

# "The Lord Will Do Wonders"\*

By ROBERT H. PIERSON President of the General Conference

AT THIS Autumn Council we face some of the most challenging problems this church has ever encountered. We are glad our brethren from the world field are here with us as we deal with these problems. We are thankful, too, that the union secretary-treasurers, conference presidents, institutional heads, and many other leaders of the North American Division are meeting with those who would normally be here for the Fall Council. We are going to need very much of the guidance of the Spirit of God. This must be a time of prayer, as well as discussion. We will need to depend upon the Lord as we face not only the problems but the

\* Keynote address at the 1966 Autumn Council session of the General Conference held in Takoma Park, Maryland, October 19 to 25. great potentialities that are before us in the closing, challenging days in which we live.

My mind frequently goes to the experience of Israel on the borders of the Promised Land. Let us turn our attention again to some of the experiences of God's people as they found themselves on the borders of Canaan. Moses was dead. Joshua, that courageous, resolute, persevering, incorruptible servant of God, was the acknowledged leader of Israel. God's people were still encamped on the eastern side of Jordan, but their eyes were fixed hopefully westward upon the Promised Land.

There are three texts taken from the history of God's people during this particular era that I believe are of prime import to (To page 6)

Robert H. Pierson, president (center), and vice-presidents of the General Conference study needs of the world field.



# Poised for Breakthrough

### By LAWRENCE MAXWELL Editor of "Guide"

IN THE face of a rapidly worsening world situation and the everincreasing threat of global war, some 200 men gathered in the koma Park Seventh-day Adventist church, October 19 to 25, confident that they had the one effective answer to the world's needs.

What supported such audacious confidence?

A promise: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

These 200 men, leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist Church from around the world, gathered for the Autumn Council of the General Conference Committee under the conviction that they had been called by God to take that gospel to all the world. Most had come from North Amer-

ica—the presidents of the union and local conferences, heads of our larger institutions, and the secretaries and their assistants and associates in the General Conference departments. Others had come much farther. Marius Fridlin had come from Bern and the Southern European Division. L. C. Naden had flown all the way from Wahroonga to represent the Australasian Division. And R. S. Lowry had traveled halfway round the world to speak for India and the Southern Asia Division.

Our world president, Robert H. Pierson, opened the session Wednesday night with an appeal to deeper personal consecration and a great new evangelistic thrust. That sermon appears on page 1 of this Review.

#### A Challenge and a Response

Had you been here to witness how that sermon stirred the congregation, you would have heard L. C. Naden, of Australia, Neal Wilson, of North America, and one after another of the leaders of our world divisions, the secretaries of the General Conference departments, and the presidents of many of our union and local conferences dedicate themselves and their members to the speedy finishing of God's work in all the earth.

O. Gmehling, of Central Europe, said that the preceding Sabbath had been a day of fasting and prayer all over Germany for the success of evan-

#### LOCAL CONFERENCE AND MISSION PRESIDENTS OF NORTH AMERICA

● Front row (left to right): L. L. Reile, A. J. Patzer, C. P. Anderson, L. L. Bock, R. R. Adams, R. T. Hudson, G. O. Adams, D. E. Tinkler, Philip Moores, A. W. Kaytor, A. N. How, W. G. Soloniuk, F. O. Sanders, W. S. Lee, S. S. Will, Lee Carter, H. V. Reed, A. V. McClure, C. H. Lauda, R. W. Moore, Cyril Miller, A. B. Butler. ● Second row: R. E. Finney, Jr., C. E. Bradford, N. C. Wilson, R. S. Joyce, W. A.



gelism in that great country, especially in the eastern part. Jere Smith, of the Lake Union, freely stated that in the 31 consecutive Fall Councils he has attended, he was "never more deeply stirred" than by this appeal.

It was an impressive occasion. Half an hour after the testimonies began there were still 18 men standing in line waiting to speak. I counted them. And I understood then, as I left that first meeting, why these men, living on meager incomes, expected to take the gospel to the whole world.

They did not intend to do it on their own! They would do it in God's power! Their only worry was that some personal sin, some uncorrected fault, might cut them off from this source of success. That's why they made personal consecration the first work of the session. And they would return to reconsecrate themselves several times before the session closed.

All felt the council was off to a good start.

Thursday morning Theodore Carcich, general vice-president, preached to a large congregation. At ten o'clock the business of the council got under way.

Án Autumn Council differs signifi-

cantly from a General Conference session, such as was recently held in Detroit. The General Conference convenes chiefly for the purpose of electing officers for the following four years and to hear reports of the preceding four years. There may be, as there were in Detroit, 1300 or 1400 delegates.

An Autumn Council is essentially a business meeting. Most of the delegates are administrative officers in overseas divisions and North American conferences and institutions. Finance, revisions in the Working Policy, and plans for expanding the denomination's outreach are the principal items considered.

This council was unusually significant, for it was the first following the election of our new president. During the busy days of a General Conference session, a newly elected officer could not possibly formulate worldwide plans.

But in the four months since Detroit, we knew that Elder Pierson had been meeting with one group after another, frequently on their knees, laying the foundation for whatever the church would accomplish during the four years of his term in office. These plans, we knew, must be ready now, for this council must give the necessary "legislation"—if that is the right word—to put those plans into motion.

We were not disappointed.

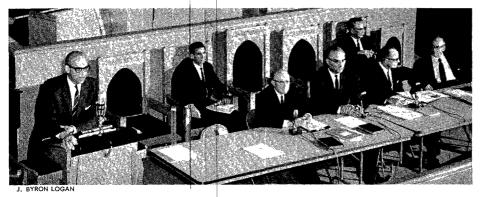
We found our president eager to lead us in a great new forward thrust. And we left knowing that our church was poised for the greatest

breakthrough in its history. Autumn Council used to be held in various cities across the country, but since the completion in the early 1950's of the Takoma Park church, across the street from the General Conference building, it has been customary to hold them here. It's a beautiful setting.

Backed by the great rose window of the east wall, the pale-blue curtains of the baptistry, and the delicate plaster tapestry of the organ loft, the platform suggests a reverent atmosphere for the deliberations. The pulpit is placed near one end, and a long table is set up with microphones and folding chairs. Whenever a meeting is in progress, at least four of these chairs are used. On my left, looking at the platform, would be the General Conference president, next to him the

Nelson, J. C. Hansen, G. W. Liscombe, W. J. Blacker, R. C. Remboldt, G. C. Williamson, H. L. Rudy, Ben Trout, Arthur Kiesz, F. W. Bieber, F. W. Wernick, W. L. Cheatham, O. D. Wright. • Third row: John Osborn, D. C. Butherus, A. G. Streifling, J. E. Chase, E. R. Walde, H. C. Retzer, W. S. Banfield, W. D. Wampler, C. E. Dudley, E. L. Marley, W. O. Coe, W. B. Johnson, Desmond Cummings, Charles Dart, E. F. Sherrill, W. A. Dessain, V. L. Roberts. Not present for the picture: R. M. Devins, D. E. Dirksen, K. D. Johnson.





K. H. Emmerson, General Conference treasurer, addresses delegates to the Autumn Council. Other GC officers on the rostrum are (from the left): Neal C. Wilson, vice-president for North America; Robert H. Pierson, president; T. Carcich, general vice-president; D. W. Hunter and Clyde O. Franz, associate secretaries; and Walter R. Beach, secretary.

chairman of the meeting, then the secretary of the meeting, and finally W. R. Beach, secretary of the General Conference.

For the first business meeting the arrangement was slightly different. Robert H. Pierson himself was chairman, with David Baasch, an associate secretary, as secretary of the meeting.

I shall not attempt to list all the actions of these business meetings. They will appear soon in the RE-VIEW, in their final, official form.

After the first couple of days some very significant things began to emerge.

First, was the fine spirit that pervaded the entire council. Discussion was remarkably free. Men did not always see everything from the same point of view, but each one was willing to listen and to work along with his brethren. No one had an ax to grind. I heard many comments on this. And many of the delegates explained it as a reflection of Robert H. Pierson's personal attitude, always kind and considerate.

# Opposition Advances the Cause of Truth

The other great fact is that whatever plans are laid under the guidance of God's Spirit, and whatever opposition is stirred up by the spirit of the enemy, everything turns out to the furtherance of the gospel.

For instance, in reporting on the work of the Religious Liberty Department, W. M. Adams pointed out that whenever there is agitation for Sunday laws, we have an opportunity to present the Sabbath. He mentioned an experience in San Antonio, Texas. As one result of the Supreme Court decision that Sunday legislation is not religious, businessmen in that great Texas metropolis were proceeding to get a Sunday law enacted. Anyone who asked what was going on was assured that the city fathers were only planning to iron out a few insignificant kinks in the laws. There was nothing particularly important.

Our brethren moved in. They found that the laws to be revised were listed in the city code under religious laws. So this revision was a religious issue! To further bolster their case, they talked by telephone to every Protestant minister in town. All said they felt it was a religious item. One even admitted that his (very large) church had submitted a resolution to the mayor endorsing the changes. As if that were not sufficient evidence, our members then began knocking on doors and asking folks in their homes what they thought about the proposed changes. All agreed the issue was religious.

Armed with such overwhelming evidence, our leaders went to the public hearing and made a most effective presentation of Sabbath truth.

In another recent case one of our members was working in an important position in a government agency. Because of his allegiance to the Sabbath, he was given 30 days' notice. The Religious Liberty Association contacted the officials in charge and asked for an interview. It was granted, and W. M. Adams went to Atlanta. Arriving for the appointment, he was amazed to discover that even the elevator operator was expecting him. Sitting down for the interview, he was introduced to many of the top men in that department, who had come for the specific purpose of finding out what Seventh-day Adventists believe about the Sabbath.

What an opportunity! Elder Adams took full advantage of it. He talked with those men for two hours, explaining our beliefs and answering questions. He was told that a Presidential order made it impossible for anything to be done for our church member. "But wait while we discuss the case," he was told as the interview closed. Called back, he was informed that the man would not be dismissed. "We have created a job that never existed before. The President's order does not affect it, and we are going to assign your member to it."

# **Progress on Many Fronts**

Elman Folkenberg reported for the International and American Temperance Associations. Everyone knows how effectively smoking has been turned into a springboard for evangelism by the Five-Day Plan. Elder Folkenberg introduced us to Kaleidoscope, a five-minute daily broadcast featuring better living, sponsored by the local radio station and *Listen* magazine. Available to our churches for just a few dollars a month, these tapes have already been given an enthusiastic reception by local radio stations, many of which are eager to air them without charge.

We expected W. A. Fagal to tell us that Faith for Today was an effective evangelistic agency for the church. Even so, we were astonished by the tremendous forward leap this television program has taken in recent months. Of 600 television stations in North America, Faith for Today is now on 270. More than 80 per cent of all Americans and Canadians can watch the program. And most of them see it in color. Only 20 stations carried color in January. Now 165 demand color film.

"Of all the thousands who complete our Bible correspondence course," Fagal said, "one out of every 12 is baptized."

"So far," Robert H. Pierson added, "12,000 persons have been baptized as a result of the Faith for Today program."

C. E. Palmer, general manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, was given a few minutes to speak. Our literature work has been making such strides in recent years that the Review has installed a brand-new Honeywell computer to help keep pace, and a half-milliondollar multicolor press to keep up with the demand for our books. He invited the delegates to cross the street and see these new evangelistic tools.

All the reports breathed this same spirit, vibrant with the increased pace of recent years and throbbing with the pent-up promise of a great, unprecedented forward surge.

Even fire and theft help spread the gospel these days! The General Conference Insurance Service, under J. W. (Continued on page 21)

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In HIS two letters Paul outlined the problems Timothy would face after the old veteran was no longer available for counsel. The most difficult of these problems would be his relationship to members of the Christian community who never fully understood the meaning of authentic faith. There would be men like Hymenaeus and Philetus (2 Tim. 2:16-18), who had subverted many with their devious arguments. Their influence would spread like cancer through the church body, and any consideration given them would make matters worse.

Paul does not object to healthy differences of opinion that sometimes arise within the church. Doctrinal statements will need clarification from time to time, until the day dawns when no one sees through a glass, darkly. Here he warns against those whose specious logic and devious speculation are aimed at the roots of the Christian faith.

There will also be men like Alexander (2 Tim. 4:14), who stood forth in violent opposition to anyone who bore the name Christian. Personal bias is usually the goad that leads such people to take delight in maligning, misrepresenting, and attempting to destroy the Christian and his work.

Among the widening circles of Christian believers are others, says the apostle, who will not actively oppose their church, but whose influence will be equally damaging. Paul describes these church members (2 Tim. 3) as outwardly religious, while merely "holding the form of religion The Epistles of Paul to Timothy-5

Paul's Portrait of The Man of Faith

By H. E. DOUGLASS

but denying the power thereof." Down through the centuries such members have been the greatest liability the church has had to carry. At the end of time these church members who only play at the game of being Christians will be responsible for a delay in the Lord's return.

But there was also a brighter side to the picture of things to come. In his Second Epistle, Paul paints six portraits emphasizing six characteristics of the authentic New Testament Christian. These stand forth in sharp contrast to the dreary sketch of those who would shipwreck their faith, either by intemperate living or by vain philosophical speculation.

#### **Dynamic Personal Relations**

In 2 Timothy 1:7 Paul reminds Timothy that "God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control" (R.S.V.). Timothy had participated with Paul in the establishment of numerous Christian communities, and had experienced the hostility of both Romans and Jews. But soon Timothy would be the leader of the church in Asia Minor. To him younger Christians would look for courage and an example.

To write with the power and courage and steadfastness that Paul did, with the executioner's ax poised, fig-uratively, over his head, testifies to the genuineness of his appeal. God's witnesses need never cower under any threat, or flinch under any trial. Along with the courage and dynamic initiative God requires of them, they also need the quality of Christlike love. Genuine love is power rightly directed. Paul said in his eloquent thirteenth chapter of 1 Corinthians that "love never fails." Love is often tested. ignored, and rejected. But genuine love, reflecting the love of Jesus for the human family, requires a steady purpose that will not fail, despite many obstacles. Of the balance between courage and love in Christian witnesses Ellen White has written:

"Christian life is more than many take it to be. It does not consist wholly in gentleness, patience, meekness, and kindliness. These graces are essential; but there is need also of courage, force, energy, and perseverance. The path that Christ marks out is a narrow, self-denying path. To enter that path and press on through difficulties and discouragements requires men who are more than weaklings.

"Men of stamina are wanted, men who will not wait to have their way smoothed and every obstacle removed, men who will inspire with fresh zeal the flagging efforts of dispirited workers, men whose hearts are warm with Christian love and whose hands are strong to do their Master's work.

"Some who engage in missionary service are weak, nerveless, spiritless, easily discouraged. They lack push. They have not those positive traits of character that give power to do something—the spirit and energy that kindle enthusiasm. Those who would win success must be courageous and hopeful. They should cultivate not only the passive but the active virtues. While they are to give the soft answer that turns away wrath, they must possess the courage of a hero to resist evil. With the charity that endures all things, they need the force of character that will make their influence a positive power.

"Some have no firmness of character. Their plans and purposes have no definite form and consistency. They are of but little practical use in the world. This weakness, indecision, and inefficiency should be overcome. There is in true Christian character an indomitableness that cannot be molded or subdued by adverse circumstances. We must have moral backbone, an integrity that cannot be flattered, bribed, or terrified."—The Ministry of Healing, pp. 497, 498. Paul knew through experience that

Paul knew through experience that effective Christian work can be done only when men are willing to face obstacles unafraid. Such an attitude develops into a fixed character pattern, and this is one of the prime requirements of Christian leaders.

#### Loyal Like a Trained Soldier

"Take your share of suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him" (2 Tim. 2:3, 4, R.S.V.). A soldier expects many difficult moments, in training and under fire. But a good soldier never shrinks from his duty. He faces danger courageously, for the sake of home and country. He knows that the more adeptly he practices the skills of warfare, the more likely it is that he will live to see the end of the conflict. For the sake of his own survival, and for ultimate victory, he learns to obey implicitly the orders of his superior officer.

For Paul, the trained soldier who is loyal to duty and unflinching in combat is an excellent example of qualities an authentic Christian witness will possess as a result of implicit trust in his superior Officer, the Lord Jesus.

#### Self-disciplined Like an Athlete

Another translation of the fifth verse of 2 Timothy 2 reads: "A competitor in athletic sports is not awarded the wreath of victory unless he has observed the rules" (Twentieth Century New Testament). Year after year, in many kinds of sports, it is not what is achieved in some outstanding effort, but how the game is played, that determines the final score and the record book. Many touchdowns are called back in the game of football because somebody was offside or was penalized for some other infraction of the rules. It is possible to engage in church activities, on any level of responsibility, yet all the while be breaking the rules of Christlike living.

The end never justifies the means. It is folly to think that the formal doing of God's work will compensate for un-Christlike spirit and methods. Candidates for the eternal society are to be measured in the dimension of the spirit, not in the dimension of activities. Authentic faith is the "faith which worketh by love" (Gal. 5:6). This is the only measure by which men will be judged. Only those who respond spontaneously to all occasions with a transparently sincere desire to help others will be fitted to live in the kingdom of love.

(Concluded next week)

# "THE LORD WILL DO WONDERS"

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the remnant church. The first is found in Joshua 1:1, 2: "The Lord spake unto Joshua . . . saying, . . . Arise, go over this Jordan." The second: "Joshua rose early in the morning" (chap. 3:1). The last: "Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you" (verse 5).

There are several thoughts in these three texts. First, there is the assignment of a task. At the time God called upon His people to cross the river it was swollen in flood as a result of the melting snows. To reach the other side seemed almost impossible. Second, there was the leader's reaction to the assignment. The record says that he "rose early in the morning." There was no hesitation, no procrastination, no indecision. Joshua was the kind of leader who could not rest when God called him to action.

Third, special preparation on the part of both leaders and people was necessary before they should go over Jordan.

"Sanctify yourselves," Joshua commanded. Before they beheld the mighty power of God on their behalf, a work must be done. There must be a time of deep heart searching and repentance, a time of mourning over past failures and unbelief. Everything that would prevent them from carrying out God's assignment must be put away. Their deportment must be in keeping with the solemnity of the hour.

Fourth, in an hour of urgency and extremity, divine intervention on behalf of God's people was to be evident. "To-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you." God was going to do something out of the ordinary, something that would make evident that divine power was at work. God would distinguish Himself as the leader of His people, as One upon whom they could depend under all circumstances. But there could be no wonders; God could not work for them; until they first heeded His command, "Sanctify yourselves."

### The Crossing of the Jordan

We are all familiar with the experience that followed. The priests bearing the ark went down to the edge of the water, and suddenly the tide above was held back, the current below swept on, and the river bed became bare. The Levites walked to the middle of the channel and halted. After all the people had passed over and the priests' feet were again on dry land on the other side, the imprisoned water was set free and rushed down in a resistless flood. God had performed a great miracle on behalf of His chosen people Israel.

Brethren and sisters, we, as modern Israel, find ourselves in a parallel situation. There are great lessons for us in the experience of Joshua and the people as they went over Jordan. Paul wrote in First Corinthians 10:11: "It all happened to them . . . for the purpose of instructing us whose lot has been cast in the closing hours of the world" (Moffatt).\*

Let there be no question about it, fellow leaders, we are in the midst of tremendous times. The servant of the Lord said back in 1870: "We are now upon the very borders of the eternal world." Fifteen years later she wrote: "Eternity stretches before us. The curtain is about to be lifted." If this was true then, how much more solemn are the times in which we live. Such an awe-inspiring thought should stimulate the leaders of God's people gathered here from around the world to lay plans for the greatest advance this church has ever known.

The voice of God comes clearly to His leaders just now: "Arise, go over this Jordan." The command of God is unmistakable, "Go." "Move forward," He says. The unentered areas of earth rise up to challenge us— Tibet, Congo, Brazzaville, Zanzibar, Arabia, Sudan, the dark counties of the United States, the unentered areas of Canada, of Inter-America, of old Europe. I am sure that every division leader here immediately thinks of his own area and its many unentered territories. God says to us: "Arise, go over this Jordan."

The Lord is challenging the leaders of His work who are attending this Autumn Council, and He expects us to respond as Joshua responded, and lead His people forward. No hesitation. No procrastination. No indecision. "Move forward," He says. He expects us to provide the type of leadership that will match the awesome hour in which we serve. He expects more of you and of me, fellow leaders, than of any other leaders in the history of this church, not because we are greater or better men, but because we are living nearer the close of probation and the last challenging movements that are going to reach their climax when the Son of God shall appear in the clouds of heaven.

#### Time for a Great Advance

"We are altogether too narrow in our plans," the servant of the Lord reminds us. "His work is to go forward in cities and towns and villages. . . . We must get away from our smallness and make larger plans. There must be a wider reaching forth to work for those who are nigh and those who are afar off."—*Evangelism*, p. 46. Fellow leaders, let us give careful heed to this admonition from the pen of the Lord's

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Presidents of the ten union conferences of the North American Division. Top row (from left to right): F. R. Millard, J. W. Bothe, R. H. Nightingale, Cree Sandefur, Jere D. Smith. Bottom row: J. L. Dittberner, W. H. Hackett, R. R. Bietz, H. H. Schmidt, B. E. Leach.

messenger. Not only should we give heed—we must do something about it. It is time for a great evangelistic advance on every front—in our fields, in our departments, in our institutions, in our churches.

As we sit around our division and union committee tables within the next few weeks, God challenges each of us to plan in faith for great forward moves in our fields.

During the next few weeks the word should go around the world, to every kindred, tongue, and people, that Seventh-day Adventists have not lost their evangelistic fervor or their sense of mission, but that they believe the end is near and in view of that solemn fact they are going to do more than they have ever done before. Let us electrify our people with a wellthought-out and well-planned program of soul winning, with every department of the church mobilized for a great forward thrust. Let us sound the battle cry of coordinated evangelism.

Let us inspire our laymen, our church officers, our youth, our Sabbath school members, our literature evangelists, our teachers, our doctors, our nurses, our technicians, our office workers, our publishing house employees, our departmental secretaries, and our administrators with one great obsession—soul winning and the finishing of the work of God.

If we as leaders move forward our people will follow. My heart has been challenged and humbled by the hundreds of letters that have come to my office since the General Conference session in Detroit, indicating that God's people are ready to move forward in the last challenging work before the coming of Jesus.

Just yesterday I received a letter from a doctor friend. His letter sounds a note that has been in many letters and personal encounters during recent weeks. He wrote: "I sincerely believe that God's people in this area are ready to finish the work here in our county, and to help to finish it around the world. If our leaders will set the spark alight I believe the message will spread through the ranks of our people like fire in the stubble."

What a challenge, brethren! God's people are willing, and we must not, we dare not, fail Him or them at this great hour. The Lord promises that He will work on our behalf if by faith we carry the ark into the Jordan. "To-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you," He says. Fellow leaders, we are not fighting the battle alone. We are not waging war on our own. The Lord will do wonders among us.

# "By Thousands of Voices . . ."

The servant of the Lord wrote: "By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and signs and wonders will follow the believers.... The message will be carried not so much by argument as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God."—The Great Controversy, p. 612.

I am glad that this is not *our* work. The Lord calls us to do our part, but *He* supplies the strength and the power that will enable us to move forward by faith. "By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought. . . . The message will be carried not so much by argument as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God." When we come to the end of our visible resources, then we shall have access to the invisible resources.

Yes, at this very hour the Spirit of

God is inspiring thousands of voices around the world to proclaim the message that will finish the work-in English, in Spanish, in German, in French, in Arabic, in Swedish, in Polish, in Hindi, in Tamil, in Cinyanja, in Sindabele, in Zulu, in Japanese, in Malay, and in scores of other languages. From Cape Cod to Constantinople, from Vietnam to Victoria, from Reykjavik to Rome, God is swelling that message with mighty power, and He expects us at this council to lay such plans and live such lives that it may swell into the glorious loud cry, and that the work may continue to move forward until it is finished.

What wonders are being performed around the world even today! All of our hearts have been stirred by the reports of E. E. Cleveland's effort in Trinidad. Before he left, Elder Cleveland told me he hoped they would baptize 500. According to the latest reports from Trinidad, thousands are gathering to hear the message. I have had several letters from different workers in Trinidad saying they have witnessed the workings of the Spirit of God in greater power than ever before in the beautiful isle of the humming birds. They are hoping to baptize between 800 and 1,000 from this effort.

Brethren and sisters, I believe that under the outpouring of the Holy Spirit we are going to see such results not only in Trinidad but in many other parts of the world, as well. I look forward to the time when old India, the lands of the Middle East, and other distant fields will make an unprecedented response to the gospel. In those lands the seed that has been sown will spring forth and grow up into an abundant harvest. Our workers in those countries who have sown in tears will, I believe, have their hearts gladdened with the greatest harvest ever seen.

I am sure that every division leader has a thrilling story to tell—from Vietnam, from Indonesia, from Burma, from Congo, from Colombia, from the West Indies, from Brazil. But these reports are only the beginning—a mere foretaste of what is ahead for God's people in the near, very near, future, when the Holy Spirit is poured out in latter-rain power. "To-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you."

#### A Work of Preparation Needed

O brethren, what a day in which to lead God's people! What a challenget What an awesome responsibility to be living and to be leading in these thrilling, closing days! But before God performs these miracles, before He rolls back the Jordan before us, a preparation must be made in your life and in mine. "Sanctify yourselves," is the call, the challenge to us as leaders. We must be prepared men and women, clean men and women, sanctified men and women. We must be leaders with clean hands and pure hearts, born again, transformed by the Spirit of God.

We read in Malachi 2:4-7: "For my compact was made with the priest of Levi, says the Lord of hosts; . . . he did revere me, he did stand in awe of me. True instruction came from his mouth and no wrong issued from his lips; in peace and honesty he lived close to me, and he turned many away from evil. For the lips of a priest ought to treasure wisdom, and men should seek direction from his words, since he is the spokesman of the Lord of hosts" (Moffatt).

How many sermons there are in these words for us as workers. What a challenge—a challenge to live in peace and honesty, to live close to the Lord, to turn away from evil. Inasmuch as we are spokesmen for the Lord of hosts, from our lips should fail words of wisdom that will guide and inspire those whom our lives touch. God calls us away from evil, to live close to Him. These are days when we need to get right with God in true repentance, to kneel at the foot of the cross, to prepare ourselves for tomorrow's miracles.

This is no time for compromise, no time for holding onto the world with one hand and onto God with the other. Says the servant of the Lord: "There must be a reformation. The plowshare of truth must plow deep furrows in our proud hearts, and tear up the sod of our unsanctified natures, that the Spirit and love of Jesus may be planted in our hearts."—Sons and Daughters of God, p. 49.

Brethren, that is the experience I want. I want the Spirit of God to come into my life, to make me the kind of leader He wants in these closing, challenging days. "The plowshare of truth must plow deep furrows in our proud hearts." None of us has anything of which to boast, except through the Lord Jesus Christ. "Tear up the sod of our unsanctified natures, that the Spirit and love of Jesus may be planted in our hearts."

God's people have a right to expect much of their leaders. We must be what we expect them, by God's grace, to become. We are to be examples. What a tragedy if we should fail our people or our God in this late hour! If anything is separating us from God, on our knees let us sweep those impediments away. Let that revival of primitive godliness and reformation of which the servant of the Lord has written so frequently begin with us.

If there are differences and misunderstandings between any of us and our fellow workers, our friends, our neighbors, or members of our own family, let us make those things right, let us clear the King's highway. Let us remember also that the Lord's messenger says-even though the person who has wronged us is 20 times more to blame for the misunderstanding than we were, we are to go to that person as though we were the chief offender, put our arms around him, and ask for complete forgiveness. This is not easy, but it is the test of our applied Christianity and of our relationship with Jesus. I pray that if there is anyone in this sanctuary who has any difference with his brethren, he may take steps to remove that difference. Let us get right not only with God but with our fellow men.

In Steps to Christ, page 39, we read: "Confession will not be acceptable to God without sincere repentance and reformation. There must be decided changes in the life; everything offensive to God must be put away. This will be the result of genuine sorrow for sin." Confessions to God and our fellow men will not be acceptable in heaven without sincere repentance and reformation—a change in our lives. Tonight is the time to make things right.

"Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders among you." But there can be no wonders until first there has been sanctification. Before we lead our people into this great revival and reformation, and then into a great evangelistic thrust, there must

# -The Art of Living..... when you're young

# "FRESH-KILLED CHICKEN"

"FRESH-KILLED CHICKEN" - that's what the large letters said. My eyes caught only the words as I was leafing hurriedly through the daily newspaper. Realizing that this could hardly be an advertisement by a local supermarket, I glanced at the picture accompanying the words. Shock and horror washed over me in waves, for there, lying in the road, was a young man, obviously dead. Someone had covered his face with a jacket. Probably this humane gesture had been made by one of the people standing in wordless silence around his body. In the background were two smashed automobiles, one with its engine pressed almost flat into the chassis, and a head-sized hole in the windshield. This car belonged to the winner-not that he cared any longer.

Accompanying this terrible picture were several paragraphs of crisp, terse prose, assuring young people that "playing chicken" can have, and too often does have, this kind of ending. You know about the game of "automotive chicken," of course. Two cars start out from opposite and predetermined points. At top speed they race toward each other, coming closer and closer to the point of collision. The driver who first jerks his wheel and turns his car aside is, of course, "chicken." He's also alive, but I suppose this is hardly worth mentioning.

The newspaper advertisement, if that is the proper term, was paid for by a large company as a public service. Of course it was posed. But when the "fresh-killed chicken" *isn't* posed, when the shriek of death still hovers in the air, when the grinding, rending, crashing impact of tortured metal meeting tortured metal at high speed shatters the silent night-what then?

Death is a subject no one wants to think about. It seems too incongruous when one is young—when life, with all its glorious possibilities, is just beginning. Yet even here death comes, through disease, and through "natural" accidents, if I may be allowed this term. But death is, in these cases, a hated intruder; every effort is made to circumvent him. No medical possibility is overlooked that could conceivably thwart this grim enemy.

But to court death-that's something I can't understand. Violent death, ugly, horrible. No young person, or any person, has the right to place so small a value upon himself. "Ye are not your own." "Ye are bought with a price." It is almost blasphemous to think of Christ's atoning blood being shed for a young person so witless as to play "chicken" to provesomething. Courage? What possible connection is there? More likely to prove idiocy. Proving courage could involve taking off that black leather jacket, cutting that stringy, greasy hair, saying good by forever to worthless friends, getting home on time, and apologizing to his parents for breaking their hearts. That would take real courage.

If you're ever tempted to play "automotive chicken," remember that "freshkilled" ones aren't worth much.

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first be a personal preparation on the part of those of us in this church tonight. If there is one thing more important than our program of evangelism for others it is to be pure in our own hearts and lives and to be right with God ourselves.

To such a preparation I want to dedicate myself at this meeting. To such a preparation I call you men as the leaders of God's church around the world. What is your response to God's challenge as we prepare to cross the Jordan into the Promised Land? What is your response, first to the call to revival and reformation, and then to the challenge of a great forward thrust in soul winning?

I would like to hear from some of our world leaders. Do you really believe that the coming of Jesus is near? Is it your determination to let Jesus come into your heart and life and take such full possession of you that God can use you and make you the kind of leader that will bring about this revival and reformation in your area? As a leader in the cause of God, will you go back to your area and lay the greatest plans for evangelism the church in your field has ever laid? What is your response?

[At this point various leaders, including the presidents of the world divisions, responded to Elder Pierson's call to rededication and to the finishing of the work.]

# I PAID TITHE AND . . .

By C. L. Torrey

THE following experience was told to W. L. Murrill by Saw Kyaw Thein of Burma.

"Some time ago I planted a garden, hoping to realize a good return on my investment. At the end of the season, after deducting all expenses in connection with the raising of the crop, I netted a profit of Ks. 2,000. On this I paid my tithe of Ks. 200.

On this I paid my tithe of Ks. 200. "Not long after I sold my produce, some robbers attempted to rob me. My village friends heard about the plot and put the robbers to flight. The Lord was good to me, and I thanked Him for protecting me from harm and for saving my money. I believed He did so because I had been faithful in paying an honest tithe.

"However, after a time my faith faltered and I wonclered if that experience was related to the paying of my tithe. So the next year I decided to really prove to myself whether the paying of one's tithe does make a difference. I said to myself, 'I will not pay my tithe for one year and see what happens.'

"I sowed my crop as in the previous year. At first the plants looked green and healthy. A few days later I discovered that insects had bored into the roots, and after four or five days the plants began to wither and turn yellow. Now I understood. I had doubted God. I therefore went home, got down on my knees, and prayed most earnestly for forgiveness for my doubtings, and beseeched Him to restore my plants to their normal condition. I told Him that I would never



# A Gift From the King-2

#### By MIRIAM HARDINGE

[Finn's father had gone away on a boat from their island home in the North Atlantic Ocean, to Copenhagen. Upon his return, he brought Finn's little sister, Inga, a baby doll, but there was nothing in his hands for Finn. Finn was disappointed, but brave about it. Then father turned to Finn and asked, "Would you come with me on the deck and help me carry something I can't manage by myself?"]

"YES, DADDY," said Finn, wondering what it could be. Could it possibly be his dream saddle after all? He hurried on deck with his father.

Propped against one of the seats was a bulky package.

"It's for you, Finn," said father, smil-

ing. "Is it—is it a saddle?" almost fearfully he asked his father.

"Just see for yourself, my boy," said father, and at that invitation Finn tugged at the twine and tore off the wrappings, to reveal not an ordinary saddle such as they had on the farm, but the most beautiful one he had ever seen.

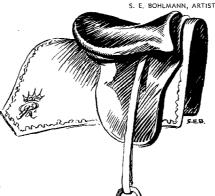
"Where did you get such a beautiful saddle?" asked Finn.

"From the king," said father, smiling. "From the king?" questioned Finn. "But how?"

"I'll tell you later. Come, let's be getting home. After all this long time away I can hardly wait to get home."

That evening in their cozy sitting room father told all his adventures on his trip and during his stay in Copenhagen. The children listened eagerly to every word.

It was the most beautiful saddle Finn had ever seen. It even had the king's mark on it.



doubt Him again, and that I would be faithful in the payment of my tithe. God heard my prayer; the insects disappeared almost immediately; and the plants soon revived.

"I am fully convinced that God does pour out His blessing upon those who are faithful in paying an honest tithe. I have proved the Lord, and I know that paying tithe does make a difference."

"And now," he said, "I know one small boy who wants to know how I got a certain very beautiful saddle to bring home to him," and he turned and winked at Finn.

"Yes, tell us," chorused the children.

"Well," said father, warming up to the story. "While I was lying in the hospital I thought all the time of my little family back here on the island, and wondered what I could do to make them happy on my return. I knew that I could afford a doll for Inga, and some books for the older ones, but how to get a saddle for Finn was a problem. Then one day I thought of something. You know, the king has many horses and beautiful stables, and men to take care of them. Surely, I thought, he would have a saddle that he could spare for my boy. I kept thinking and thinking, and then one day I wrote a letter to him and told about my children, and my boy who so much wanted a saddle, and I asked him if he could spare one.

"I asked a nurse to mail the letter, and immediately afterward I regretted writing it. What a silly thing to do, I thought. I was sure that the king would take no notice of my request.

"The days went by, and I was sure my letter had been put aside. Then one afternoon there was a telephone call for me.

"'This is the master of the king's horses,' said the voice on the telephone. 'I have been informed that you want a saddle for your boy. I am happy to tell you that the king has given me orders to let you have one. Where shall I send it?'

"Oh, my ears tingled with joy! One of the king's servants came to the hospital and delivered the saddle. And see, it has the royal mark on it."

The children crowded close to look at the king's mark.

"I'm glad you wrote to the king," said Finn.

"Yes, I am glad I did, though after I sent the letter I felt that I had been too bold. But our king is a generous and kind man, and I learned a lesson from that. Paul tells us that we are to go boldly to the throne of grace, to our heavenly King. Jesus tells us that God is more willing to give good gifts to His children than earthly parents are to give to their little ones."

"Yes indeed," said mother, "and that should make us feel that we can take anything to our heavenly King. If an earthly king can be so good, how much more will our heavenly King attend to our requests. He has sent a saddle for Finn, and better still, He has sent good health to our daddy. How good God is!"

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For Homemakers Ħ FTTF

A missionary nurse writes of her reactions to leaving the homeland and making a new life in a foreign country.

A Letter to the Folks at Home

#### DEAREST MOTHER AND DADDY,

Your "letter of memories," as I fondly call it, is before me. It was interesting, Mom, to read some of the things you remembered and wrote about on the evening of the day I left. I don't know who found it harder to part, you or I. As you did, I reflected a lot while the airplane surged skyward, away from you, as San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate bridge (which I could see longer than I could see you) faded into nothing.

Since it is not "proper" to cry in public, I tried to be brave, but tears came unbidden for a while. Passengers would not understand, and further, was not this the day toward which I had worked and planned so long? So I resolutely regained composure, and tried to think positive thoughts.

I cannot estimate the value of leaving "by stages" as I did. I think every missionary (at least those leaving the first time) ought to travel to some other familiar place after leaving loved ones, before he lands in utterly foreign territory. The weekend I spent in Portland was a shock absorber, and much of the ache of ing separated from home and loved ones was eased by being with dear friends. It gave me an extra day to become accustomed to the reality, the finality, of this move.

I could not call you Sunday morning before I flew from Portland, as I knew I would not even be able to talk, so I asked Terry and Paul to call you, and then I boarded the plane. Joyce had given me a notebook diary, and while tears flowed again, I tried to stop them by writing in it:

"Sunday, March 13, 1966. Such mixed emotions! Such deep feelings, which can find no expression! . . . I've now reached the point of no return—the jumping-off place for sure. . . . To all of you, my friends up there on the observation deck, may I say, 'The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.' "O God, am I capable of the work? Am I worthy of the trust? Do I merit the love of so many? Keep me faithful. Keep me true. . . .

"We are airborne. Portland is behind and below us. We flew past Rocky Butte, where I've climbed.... Mount Tabor, where so many memorable events have occurred that my memory is jammed....

"For a moment I felt all alone—so alone. Then the words of the song 'Never Alone' came to my mind along with the promise 'I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world'; and I no longer felt alone. Traveling with me, unseen, is the most wonderful Friend and Companion of all."

That was the beginning of my journey to Indonesia. Halfway round the world from you now, I am in the mission field at last! The kaleidoscope of activities has finally culminated in fulfillment of my lifelong dream.

How many factors have shaped my destiny! What decisions and problems had to be grappled with and overcome before I could or would come! Both of you know the whole story of my life well, and your letter brings to remembrance a few high points, but I wonder sometimes whether either of you realize how much your influence and prayers figure in it? For as long as I can remember, you have encouraged all four of us children to prepare for a place of service, and for that long I have dreamed of being a missionary.

This morning during lesson study at Sabbath school, one of the non-Adventist class members asked a question about Peter and the rock, in relation to the head of the church. I was able to turn to Matthew 16 and 1 Corinthians 10 without any hesitation. Why? Do you realize the part you played? Do you remember how, when we children were small, we used to anticipate Friday evening sundown worship? Why was this so special a time? That night we would take turns standing on a special rug to recite our memory verses for the quarter. We had the memory-verse cards to prompt us, but no picture cards alone could teach us those Bible gems and their references. I do not remember, now, when or where I learned the texts I used this morning, but it could easily have been at our family altar. I experienced the fulfillment of the promise in John 14:26, "He [the Holy Ghost] shall . . . bring all things to your remembrance."

It is mental pictures of memoryverse recitals, our singing together, our praying together, and our studying together that hallow my memories of our family sundown worships even more than our regular family worships. What strength and direction they have given to my life! Doubtless that is why I miss you most of all on Friday nights.

In fact, the first Sabbath I was here, Dr. and Mrs. Holm and I were having sundown worship together. In so many ways the setting was similar. An accordion replaced the familiar piano, and doctor sings bass instead of tenor, as you do, Daddy, and there were just the three of us instead of a family (their three children are all away at school). But we sang the same songs I knew you would be singing when you greeted the Sabbath nearly a day later. They asked me to pray, and I uttered a few words before the flood of memories choked my voice. They seemed to understand, and audible words were unnecessary as we all silently poured out our hearts to God. Each Friday night that passes makes it a little easier to be here alone, but how I long for the day when there will be no more parting, where "God shall wipe away all tears ... and there shall be no more ... sorrow, nor crying . . . [nor] any more pain" (Rev. 21:4).

How much you sacrificed to keep all of us in church school we children will probably never fully know. I do remember one Sabbath I happened to be sitting in the pew behind you, Mom, and daddy came to whisper some question to you before he went onto the platform to assist with the church service. For the first time, I noticed the seat of his trousers-darned, carefully patched, and so worn! I can remember how shocked I was, and how sorry I felt, for just a few weeks earlier both Jan and I had gotten new shoes, and you, Mom, had made us new dresses. I wondered then, "How many new suits could daddy wear if we were in public school?" Even then I had a little appreciation of the value of church schools, and now I cherish the opportunity you made by sacrifice even more. How thankful I am that you and daddy were willing to do without-to wear patched suits -so that we might study under godly teachers.

Since arriving here I have engaged in previously undreamed-of tasks. Oh -I have always wanted to be a missionary, it is true, but how little did I know of what this entailed! In the short month I have been here I have mentally thanked both of you hundreds of times for teaching us how to work, for teaching us to think things through from cause to effect. I am so thankful you taught us to stick to a task until it is finished! I am grateful, too, that you taught us to laugh at our own foolish mistakes, that you helped us develop a sense of humor! Without these attributes one could scarcely exist long where pressures and responsibilities are so great!

You, my teachers, and my friends have all contributed to my character formation. And now that I am far from home the letters from you and my friends provide that revitalizing energy that helps so much. I knew it would be lonesome at times, I knew there would be new customs, new ways of thinking, and a new language to learn. But I was not prepared for the tremendous boon I would receive from even a short note from the homeland. I am beginning to appreciate the description of mission work in Isaiah 54, verse 2. My family and friends are my "stakes," and your "cords" of love now span the ocean!

I received a copy of our nursing school class letter a couple of weeks ago, and as I read the letters from each of my classmates I could not help remembering. With some of them I had studied, prayed, or played more than with others. With all of them I dedicated myself to the Lord's work at our consecration service. Some of them are in California, some in Oregon, some in other places. Some are still nursing, others have full-time jobs being mothers and wives. But none of them has traveled as much as I. None of them has crossed the United States and back twice in two years. None of them has been to Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok, or Singapore as I have now. Sacrifice? Compensations? They cannot be balanced! God has already repaid me a thousand times over for my sacrifices.

Yes, for every sacrifice there is a compensation, and I pray that both of you will find many rewards for dedicating me to mission service. I may not have the family I longed for, but I am now "mother" to 53 nursing students! (That ought to satisfy anyone's motherly instinct!) And they are such fine young people that it is thrilling to work with them. Mission life has other compensations, too new exotic foods, breathtaking scenery, flowers, and trees, interesting people, and something new happening every day! Yes, Mother and Daddy, I am now a missionary, laboring here to help finish the work you are helping there to complete. Together with all of God's children, we are striving to fulfill the gospel commission so Jesus can return and we can all go "home." "Maranatha!" Love,

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### By CAROLYN E. KEELER

NOVEMBER says a final good-by to summer, though we did that tentatively in September. But you know how we linger over good-bys. Recall that old song, "Good-by summer, good-by, good-by"? The wild geese are making their autumn flights south. It has been eight years since we left Branchport and the Finger Lakes country of New York, where we saw so many flocks of these birds migrating.

The summer birds are gone, and we are left with our year-round birds —such favorites as cardinals, chickadees, woodpeckers, nuthatches, and blue jays. Sometimes we are favored by a visit from a flock of evening grosbeaks. Most of the people in this area are bird lovers, and maintain feeding stations.

We hear the whine of chain saws as they bite into chunks of wood for the winter furnace fires or the kitchen ranges. We use bottled gas in the warmer weather, but the kitchen range in winter. I like an old wood range. If dinner is delayed a bit, you can shove the pan to the back of the stove and by opening the door a little you can keep oven-cooked foods warm until folks arrive for supper.

We begin to think of our Thanksgiving dinner. Such a wealth of vegetables from which to choose! Mashed potatoes are an old favorite. Serve with country-style Gravy Quik. We must have some tart cranberry jelly to serve with the entree. Some crisp celery stalks. I am partial to my old favorite salad of unpared red apples diced and mixed with cubes of celery and chopped walnuts. Crisp new cabbage makes a wonderful salad, mixed with fruit or other vegetables of your choice.

For the main dish you might wish to try VegeBits à la King:

11/2 cups VegeBits cut in quarters

- 2 tbsp. food yeast or brewers' yeast
- 2 tbsp. oil

1 cup mushrooms (sliced or small buttons)

- 1 finely chopped green pepper
- 1 finely chopped pimento
- 1 green onion chopped
- 1 cup cooked peas (frozen or canned)
- 4 tbsp. flour
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 tbsp. oil
- 2 cups soy or dairy milk
- 1 tbsp. lemon juice
- Paprika for garnish

Sauté VegeBits and food yeast in 2 tbsp. oil for 5 minutes. Add next 4 items and cook for 5 minutes. Add peas and toss lightly. While this is cooking, make cream sauce of the flour, oil, milk, and seasoning. Cook until thick and pour over VegeBit mixture. Mix lightly. Adjust seasoning. Serve in patty or pastry shells, or over toast points.

Serve apple pie or pumpkin pie for dessert, with some whipped cream.

Eat with relatives and friends and an invited stranger—and with thankful hearts.

The wild geese are making their autumn flights south.



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# "CIGARETTE MONEY"

If anyone doubts that quitting a bad habit is a "good deal," let him consider the experience of Benjamin H. High, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Twenty years ago, when he was 37, Mr. High quit smoking and began saving his "cigarette money." Faithfully he dropped quarters into a box built into the wall of his home.

Recently he loaded all the quarters into a wheelbarrow, and pushed them to the Lancaster County Farmers National Bank. They added up to the impressive sum of \$2,532.50. Mr. High converted the quarters into travelers' checks, then started on a two-month trip around the world with his wife. His "cigarette money" is now going up in smoke—the smoke of jet exhaust trails.

Mr. High discovered that "cigarette money" can go to more profitable enterprises than supporting a healthdestroying habit. Seventh-day Adventists have discovered this also. They give their "cigarette money" to missions and other aspects of God's work. They also place their "liquor money," "amusement money," "luxury money," "selfish money," and other kinds in the Bank of Heaven. This is a wise and rewarding practice. It not only places their funds in a safe place but the money earns the only kind of interest that has permanent value—souls saved in God's everlasting kingdom. K. H. W.

# REASON AND FAITH-2

Last week we considered man as a rational-moral being created in God's image and endowed with the capacity to know, to reason, to believe, to make moral judgments, to desire, to choose, to will, and to act freely and responsibly. We compared man's rational-moral faculties to an electronic computer able to assimilate, remember, and use acquired information to solve problems submitted to it. This week let us consider how man assimilates information through sensory experience and faith, synthesizes it, and applies it in finding a solution to the moral problems he encounters in life.

There are two basic ways in which a man can acquire information, the raw material on which reason operates by sensory experience, and by faith in the revelation God has given. Information derived through the senses relates primarily to the natural world of which man himself is part, while information acquired by faith in the revealed will of God relates primarily to the great problems of man's origin, moral duty, and destiny. Revelation and faith equip man with knowledge to which he could not attain on the basis of sensory experience and reason alone.

The primary objective of knowledge acquired by faith is to enable us to rise above our finite limitations, and to weigh the things and opportunities of time—which have been entrusted to us as instruments for the development of character—from the vantage point of eternity. Only those who learn to use the things and opportunities of time aright can expect to be trusted with the "true riches" of eternity (see Luke 16:11). Only the servant who improves the "few things" of this life will ever be promoted to rule over the "many things" of the future life (see Matt. 25:20, 21). The present life is a training school for the hereafter.

In his original state man was perfect. His faculties of knowledge, reason, faith, conscience, desire, choice, and will were in perfect balance. By nature he was predisposed to desire and to choose that which is true, right, and good. But sin upset the delicate balance, and cumbered him with a predisposition to desire and to choose that which is false, wrong, and evil. It blinded his faculty of faith, and so warped his desires and his conscience as to render them unsafe guides to choice and action. It predisposed him to place more confidence in sensory information, which he can verify by his own rational processes, than in information he must accept by faith. His desires became enslaved to that which is physical and material. Blind to his own finite limitations, he tended to rely on his own finite judgment and to do that which seemed right in his own eyes.

To enter man's soul Satan must first gain control of one or more of his rational-moral faculties. He may distort the information the mind stores as knowledge, he may confuse reason, he may blunt faith, he may pervert conscience and desire, he may deprive man of the power to choose and the will to act. Perhaps the weakest of these faculties are reason (which, being finite, is highly subject to error), faith (which requires acceptance of data that is not subject to sensory verification), and desire (which is easily influenced by physical appetites and inclinations). Righteousness consists in the sanctified use of one's rational-moral faculties to choose that which is true, right, good, and beneficial. Evil consists in the prostitution of that which is inherently good, to wrong and selfish ends; sin is the perverted use of one's faculties to choose that which is false, wrong, evil, and harmful.

# An Appeal to Reason and Desire Apart From Faith

In his first fateful encounter with Eve at the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the tempter appealed to reason and desire apart from faith. He presented her with partial truth, suggested a fallacious process of reasoning, destroyed her faith in God's word, blunted her conscience, aroused her desire for something God had said was not to be desired, and thus seduced her to make a wrong choice and to act upon it.

Satan argued that "the tree was good for food," that "it was pleasant to the eyes," and that it was "to be desired to make one wise" (Gen. 3:6). Evidently the fruit was good for food, and it was pleasant to the eyes; that much Eve felt competent to judge for herself. It was evident, also, that by eating the fruit she would become wiser than she was before. Had not God Himself called it "the tree of the *knowledge* of good and evil"? (chap. 2:17). On this point Satan and God were obviously in agreement.

But there was a fatal difference. That difference lay in the respective estimates God and Satan placed on the value of the knowledge that would result from eating the fruit. God had said most emphatically that that knowledge was not to be desired. Satan countered that it was to be desired, and proceeded to explain why. At present, he pointed out, Eve knew only good. He implied that the essential difference between her and God was that God knew evil as well as good, and that it was the fruit which made the difference. God knew this, he went on to say, and had placed a taboo on the tree because He selfishly wanted to keep its fruit for Himself. Why not eat the fruit and become like God—by experiencing evil as well as good?

For Eve it was a matter of Satan's word against God's word. God had said, "Thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (verse 17). The tempter asked the leading question, "Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" "Ye shall not surely die," he countered, "for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil" (ch. 3:1-5).

The decision the tempter pressed upon Eve required information that lay beyond her own sensory knowledge and experience, in the realm of faith. She had no personal experience with the results of eating the fruit, and would have to take someone else's word for it. This information God had already provided, specifically as a protection against the sophistries of Satan. Should she accept the word of the Creator and Owner of the tree, or that of the fascinating serpent now perched in its branches and reasoning solicitously with her? Whom should she believe?

Sense, deprived of faith, led Eve to doubt what God had said, and in its place to believe the serpent's subtle logic. The result was a new and exhilarating desire for the fruit, which replaced her former negative desire against it. This perverted desire prompted her to take the fruit and eat it, and then to share it with her companion. "It was distrust of God's goodness, disbelief of His word, and rejection of His authority, that made our first parents transgressors."—Education, p. 25.

Next week we will discuss steps the Christian may take to safeguard the operation of his rational-moral faculties as a free and responsible, though finite, being. R. F. C. (Continued next week)

# **REVIVAL AND REFORMATION**

As we write these lines the 1966 Autumn Council has just ended. Judged by any standard, it was a good meeting. Earnest leaders, representing a wide range of denominational organizations throughout the world—divisions, unions, local conferences, publishing houses, educational institutions, hospitals, among others—gave careful study to the needs of the church, and laid plans to encourage advances on all fronts.

From the opening moments of the first meeting until the final benediction was offered six days later, God's Spirit was present, uniting hearts, imparting wisdom, and strengthening faith. You can read the excellent report of the council on pages 2 to 4 of this REVIEW. In this editorial we shall comment on but one phase of the meeting—the call to revival and reformation issued by the General Conference president and other speakers.

Let us say at the beginning that we take this call seriously. We believe everyone should. We believe that when God lays a burden on the hearts of our church leaders to call His people to climb the spiritual heights, every member should step forward, determined to participate in a meaningful way. All should engage in close selfexamination, saying with the psalmist, "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting" (Ps. 139:23, 24).

#### Our Most Urgent Need

Almost 80 years ago, Ellen G. White wrote in the Review of March 22, 1887, page 177: "A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work."

This summons was issued about a year and a half be-

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fore the 1888 General Conference session in Minneapolis. At that time some in the church were placing almost exclusive emphasis on law keeping as a means of character development. Except for Ellen G. White, few were saying anything about Christ and His righteousness, about righteousness by faith. The result was barrenness of soul. Legalism was strengthening. Love was weakening. Contending for various theories of truth seemed to some to be more important than entering into a personal relationship with Christ. No wonder God's messenger declared that "a revival of true godliness" was "the greatest and most urgent" need of the church. Today the doctrine of Christ our righteousness has

Today the doctrine of Christ our righteousness has become one of our central beliefs; indeed, it is the doctrine in which all of our other teachings center. Church members who understand and make a personal application of this doctrine are enjoying a vital, happy, growing experience in the things of God. And the number in this group is increasing.

Now, since the situation in the church is not the same today as it was in 1887, are we to conclude that the call to revival and reformation is no longer relevant, that it does not speak to present needs? We think not. The call is as timely as when it was first issued. It is the call that will arouse the church, encouraging it to forsake the conditions set forth so clearly in the Laodicean message. The True Witness says that the church is lukewarm. Can we deny this charge? We cannot. Though God is blessing His people wonderfully in many respects, and untold thousands within the church are enjoying a rich spiritual experience, many are still content with a sickly experience when they might be enjoying abounding spiritual health. Then what shall we do?

#### The Spirit of Reconciliation

At this Autumn Council the thought was presented several times that if differences or misunderstandings exist between various church members every effort should be made to remove these. If "thy brother hath ought against thee," go to him, is the Scriptural admonition.

against thee," go to him, is the Scriptural admonition. We all recognize that in this life "we see through a glass, darkly." Communication between human beings is far from perfect. In spite of extreme care in voicing opinions, in spite of earnest efforts to conduct oneself in an exemplary fashion, scarcely a day passes in which opportunity for misunderstanding does not arise. Often the offending party is not aware that his words or actions have been taken amiss. But small resentments, given sanctuary in the heart, gradually produce large estrangements. Eventually family and church harmony is disrupted.

But though misunderstandings are, perhaps, inevitable, shall we not work to keep them to a minimum, and when they occur, work to restore harmony as soon as possible? The Spirit of God works best in a climate of unity and peace, not dissension; hence if we are sincere in our desire to see greater evidences of God's power in the church we should prepare the King's highway by opening our hearts to the spirit of reconciliation. Let us believe that no schism within families or churches is hopeless. Let us gather together at the foot of the cross, seeking divine help, confessing our shortcomings, repenting of bitter feelings. Hearts long estranged may be knit one to another in Christian love. Revival will come.

#### Further Steps to Take

Revival and reformation demand more than this, of course. We need to be right with God, as well as with man. We need to forsake every known sin. We need to re-evaluate our lives in the light of God's Word. We need to check to see how far we have drifted from the oldtime standards of Christian living. We need to deal honestly with our souls, rejecting the rationalizations

that have seemed so adequate to justify our pet sins and worldly practices. We need to fix our eyes on Jesus, praying that we may be transformed into His likeness. We need to live and work as men and women who believe in the imminent return of Christ. "What manner of persons ought" we "to be in all holy conversation and godliness?" (2 Peter 3:11).

In this editorial we have not attempted an exhaustive treatment of the subject of revival and reformation. We have merely set down a few of the thoughts that have



#### INSPIRATION OF ELLEN G. WHITE

EDITORS: Every time I read a book or article by Mrs. E. G. White I marvel that one could be so completely inspired by God. The Great Controversy is so interesting that one can hardly put it down-one wants to go on to the end of the book in one reading.

Mrs. White never called attention to herself but always pointed to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world She always wrote that there is only one perfect Person-the man Christ Jesus. With divinely inspired pen she instructed us in the ways of healthful living. She warned that we should get out of the cities, for living in the country is more healthful and provides a better environment, especially for children. Her instruction on mind cure should be given greater emphasis in all Adventist churches. Mrs. White stressed the importance of a wellbalanced diet. She advocated a nonflesh diet. but counseled people to provide adequate substitutes for meat, lest the body lack nourishment.

Mrs. White rightly taught that we can be more effective Christians if we care for our bodies; but she constantly emphasized that "the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Rom. 14:17). She taught that Christ alone can lead us into all truth. When we accept Him as our personal Saviour we want to please Him in every respect and let His Spirit transform our lives. Our health message is essential, but when we present it to people before they are led to Christ, it may only confuse and upset them. Let us be tactful, uncritical, and patient.

MYRTLE LEORA NELSON Pasadena, California

#### NO BAD OVERTONES INTENDED

EDITORS: While we are not members of the SDA Church, we have been receiving the RE-VIEW AND HERALD for the past year and are very much in agreement with the contents thereof and admire and respect SDA teachings in general.

However, the story for the younger set, "When God Held Back the Rain," in the October 13 issue, bothers me considerably! Such an item, I feel, can do great harm to your cause if read by the general non-SDA public.

The thorn is this: Just because all people do not accept Saturday as the Sabbath is no reason to discredit their keeping Sunday as

their Sabbath. What right has Mr. Thomas to expect, or pretty much insist, that his neighbor help him with the hay on Sunday? What if Mr. Thomas' neighbor had wanted to go to church on Sunday? Apparently he was not a Saturday or Sunday "Sabbath" keeper, but this is beside the point. It would be more helpful to children reading this story to understand why many people keep Sunday as the Sabbath, since they never heard of SDA teachings. Mr. Thomas would do better to try to convert his neighbor, or respect his Sunday, if he wanted to keep it, rather than force him to work.

I am afraid I do not like the apparent implication of the story that those who don't keep Saturday as the Sabbath aren't worth giving any consideration to since they are giving any constant probably "lost" anyway. C. J. SAGMULLER

Bellefonte, Pennsylvania

▶ The neighbor offered his services on Sunday; he was not pressured. We thought the story was far from condemnatory toward the neighbor-that the neighbor showed up very well indeed displaying a fine, helpful attitude! Certainly there was no attempt to judge him as "lost" or "saved." It's difficult to tell even a children's story with no possibility of being misunderstood. But we'll try harder.

#### APPEAL FOR SACRED RECORDS

EDITORS: Last year I visited many of our churches in a country where missionary work, as such, is forbidden. I met and talked with our Adventist youth there. We can help

come to us as we have listened to God's messengers challenge the church to advance in spiritual attainments and in fulfilling the gospel commission. We believe that all heaven is watching to see how the church will respond.

Of one thing we can be certain: God's love is everlasting. He is eager to forgive. He is eager to pour out His Spirit. His promise is: "I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely" (Hosea 14:4). Let us not keep God waiting. Too much is at stake.

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them if we want to. They can hold music hours, concerts, et cetera, which could attract children and young people and their friends. We can send them used records of instrumental sacred music, which they are allowed to play for their friends. This can lead to questions about the theme and the purpose of the music. Ultimately, the answers will lead to Jesus Christ. I am sure many of our brethren will respond enthusiastically to this call for used records to be used for the Lord in a faraway land. If you think the thought is worth while and God impresses your heart, please give a little place for this request. If any cannot afford to pay for the postage, I will reimburse them in the amount they have spent upon receipt of the records. Organ, piano, orchestral, and harp music will especially be appreciated. I will forward the records to the field.

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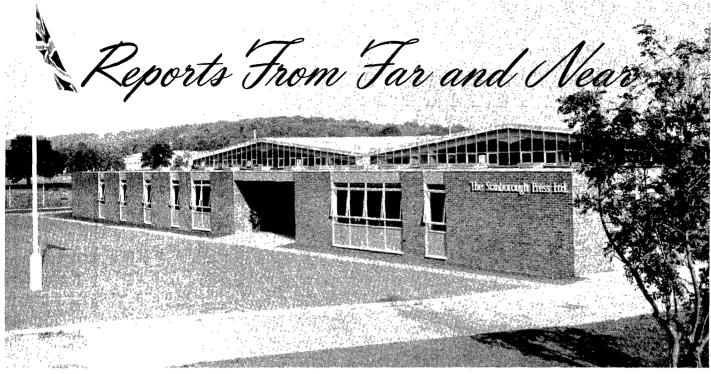
#### **RICH TRADITIONS**

EDITORS: Amen! a hundred times to your September 22 editorial, "Meditations on Rich Traditions." We are not the greatest cultivators of the esthetic, and I believe we fail God on this score. Although our true measure of "success" is in terms of the spiritual (salvation) we should not ignore or depreciate the beautiful, the historical, the traditional-giving us valuable perspective and fuller and more meaningful lives.

MILTON MURRAY

Guadalajara, Mexico

Gratitude	
By AMY FRANK WILSON	. 6 x 1 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2
Lord, I am glad for the great gift of living,	
Glad for the days of sun and of rain;	
Grateful for joy with its endless thanksgiving,	
Grateful for calmness, grateful for pain.	
First comes the spring with its promise of laugh	ter.
The green of the wood, the birds on the wing;	
A palace of peace, though gloom may come after	
Thank Thee, dear Lord, for a heart that can	sing.
Tis summer. Life is a grand blaze of glory;	
Lord keep me humble, for clouds may arise.	
I seek the shadow of Calvary's story,	
Grateful for love that bought Paradise.	
Sun, bud, and blossom, O Lord, I remember,	
The dream of the spring and its joy I recall; But now—in the silence and pain of November-	· 같은 말 가 있는 것 같이 가 있다. 
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The new British Publishing House at Alma Park, Grantham, Lincolnshire.

# British Publishing House

By VICTOR H. COOPER Departmental Secretary British Union Conference

A new spacious home for the British Publishing House was opened on Friday, September 30, at Grantham, Lincolnshire, by the mayor, Councilor M. Ogden.

Walter Newman, general manager of the Stanborough Press Limited, who welcomed the guests and staff, said the press had been at Watford since 1907 and had moved to Grantham not only because of the fire in 1964 but because Watford was congested and there were many housing problems.

The new building has a total floor space of 39,000 square feet, and was erected at a cost of approximately £120,-000 (\$336,000), on a country site three miles from the center of Grantham. The building was completed in 12 months. The production area, which is 210 feet by 160 feet, includes an engraving department, litho plate-making department, foundry, workshop and baling store, bindery, packaging, and dispatch departments. In addition there is an art studio and three darkrooms with dust-free mastic asphalt floor finishes. The editorial library which was completely destroyed in the 1964 fire, now has almost 5,000 volumes-a considerable portion of these coming from the library of the late Dr. F. C. Shone.

As part of the dedication J. A. McMillan, chairman of the Stanborough Press board, reviewed the history of the press, which he said was originally set up at Ravenswood, Southampton, in 1884, but moved to Grimsby, Lincolnshire, the same year. Milton C. Wilcox was the first edi-

tor. His office was his own living room. The typeroom was situated in a small back bedroom, and there was only sufficient type to set half the 16-page periodical, which was then taken to the Grimsby News press for printing. About 5,000 copies of each issue of Present Truth were produced. The printed sheets were folded by hand, hand-sewn with needle and thread, and trimmed with a hand-operated cutter.

Moves

The new building was dedicated by Bernard Seton, secretary of the Northern European Division. A dedicatory anthem was sung by the entire press staff. The music was composed by a press employee, Joan Moore, and the words by Stanley Combridge, a retired colporteur and sales director.

Raymond D. Vine, the chief editor, told guests that the supreme power of the press as a molder of minds remains unchallenged. He displayed a copy of the first periodical printed by British Ad-ventists in 1884. He also showed a copy of the Home of the Saved, an 82-page booklet written by John N. Loughbor-ough, the first Seventh-day Adventist preacher in England, who baptized 37 members into the faith.

Greetings were read from 43 Adventist publishing houses in other countries. H. E. Morenings, manager of the Adventist Publishing House in Hamburg, Germany, and Arthur S. Maxwell, a former editor of the Stanborough Press (1920-1936), now editor of Signs of the Times, brought greetings in person. Also among

the guests were: Walter E. Read, of Washington, D.C., a former manager (1918-1922); W. Leslie Emmerson, editor with the Stanborough Press (1936-1966); Councilor Aldus, J.P., chairman of the Town Development Committee; Col. T. A. M. Cotman, O.B.E., D.L., chairman of Kesteven County Council; Councilor John Foster, J.P., deputy mayor; John R. Morgan, clerk of the council; John Guilde, town clerk; and N. C. Walker, the architect.

Also present were Donald P. McClure, the new assistant editor; and John Handysides, pastor of the new Adventist community at Grantham.

Among the guests were two widows whose husbands would have been very proud of the day could they have seen it. They were Mrs. J. H. Craven, whose husband was manager from 1949-1964, and Mrs. C. Richter, whose husband was production manager from 1952-1963.

During the weekend more than 3,000 visitors from all parts of Britain came to see the new building. Each received a booklet by R. D. Vine.

# Polish Union Workers' Meeting

By W. DUNCAN EVA President Northern European Division

A workers' meeting and ministerial council for the Polish Union was held in Warsaw, September 26 to 29. Adventists from all parts of Poland attended these meetings. At the request of the union committee S. Dabrowski, union president, and Z. Lyko and Z. Debicki, secretary and treasurer, respectively, arranged for the workers' meeting to convene the week after the millennial celebration of the founding of the Polish nation and the establishment of Christianity in Poland. The brethren considered themselves

fortunate to have W. R. Beach and T.

Carcich, of the General Conference, for the first day or two of the workers' meetings, and greatly appreciated the messages they brought. W. D. Eva and B. B. Beach, of the Northern European Division, also were present and took part with others in the studies and instruction given.

The keynote of the meetings was a call to greater evangelistic endeavor. Themes such as the faith we live by, the divinity of Christ, our need for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the call to deeper personal consecration to Christ formed the basis of the spiritual appeal to the workers. The importance of lay participation in the soul-winning activities of the church also was emphasized.

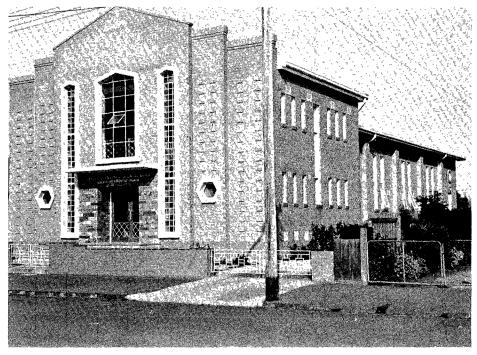
At the close of the meeting S. Rafanowicz, president of the East Polish Conference, with his workers, reported on the soul-winning activities in their conference. He was followed by E. Bereta and the workers of the West Polish Conference, then by A. Baron and the workers of the South Polish Conference! Particularly encouraging was the presence of 15 young workers added this year.

Úp to the time of writing 224 baptisms had been reported, and it is expected that the total will reach 275, or more, by the end of the year. Last year 221 were baptized.

Relations with the Polish Government are excellent. Our church's consistent policy of noninvolvement in political matters has won understanding and appreciation. The Advent message is rooted in the hearts of the people, and this is recognized. Mutual respect obtains between responsible government officials and the church's leadership.

It is hoped that before the end of 1966 a substantial proportion of the 30 potential literature evangelists will be in active service, spreading the printed page in every part of the country. Bruce Wickwire, the division publishing department secretary, was recently in Poland for a considerable time, encouraging our literature evangelists.

It is hoped that broader plans for better training of our Polish ministers can be put into effect soon, and that a recognized secondary school for our young people can be established.



The Seddon Yugoslavian church in Melbourne, Australia.

# Australian Yugoslavs Dedicate Church

#### By MIRJANA BOZOVIC Public Relations Secretary

Yugoslav-speaking Adventists in Australia recently dedicated the Seddon church for people of their language group who have settled in Melbourne, Australia. The project began about seven years ago when Adventist Yugoslav immigrants asked the Victorian Conference to organize them into a separate congregation.

At first the group met in a rented hall, but as the membership grew Slavko Manestar, an Adventist minister of Yugoslav origin, was called from the United States to pastor the congregation. Soon he initiated a church building program, toward which the church members made voluntary contributions. All of the 240 members were refugees, possessing little of this world's goods, but all were happy to contribute, many giving as much as a week's salary.

The church, with a capacity of 400, was completed December 28, 1963. It was dedicated debt free a few weeks ago.

# Progress and Needs of the São Paulo Hospital

**By MARÍS KUDZIELICZ** Director of Nurses

The Seventh-day Adventist hospital in São Paulo, Brazil—Casa de Saude Liberdade—opened 20 years ago in a remodeled house, with 20 beds. After three years, Dr. Galdino Nunes Viera, the first director, and the president of the São Paulo Conference, decided to buy the adjoining property in order to enlarge the overcrowded facilities. The hospital then expanded to 42 beds, but

Workers assembled at the Polish Union workers' meeting in Warsaw, September 26 to 29.



these facilities again have become too small. Construction of a new 120-bed hospital with facilities for surgery and obstetrics as well as general hospital services has begun.

In spite of the present overcrowding the spiritual needs of the patients are not neglected. Our nurses always offer to pray with the patients, and only rarely do patients refuse. Our nursing staff is excellent in comparison with other hospitals in the São Paulo area. Four of the staff are nurses from Brazilian schools, and three are graduates from foreign countries—China, Argentina, and Korea. There is also a therapist from the United States. Besides these, there are ten graduate nurse aids who studied in Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo.

At the present time the possibility of establishing a school of nursing on the graduate level in connection with Brazil College (Instituto Adventista de Ensino) is being studied, with the hope that such a school will be able to fill the demands of our hospitals in Brazil.

# Miraculous Healing in Sarawak

#### By RICHARD C. HALL

Accompanied by Pastor Maung, our first and only ordained Dyak minister, and by the chief and two elders of the village of Stulan, Sarawak, on the north coast of Borneo, I visited a distant Dyak village where our brethren from Stulan had established a branch Sabbath school.

After a long and difficult journey by dugout canoe from Stulan, we came to the longhouse of the newly entered village. Word soon spread that we had arrived, and before long the open porch of the longhouse was crowded with people. Mats were spread for us to sit on, and after the appropriate greetings, Pastor Maung led out in the Sabbath school program. I could see that the people were intensely interested in the stories being told with the aid of a Picture Roll, especially those about how Jesus healed the sick and the suffering.

After Sabbath school I was asked to speak, with Pastor Maung translating for me. At the conclusion of the service, as we were preparing to leave, Pastor Maung presented the village chief with a New Testament in the Iban dialect.

Because of the heavy tropical rains, several months passed before our brethren from Stulan were able to revisit their branch Sabbath school. When they did, the people were all excited, each trying to be first to tell about a miraculous healing that had occurred during their absence.

Finally the chief quieted his people and related the following story: His son had become very ill, and every medicine available was tried, but to no avail. In desperation he took the New Testament Pastor Maung had given him and laid it open beside his son. He then asked those of his people who were present to kneel down as he had seen our people do, and in his own simple way he prayed:

"God of Pastor Hall, God of Pastor



Missionary Richard Hall sits next to the son who was healed in Stulan, a Sarawak village. On the son's right is a village elder, and on the extreme right the village chief.

Maung, God of the Stulan people, please hear me. My child is sick and near death. Bring Your power and make him well as You used to do long ago. Please help us now."

This prayer was repeated, the Bible was closed, and the people stood up. Soon after this the son asked for something to eat, following which he fell into a peaceful slumber. The next morning he was well and went out to play as though he had never been sick. Now these people are eager to hear more about the God of heaven, who answers prayer.

# Thirty-two Baptized at Northeastern Camp

By LEON DAVIS Departmental Secretary

Thirty-two campers were baptized at Camp Victory Lake as a result of three youth crusades conducted at the Northeastern Conference annual summer training camp. The camp, situated in Hyde Park, New York, is directed by Leon H. Davis, the conference MV secretary.



L. H. Davis (right), Northeastern Conference MV secretary, with six of the 32 young people baptized at Victory Lake youth camp.

Seven hundred fifty-six campers and 64 daily staff members enrolled during the three two-week periods. A total of 499 honors were earned in 18 different classes in nature and crafts.

The superintendent, Gilbert Foster, served as chaplain. Assisting him were R. T. Hudson, conference president; J. A. Edgecombe, George Timpson, Everett Alexander, ministers; and Oakwood College ministerial students Ivan Warden, Michael Bernard, Trevor Baker, and Norman Miles. The unit counselors served as Bible instructors and prayer band leaders.

The influence of Camp Victory Lake can be summed up by the following letter received about a week after the camp closed: "I am the mother of Denise, recently a camper at Victory Lake. She was baptized this summer at the camp, and I hope to join her soon."

# Groundbreaking at Loma Linda University

By HOWARD B. WEEKS Vice-President Loma Linda University

Loma Linda University trustees and councilors from across the country watched as two students scooped dirt with a tractor-powered backhoe to break ground for the new gymnasium-auditorium, September 27.

The ceremony began with an invocation by the president of the General Conference, Robert H. Pierson. Jerry L. Pettis, chairman of the university councilors, then presented the proposed 25,000square-foot facility to the university. The councilors, a 33-member body of professional and business leaders who advise the university president on matters affecting future development, are underwriting the cost of the \$300,000 gymnasium.

the cost of the \$300,000 gymnasium. Preliminary plans for the proposed building show it to be a two-level unit topped by an aluminum geodesic dome. When completed, the structure will mark the northern end point of a mall stretching across the campus from the new medical center at the south.

The hall will be used principally as a gymnasium, but bleacher seats at the playing-floor level and at a second, upper level, together with portable chairs, will provide seating for up to 2,800 when the structure is used as an auditorium. Loma Linda University currently has no gymnasium, and no auditorium (except churches) seating more than 425.



Elder and Mrs. D. R. L. Astleford and four children left Montreal, Canada, September 6, returning to Kenya after furlough. The maiden name of Mrs. Astleford was Della May Schueler. Elder Astleford is publishing secretary for the East African Union.

Mrs. Siegfried J. Schwantes, of Berrien Springs, Michigan, left Washington, D.C., for Beirut, Lebanon, October 9. Elder Schwantes preceded her, having gone September 20. Her name before marriage was Maria Dias. Elder Schwantes is head of the Bible department at Middle East College.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fred Riley sailed October 11 from New York City on the M/S Hoegh Drake, for Djibouti, Ethiopia, returning after furlough. Before marriage, Mrs. Riley's name was Hazel Mazola Gollins. Mr. Riley is a teacher in the Kuyera school in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Forbes and three children left Los Angeles, California, October 11, returning, after furlough, to Malawi. Mrs. Forbes' name prior to marriage was Betty Darlene Bloom. Mr. Forbes is publishing secretary of the South-East Africa Union.

Elder and Mrs. Henry R. Feyerabend and daughter left New York City October 12, for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. They are returning after furlough. Mrs. Feyerabend's name was Emma Martin before marriage. Elder Feyerabend is director of the Voice of Prophecy quartet in Rio de Janeiro.

Elder and Mrs. Leo D. Taylor and four children, returning after furlough, left Miami, Florida, October 12, for Lima, Peru. Mrs. Taylor's maiden name was Betty Jane Luke. Elder Taylor is a departmental secretary in the Upper Amazon Mission.

Elder and Mrs. Donald J. Sandstrom and four children, returning after furlough, left Miami, Florida, October 10, for Lima, Peru. Mrs. Sandstrom's name before marriage was Hildegard Mae Reinhardt. Elder Sandstrom is president of the Inca Union Mission.

Elder and Mrs. Carl B. Watts left San Francisco, California, October 14, returning to Okinawa after furlough. Mrs. Watts's maiden name was Lois May Shepherdson. Elder Watts is president of the Okinawa Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Robinson and daughter, of Sutherlin, Oregon, left San Francisco, California, October 16, for Indonesia. Mrs. Robinson's maiden name



# Nearing 104 Years of Age

As soon as he was old enough to remember anything, he was told that his name was Turner Davis and that he was born January 13, 1863. Aaron and Charity Davis, his parents, and eight children were slaves.

Religion played an important role in the family's life. As slaves, and for the first few years after the Civil War, the only days that had any special meaning to the Davises were Sundays and Christmas. Turner learned to love Sunday, for it meant rest and an opportunity to express his love to God. The family were Primitive Baptists and loved their church.

When he reached adulthood, Turner moved to Sanford, Florida, where he reared his own family. About 1901 he met some good neighbors by the name of McDonia. Mr. McDonia was a real Christian, but his religion was different. He went to church on Saturday, and he tried in every way to show that Saturday was the Sabbath of the Bible, but Turner couldn't see it. Sunday meant so much to him from the days of slavery--real rest and peace and quiet---that it was enough for him.

About 30 years ago one of our evangelists, L. S. Follette, came to Turner's home and asked him if he could use his vacant lot for tent meetings. Brother Davis was glad to let him use it, because he loved the Lord and the Bible. He attended the meetings, and as he listened his eyes were opened. Sunday lost its meaning. There were 50 in the first baptism and Turner was among them. He has been a Sabbathkeeper ever since. If he lives until January 13, 1967, he will be 104. Brother Davis' eyesight is failing, and his body is growing feeble, but the Sabbath grows more precious, and the hope of seeing Jesus face to face grows brighter each day. His prayer is, "Come, blessed Jesus, come." L. S. FOLLETTE

was Gladys Faye Oatman. Mr. Robinson is to be teacher of industrial arts in Indonesia Union College.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc D. Cools, who have been in attendance at Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tennessee, sailed on the S. S. Rotterdam from New York City, October 17, returning first to Belgium, his homeland, and later going to the Cameroun. Mrs. Cools's maiden name was Adelheid Richter. Mr. Cools is to take up mission work in the Equatorial African Union Mission. W. R. BEACH

# Evangelism "Plus" Is Malaya Goal

By V. L. BRETSCH Departmental Secretary Southeast Asia Union

At Port Dickson, beside the blue sea of the Malacca Straits, delegates, pastors, and mission leaders of the Malaya Mission gathered for special instruction by leaders from the Far Eastern Division and Southeast Asia Union. Altogether 12 days were spent conducting a lay evangelism institute, a workers' training institute, and a mission committee meeting dedicated to planning a year's evangelistic program.

Since then almost every church has completed local laymen-training programs. Pastors have set higher goals for baptisms. Missionary activities at all levels and in all departments have received added emphasis. New branch Sabbath schools have begun; new Bible study groups are meeting; and other types of endeavor are springing up.

The courage of our pastors and church members is good. They are determined



Pastor Daniel Liem, 62, one of the oldest workers in Malaya. A father of seven, all of his children are in the truth and are preparing for a place in God's work. Four are studying in the United States now.



to reach the unwarned of Malaya. As of now, only 11 out of 825 communities have SDA churches. But by God's grace new villages and cities will be entered this year by laymen and literature evangelists. Evangelists will hold meetings in new areas and the work will grow. Remember Malaya and its workers in your prayers.

# **Progress in Laos**

By DANIEL R. GUILD President, Southeast Asia Union



Mr. Who is a Meb tribesman from Nam Tha, Laos. Nine years ago, when R. C. Hall opened our work in Laos, Who was one of his converts. Under Elder Hall's influence a group of believers was raised up in Laos, and a church was built in Nam Tha. Then the

Mr. Who

war forced Brother Hall to evacuate to Chieng Kong, Thailand, near the Laotian border. He was accompanied by Who and several other young men. There, Brother Hall started the Chieng Kong training school for young men, and Who was one of the students.

For several years Who's ambition was to return to Laos and reopen our work among his people. But it would have meant a ten-day hike through unfriendly territory, and almost certain capture. Hence it was deemed inadvisable for him to go.

Recently, however, Who's long-delayed ambition was fulfilled. His father, a refugee in one of the camps in the neutral zone of Laos, asked an air force captain to fly his son in from Chieng Kong, "for," said the father, "my son is a doctor, and he can help my people."

Though Who is not a doctor, the fact that he had been taught to pull teeth and treat the sick made him a doctor in the eyes of his father, who is a simple villager. When the pilot found Who in Chieng Kong, he asked him, "Are you a doctor?" The Kuala Lumpur Chinese Seventh-day Adventist church is headguarters, church of the 2,346-member Malaya Mission.

"No," Who replied, "but I know how to give treatments and help people."

That was enough for the pilot. He flew Who into Laos, where Who was reunited with his family.

In his father's refugee camp Who found more than 40 people with whom he had been acquainted in Nam Tha. He began to give Bible studies, and in less than two months' time had built a church near the refugee camp, was conducting weekly services, and three persons had requested baptism.

Besides this recently established company, another group of 16 persons has been meeting in Vientiane, the capital of Laos. This group was started when one of our members left Cambodia with his family and settled in Vientiane. For more than a year these faithful believers have been calling for a pastor to help them evangelize Vientiane and the surrounding areas in Laos. It is hoped that a Filipino worker will soon be sent to follow up these providential openings in Laos.



► South Lancaster Academy students participated in an Ingathering field day on September 22. A total of \$1,050 was solicited by approximately 100 students.

► Recently more than 25 students of Milo Academy met to organize The Crusaders. This group is dedicated to helping our youth at Milo and in the churches of southern Oregon in practical and active Christianity. Several groups in which students will participate will include devotional themes, temperance, storytelling, sermonets, inspirational skits, and music. Academy sponsors are J. N. Noble, vice-principal and pastor, and L. A. Huston, instructor in Spanish, English, and history.

Young people from the Walla Walla College MV Society conceived the idea of holding a summer camp for Cheyenne Indians living on a reservation near the site of Custer's last stand, in southeastern Montana. Ike Chesier, an Adventist social service representative on the reservation, helped to work out the program and solicited youngsters for the camp, which was held this past summer. Mike Osborne was camp director; Fred Christensen was camp pastor; Mrs. Lois Oellrich and daughter, Karen, helped in the cooking and serving of the camp food; Leroy Batterson taught the nature classes and helped out in the campfire program: Juanita Newman taught junior crafts and was campfire coordinator; Linda Lamberton was lifeguard and helped with the singing; Judy Dimmig helped with the crafts. Two girls attending Montana State University, Linda Kavich and Donna Harris, also assisted in the workstudy program.

# Sunnymead, California, Church Dedicated

The 13-year-old Sunnymead, California, congregation dedicated its newly refinished and refurbished church September 10. In addition to work done on the building by members themselves, the sanctuary was completely carpeted, new drapes hung, and a new organ purchased.

C. ELWYN PLATNER, PR Secretary Southeastern California Conference





Managers and salesmen present at the Australian Health Foods Convention.

# Australian Health Foods Convention

By R. W. GROOM Sales Manager Sanitarium Health Food Company

Sixty-eight managers and salesmen recently met for the first Australia-wide convention of Sanitarium Health Food representatives. The convention theme was "Better Marketing Methods."

"Better Marketing Methods." Each day L. C. Naden, Australasian Division president, led out in the devotional periods. He commented on the importance of exemplifying Christian principles in all relations with clients and with one another.

W. L. Kilroy, general manager of the food company, spoke of the growth and development of the health food work in Australia. The work of this department began under difficult circumstances, but has grown until today it is a strong unit in the church program. It operates 31 branches, employs 1,138 workers, and sells health foods valued at more than \$14 million annually.

The high point of the convention was a talk given by Mr. Metcalfe, a management consultant of Sydney. His plan, called Benefit Salesmanship, explained how to approach prospective customers. Other speakers emphasized the need for better communications, and a richer appreciation of the benefits of our health message.

# Graduation at Bekwai Teacher Training College, Ghana

By OIVIND GJERTSEN Principal

Graduation day at our Bekwai Training College, Ghana, was memorable this year for the staff as well as for the students. Friends, relatives, and invited guests came to the compound to celebrate the annual Speech Day, at which prizes were given to the contestants. During the week leading up to the Speech Day, B. S. Christensen, president of the Sierra Leone Mission, conducted a successful Week of Prayer, in which many of the young people gave their hearts to Jesus for the first time or reconsecrated their lives anew to God. On the Sabbath before Speech Day, Willia Ackah, of the West African Union Mission, gave a thought-provoking baccalaureate address, in which he challenged the young people to make the kingdom of God first in their lives. The need for making God's kingdom first was again the theme of the talk given at the Speech Day celebration which was held the following day.

Kwesi Ghanney, a prominent citizen of Ghana, also spoke to the students. J. K. Amoah, president of the Ghana Mission, E. K. Boateng, senior housemaster, and Oivind Gjertsen, principal of the training school, distributed the prizes. C. Y. Kyeremeh, principal of one of our other teacher training colleges in Ghana, was the chairman for the occasion.

Eighty-five students received diplomas this year, many of whom will shortly go into the field to teach. This is the largest graduating class thus far in this institution. The college is expanding and hopes before long to be able to send out 120 teachers to the field each year.

# Camp Meeting Among East Congo Refugees

By G. M. ELLSTROM President, Congo Union

Our camp meeting in the Hula area of East Congo, not far from Albert Park where several thousand refugees from Rwanda have come to settle, is ending. About 500 were present today, but if the meetings had been held on Sabbath more than twice that number would have been in attendance. We have a baptized membership of about 200 in this district, but the total number of believers is approximately 800. More are embracing our faith every day. Jonas Mbyirukira, president of the East Congo Field, told me that two years ago we had practically no work in this area. Today the work is prospering.

Food is plentiful in these hills, for the land is fertile. The people raise maize, millet, potatoes, both Irish and sweet, beans, and the large cooking banana. They do need clothing, however, for they have little money, and clothing is expensive. It is cold here in the mountains, especially at night and after a rain such as we have just had. I do not know how the people can keep warm with as little as they wear. Many of the houses are of bamboo, like the one I am staying in. It is impossible to keep warm.

Staff members of the Seventh-day Adventist teacher training college, Bekwai, Africa.



Many who are attending the camp meeting have come from great distances to receive the blessings of the services. A number of these people were driven from Rwanda, their homeland, and understand by experience what it means to be a "pilgrim and a stranger" in a land not their own. Many are destitute of the necessities of life, but we are glad for the opportunity to point them to the eternal home of the redeemed, where they will have a place of their own and be at peace.

We are trying to arrange with the government to permit the entry of clothing to distribute among these needy people.

# Bible Course Helps Win Acquittal

By B. B. ALSAYBAR Departmental Secretary North Philippine Union



THE Friendship Bible course, a 40-lesson set produced by the ministerial department of the North Philippine Union Mission for lay evangelism, is not only helping to win friends for our church but recently also helped a minis-

Juan Pamintuan

ter win an acquittal in court. Juan Pamintuan, one of our ministers assigned to the Southern Luzon Mission, was accused of offending members of the dominant church when he spoke at a religious gathering on September 4, 1962. His subject was "How God Became Man." Brother Pamintuan suggested that those

Brother Pamintuan suggested that those who profess to follow the virgin Mary should imitate her traits of character rather than worship her. Because of this he was sued at the Camarines Sur Court of First Instance. The first lesson of the Friendship Bible course, entitled "The Blessed Virgin," was admitted as an exhibit for the defense. It was established that we believe the virgin Mary was an example of pure womanhood and that she was "blessed among women," though we do not worship her. Finally, after 18 trials and many postponements, a favorable decision was handed down last month. We believe that the Bible lessons did much toward winning the acquittal.

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#### Spanish-Language Evangelism in Los Angeles

Early this year the Southern California Conference committee invited J. N. Siqueira, a Brazilian evangelist, to hold an evangelistic series of meetings for the Spanish-speaking people of the Los Angeles area.

The evangelistic team consisted of: S. Weiss, A. de Latorre, J. Diaz, J. Sepulveda, I. Ruiz, E. Martinez, and Miss Trevinios. With the help of four Spanish-

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speaking churches of the Los Angeles area, Pastor Siqueira conducted a prayer week in February. During that week many friends of our faith attended the prayer meetings, and by the end of the week 40 persons had decided to join the church.

On February 27 the evangelistic meetings began. More than 500 persons attended the first meetings, and though after a few weeks attendance was down to 350, a Bible study class of 250 was organized.

Our first baptism was held May 15, at which time 40 new members were added to the church. After the baptism 45 others indicated their desire to participate in the next baptism.

J. N. SIQUEIRA, Evangelist



### By H. M. TIPPETT

#### THE MAN WHO WOULD NOT DIE

With only a mouthful of food twice a day for each man and two mouthfuls of water three times a day, the hapless sevenman crew of the 16-foot sloop *Tearoha* were driven before the wind into a seemingly shoreless sea. The sky was brass, their ship was disabled, water and food were well-nigh exhausted, sharks silently stalked their ship's wake, but Teehu Makimare cheered his motley crew with a smiling assurance that God would carry them to a safe haven. Teehu was a Polynesian Seventh-day Adventist and this is the story of his unparalleled adventure.

Rain fell in squalls but missed the boat when they were famished with thirst. A school of whales passed and left them forlorn. They could not know that all the resources of the Fiji Air-Sea Rescue Organization were being employed to find them.

A week passed and the daily prayers grew tense with desperation. Necessity, however, the mother of invention, was on board and God gave Teehu inspiration and ingenuity to meet emergencies. But vitality gradually ebbed in some of the men. When the wind rose it took three of them to raise the mainsail. Wonders of nature on water and in the sky filled them with dismay. Raw octopus was their menu during the fourth week. The boat capsized. Sails, food, oars, and water gone, the survivors sighted land, only to lose it. Nine weeks and 2,000 miles after getting off course, what was left of the Tearoha touched land.

You must read the details to get the inspiration of this book, written by Barry Wynne. It is the story of Teehu, to whom was presented the Stanhope Gold Medal for "the bravest deed of life-saving reported to the Royal Humane Society of the British Commonwealth" for the year 1964. 160 pages, \$4.50 at your Book and Bible House.

# POISED FOR BREAKTHROUGH

### (Continued from page 4)

Peeke, reported paying the most losses ever this year, but saving the church more than \$5 million—for evangelism.

H. M. S. Richards showed what theft can do in saving a man's soul. First he spoke of the 32 million men and women across the continent who do not sleep at night. With television off the air, most of these millions listen to the radio.

Because of certain atmospheric peculiarities, a few big stations can blanket the country after sunset. The Voice is already arranging to get onto some of these stations. One station has already indicated a willingness to provide the half hour immediately following midnight—prime time for this service.

Then Elder Richards, in his own inimitable way, told about the purse snatcher who picked the wrong victim. It was in Hong Kong. The purse snatcher grabbed a woman's purse and ran, but the woman ran too, grabbed him, and would not let him go.

"Please don't turn me over to the police," he begged.

To which she replied, "The only way you can escape the police is to sign this Voice of Prophecy enrollment card," which she produced from the reclaimed purse.

The thief signed. He gathered nine of his fellow pickpockets and they studied the course together. A little later he was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and has been elected a deacon.

For sheer inspiration nothing topped the four sermons given in the Takoma Park church Sabbath afternoon. W. R. Beach introduced the speakers, the first of whom was general vice-president Theodore Carcich. Introducing him, Elder Beach said, "I went with him to his native Yugoslavia a few weeks ago, and he received a tremendous reception everywhere we went."

Elder Carcich was obviously impressed by the devotion and courage of our believers in Eastern Europe, and especially by the enthusiasm of their evangelistic spirit. In Novi Sad, he said, the churchwhich seats a thousand—was filled by eight o'clock, ground floor, balcony, aisles, and yard, though Sabbath school would not begin till 9:30 A.M. At 11 o'clock he was asked to preach for an hour, but when, in pity for those who had stood more than four hours, he ended his sermon in 40 minutes, he was urged to take another 20. Then Elder Beach spoke for an hour. Then Elder Carcich again, for another hour.

The people were hungry for the Word. "Many had legs and arms missing," Elder Carcich explained. "They have been through the horrors of two world wars and all that has happened since."

Their council meetings were most impressive. Members challenged one another to greater evangelistic endeavor. One layman stood up and asked another, "How was it that your church baptized only ten new members last year?" Another layman, a physician, eloquently appealed to parents to be loyal to the Sabbath when their

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• On a recent weekend in the Mexican Union a total of 707 Bible school students participated in graduation ceremonies in Mexico City, Toluca, Pachuca, Cuernavaca, and in several prisons where the courses are studied. Braulio F. Perez, speaker for the Spanish Voice of Prophecy program, addressed the various groups. Some 14 million people in Mexico listen to his La Voz de la Esperanza weekly broadcasts, which are aired over 30 radio stations.

Late word from the evangelistic effort launched recently in Port-of-Spain; Trinidad, reports that the Sunday evening attendance continues to average more than 5,000. Fourteen hundred non-Adventists have indicated their desire to keep the Sabbath. The home visitation list numbers more than 3,000. E. E. Cleveland, associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, states that this is the largest campaign he has ever directed. Fifty-one ministers from the division territory are assisting in the threemonth effort and are attending the school of evangelism being conducted by the evangelist.

► R. T. Hudson, president of the Northeastern Conference, with headquarters in New York City, held the Week of Prayer at West Indies College, Jamaica, September 30 to October 8. Braulio F. Perez, director of the Spanish Voice of Prophecy, was the speaker for the Week of Prayer held at Antillian College, Puerto Rico, October 7 to 15.

Bella Vista Hospital, Mayaguëz, Puerto Rico, welcomed two families during October. Dr. David P. Duffie has returned to the medical staff after a leave of absence, and Dr. William E. Newton will serve as a dentist. Mrs. June Newton, daughter of Elder and Mrs. G. C. Nickle, spent most of her early life in the Inter-American Division, where her parents labored for many years.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkens and

one-year-old Gregory have arrived in Kingston, Jamaica, from Washington, D.C. Dr. Wilkens is joining the medical staff of Andrews Memorial Hospital.

► Elder and Mrs. F. C. Petty and daughter, of Collegedale, Tennessee, have arrived in Guadalajara, Mexico, where Elder Petty will serve as pastor of the English church and chaplain of Seventhday Adventist medical students attending the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara. Elder Petty served for ten years as district pastor in the South American Division.

• G. D. Weidemann, former president of the Cayman Islands Mission, is now located in the Guatemala Mission, where he is serving as a district pastor.



► Immediately after George Vandeman made his offer of the book *Planet in Rebellion* on the It Is Written telecast, the first telephone began ringing in Manhattan's New York Center. Then the other 14 phones started ringing. Exactly the same thing took place at a special bank of telephones installed at the Greater New York Conference office on Long Island, and still another in the Newark church in New Jersey. In addition to receiving the book offered, each person will receive an invitation to enroll in the Bible in the Hand Bible course. Although the program is just getting under way, hundreds already have asked for the book and more than 100 have been enrolled in the Bible course.

► N. L. Meager, former pastor in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, came to the New York Conference recently to be pastor of the Syracuse district. The new pastor of the Cortland-Ithaca district is M. H. Thames. He and his family came to New York State from the Iowa Conference.

► Workers connected with the Christ for Today Evangelistic Crusade at the John Hancock Auditorium in Boston, Massachusetts, report that 37 have been baptized as a result of the combined efforts of the Greater Boston area pastors. Byron Spears is the speaker for this series.

T. X. Perry baptized 21 persons on Sabbath, September 24, as a result of an eight-week effort.

► The church in Norridgewock, Maine, celebrated its centennial anniversary on Sabbath, October 8. This church was organized in December, 1866, as a result of the work of M. E. Cornell and D. T. Bordeau. The guest speaker for the weekend services was D. A. Delafield of the Ellen G. White Estate.

► Joel O. Tompkins, newly appointed ministerial secretary and evangelist for the Northern New England Conference, concluded a campaign in the far eastern town of Milltown, Maine, with a baptism of 15 souls. This is the result of the faithful work of the few members in Milltown with the Bible in the Hand program, which was carried on for a period of three or four months previous to the campaign.



#### Central Union Reported by Mrs. Clara Anderson

Mrs. Eunice Shellner is a new teacher in Kansas City, Missouri. She is a member of the Beacon Light church, in the Central States Conference.

Fred Schultz has transferred from the Enterprise, Kansas, district to the pastorate of the Topeka, Kansas, district.

► Al Schultz has moved to the Garden City district of Kansas. For several years he has been accountant in the Kansas Conference office.

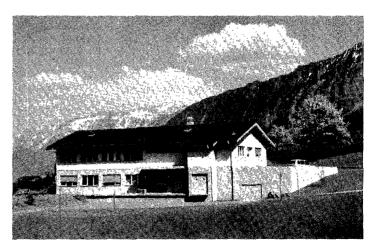
► Harry Curl is the new pastor of the Park Memorial church in Kansas City, Missouri. He with his family comes to the Missouri Conference from the Texas Conference.

► Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fair have moved recently to the New Haven Intermediate School, in a suburb of Kansas City, Kansas. The Fairs come to this school from years of teaching in public

# German-Swiss Publishing House Gets New Home

A new home was recently erected for our German Swiss Publishing House in the mountains by beautiful Lake of Thun, near Zurich, Switzerland. Our growing literature work made it necessary to move from the crowded quarters in Zurich. The new two-level building matches the magnificent scenery that surrounds it. The offices, committee and worship room, the shipping and storage quarters, are tastefully arranged and adequately equipped. This publishing house, which does not yet have a most modern and best equipped in the Southern European Division. E. NAENNY

Publishing Secretary Southern European Division



school. Other teachers in the New Haven school this year are Danny Hoskinson and Max Nimmo.



Lake Union Reported by Mrs. Mildred Wade

August 24 to 28 the second Bible conference for youth in the Lake Union was held at Camp Silver Lake, Wisconsin. In attendance were 225 delegates from the five conferences. Lawrence Nelson, of the General Conference, offered the keynote challenge. The objective of the camp was twofold: to become better acquainted with the Bible and to inspire the youth to share their faith. Among the many who helped were George Vandeman, from the General Conference; Jere D. Smith and Fred Beavon, from the union office; Mrs. Hedwig Jemison and S. P. Vitrano from Andrews University; the five local conference youth leaders; and several conference presidents.

More than 50 years ago the Hinsdale, Illinois, school opened its doors with five boys and ten girls enrolled. This was in a cottage on the Hinsdale Sanitarium grounds. Today a staff of 17 directs the activities of 254 children in grades 1 to 10. The plant includes an auditorium-gymnasium, which is used by the school but owned by the Hinsdale Sanitarium. The school has three choirs and a band.
W. R. Brown, of Muncie, Indiana, reports that more than 1,300 persons enrolled in the Indiana Bible School during the Delaware County Fair. Each day a free Bible was given to someone who enrolled. Leo Darts is lay activities leader of the church.

► Patrick Nelson and Louis Johnson, of the Chicago Independence Boulevard church in the Lake Region, have worked untiringly with band leaders in a lay evangelism Go Tell program. After five weeks in a leadership training course, 34 members were graduated and the entire church membership was organized into a program of systematic visitation. Many were invited to attend the Bible tent meetings which were being held in the area. On Sabbath, August 28, there were 22 baptized. Three came into the message directly through the Go Tell program.



### Pacific Union Reported by Mrs. Margaret Follett

► Almost 4,000 attended the It Is Written television rally held at the Lynwood Auditorium, September 24. G. E. Vandeman, speaker for the telecast, gave the sermon. Other speakers included J. J. Aitken, of the General Conference Radio-Television Department; R. R. Bietz, president of the Pacific Union Conference; and H. C. Retzer, president of the Southern California Conference. Special music was by the King's Heralds quartet and the conference Ministers Chorus. Those in attendance responded by giving an offering and pledges amounting to \$22,-500 for the support of the telecast. ► David L. Olsen, for the past two years pastor of the Oxnard, California, church, has been appointed secretary of the Pacific Union Conference lay activities department. He succeeds D. E. Dirksen, who recently accepted the presidency of the Nevada-Utah Conference. Elder Olsen served previously as lay activities secretary of the Pacific Union Conference from 1954 to 1958.

► Southeastern California Conference churches sent some 125 delegates to an institute at Pine Springs Ranch, September 16 to 18, to learn how teaching a Sabbath school class may become a more effective agency for soul winning. They heard such speakers as Walter F. Specht, La Sierra College; Willard Meier, also of LSC; A. Graham Maxwell, Loma Linda University; John Osborn, conference president; and Paul Heubach, pastor of the Loma Linda University church.

► Miller Brockett, secretary of the Pacific Union Missionary Volunteer department, has been asked to direct the temperance department also. He served in this department from 1958 to 1964.

► W. J. Hackett, president of the North Pacific Union Conference, brought the opening sermon at the Hawaii State-wide camp meeting held in Honolulu September 30 and October 1. Other speakers were R. R. Bietz, C. C. Kott, and A. R. Mazat.

► As a result of Orange County evangelism conducted by Fordyce Detamore and his team, 170 individuals have been baptized and many more are studying in preparation for baptism.

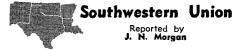


# Ordination in Indiana

At the recent Indiana camp meeting two young men, Lewis Brand and Alfred Schnell, were set apart, by ordination, to the gospel ministry. The ordination sermon was delivered by E. Earl Cleveland, of the General Conference Ministerial Association. Jere D. Smith, Lake Union president, gave the charge, and R. S. Joyce, Indiana Conference president, welcomed the two men into the fellowship of the ordained Adventist ministry. These brethren were assisted by Don Neufeld, associate book editor of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, who offered the ordination prayer.

In the picture, from left to right: Elder and Mrs. Brand, and Elder and Mrs. Schnell.

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► J. R. Spangler, associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, recently presented a lecture series at the Southwest Region Conference workers' meeting. Elder Spangler gave instructions on how to preach the third angel's message effectively. The meeting was attended by ministers from four Southwestern States.

► Disaster vans from the Oklahoma, Arkansas-Louisiana, and Texico conferences were among the relief forces sent to help stranded victims of Hurricane Inez near Tampico, Mexico. Tons of food and clothing were distributed by conference representatives manning the vans.

The annual Southwestern Union departmental council was held in Hot Springs, Arkansas, November 6-10. The program was under the direction of the union president, B. E. Leach.

► Dentists and church officials from throughout North America converged on Dallas, Texas, November 11-13, to attend special instructional and fellowship meetings of the National Dental Association. The key feature of the convention was the meeting of NASDAD—National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists. The meeting was held near the headquarters office of the Southwestern Union Conference.



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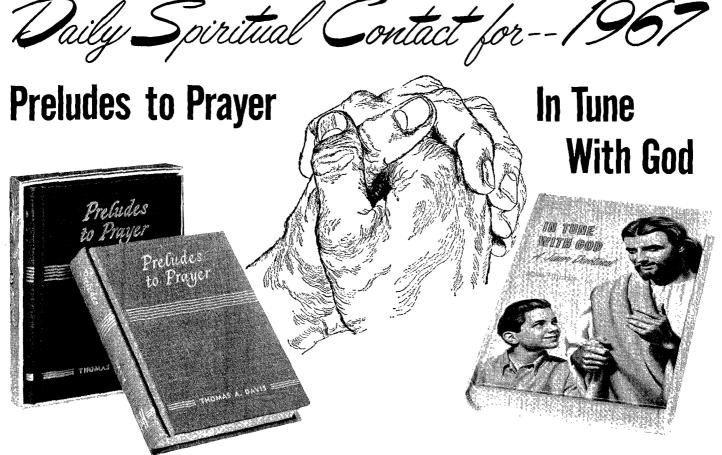
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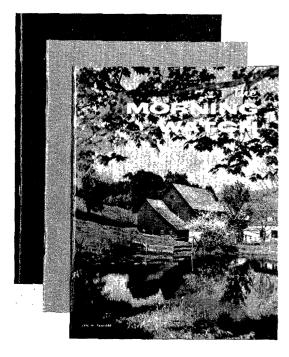
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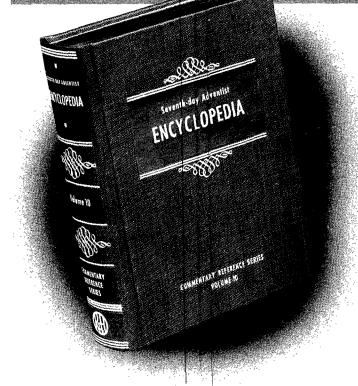
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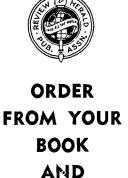
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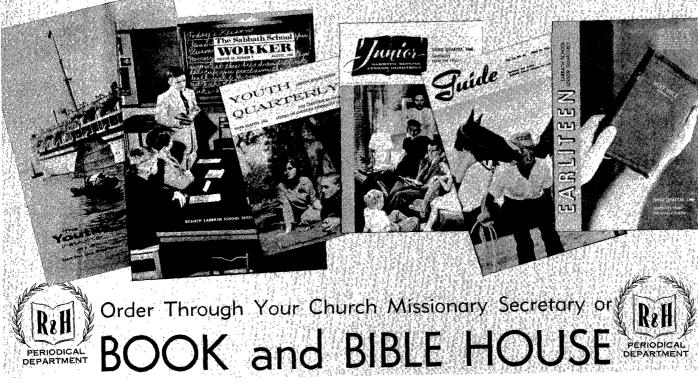


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# Helps for the Whole Family in the study of the Sabbath School Lessons





**Evangelistic Meetings** for Saigon Chinese

Milton Lee, the Far Eastern Division evangelist to the Chinese people, is holding an effort in a large canvas auditorium in Cholon (the Chinese section of Saigon), Vietnam. Recently he reported:

"We have had four meetings, and thank the Lord for the good attendance. The first night we had around 700. That pretty well filled up the auditorium.... We have averaged 300-400 during the last three nights. From the roof of the building next to the auditorium one can see a continual display of exploding ammunition nightly. The young men from 20 to 30 are noticeably absent.... We took a poll of the listeners' religious persuasions — nearly twice as many Buddhists as Christians." [A full report on this evangelistic series will be published in an early issue of the REVIEW.—EDS.]

DANIEL R. GUILD

# Lay Leadership Training in the Far East

L. A. Shipowick, lay activities secretary for the Far Eastern Division, informs us of an increased Bible evangelism and lay leadership training program in that field.

Recently a lay instructors' training school was held at Japan Missionary College, with more than 170 laymen and ministers in attendance. Elder Shipowick writes: "The presidents, workers, and laity felt that this was the right program for Japan at this time. We are looking forward to great things in Japan as a result of this school."

Another training school was held in Borneo. "Here with D. M. Barnett, lay activities secretary for the Southeast Asia Union, we conducted another lay instructors' training school. This was the first for the mission of Sarawak, with about 150 present. The spirit of the entire school was excellent, and the workers and laity were very responsive. This group of 150 pledged under the blessing of God that they would go back and within the next year guide at least 830 souls to the Lamb of God."

News of Note

Let us remember the dedicated and hard-working laymen of the Far East in our prayers. V. W. SCHOEN

# Non-Adventist on Guam Commends Clinic

A woman on the Island of Guam addressed the following letter to the "Seventh-day Adventist Far Eastern Island Mission Medical Clinic, Washington 12, D.C.":

"Being a layman, I don't know much about medicine, but I do know the difference in the atmosphere, the service, the personal care I received at the Mission Clinic as compared with that available anywhere else on the island.

"Your people are doing an invaluable job in cramped quarters, under a killing schedule, and with a regular horde of patients."

She comments on the optimism of our workers and observes: "This attitude is catching, and very soon the patients feel the same way about the clinic." She mentions the dedication of Drs. T. E. Gibson, Jr., R. D. Rice, and W. W. Robinson; and commends the addition to the staff of Dr. Wiley Young, our Adventist dentist.

Though not a member of our church, this woman makes a mission appeal by writing: "Now all we need is a Seventh-day Adventist Hospital. Again, thank you for making any part of this medical mission possible."

DUANE S. JOHNSON

# Helps for Workers in Vacation Bible Schools

Two important helps are now ready for Vacation Bible School workers. A 20-minute black-and-white movie presenting valuable aid and helpful suggestions is obtainable through the General Conference Sabbath School Department at \$35 plus postage.

Also available is a VBS manual, just off the press. This new aid, entitled *The Challenge of Vacation Bible School*, is written by William J. Harris and published by Southern Publishing Association. Vacation Bible Schools, under the bless-

Vacation Bible Schools, under the blessing of God, have grown from 217 in 1955 to 3,455 in 1965. Last summer nearly half a million children were enrolled in our worldwide Vacation Bible Schools.

GERALD R. NASH

# New Record in Pacific Union

Word from the Pacific Union Conference indicates that 211 students participated in a program of selling our literature this past summer and delivered a record \$263,000 worth of literature. This represents a gain of \$90,000 over last year's total in this union.

We are proud of our student literature evangelists. They not only earn money for their education but they also receive a great spiritual blessing as they give the truth to many who would not otherwise be reached.

W. A. HIGGINS

Partial view of delegates during one of the Autumn Council business sessions, held in the Takoma Park church. Delegates are seated in assigned sections, designated by standards, such as the one in foreground, which reads, "GC Institutions." On the platform, at left, is General Conference president Robert H. Pierson, chairman. Beyond him are R. R. Frame, associate secretary, and W. R. Beach, secretary.

