souls in Far East

A report just in from the Far Eastern Division reveals that the Home and School Organization is not only building better homes in that great division but is an effective means of evangelization. The South Philippine Union reports 60 souls won through Home and School activities in just one quarter. Other fields report that non-Seventh-day Adventists are attending Home and School meetings and are becoming interested in the message.

A number of former members and their problem children have been reclaimed. Three new church schools were opened through the initiative and support of the Home and School. The influence in the communities has been so good in certain areas that civic organizations have requested Seventh-day Adventist books on home life for their public libraries.

Through the influence of Home and School leaders the *Adventist Home* has been translated into Chinese, and the *Christian Home Series* has been translated into Batak and other Indonesian languages. The division goal is an active Home and School Association in every church. At present the Central Philippine Union has 284 churches and 284 Home and School associations; the South Philippine Union has 282 churches and 282 Home and School associations; and the Japan Union has 62 churches and 60 Home and School associations.

G. M. MATHEWS

## Literature Evangelists Detained in Vietnam

J. T. Mason, associate publishing department secretary of the Far Eastern Division, reports:

"Recently five more literature evangelists were taken by soldiers and held captive for 20 days. The soldiers checked the books our men were selling and finally released all five men. The very next day, after being set free, the house where they had been held was bombed by a plane and completely destroyed.

"During the past six months South Vietnam literature evangelists have organized six branch Sabbath schools. There are 17 in the baptismal class and five have already been baptized."

Pray for these brave literature evangelists who meet constant danger.

W. A. HIGGINS



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NEW YORK—Church attendance in 1965 dropped 1 per cent below 1964 and was 5 per cent lower than it was in 1955, according to a nationwide survey conducted by the Gallup Poll. The survey disclosed that 44 per cent of the nation's adults attended church during a typical week in 1965. The figure is based on answers given by 8,000 persons in various parts of the country to the question "Did you happen to attend church in the past seven days?" In 1964, the Gallup Poll placed church attendance at 45 per cent, and in 1955 at 49 per cent.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The Second Vatican Council has narrowed the gap between the Anglican communion and the Roman Catholic Church, the Archbishop of Canterbury said in an interview published here. But Dr. Arthur Michael Ramsey, spiritual leader of the 40-million-member Anglican communion, said he didn't know what the possibilities were that the Roman Catholic Church might now lift its ban on Anglican orders in effect since Pope Leo XIII.

LONDON—Formation of a single World Bible Society was urged here by the Rev. James Roe, Asia secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Mr. Roe claimed that the day of the independent status of national Bible societies was as dead as the day of imperialism, adding that it would strengthen individual bodies now if they worked through one central organization.