

## EVERY ADVENTIST HOME



## A “PUBLISHING” HOUSE

By ERNEST LLOYD

**W**HAT is the meaning of the word *publish*? Answer: “To make known something that would otherwise remain unknown.”

As Seventh-day Adventists we have something of first importance and of greatest value to make known to the world today. We have a special saving message for this generation and for this hour—a message that no other people are giving to the world as we are. It is the message of a soon-coming Saviour and the need of personal preparation for that supreme event.

Our *personal involvement*. Do we sense our great obligation and individual responsibility in the matter? God expects us personally to make known the warning message to others. No hiding of the light under a bushel, but setting it out where all may see it and be blessed by it. No hesitation in the matter of making known the truth as revealed in the Word. No dread of meeting people, of speaking out kindly and sincerely, for we are certain of the message and its saving power.

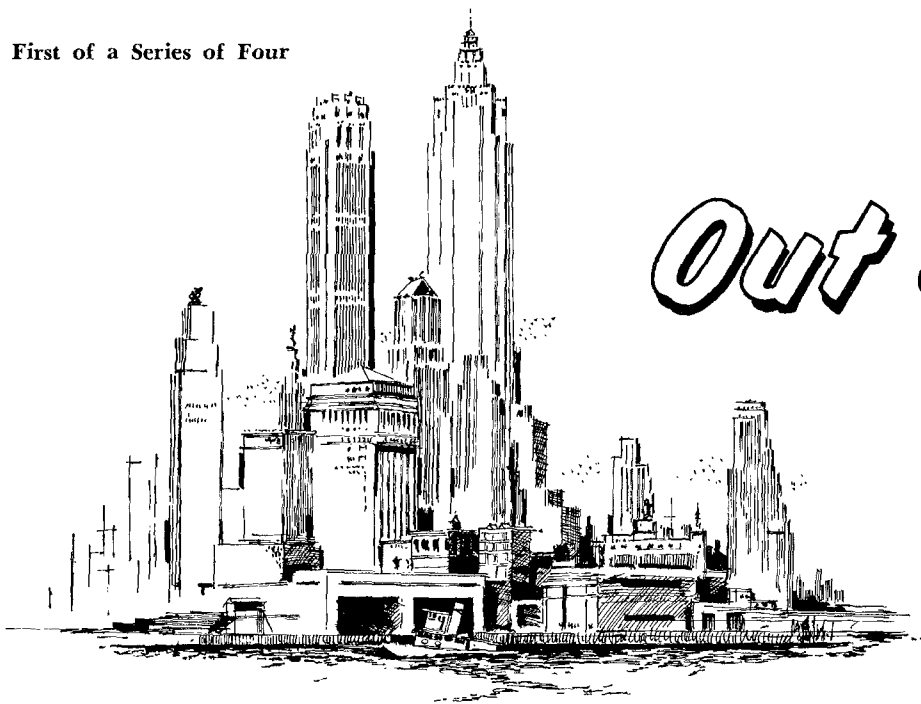
Hundreds of pages in the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy are devoted to this most important subject, pages pleading with the members of the church to devote more thought and time to the great work of personal witnessing. Every Adventist home should be a publishing house today, and every Adventist a publisher, ready always to make known to others the message for the hour.

Many come to our doors, and they come in the providence of God, giving us opportunities to witness and to pass out our good literature. Meeting people on the street, in the stores, in business and social contacts, we are provided with daily opportunities to minister to others.

A sister once remarked to the writer, “I do not pray now for opportunities, but rather that I may be ready for the many that come to me in the daily routine.” Another said, “The ring of the doorbell is to me a call to service. And so I drop what I am doing at the time and give a few minutes to the person at the door.” This sister has a small table with our literature on it close to the front door, and she is always prepared to hand a choice piece of reading matter to the caller. Good results have followed.

This is the sort of publishing work that many more Adventist homes could carry on for the cause we all love. Only a few minutes of time at the door, but who can tell how far-reaching may be the influences that grow out of such simple efforts. Let us be faithful witnesses anywhere, everywhere.

“Every Adventist home a publishing house and every Adventist a publisher.” ♦♦



# Out of the Cities

By WESLEY AMUNDSEN

**O**UT of the cities; out of the cities!—this is the message the Lord has been giving me.” —*Country Living*, p. 32.

The call to Seventh-day Adventists to get out of the cities is not new. While at Healdsburg, California, in 1882, Ellen G. White wrote an appeal, which was to be read at the camp meetings (see *Testimonies*, vol. 5, pp. 217-235). The first sentence reads, “I am filled with sadness when I think of our condition as a people.” Among other things she said, “Instead of the crowded city seek some retired situation where your children will be, so far as possible, shielded from temptation” (p. 232).

On December 22, 1893, in response to a letter from a leading worker in Battle Creek, informing Mrs. White that “between one and two hundred” were preparing to leave Battle Creek “as soon as possible,” she sent a word of caution against moving out too hastily. (See *Country Living*, pp. 25-28.)

She urged that there “be no rash movements,” that “everyone take time to consider carefully.” People were to have “well-defined plans.” There was to be no “pressure.” “Should some move hastily and fly out of Battle Creek, and be brought into discouragement, they will reflect, not upon themselves for moving unadvisedly, but upon others who, they will charge, brought a pressure to bear upon them.”

Still greater caution was advised. “Spread every plan before God with fasting, [and] with the humbling of the soul before the Lord Jesus, and commit thy ways unto the Lord. The sure promise is, He will direct thy paths.”

The letter closes with these words: “I leave this matter with you; for I have been worried and troubled in regard to the dangers that assail all in Battle Creek, lest they shall move indiscreetly and give the enemy advantage. This need not be, for if we walk humbly with God, we shall walk safely.”

It is interesting to note that Battle Creek at that time was a relatively small place and yet it was said to be “too congested.” As one observer wrote in an unpublished manuscript, “If the rattle of carriages and street cars was objectionable then in Battle Creek, what shall be said of the noise and confusion of our large cities.”—G. A. Roberts, former General Conference medical extension secretary.

Let’s take a look at the size of the cities of the past as compared with cities of today and tomorrow. In his penetrating analysis of cities, Mitchell Gordon, in his book *Sick Cities*, provides a comprehensive presentation in depth of the midcentury population explosion of the nation’s large cities, together with their burgeoning suburbs. In the introduction he calls attention to cities of the past. We quote a few excerpts:

“As late as 1880, Los Angeles had only 10,000 inhabitants. . . .

“In the first half of the twentieth century, Los Angeles swelled 13 times as fast as the average of the nation’s 57 largest cities. Their population rose 160 per cent in that period, while Los Angeles rocketed 2,199 per cent.”—Pages 13, 14.

In an article in *Columbia University Forum* Prof. J. Marston Fitch said, “The Athens of Pericles’ day was never larger than Yonkers. Renaissance Florence was smaller than New Haven. Chicago is three times the size of Imperial Rome.”—Quoted in *Sick Cities*, p. 14.

“The population density of the thirteen former colonies in 1790 was 4.5 persons per square mile. That same territory today contains close to 700 persons per square mile.”—*Ibid.*, p. 15.

“At the time of the first United States census, in 1790, the largest city in the land, Philadelphia, had but 44,000 persons. New York was the new nation’s second largest city with 33,000 inhabitants. Boston,

which ranked third, had only 18,000.”—*Ibid.*, p. 16.

“Only ten cities in the world had populations in excess of one million persons in 1900. More than 60 did in 1962.”—*Ibid.*, p. 17.

“By 1980, over 90 per cent of the American people will be living in urban areas. The figure in 1920 was exactly 51.2 per cent. In 1962 it was just under 70 per cent.”—*Ibid.*, p. 16.

“Five metropolitan areas accounted for 20 per cent of the nation’s total population in 1960. One out of every five Americans then lived in either greater New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, or Detroit.”—*Ibid.*

“One of the outstanding changes [in the population shift] has been in agriculture. Twenty years ago some 25 million Americans were living on farms. Today only 12 million Americans can be classified as farm dwellers. Farms have declined from some 6 million to 3 million, while the average size has gone up from 190 acres to about 359 acres. Today, however, as a result of bigger farms, improved hybrids and machinery, each farm worker produces enough for approximately 40 people, almost three times the amount a single worker produced 20 years ago.”—*American Council Press Release*, American Council for Nationalities Service, Nov. 3, 1967.

The planned evolution of the cities of America, as conceived in the minds of men for the future, is fantastic. *Changing Times*, the Kiplinger Magazine, contained an article in its January, 1968, issue entitled, “What the 1970’s Will Bring.” The introductory paragraphs really should cause Seventh-day Adventists to do some serious thinking regarding the increasing tempo of the times in which we live.

“The changes that occur affect the way people live and the way they work. In the 50’s and 60’s, the pace and volume of these changes have been so swift as to dazzle even the most sophisticated writers of science fiction. In this country, particularly, there has occurred a phenomenal growth in every segment of man’s concern: living standards, production, education, communications, transportation, medicine, urban development. *History records no other era when the tempo of change has been so rapid.*”

“The pace will continue and intensify. The frantic 50’s and the soaring 60’s are about to be succeeded by the *super boom* of the 70’s. From the new technologies and sciences that have taken root in the last decade or two will come developments whose ultimate form can only be guessed at. *But there is one absolute certainty: The decade of the 1970’s will produce profound and far-reaching changes in your life.*”—Page 6. (Italics supplied.)

Here are some pertinent statements from the writings of the Spirit of Prophecy:

“The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the *final movements will be rapid ones.*”—*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 11. (Italics supplied.)

“It is Satan’s purpose to attract men and women to the cities, and to gain his object he invents every kind of novelty and amusement, every kind of excitement. And the cities of the earth today are becoming as were the cities before the Flood.”—*Selected Messages*, book 2, p. 355.

### Megalopolis

A new word coined in recent years to describe the urban sprawl is *megalopolis*, indicating the nudging closer and closer of cities until they become merged into one huge, overlapping mass, with boundary lines hardly distinguishable. Herman Kahn and Anthony Weiner, in their book entitled *The Year 2000*, are quoted in *Changing Times* as having invented names for three of the gigantic megalopolises of the ’70’s: Chipitts, Boswash, and Sansan.

“*Chipitts* will extend from the Great Lakes area around Chicago all the way to Pittsburgh, and will be home to 13% of the nation’s 300,000,000 people in 2000.

“*Boswash* will be the area that snakes down the eastern seaboard from Boston to Washington. One out of four Americans—25%—will live there. (In this area, incidentally, the shape of megalopolis can already be seen—whether from an airplane overhead or a car making its way over the already-crowded superhighways.)

“*Sansan* is the 475-mile stretch from San Diego to San Francisco. Living in this superurbia of the Pacific will be 6% of the population.”—January, 1968, p. 11.

Daniel Poole, staff real-estate editor, writing in the *Evening Star*, Washington, D.C., for January 5, 1968, points to a really fantastic, but not improbable, plan for meeting the needs of 85 per cent of the nation’s urban population by the year 2000. This plan is proposed by Dr. William Zuk, professor of architecture at the University of Virginia, in what he calls “kinetic architecture.” Says Dr. Zuk, “Buildings need never again become obsolete. Instead, structures will be truly *timeless.*” (Italics supplied.)

However improved the cities may become, we know that they will be destroyed, for according to Peter, “it remains true that the day of the Lord will come as suddenly and unexpectedly as a thief. In that day the heavens will disappear in a terrific tearing blast; the very elements will disintegrate in that fearful heat. . . . But our hopes are set not on these but on the new heavens and the new earth which he has promised us” (2 Peter 3:10-13, Phillips).\*

As a people we must keep looking up, as did Abraham, who “looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God” (Heb. 11:10).

In the next article we shall consider the basic reasons why God sent to the remnant church such urgent messages about getting out of the cities. ♦♦

(Continued next week)

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# On the Verge of the Kingdom

By ROBERT H. PIERSON

**J**ACHA-JA (Hotcha-Ha) means "big people" in one of the languages of Peru. It also is the name of a community where some big people live. The work of Seventh-day Adventists in Jacha-Ja had deteriorated—the people were scattered and the church building was badly in need of repair. Since the building was in little use the community decided to take it over for other purposes.

However, Jaime Apaza, a nineteen-year-old Adventist youth, had other plans. He decided the church was to be used for the purpose for which it had been constructed many years before—for Seventh-day Adventist worship. Jaime pooled all of his personal resources and purchased 61 gift Bibles. Instead of giving them away he sold them to people in the community.

Then he decided to hold meetings and seek to revive the work of God in Jacha-Ja. At six-thirty every morning he conducted a Bible study, using the studies prepared for the gift Bibles for his guide. The interest was so good he added another service after work at 6:30 p.m. Jacha-Ja people loved it!

Four times Jaime went through the Bible studies! The interest was excellent. Then the youth called his district pastor to present 350 baptismal candidates. After examining the applicants carefully, the pastor baptized 151 in the first service. There were more to follow.

Jaime Apaza continued his Bible work in another nearby community where, at last report, more than 100

persons are very much interested in the message.

In the South American Division 20,000 laymen were engaged in some 5,000 Bible Speaks crusades in 1969. On September 27, 1969, 6,324 young people were baptized throughout this fruitful field.

September 27, 1969, was World Baptism Day and most of the world divisions were able to participate. At the time of Autumn Council the division presidents reported 18,000 baptized on this one day.

## Evangelism the Battle Cry

"Evangelism" is the battle cry of Seventh-day Adventist ministers and other workers around the world. Every-member, every-worker, every-department, every-institution *evangelism*, *personal evangelism*, *public evangelism*, is the program of the church in every land. An inreach of revival within the church and a strong soul-winning thrust to the world around occupy first place in the planning of dedicated Adventists everywhere.

On March 29, 1969, more than 3,100 young people were baptized in the Trans-Africa Division. More than 1,000 of this number followed their Lord into the watery grave in one service in the Central African Union. Eighteen thousand Seventh-day Adventists and friends gathered by the side of the beautiful lake in Rwanda as 39 pastors baptized the young people prepared for this great meeting. It was a thrilling sight.

In the South India Union, T. J. S. Fredarichs, a former Lutheran min-

ister, now on fire with the Advent message, set a prayer projection of 500 souls won by General Conference time. Each Sabbath, Brother Fredarichs conducted services in five different villages, walking some 30 miles to fulfill these appointments. In August, 1969, he saw 253 of his people baptized in three of these villages, and he has raised his goal to 900 because of the large number preparing for baptism at the present time.

In Puerto Rico a large program of revival and reformation has been going on. The immediate results have been more than 600 souls added to the church, five new churches organized, two new temples dedicated, and a real spirit of sacrifice manifested throughout the church.

The Central American Union, during the first nine months of 1969, baptized 364 more than in all of 1968, and, at the time of writing, the prospects are good for many more baptisms before the close of the year.

Elder Burnside held evangelistic meetings in Madang, New Guinea, during which 110 made their decision to unite with God's people.

In the South Philippine Union the average number of baptisms per month is more than 400.

God is doing marvelous things in Vietnam. Since April our brethren there have renovated a church that was closed three years ago because of war conditions. All church members had gone away to safer places. In May a layman entered a village to work for souls, and now, six months later, he has 25 people keeping the Sabbath. All the villagers want to become Seventh-day Adventists. And so the work of winning men and women to the message in the Viet Nam Mission moves ahead despite the forbidding atmosphere of war.

Right here in North America the fires of evangelism have been burning brightly! During 1968, 24,258 were baptized. On World Baptism Day 2,391 were baptized throughout North America. In New York City more than 300 have taken their stand for the message in the campaign being conducted by Braulio Perez. Calvin Rock baptized 185 in a Memphis, Tennessee, crusade this past summer. At the time of writing, in Iowa the baptisms for 1969 are more than 60 ahead of their 1968 record, and the prospects are good that they will reach 250 baptisms for the year. They have set their goal for 300 in 1970. North America is planning and praying for 125,000 baptisms during the next quadrennium!

During the summer of 1969 the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary of Andrews University held 16 field schools of evangelism resulting in 400 baptisms. An additional 150 people are currently preparing for baptism. Since the first field school was conducted in Rockford, Illinois, in the summer of 1960, 720 ministerial students have received evangelistic training in 78 field schools resulting in approximately 4,400 converts.

The messenger of the Lord has said: "When divine power is combined with human effort, the work will spread like fire in the stubble. God will employ agencies whose origin men will be unable to discern."—*Review and Herald*, Dec. 15, 1885.

"All over the world men and women are looking wistfully to heaven. Prayers and tears and inquiries go up from souls longing for light, for grace, for the Holy Spirit. Many are on the verge of the kingdom, waiting only to be gathered in."—*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 109.

This is the day, brethren and sisters, for us to work for souls—both at home and abroad, in lands afar and in our own community. Your leaders,

under God, are laying plans for a further strong evangelistic advance after the Atlantic City General Conference session. In every division we want to see greater impetus being given to the soul-winning program. What has been done in the past is nothing of which to boast. We should have done much more.

#### Time Is Short

With God's help we want to do much more. We want to roll back our frontiers and push on into the yet unentered areas of earth. We must get into the unentered cities, the dark counties of North America, into the unentered lands and untouched areas of the fields beyond. Our time is short, the challenge is great. We dare not fail our Lord.

"And still our General, who never makes a mistake, says to us, 'Advance; enter new territory; lift the standard in every land. "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee."'"—*Evangelism*, p. 707.

"Our watchword is to be, Onward, ever onward! Angels of heaven will go before us to prepare the way. Our

burden for the regions beyond can never be laid down till the whole earth is lightened with the glory of the Lord."—*Ibid.*

This world concern should be the concern of every Seventh-day Adventist—it is your concern!

"If God's people had the love of Christ in the heart; if every church member were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of self-denial; if all manifested thorough earnestness, there would be no lack of funds for home and foreign missions; our resources would be multiplied."—*Selected Messages*, book 1, p. 82.

If God's people loved enough, cared enough—if I loved and cared enough—there would be no lack of funds with which to roll back the Adventist frontiers around the world. I plan to give a generous offering on World Concern Offering days—March 14 and May 23 (May 16 outside North America)—and I appeal to you to begin now and plan to join with me. With God's help let us finish the work and go home. We have been at it long enough! Let us give more than we have ever given before! ♦♦

## When You're YOUNG

By Miriam Wood

### EVIDENCE— REAL AND UNREAL

Television discussion programs can be informative, educational, trivial, or destructive, or they can combine all these qualities, depending upon the topic(s) discussed

and the "discussers" (a perfectly good word, incidentally, according to Webster's Third New International Dictionary). The aforementioned programs have a rather solid potential as blood pressure elevators, the latter being probably true because it's infinitely frustrating to listen to bland hypocrisy, to blatant prevarication, to bald-faced misrepresentation, with no recourse but to shut off the set with a wrenching click of the knob. Crawling inside the picture tube to find the performers and do battle isn't practical or recommended. One can dream, though.

Recently, on a discussion program hosted by a beautifully mannered young Britisher who's completely unflappable, an executive of one of the large tobacco companies appeared as a guest. Obviously he had a self-conceived mission, one on which he was so eager to embark that he could scarcely wait for the host's lead-in questions about the relation of lung cancer to smoking. In ringing tones, worthy of Horatius positioning himself on the bridge, he declared that "the evidence simply is not yet conclusive enough for any definitive answers to be given!"

Blinking in disbelief, the young host bored in with the kind of quiet, penetrating, deadly questions for which he's famous. "In other words, you don't accept the findings of the Surgeon General's office and the Ochsner Clinic and all the rest—is that what you're saying?"

Smiling into the cameras with practiced charm, the handsome executive replied, "Well, let's not forget that all these people may be prejudiced—"

Like lightning, his interlocutor whipped out, "And you're not?"

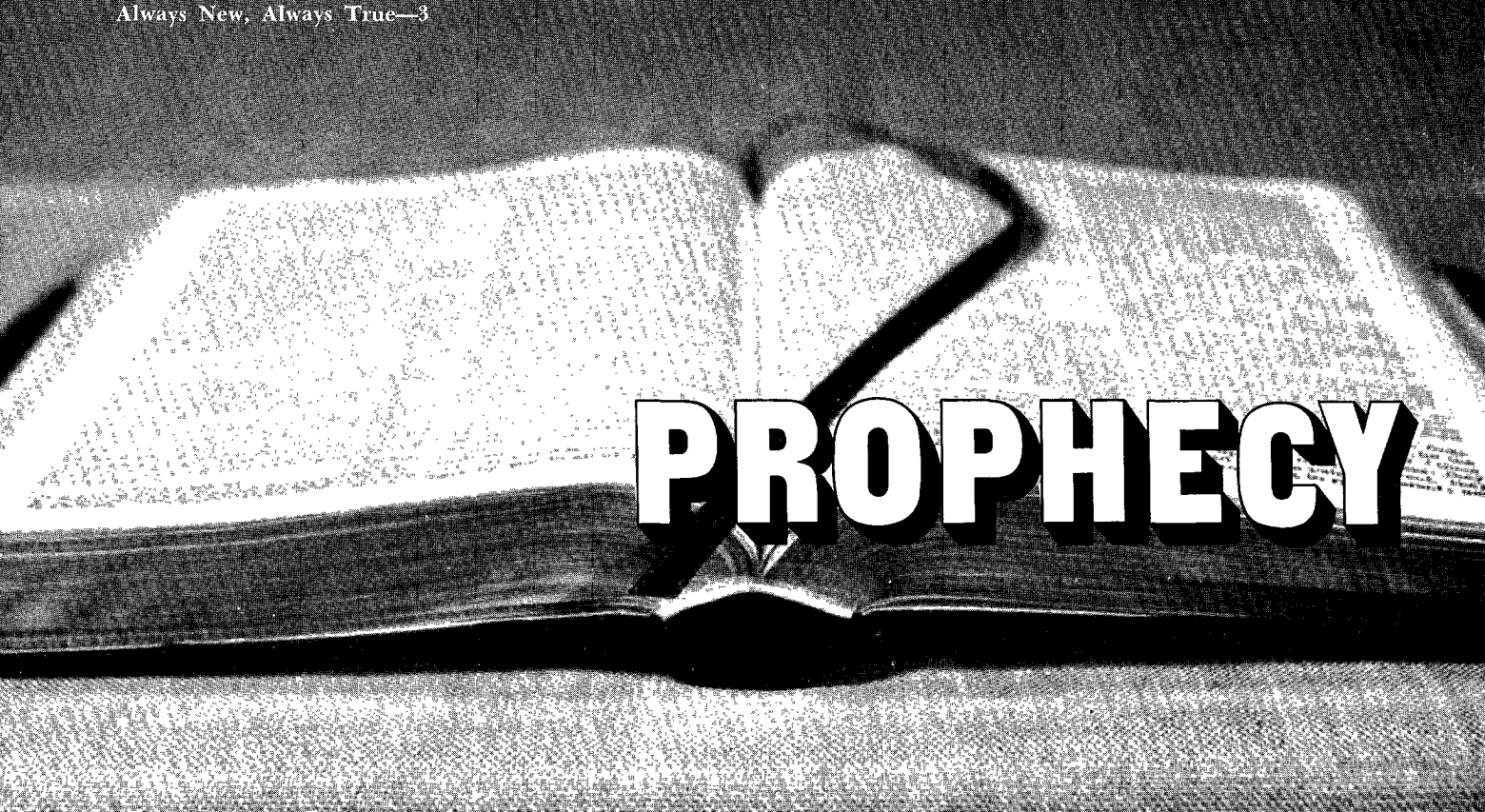
Righteously the Smoky Serpent drew himself up to his full height, drew in a lungful of air, which caused him to cough rather horribly (poetic justice), and bleated, "Certainly not! My company and I want only what's best for the public! After a great deal more research, if it is proved beyond a doubt that there's some relationship between lung cancer and smoking, why then we'll have to think about it. As a matter of fact, we have our own doctors doing research on the subject right now!"

Having delivered what he obviously considered an unbeatable argument, he sat back with a smirk to enjoy his triumph. It was short-lived, though. For once, the silent majority *wasn't*. The audience booed him, loud, long, and resoundingly. All his subsequent huffings and "harrumphings" merely succeeded in discrediting him further.

If the discreditation of one avaricious person were all that's involved here, the incident would be merely another of the "aren't people incredible?" vignettes which occasionally relieve life's boredoms. Mr. Smoky Executive, however, is only one of a great multitude of people who're "waiting for all the evidence" before they (1) stop smoking, (2) stop drinking, (3) stop living immorally, (4) stop taking drugs, (5) stop rebelling against God.

You know, of course, that there never will be enough "evidence." Three thousand miles of it, piled 100 feet high, wouldn't be enough. Unless a human being *wills* himself, with every ounce of determination, to conquer every habit and every evil propensity for wrong, "evidence" is only a word.

There's another ingredient necessary for victory in life, and that's the positive, indwelling Spirit of Christ. When your will and Christ's power are firmly joined, the need for "evidence" clearly becomes what it always was in cases of this sort—one of Lucifer's traps.



# PROPHECY

**A**S A PARADOX consider a generation sophisticated enough to land men on the moon, yet superstitious to the point of spending millions on occult practices. The proliferation of mystic systems in a computer age and the fascination astrology has for moderns is a curious contradiction of our day.

Astrology is nothing new. Divining the fate of human beings by the position of the stars originated with the priest-astrologers of Babylon.

Observing that man's life on earth depended upon phenomena in the heavens, for example, that soil fertility depended upon the sun and rain whereas storms from the heavens above caused damage, the conclusion was drawn that the stars and their idol representatives in heathen temples were responsible for all that happened. Accordingly, the moon and sun cults perfected a theory of complete accord between phenomena observed in the heavens and occurrences on earth.

Strange as it may seem, even God's people were enamored by this bewitching cult. By consorting with the worshipers of Baal, a chief god in the Canaanite pantheon, the children of Israel gradually eroded their theology and strict morality.

And no wonder when we understand that the demoralizing worship of Baal was conducted in open fields around rustic altars flanked with the

images of Astarte and symbolic stone pillars. Stimulated by the sensuous music and erotic symbols, the worshipers engaged in orgiastic feasting and licentious dancing.

Not too often do we read about the hot anger of God being directed against a people, but it was visited upon His own people for their involvement with Baal worship (see Judges 2:11-15).

Describing the debasing downfall of Israel, Ellen G. White clues as to its cause in the following words: "Under the blighting influence of Ahab's rule, Israel wandered far from the living God and corrupted their ways before Him. . . . Images of Baalim and Ashtoreth were everywhere to be seen. Idolatrous temples and consecrated groves, wherein were worshiped the works of men's hands, were multiplied. The air was polluted with the smoke of the sacrifices offered to false gods. Hill and vale resounded with the drunken cries of a heathen priesthood *who sacrificed to the sun, moon, and stars.*"—*Prophets and Kings*, p. 115. (Italics supplied.)

Apostasy and corrupt morals inevitably follow when any generation turns from God and His prophets and looks to occult powers as a means of ascertaining the present and future. Marvelous beyond expression is the gullibility of the twentieth century. Rejecting Bible prophecy as unworthy of belief, it readily accepts the

delusions which fallen angels present through the occult arts.

Therefore, no one should tag the modern astrological craze as something whimsical and eccentric. Solid evidence exists that among the current political, business, and social leaders there are those who take with extreme seriousness the division of history into segments controlled by zodiacal signs.

Now, so the theory goes, we are in the age of Aquarius. Posing air as its symbol, the Aquarian age promises (1) a new spiritual awakening, (2) universal brotherhood, (3) wide learning, and (4) the shedding of hurtful inhibitions.

Mark well certain characteristics attributed to this zodiacal period—especially the new spiritual awakening and wide learning—and you will detect subtle counterfeits of Biblical predictions for the last era of human history. It is significant that the Woodstock Music and Art Fair, which convened 400,000 youth in Bethel, New York, on August 15-17, 1969, was billed by its promoters as "An Aquarian Exposition."

Some sociologists refer to this tremendous gathering of the *avant-garde* on a New York farm as eloquently demonstrating a new set of values as well as the rejection of an older system. One would have no difficulty determining whether the demonstration set forth new values or



moral bankruptcy, inasmuch as the news media on the spot described the "prevalence of psychedelic clothing, LSD, marijuana, and jive, leading to spontaneous nudity and to open and casual sex."

Could this be a fulfillment of what the age of Aquarius offers—"the shedding of hurtful inhibitions"? Let the reader judge whether this questionable suggestion and practice comes from God or Satan, from Bible prophecy or the occult arts.

Make no mistake about it, occultism is spreading fast among all classes. Some estimate that there are 10,000 full-time astrologers in the United States and 175,000 practicing the art part time. More than 1,200 daily newspapers carry horoscopes. In addition, rock music groups grind out albums featuring astrological themes while magazines seek to enhance public interest in the subject. Moreover, millions in other nations are numbered among its devotees.

*"We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place." 2 Peter 1:19.*

# OR

# ASTROLOGY?

By THEODORE CARCICH



Further, courses in astrology and witchcraft are being offered in sedate colleges. Some fear that such studies "can reach dangerously into the mind" and may even produce public psychosis.

Think a moment of this eerie possibility of some dark powers conditioning mass thinking as to future events. Once people turn their back upon the prophetic understanding of history in which God is the Lord of life, death, and the future, they become susceptible to dangerous theories that originated in the mind of the great adversary Satan.

The yearning of the modern world for freedom from the mistakes of the past is understandable. Mankind from the beginning sought escape from war, crime, injustice, and greed. And this is precisely what astrology offers the world today.

Some will immediately counter, Well, what is so fearful about that? Just this, the theory projects a golden era without God.

The Scriptures predict that the age preceding the second coming of

Christ will be marked by violence, disasters, famine, gnawing fear, and escalating war. When God's people see these things come to pass, they know "that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand," not the age of Aquarius (Luke 21:31).

Besides conditioning minds to false hopes, occult arts effectively prepare their adherents to accept fatal deceptions. The seeking for a golden era—characterized by brotherhood, cooperation, and brighter horizons—could very well constitute the springboard from which Satan launches his climactic deception upon the human race.

What is the nature of that last "overmastering delusion"?

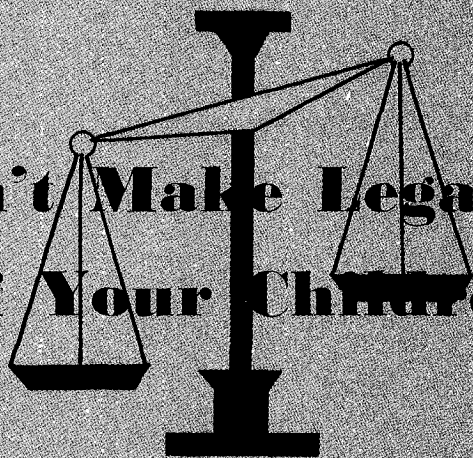
The answer to this question is in the following: "As the crowning act in the great drama of deception, Satan himself will personate Christ. The church has long professed to look to the Saviour's advent as the consummation of her hopes. Now the great deceiver will make it appear that Christ has come. . . . His voice is soft and subdued, yet full of melody. In gentle, compassionate tones he presents some of the same gracious, heavenly truths which the Saviour uttered; he heals the diseases of the people, and then, in his assumed character of Christ, he claims to have changed the Sabbath to Sunday, and commands all to hallow the day which he has blessed. He declares that those who persist in keeping holy the seventh day are blaspheming his name by refusing to listen to his angels sent to them with light and truth. *This is the strong, almost overmastering delusion.*"—*The Great Controversy*, p. 624. (Italics supplied.)

In view of what certainly will take place, what should we do? Shall we begin a deeper study of Bible prophecy? Shall we hold our peace? Could it be that the rapid spread and acceptance of occult delusions is due to the church's seeming silence on prophetic themes?

Has not the time arrived for the positive and hopeful predictions of Daniel, John, and other Bible prophets to challenge the weird and bizarre prognostications presently holding man's attention? Should not Seventh-day Adventist pulpits, institutions, periodicals, and books proclaim anew the eternal truth "that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men," and that in our time "shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed" (Dan. 4:17; 2:44)?

Let the remnant church of God arise and refute the deceptions of the powers of darkness by setting forth the sure word of prophecy as "a light that shineth in a dark place." ♦♦

## Don't Make Legalists of Your Children



By REVA I. SMITH

AND please help me to be a good girl so I can go to heaven," three-year-old Sandy prays.

"Timmy, you know that little boys who tell fibs won't go to heaven," Mother admonishes her five-year-old after he tells her a fantastic tale of his adventures with a snake.

And in Sabbath school, from cradle roll on, their earnest and devoted teacher tells Johnny and Susie about the "good people" and the "bad people" and what will happen to them when Jesus comes. Is there anything wrong with this? Are we not judged by our works?

These were the familiar teachings I had heard in my childhood. And as a result I am one of many who grew up with what I now believe was a distorted conception of salvation. Today, as a church school teacher I find that most of my little students are suffering from the same misconception.

A child of two or three years has already had many lessons in cause and effect. In fact, this is one of the first things he learns. He is hungry, he cries, and he is fed. He is uncomfortable, he cries, and he is soothed. He is tired, he fusses, and he is lulled to sleep. Before he can talk he has learned that certain behavior on his part (cause) brings an unpleasant result (effect). Mother says, "No, no! Mommy spank!" when he reaches for a forbidden object, and he soon learns (if she is consistent) that touching that object brings an unpleasant re-

sult. To be sure, this is not a reasoned response, but it is a step in his learning to understand cause and effect. As language becomes a part of his communication equipment, he can accommodate more complicated ideas.

### Effect of Early Experience

The association of "good" behavior with pleasant results and of "bad" behavior with unpleasant results is the natural outgrowth of his early experiences with cause and effect. And of course we know this is a valuable

conclusion for the child to reach, an important means of helping him to regulate his own behavior. So when we tell him of Jesus and heaven, and equate these with goodness and happiness, it seems only natural for him to assume that *if* he is a "good boy" he will go to heaven and *if* he is a "bad boy" he will not. We parents and teachers then often reinforce this learning by such oft-repeated phrases as "Don't you want to go to heaven with Mother and Daddy when Jesus comes? Well, then, you must obey," or, "Little girls who take things that don't belong to them can't go to heaven."

What is wrong with this kind of teaching? Only this: we adults know from further instruction and study that we are not saved by our good works. But because this truth is so familiar to us, we often forget that our children do not automatically have this understanding.

Ellen G. White says: "Parents should explain and simplify the plan of salvation to their children that their young minds may comprehend it."—*Testimonies*, vol. 1, p. 400. It is a constant challenge to help these small newcomers to life to understand that they must "be good," and yet that their goodness doesn't earn their salvation, even though "badness," unforgiven, *will* prevent them from receiving it. How can we simplify the plan of salvation and at the same time avoid giving our children a false idea?

We can do this by making Christ's great love for us the foundation of all our teaching and training. Instead of saying, "Don't be so selfish, Jimmy.

### CREATIVE COOKING

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#### VEGEBURGER PATTIES

5 eggs  
 1/2 cup bread crumbs  
 1/2 cup chopped onions  
 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley  
 1 1/2 cups Choplet Burger or VegaBurger

Mix crumbs, eggs, and seasonings. Let stand for a few minutes, and add remaining ingredients.

Fry in a little oil until done.

Serve with slices of tomatoes and Spanish onions on bed of lettuce as pleased.

Serves 8



Jesus can't take selfish boys to heaven," would it not be better to say, "Jesus loves you, darling, and it makes Him sad when you are selfish." Or better yet, use the positive approach whenever possible: "It makes Jesus so happy when you are unselfish," and, "Mother knows that you really love her when you do what she asks you to," or, "Jesus is happy because you did right. You showed Him that you truly love Him."

### Sheep and Goats

In our church school Bible class one day we were discussing the meaning of the "inasmuch" parable of Matthew 25:31-46. After separating the goats from the sheep, Christ tells the sheep to come in and inherit the kingdom, for they have ministered unto Him in His need. The goats He banishes into everlasting punishment, because they have not ministered unto Him.

As I asked one or two children to explain what they thought about the story, they revealed that they had long ago come to the conclusion that "person plus badness equals death," and "person plus goodness equals salvation (or eternal life)." So I asked the pupils a startling (to them) question: "Is there anyone you know who is good enough to go to heaven?" Several small hands were raised. As I called on each one, various people were mentioned—the pastor, the teacher, and the Pathfinder leader among others. After each name I gave them the disconcerting reply, "No, I'm afraid he (or she) is not good enough."

Then I asked if they knew anyone in the Bible who was good enough to go to heaven. Now they were positive they could give some correct answers, such as David, Daniel, Moses, and other favorite characters. But again I disappointed them with "No, not David. No, not Daniel." Then I said, "Boys and girls, there is nobody in this whole world who is good enough to go to heaven." Unbelieving frowns greeted this unwelcome statement.

"You mean even if we're good we can't go to heaven?" Danny spoke out. I could read his thoughts—What's the use of trying to be good then?

My next statement seemed to them like the very opposite of what I had just said. "We can *all* go to heaven, and Jesus is making homes for us there." Their puzzled looks showed me that they were all at least paying attention. Then I said, "Now, let's think. I didn't say nobody could go to heaven. I said nobody could *be good enough* to go to heaven. There is a difference, isn't there? So now you

want to know how we can go to heaven if no one can be good enough to go. All right, let's see if we can find out. And I'm sure some of you can help me.

"First of all, there was one Person who never sinned, and He is the only one who ever lived in this world who was good enough to go to heaven!"

Now several hands went up, and their owners volunteered, "I know! Jesus!"

"That's right. Now you're thinking," I encouraged them. "Now does that have anything to do with *our* going to heaven?"

"Yes," said Janie. "He can help us be good."

"But," I countered, "even if He helps us, can we really be good enough?" Worried little faces stared solemnly.

### Jesus Alone Is Worthy

"No," I said, "we can never, never be good enough to deserve heaven. Because just one sin spoils our record, and stains our hearts with sin. And the Bible says the wages of sin is death. That sounds pretty bad, doesn't it? But God and Jesus decided to do something about it, something very wonderful and loving. They decided to let Jesus take our punishment for us. That's why He died on the cross. For us! So we wouldn't have to die for our own sins."

"Then we don't have to be good to go to heaven?" asked Greg.

"No, that's not what Jesus meant. He died for us because He loves us

so much. So He says if we are sorry for the bad things we do, He will cover up all those bad sins with His goodness. That's what forgiving is. And then He will help us not to be bad anymore. He will help us to be good. We show Him that we love Him when we obey Him."

Relieved smiles wreathed each little face and I felt I had made some progress. But I know it will take more than one "treatment" to transform these small "legalists" into young Christians who really understand what the great and wonderful gift of salvation means.

Ellen G. White says further: "Children of eight, ten, or twelve years are old enough to be addressed on the subject of personal religion. Do not teach your children with reference to some future period when they shall be old enough to repent and believe the truth. If properly instructed, very young children may have correct views of their state as sinners and of the way of salvation through Christ." —*Ibid.*

The early impressions of childhood are difficult to erase, and tend to color our attitudes all through our lives even though our minds may have learned a new way. Let us pray for more wisdom and forethought in the way we present Jesus and the plan of salvation to our little ones, so that in later years they may not have to unlearn any misconceptions of their relationship to Jesus, good works, and salvation, but may understand His gift and have faith in His power to change their lives. ♦♦

## Reading the Sunset Story

By DELLA WILLIS

The grueling morning tasks tired my muscles and brain. Even doing the ordinary duties was drudgery. It simply was not a day for me.

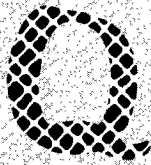
How glad I was that I needed to live only one day at a time, that there is only one way to go—forward. "Forward march!" seemed to come from all my surroundings. But I had allowed the little ones to sorely try my patience. Did they pick up my mood? After the day was nearly over I looked back with regret.

I called the little ones and we played a game. We all laughed as the wind blew our hair and almost threw us over. The trees bent and seemed to run with us. The wind soon rushed past us and quiet returned.

A sudden light came from the western sky. The beautiful picture lifted me into another realm and let me walk into its light. There was a definite pattern in the clouds' thin structure. The picture was an illustration of my restless day. I looked around to see if anyone else was there to see my disgrace. The blood red of the scattered clouds was my anger over the drudgery of my tasks. The golden light from above was the sunshine I had not looked up to see. If only I had looked up I could have marched on with a song.

The cool gray that crept over the sky covered my record of mistakes. I knew then that God understood and had forgiven me. The peace that followed caused me to bow my head and thank Him for His understanding love.

# Homemakers' Exchange



**My son had to marry and drop out of college to support his young wife and baby. I want to work so that I can help him continue his education, but my husband won't let me. Why does my husband feel as he does? What should I do?**

► Until your son got married you and your husband undoubtedly came to his rescue whenever an emergency occurred. Now, perhaps for the first time, you are not agreed on what is best for your son and his young wife. Your son is facing a man's responsibilities, and yet he is still little more than a boy. He needs help from his parents more than ever before—not just financial assistance but loving guidance and encouragement to finish his education as quickly as possible.

If you will not be neglecting younger children in your family, it might be that your husband would not mind your working part time to help your son make a success of marriage by assisting him with his education.

Why don't you and your husband talk this over with your pastor? If after discussing all the reasons why you feel you should help your son and why your husband feels it might be better not to give him this assistance you both come to the conclusion that you should work part time, then give your financial assistance cheerfully with no reminders that you are sacrificing for him even though he has not always lived up to the high standards you held up to him.

Mary Osborn

Washington, D.C.

► One of the most necessary lessons Christians must learn is that of personal responsibility for their actions. The fact that this young man had to marry suggests that he missed this lesson of responsibility for future action.

He needs to learn that he alone is accountable for his deeds, and the sheltering wing of financial aid might obscure this lesson to his eternal loss.

This is no doubt why the husband objects to mother's going to work to help him continue his education: Joel B. Hamilton  
Faber, Virginia

► You will never regret having helped your son. This no doubt will make it possible for him to have a career, perhaps even to work for the Lord. Continue praying that your husband will be tenderhearted and allow you to work to help your son continue his education. B. L. Medina  
Takoma Park, Maryland

► We helped my brother and his family for many years and now that we need help he is doing everything for us.

If the mother is able to work, I think it is a very noble and unselfish act for her to want to help them. Bread cast upon the waters always returns in some way to help us.

I cannot understand a father not wanting to help his own son.

Dorothy Counselman

Sandusky, Ohio

► So your son made a grave mistake. Surely it is to his credit that he is assuming the responsibility of supporting his family even though he had to drop out of college.

To stop his education in order to support his family when he needs a few years of college in order to be able to better provide for them in the future does seem a real pity.

It is hard for me to believe that a Christian father would want to punish his son for the rest of his life by taking away this opportunity for continuing his education that you are so willing to provide.

Anita Folkenberg

Balboa, Panama

► Your husband probably feels it is time for the young people to work out their own problems. They will be stronger in character for having stood together to share their responsibility.

Accept your daughter-in-law as a person of worth in her own right. Encourage them to build a good home for the young life in their care. Rearing children has always been an awesome responsibility.

Try to close the generation gap as much as possible by your sympathy, love, and kindness. Your children will bless you for your understanding.

A. Jeannette Boyd

San Jose, California

► The mother is showing a most helpful and kind spirit. However, I feel she should heed her husband's advice. The son is probably learning the hard way to bear responsibility for his actions.

Don't spoil it for him. Let him nurture this good quality so he may later meet successfully the hard knocks in life. If he really wants to go on to college, then he will find a way. It may mean hard work, but then we don't normally appreciate things that come easy.

Laurice Durrant

Yakima, Washington

► You are to be commended in your desire to help your son complete his education. In this highly skilled age the competition in business is great. Your problem is complex and needs to be analyzed. Your propensity for helping your son is normal. Your boy has made a mistake and has perhaps repented of it. However, the situation still exists and must be dealt with.

Your husband's attitude may spring from a number of sources. Because of selfishness he may not wish to share you with your son. However, he still has a Christian responsibility to help rehabilitate him. I see no reason why you should not be allowed to work at least part time in this emergency.

E. Carl Shipp

Loma Linda, California

► Any young man who had to get married must develop maturity through responsibility. Certainly no one was consulted about their relations prior to marriage, and no one can live their lives now.

If he truly wants to finish his education, he will find a way. Many couples with three or more children manage. Perhaps he has gotten things too easily through life. He must appreciate the financial effort in getting an education.

Mother should not leave her home to support her son. If the parents support the newlyweds there will be an unnatural responsibility link with the parents. It would be far better for them to get an educational loan on their own.

C. Haley

Cupertino, California

► May I suggest that your husband feels this way because he is a man and he wants his son to become one too? Your son and daughter-in-law have made a mistake—we all do, and the world keeps on spinning. But the same God who gave us the inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness also gave us the right to accept responsibility for our own actions.

Parents often suffer their children's pains vicariously, but if your son hasn't learned to accept his responsibility by the time he is married, it is high time he learned to do it, regardless of the pain it causes you. Just think of the pain it will cause him to admit to himself—if to no one else—that his mother went to work to put him through school. Your pain will pass, but his masculine pride is at stake, and a man should never lose that. Don't compound the tragedy by allowing him to think there will always be someone to pull him through.

He and his wife must work this out together with each other and on their knees. And you ought to thank God you have such a wise husband.

Kelly Graham

Takoma Park, Maryland

## NEXT QUESTION

*I am perturbed at the way my daughter is raising her children. I don't believe in interfering, but when I know she is expecting too much from these little ones, what can I do to help?*

Send your answers to *Homemakers' Exchange, Review and Herald*, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C. 20012. Letters must not exceed 300 words in length. Include complete return address. Three dollars will be paid for each answer published.

## Meatless Meats

By D. A. DELAFIELD

SECRETARY of World Foods Service of the General Conference, E. W. Howse, recently distributed to the General Conference office personnel a note that read as follows:

"On July 3, 1901, Ellen G. White wrote, 'In all parts of our world experiments will be made, processes invented, and methods discovered in the preparation and manufacture of healthful foods that can be used for the benefit of all the people.'—Letter 192, 1901.

"So far as North America is concerned, this is just what is happening today. Soybean-based foods are being developed by at least six companies, consumer acceptance of these foods is growing continually, and now the story of meatless 'meats' has hit the front page of *The Wall Street Journal* in the October 2 issue. This is significant."

*The Wall Street Journal* says: "Soybean 'meats'—called analogs because they're supposed to be analogous to real meat—have long been touted as 'the food of the future.' Considerable research and development is still needed to perfect them and to move them into mass production, but they're already showing up in a variety of food products. . . .

"Analog sales are still small, but they're growing fast. . . . One study conducted by a West Coast research firm forecasts sales of \$1.5 billion to \$2 billion for the products by 1980, which would equal 5% to 6% of the meat and poultry market now projected for that year.

"Such predictions disturb livestock raisers. . . .

"Analog's' biggest attraction is expected to be low cost—roughly half that of trimmed, boned and cooked real meat.

"The theory is that analogs should be much cheaper than real meat for much the same reason that margarine is cheaper than butter. In meatless meats, high-protein soybeans take a direct route from harvest to consumer, bypassing the slow, costly step of first being fed to livestock, which, in turn, must be fattened, slaughtered and shipped great distances before reaching the supermarkets."

After reading the foregoing I was reminded of the Ellen G. White statement:

"Those who eat flesh are but eating

grains and vegetables at second hand; for the animal receives from these things the nutrition that produces growth. The life that was in the grains and vegetables passes into the eater. We receive it by eating the flesh of the animal. How much better to get it direct, by eating the food that God provided for our use!"—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 313.

An Adventist-operated food manufacturer is named in the course of the *Journal's* discussion on calories:

"Worthington is wooing the growing weight-watching market by claiming that each Stripples [a Worthington

### FOR THE YOUNGER SET

## Frances Forgot

By ENID SPARKS

FRANCES hummed as she set the table. She liked preparing supper for her younger sister and brother, but she hoped mother and daddy would be home before dark.

The Rollins family were spending the weekend at their lake cabin. They had planned to have a picnic supper in the back yard when mother found they needed more supplies.

"I'll go to town with you," mother had told daddy. "I can help get the supplies and we'll be back sooner. But, children, you'd better have supper inside the cabin. And be sure to close the door before sunset. Some animal might wander in."

Frances promised she would, and now remembered her promise. Putting down a plate, she turned toward the door.

"Oh, no!" Frances muffled a scream of terror. A huge dark shape filled the doorway and lumbered inside. A big black bear was in the cabin!

"Joe! Alice!" Frances mustered all the courage she could to keep calm. "Run up the ladder to the loft quickly. Don't even look around."

The two younger children obeyed, and Frances followed. In a few seconds all were sitting in the loft.

Alice began to cry. "Oh, Frances, what will we do?"

"Sh-h-h!" Frances put her arm around her sister. "Just be still. Maybe when the bear has eaten, it will leave."

Below, the bear was waddling toward the table. With one scoop of a paw, it picked up and ate a whole loaf of bread. While it was looking at the soup, a puff of wind whistled through the cabin.

Slam! went the door.

product] contains 16 calories and about 11% fat, compared with 49 calories and about 70% fat in each slice of bacon. Worthington also is developing meatless breakfast sausages with similar characteristics which it plans to call Sizzles."

There were several humorous notes in the *Journal* article. The last paragraph reads: "The meatless meat makers are miffed at what they consider the livestock industry's unfriendly attitude. 'If they had their way, we'd have to color our stuff green,' grumps one executive."

And "Stripples" was said to be advertised by Worthington as "the meatless 'bacon' that never said oink."

The booming vegetarian food business reveals that Adventists are not alone in recognizing the advantages of a nonflesh diet. The day when Adventists were ridiculed as "grass-eaters" seems to be increasingly remote. ♦♦

"Oh, no!" groaned Joe. "There went our last chance for the bear to leave. And here it comes toward the loft."

Without daring to move, the children watched the bear. "Can—it climb the ladder?" quavered Alice.

"I don't know," answered Frances. She was afraid the bear could come up the ladder. If only there were something she could do to stop it!

Suddenly Frances remembered the jar of honey that daddy had stored in the corner of the loft the last time they visited the cabin.

"Be very still," Frances told the children. Racing to the honey jar, she carried it to the edge of the loft. Unscrewing the lid, she poured the honey on the cabin floor.

Immediately the bear left the ladder and hurried to the honey. Its big red tongue began lapping hungrily at the sweet golden pool.

"That stopped the bear for a while," sighed Joe. "But what will we do when it finishes the honey?"

"Pray," answered Frances, "that the wind will blow the door open again. If it does, the bear will probably leave."

The children bowed their heads and asked Jesus to send a wind. It wasn't long until their prayers were answered. A great puff jerked the door open and swung it hard against the wall. The noise startled the bear, and quickly it lumbered out into the gathering darkness.

"Whew!" whistled Joe. "That's over."

"Yes!" agreed Frances shakily. "Close the door, Joe. Then we'll thank Jesus for sending the wind. And I'm going to ask Him to help me never to forget again!"

## Anticigarette Witness

By W. P. HENDERSON

Last May my grandson invited me to attend his graduation at Sandia View Academy, not far from Albuquerque, New Mexico. As this was a somewhat extended trip, I planned carefully the literature I should take along. My bus ticket routed me via San Francisco. Arriving a little early, I had time to look around. On the sidewalk just outside the bus depot stood a Marine with his baggage at his feet. He readily accepted a copy of *Prophecy Speaks* to read as he traveled. Inside the station at a gate, waiting for his bus, was a soldier. My inquiry revealed that he was on the way to Vietnam, and he thanked me warmly for a copy of *Three Hours to Live*.

While waiting at my gate for the bus, a Mr. Benoist engaged me in conversation. He asked, "Shall we sit together?" to which suggestion I acquiesced. When asked where I desired to sit, I suggested well forward to avoid the smoke. My friend said that he smoked but would refrain from smoking while riding with me. His name card revealed that he was the proprietor of a garage in San Francisco. He proceeded to read a copy of *Destination* and found the reading very stimulating. His journey ended in Modesto.

When I asked the young woman who sat in the front seat whether she would care to have a seatmate, she invited me to sit beside her. When I asked what she knew regarding Seventh-day Adventists, she replied that she was not familiar with the name. She seemed quite interested in the story of the Millerite movement and accepted a booklet.

### Smoking Bus Drivers

Most of the bus drivers drive four hours in one direction, then drive another bus back to the home station, enabling them to live at home. Many of them smoke cigarettes. I had sent to the *Reader's Digest* for 150 reprints of "What Cigarette Ads Do Not Tell." On this trip I distributed copies of these to the drivers.

While waiting for the bus at Albuquerque on the return trip, I was standing upstairs watching the passengers in the lobby below when a young man engaged me in conversation. He accepted a booklet. Presently a second man joined in the conversation. He also seemed pleased to receive a booklet. An intelligent-ap-

pearing young woman next joined us and proceeded to examine a copy of *This Is the End*.

Boarding the bus at Albuquerque and sitting directly behind the bus driver, a young woman sat down beside me. She remarked that she liked to see where she was going. Noting her accent, I asked how long she had

been here from England. She smiled and answered, "Just ten days." She went on to relate that she had come via Australia and had an interesting story of her stay in the "Land Down Under." She knew about our medical work in Australia, and we had an interesting conversation. When leaving the bus at Las Vegas, Nevada, to visit her sister and family, she took a copy of *A Day to Remember* with her.

To me, it is interesting to note the large variety of people I meet on a trip. I find pleasure in surmising how far the gospel message may go as a result of the literature distributed on one bus trip. ♦♦

## Fellowship of Prayer

### WONDERFUL ANSWERS

Many years ago I wrote for prayer for my husband, who had gone back to the tobacco habit and was not trying to live right. He returned to the church and recently died a wonderful Christian.

Later I asked prayer for a son-in-law who had given up the truth. He also came back and is now a deacon in one of our churches.

Now I ask prayer for a granddaughter who has gone a long way in sin. Also please pray for two other granddaughters and their families.—Mrs. R., of Washington.

I requested your prayers a few years ago for my dear brother who had backslidden. I am happy to report that he has been rebaptized and regularly attends church. Many thanks to you for your faithfulness.—Mrs. P., of Saskatchewan.

Two years ago I wrote asking you to pray for my family. I am so happy to say that my son has come back into the church and is taking an active part in its work. His wife has also taken her stand.—Mrs. C., of Washington.

About a year ago I requested prayer for my son, who was drinking a great deal. He is not back in the church yet, but, thank God, he has given up drinking. Please continue to pray for him and his family. Also please pray for my daughter and a granddaughter who have backslidden. I have another son who is studying the Bible and beginning to see the light. I request your prayers for him.—Mrs. S., of Newfoundland, Canada.

Three years ago I wrote you about my relatives. I am one of ten children. My twin sister and I are Adventists. I asked that you help us pray for the rest of the family. In May of last year my youngest brother was baptized. He is a strong Christian and would very much like to go as a missionary after he completes his schooling in another four years.

Another brother who was with us for two weeks, enjoying the morning and evening worship, since his visit is more friendly to his younger brother (the one who was baptized). We thank you for your prayers, and please continue praying for the family. In two months' time we will be leaving for Chile for a three-year term, which will leave my

young brother the only Adventist at home. Pray that he will be strong in the faith and have a good influence upon the other members of the family.—Mrs. G., of Utrecht, The Netherlands.

### DESIRES TO WORK FOR GOD

After being in a deep spiritual sleep for many years, I am now experiencing a great awakening, deliverance, and reformation. As never before in my life I have become heavily burdened to do my utmost to help save every person I can. But my weakness and deficiencies are colossal. In addition, I have a serious heart ailment. Please pray that the Lord will "for Christ's sake" (1) mightily heal me physically; (2) help, fit, and use me as an influence to help save others, giving me boldness, moral courage, and utterance to speak "as I ought to speak"; and (3) grant me the greatest outpouring of the Holy Spirit.—Name withheld.

### A MIRACLE NEEDED

I know the power of prayer, because through it my son is now back in the church and taking an active part. It could be only a miracle, as he had completely given up belief in God.

My daughter has turned to the world. This happened because of her developing a critical attitude. It seems impossible to talk to her about religion. Only a miracle will bring her back with her children. She has poisoned their minds against the church.—Name withheld.

### COURT CHARGES DROPPED

A gentleman in our city was taking us to trial concerning a real-estate transaction in which we had been honest. We hired a lawyer, but also wrote to the Fellowship of Prayer because of our deep concern. The trial was scheduled for 10:00 A.M. on September 25. At nine-forty-five that morning the gentleman who had made the charge phoned the court asking that the charge be dismissed. So no trial was held, and the gentleman concerned paid all the court costs and both lawyers. We do serve a wonderful heavenly Father.—Mrs. M., of British Columbia.

## THE BIBLE RECORD VERSUS THE STORK THEORY

"Should a scientific course on reproduction also mention the stork theory?" queried Dr. Ralph Gerard, a University of California biologist. He was commenting on the efforts of certain conservative members of the California Board of Education joined by Public Instruction Superintendent Max Rafferty "to redraw the state's education guidelines so that evolution is not the only theory of man's origins included in California textbooks." In his words, "Rafferty and his fellow fundamentalists want equal time for the Garden of Eden and the rest of the Biblical account of creation so that the children can decide for themselves between the *Book of Genesis* and Darwin's Revised Standard Version of creation."—*Time*, Dec. 12, 1969, p. 14.

Perhaps Dr. Gerard's remarks were made in ignorance. He may never have heard creationism presented in a calm, reasoned way by one as trained as he is in the field of biology. From his memory of the century-old conflict he may have assumed that the Bible taught what early proponents of creationism in their battle against evolution averred, namely that there could be no change of species.

The Bible, of course, does not teach this, and for many years Seventh-day Adventists have admitted the existence of a degree of change. Such an admission is set forth in the *Seventh-day Adventist Encyclopedia*: "But while the Scriptures mention a great variety of different, complex animals and plants as being present at the end of Creation week, it does not indicate that changes would not take place, especially after sin entered the world. In fact, the curse of Genesis 3:17, 18 implies that unfavorable changes would occur. From the first, SDA writers have recognized change of species (G. W. Amadon, *Review and Herald*, 16:122, Sept. 4, 1860). But this, of course, is very different from the sort of change required for the origin of new higher categories—the orders, classes, and phyla of animals and plants."—Page 390.

We feel certain that if Dr. Gerard had honestly investigated creationism as taught not by obscurantist fundamentalists but by scientifically trained, Biblically oriented scholars, such as are found in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, he could not have drawn the glib parallel he drew when he compared the Bible record of origins with the stork theory of human reproduction. No one except a young child whom his parents may not have yet bothered to enlighten has ever given any credence to this so-called stork theory. But many thousands, yea millions, including highly educated intellectuals in scientific and other branches have and today are holding to the Bible account.

### No Need for Inferiority Complex

In their defense of creationism Seventh-day Adventists have called attention to numerous loopholes in the evolution theory, many of which the evolutionist is willing to admit. Summing up his article on evolution in the *Seventh-day Adventist Encyclopedia*, the author says, "No scientific discovery has yet given an informed creationist reason to doubt the Bible record of a fiat creation. It is the theories, not the observed facts, of the natural world that are in conflict with the Scripture record."—Page 391.

There is no need for any inferiority complex because of occasional snide remarks, such as Dr. Gerard's, that may be directed at creationists. The church can justly feel proud of its contributions to research in the area of crea-

tionism. The highly trained scientists in its Geoscience Institute, the scientists connected with the church's various institutions, and Seventh-day Adventist scientists working independently are collecting valuable data. With the help of theologians trained in Bible interpretation they have and are continuing to provide effective answers to various arguments presented by the proponents of both mechanistic and theistic evolution. D. F. N.

## ON BEING IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

Visualize yourself as a passenger in the front seat of a car. As you ride along through traffic, you are in a state of acute anxiety. You feel that the driver allows too little room between his vehicle and others. Your heart is in your mouth as cars whiz toward you. At last in panic, hoping to prevent a crash that seems inevitable, you jam your foot down on an imaginary brake.

You are surprised that the driver has seen no cause for alarm, that he failed to apply his brakes—and that there was no crash.

Why are your reactions different from those of the driver? Because you are 18 inches away from where he sits. You see life in different perspective. You respond in a different way. If you were behind the wheel, your perceptions probably would correspond with his, and your reactions would be similar or identical.

What a difference 18 inches makes! What a difference when one is in the driver's seat!

Passengers, whether in the front seat or in the back, have a right to offer a steady stream of advice. But are their judgments valid? Should they be offended if some of their advice is ignored? What if the driver should follow all of the conflicting advice offered?

Whether in families, communities, institutions, or churches, things look different from the driver's seat. They not only look different, they feel different—because of the tremendous added weight of responsibility that the driver carries. A driver is responsible for the safety of his passengers. He is responsible for the welfare of the car. He is responsible for the lives of riders in other cars and for pedestrians. To discharge his obligations successfully he must be on the *qui vive*. He must keep his eyes open. Not for a moment dare he forget what he is doing. Instinctively he is looking ahead, behind, and sideways, watching for the unexpected. He is terribly determined to do his job right. He seeks to be conscientious—perhaps unnecessarily so, at times.

### Eighteen Inches From the Driver

But while a driver may welcome—or, at times, be amused by—the plethora of advice he receives, in the final analysis he must make his own decisions. He must recognize that his critics (or would-be helpers) are at least 18 inches away from the driver's seat.

Passengers in all areas of life ought always to remember this. It would make them less quick to declare that parents who lose their children to the world are present-day "Elis." It would make them slower to announce that leaders of church institutions are "selling out to the world." It would make them less judgmental over the way fellow church members live and act. It would make them less quick to condemn Christians in other lands for the way they relate to political systems that differ from their own.

Many years ago a baseball umpire, almost deafened by boos from spectators who disagreed with one of his calls,



commented that he never could understand how people on the other side of the stadium could see better than he could right on top of the play, and hence be so sure of their judgments.

The question bears study. Its practical application to everyday life would eliminate much of the criticism that adds to the crushingly heavy burdens carried by fellow church members, leaders, friends, and others.

K. H. W.

## ERRATUM

In spite of evidence to the contrary (cf. our editorial of December 4) we know that animals and man were created on Day Six of Creation week. We know also that fish and birds were created on Day Five.

What we don't know is how we included such strange misinformation in our editorial, how it got copied, and how it passed the scrutiny of editors, typesetters, and proofreaders. The late editor of the REVIEW was perceptive indeed when, after someone spotted Revelation 12:11

misquoted in his editorial "They loved not their wives unto the death," he declared that the publishing business is surely the most dangerous business in the world.

Several sharp-eyed subscribers caught the mistake in our editorial, and wrote to express their dismay and joy—dismay that the "good new REVIEW" would publish an inaccuracy, and joy that proof positive was at last available of something they [and we] had known for a long time, namely, that editors are not infallible.

We are always glad to bring joy into the lives of others, but we regret it had to be in this way. Genesis 1 has trouble enough defending itself from its enemies; it deserves something better from its friends!

To bring our editorial into line with revealed truth, we suggest that readers substitute the following lines for sentences 2 and 3 of paragraph 5: "Nor did He create land animals before birds and fish; He created them a day after. Vegetation and trees—a few steps below fish and birds—were called into existence on Day Three."

"Let him that thinketh he standeth . . ."

K. H. W.

## LETTERS

... to the Editor

[This feature gives REVIEW readers an opportunity to share their concerns and opinions with fellow church members. The views set forth do not necessarily represent those of the editors or of the denomination. Only signed letters will be considered for publication; all will be edited to meet space and literary requirements.]

### EYE-CATCHING COLORS

I just felt compelled to write and tell you how delighted I am with the REVIEW. The colors are wonderful—eye-catching, stimulating. Keep it up. ARMEN J. JOHNSON  
La Crescenta, California

### ELABORATE SANCTUARIES

What is the purpose in building such elaborate sanctuaries in our denomination? Many children are longing to attend a Seventh-day Adventist school but because of the amount of money it takes to go there, they are forced to attend public schools. Many devoted Adventists are contributing liberally toward the building of modern churches when children and young people are crying for a Christian education.

MRS. H. CLENDENON

Carson City, Nevada

### MANY MERCY FLIGHTS

We were most pleased to see an article and picture in a recent REVIEW concerning a mercy flight with our mission aircraft. However, the impression was given that this was a "once in a lifetime" situation. During the past several months we have been averaging one mercy flight a week. Our mission is situated 170 miles from the nearest public transportation and has the only hospital in a 200-mile stretch. As a result, the aircraft is filling a necessary place in providing inexpensive, safe, and efficient transportation, not only as an ambulance but as a means of taking the physicians and dentists weekly to remote corners of the reservation.

Recently we have begun to use the aircraft to travel to more isolated areas to hold re-

ligious services. We hope to be able to expand this feature of our work.

It is only through the generosity of our Adventist people that we have this aircraft and are able to continue its operation in bringing the third angel's message to the 140,000 Navajo people, 90 per cent of whom are still immersed in the pagan ceremonies of the old Navajo religion and the more modern Peyote cult.

KEITH MULLIGAN

Monument Valley, Utah

### APPROPRIATE SPIRITUAL FOOD

The editorial "Down With Doubt" (Nov. 6) was par excellence. This is the type of spiritual food that helps us to appreciate our profession, to realize that it is more than a creed.

AL COSSETTA

Kansas City, Missouri

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### WHY ARE WE HERE?

I have just read Robert H. Pierson's article in the REVIEW entitled "Why Are We Here?" (Nov. 13). This is one of the best articles I've read in a long time. It should be printed in pamphlet form so that every member in the denomination could have a copy to read often.

I am 81 years old, was raised a Seventh-day Adventist. In the early days of the three angels' messages this was the theme of many sermons. I attend church service regularly, but the special message we have to give to the world is seldom, if ever, heard.

ARIEL L. BROWN

Loma Linda, California

### STATE FUNDS FOR CHURCH SCHOOLS

Perhaps the time is here to examine the church's traditional position in opposing tax monies for church schools. The red herring is always cast across the pathway of reason that the Government can control that which it supports. It is a myth to think, even fleetingly, that the various States do not estab-

lish the minimum number of minutes of instruction in basic subjects, minimum qualifications of teachers of those subjects, and fire and safety regulations. Favorable accreditation is sought avidly from the various boards.

When the time of unfavorable national holy-day legislation comes, then it will be inconsequential whether or not tax money built and supported the parochial schools of a certain denomination. Institutions promulgating beliefs of the dissidents will not bask in the favorable glow of publicity, and enactment of swift edicts could give the States control of the physical plants irrespective of the funding of those plants. Recall the internment of many U.S.-born Japanese during the early national hysteria of World War II and the extended delay after the conclusion of that holocaust before those hapless people were compensated for property loss.

I am not a prophet or the son of a prophet. However, I believe the time is here when our church should step with the times and actively seek tax assistance for our financially depressed church schools.

NORMAN BAUGHMAN, M.D.

Loma Linda, California

### OVERRIGHTEOUS OR UNDERRIGHTEOUS

I want to express my appreciation for the two letters—one from Loma Linda Foods and the other from Worthington Foods—in the September 4 issue.

To me it seems that some of our people are too extreme in their view on our health foods. In fact, I think we can be extreme on either side.

Some have said we shouldn't eat the meat substitute called Wham because it resembles ham. To me this is certainly an extreme view.

I thank God for giving our scientists and nutritionists wisdom and knowledge to discover such wonderful, appetizing, and healthful foods to take the place of cancerous meats.

Sometimes we are so zealous or overzealous for the Lord's sake that we become either overrighteous or underrighteous. Either way serves the devil's artful purpose.

M. G. CATO

Atlanta, Georgia

# Mammoth Sabbath School Conducted at Vietnam Orphanage

By V. L. BRETSCH  
President, Viet Nam Mission

On a sandy hill 35 miles west of Saigon, near the world's largest military base, an orphanage big enough to hold 9,000 children is under construction. Here 1,700 orphans gather each week for the world's largest branch Sabbath school.

A group of about 20 lay evangelists from Saigon travel an hour and 15 minutes each week to conduct the Sabbath school. They divide the orphans into ten groups. The leaders divide into groups also. Those leading in the musical part of the program begin at class number one. After finishing their work they proceed to class number two. Then the story group takes over with class number one. And thus it goes for one and a half hours, each feature of the program rotating from place to place.

Not long ago, R. H. Nightingale, president of the Central Union Conference in North America, P. H. Eldridge, president of the Far Eastern Division, and I visited the orphanage and took part in an afternoon service. During our visit we looked into a dormitory and examined the bunks. They consisted of boards nailed together the size of a

single bed, and long enough for a 16 year old. The boards at the head of the bunk are on hinges and open to show the sole possessions of that bunk's occupant: a saffron robe like the robes of Buddhist priests—all of the children wear them; it is the only outer garment they have—a toothbrush, and when someone donates it, some toothpaste; a small towel; and a mosquito net. A few children have been given *zories* (sandals) for their feet. These are all they have.

Proceeding a little farther, we visited the kitchen, a small building with no windows or screens. Six large steel pots along two walls are used for cooking rice and vegetables over open fires. Flies were everywhere.

The orphanage began two years ago when a Buddhist monk, Nguyen Tu, and a group of nuns and monks from his monastery joined together in this planned humanitarian project. Using discarded boxes and pieces of plywood, they constructed crude dormitory-style buildings with grass-thatched roofs. These structures still remain as homes

for these hundreds of orphaned children.

The government donated a large area where the soil was worthless for agriculture. Little did anyone know at the time, but this soil is today producing a crop of children that will someday by God's grace inherit the promised land.

Recently Mr. Tu approached me with a request for a full-time worker to be stationed at the orphanage. He promised to house and feed anyone we could send. He wants Adventists to teach his people the Bible "not only on Sabbath afternoons but every morning of the week." For, as Mr. Tu says, "when the love of Jesus comes into our hearts, the darkness fades away."

Here is a tremendous challenge. Other churches would like to have the privilege of working here, but as of now, Seventh-day Adventists are the only ones conducting regular services.

We began our work a year ago when a doctor and nurse from the Saigon Adventist Hospital offered their services to inoculate the children for polio and diphtheria. Later, as a result of their kind ways in handling the children, the doc-

*As the branch Sabbath school program continues, some of the younger members succumb to the heat, but are soon awakened.*



*Workers are washing their clothing among the sand dunes. The Buddhist monk folds his hands in respect to the photographer.*



*The children line up in front of the dormitories to march together to the place appointed for the branch Sabbath school meeting.*





**Two Buddhist monks listen and follow the Bible texts in their Way of Life training course each Sabbath afternoon. One hundred sixty nuns and priests are now enrolled.**

tor was approached by Mr. Tu and asked if we would come and teach the children.

At first there were 500 present, but today about 1,700 children attend the branch Sabbath school. And while they are learning to sing and pray, their leaders are studying the Way of Life Bible course with one of our pastors.

After several visits to the orphanage, I have noticed the discipline and polite manners of the children. They look well fed and are receiving good care. The nuns and monks seem happy in their work.

They and the children appreciate everything we do for them. And we hope that in the coming days these opportunities will not slip away.

## Encouraging Advances Seen in Eastern Lands

[The reports of the last two weeks dealt with the work of Adventists in the Central European Division and in portions of the Southern European Division.—Errors.]

"They were wonderful young people. I have not seen anything like them in years. Two things impressed me very much. First, they had a deep love for their Saviour, and second, they had a fire in their souls as they witnessed for Christ."

This was the testimony of Oscar Abegg, official guide and guardian of Zwingli's Chapel in Zurich. He was talking of Seventh-day Adventist young people who had attended the 1969 World Youth Congress.

The effect of this youth congress on Switzerland is impossible to measure. It

was well received by the people of Zurich, and many writers in papers, magazines, on radio and television expressed genuine appreciation.

We have two conferences in Switzerland—the German Swiss and the French Swiss. They have a combined membership of nearly 4,000. Our ministers, together with our members, are endeavoring to cover the country with the light of the three angels' messages. To aid in this work we have two beautifully located institutions—the one a sanitarium at Gland, the other the Swiss Publishing House near Interlaken. The Southern European Division office is in Berne.

Our work in France, with its ideally situated seminary at Collonges, seems to be entering a new day. France, with its population of 50.6 million, has 32 cities with 100,000 or more people, 51 cities with from 50,000 to 100,000, 189 with 20,000 to 50,000, and 305 with 10,000 to 20,000 population. To meet this need we have 87 churches with about 4,800 members. What an urgent situation this is!

In addition to our seminary, we have a publishing house in France. Again the absence of church schools and medical institutions makes the work more difficult in its outreach. Our leaders there have renewed their dedication, however, to labor earnestly for the many thousands in this religiously indifferent country and seek to prepare them for the coming of the Lord.

There are more than 10.5 million people in the Portuguese Union, and we have around 3,300 members to work for them. Their territory includes the

Azores, Cape Verde Islands, and Madeira Islands, as well as Portugal. Ernesto Ferreira, the newly elected union president, together with his corps of dedicated ministers, is using every means to advance the gospel work. We have the advantages of radio and good literature in this union.

The prospects were never brighter than they are today. New interests are arising and the best days of evangelism seem to be opening up before us. It was inspiring to see the large church in Lisbon filled to capacity and many non-Adventist visitors present for the services of the Sabbath. This is the regular pattern of attendance in this church, and I am told it is quite typical of other churches throughout the country.

### Eastern European Work

All of us are interested in how our work is faring in some of the Eastern European countries. Dr. P. Lanares, Ministerial Association secretary for the Southern European Division, and I visited with our workers and people in Czechoslovakia. The government authorized us to attend the union-wide ministerial institute and speak to our workers as well as to meet with our people and speak to them on the Sabbath. It was a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

The work in this beautiful and historic Reformation country is strong. Our church properties are well cared for, and the members rejoice in the reality of the blessed hope. The five-day school week makes it possible for the children to get an education without compromising principles of Sabbath observance.



**Czechoslovakian ministers and their wives attended an institute near Freidic-Mistik. N. R. Dower, GC Ministerial Association secretary, and Pierre Lanares, ministerial secretary of the Southern European Division, were in charge. Pictured is the country church where the four-day institute was held with delegates preparing to register.**



**The ministers of the Yugoslavian Union met with N. R. Dower in Croatia, Yugoslavia. The president of the Religious Commission of Croatia stands in the front row (dark glasses).**

The Czech people are warmhearted and earnest. Their spirit of dedication to Christ and His cause is most inspiring. The Sabbath we held meetings in Freidic more than a thousand people crowded into an auditorium made available to us by the government. Many stood from 9:00 A.M. until noon and from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M. because all the seats were filled. The beautiful music, the readings, as well as the other features of worship on this day, speak well of their love for the gospel and their firm commitment to it.

Our workers' meeting was one of the most inspiring I have ever attended. From the early morning devotional study and prayer groups until the close of the last meeting of the day every worker attended and participated in the various activities.

I wish you could have heard the ministers and their wives sing. On the first day of the meeting they organized a choir, and after a few short rehearsals, presented some of the finest choral music I have ever heard. We marveled at their ability to produce such music on such short notice, but were told that in this country every church has a choir. These choirs are encouraged to sing the same anthems and hymns so that at general meetings they will be able to form a large choir whose members are all familiar with the anthems to be sung. This they do and many of the ministers and their wives are members of these choirs. Their choral work would be a credit in any part of the world.

The church pays the government press to produce certain books and pieces of literature for them. In this way an ever-increasing supply of good material is being made available to our people. We also have a seminary for the training of young ministers.

One cannot but be deeply impressed with the young people of this country. More than 450 of them attended the Youth Congress in Zurich and by their music and personal piety and faithfulness contributed greatly to the success of the meeting. The young people are

respectful, reverent, and eager to witness for their Lord. They are well disciplined and their home life might well be an example to Christian people in other lands.

I was personally impressed with their kindness and courtesy on the occasion of the Sabbath meetings. Many of them came early to secure a good seat for the services of the day, but as they saw older people entering and being forced to stand, they willingly yielded their seats to them and stood throughout the entire day. There was no noise and commotion, hardly a trace of milling around, even though the meetings were long. They won my admiration and deep appreciation for their gentle Christian spirit.

These believers, members of our world church, are loyal to their government, faithful in their service to their community, and true to the principles of the kingdom of God. They, with us, seek a preparation for the latter rain and hope to see the work quickly finished so that Jesus may come. We are most grateful to the Czechoslovakian Government for giving us the opportunity to see their beautiful country, meet their people, and worship with the members of our church.

#### **Yugoslavia Visited**

Our work in Yugoslavia is also strong. Here we have more than 10,000 members and a strong group of ministers, serving about 250 churches. Here, too, the government presses are providing literature for our people at reasonable prices.

Our members in Croatia, a part of Yugoslavia, have been able to secure a 30-year lease from the government on a beautiful castle at Marusevec. This charming old, solidly constructed building dates back to 1618. It has 40 rooms and about ten acres of beautiful woodland with a picturesque lake upon it. The grounds are well kept and our members have worked very hard to put the building into good repair.

It was here that our workers' meeting was held. For the first time in the history of our work in this country, all of our ministers were together with representa-

tives from the division and the General Conference for a six-day ministerial institute. Our meeting lasted from Monday afternoon through the Sabbath. The seasons of prayer, the earnest study of the Word of God, and the intense desire to learn how to be more effective in our ministry made this a very special occasion.

The mayor of Valazdin, a nearby city, was present for the formal opening of the castle, now to be known as "Adventisticki Dom." Accompanying him were several members of his staff. The next day we were favored by a visit from the president of the Commission on Religion for all of Croatia. This man has a remarkable grasp of the importance of church-state separation and set forth in clear and logical terms why this is so necessary to the welfare of each. He also spent some time answering questions.

Yugoslavia is one of the truly beautiful countries in Europe. Its people are progressive and the government is well known for its consideration of its citizens. Here, too, the family ties are strong and our churches are filled with parents and children whose hearts are dedicated to this blessed truth. A delegation of more than 400 Yugoslavian young people were at Zurich and made a great impression on all who were present. They set an example of Christian conduct that will not soon be forgotten. Their music, too, was outstanding.

#### **Wise Plans for the Future**

Evangelistic meetings are held in our churches and the blessing of God is seen upon our work. The leadership here also, as in Czechoslovakia, is planning wisely for the future. The standards of morality and heart purity serve as an example to other countries. Our ministers and people there are preparing for the coming of the Lord and for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This is the burden of their prayer meetings and their Sabbath services.

Our visit with these brethren passed all too quickly. It was hard to bid them farewell. We learned to love both our ministers and our people in these two nations and we wish them much of God's blessing. Our church is composed of members from many countries with many colors, languages, and political ideologies, yet each seeks to be loyal to his government while being true to his God. This is what binds us all together in Christian love. This is what makes us all so eager to see the gospel complete its mission.

We long for the day to come when all of God's children all over the world will be able to enjoy the peace and fulfillment of their hopes in heaven's perfect conditions surrounded by unspoiled beauty. We look to our Saviour and rejoice in the blessed hope that fills our hearts that we shall see Him very soon. We appeal to our members everywhere to pray for our work in Europe that the "firmament of chosen ones" may soon be gathered in in this continent of promise.

N. R. DOWER  
Secretary, Ministerial Association of  
the General Conference





Bags of bulgur wheat and rice are unloaded from a dump truck loaned by the governor of Negros Occidental to the SAWS team composed of church members, mission workers, and the workers from the Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital, Bacolod City, Philippines.

PHILIPPINES:

**Relief Teams Rush Aid to Disaster Refugees**

Two eruptions of Mount Kanlaon in the Philippines during October drove 2,000 citizens of the area from their homes and led workers in the Negros Mission and at Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital to form a rescue team.

As a result the governor requested aid for thousands of others in another region.

The Kanlaon relief team arrived in La Castellana the day after the second eruption. The caravan included a jeepload of uniformed Dorcas women from the Bacolod Central church, the hospital ambulance with the medical team and boxes of medicines, and a dump truck lent by the governor with bags of rice, wheat, and canned goods.

Jack Rosendo, departmental secretary of Negros Mission, had arrived in La Castellana, about 30 kilometers (19 miles) from the volcano just in time to hear the first explosion October 11. Some hours later, refugees were pouring into La Castellana, clutching whatever belongings they could save from the debris and falling rocks.

The following day Pastor Rosendo went with a government team to the foot of the volcano to survey the situation. Seeing the plight of the refugees, he told the La Castellana police chief that an Adventist relief team was being organized for them.

In the meantime, refugees had begun to return to their farms near the volcano, hoping the worst was over. Suddenly, on October 15 at about five-thirty in the afternoon, Mount Kanlaon erupted. This eruption was greater than the first. The boom was heard at Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital. A great dark cloud shot

from the crater and formed into a sinister-looking mushroom in the sky. Ash an inch thick soon covered the fields.

The chief of police requested Pastor Rosendo to send him a press release, and the local radio station immediately gave the message that the Seventh-day Adventist relief and medical team had arrived to aid the Kanlaon refugees.

The teams were immediately assigned working space at a public school building. Dr. O. B. Varona, who headed the sanitarium medical team, found out that although there were a number of other medical teams there, nothing had been done for the medical needs of the refugees. Dr. Varona immediately started a clinic, and the suffering people flooded in. Nurses and aides from the Red Cross and other medical teams rallied and helped the Bacolod Sanitarium team.

When Governor Montelibano heard of our work, he sought out the group and expressed his deep thanks. An official said in the local dialect, "The Seventh-day Adventists are a quiet group, but they do wonderful deeds."

Of the 2,000 refugees, the medical team treated about 500. All the medicines were used. Dr. Varona performed a number of minor operations, and Dorcas women distributed nearly all the rice, wheat, and canned food they brought.

Governor Montelibano pleaded with Dr. Varona, "There are 3,000 refugees in Isabela and another 2,000 in Himamaylan. I would at least request you Adventists to send relief to these towns too."

On October 17 another medical team left Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital for Isabela. This time two doctors were in the group. Upon arriving there, however, they discovered that the number of refugees had grown to 10,000. A lone rural health doctor was trying to cope with the mounting medical needs of the people.

The Bacolod Sanitarium team was asked to set up the clinic at the local Roman Catholic church. The parish priest provided the team with furniture and a public-address system to help in organizing an orderly flow of patients. But this was practically useless, for the people just surged in. One deeply impressed public school teacher commented to another, "When I get sick it's Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital for me."

WINSTON E. LIM  
Business Manager  
Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital



Dr. Orvillo B. Varona headed a medical team from Bacolod Sanitarium and Hospital. A crowd of refugees are waiting their turn for treatments. Mrs. Varona is assisting.

**Brief News**

SOUTHERN EUROPEAN DIVISION

★ The doors have again been opened for the training school in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Sixteen resident students have been enrolled, and about 80 follow the curriculum through correspondence.

★ Two brochures have been printed recently in the Greek language—*What Seventh-day Adventists Believe*, by C. A. Christoforides, and *I Believe*, by N. Germanis, president of the mission. The Orthodox credo, dating back to the beginning of the Christian Era, which is in harmony with the Adventist doctrine, constitutes the basis of *I Believe*.

★ The first two members of the Southern European Division Volunteer Service Corps have been placed under definite appointment for a one-year term of service in the Equatorial African Union Mission. Irene Bornand, of Basel, Switzerland, will join the office staff in Yaoundé, and Jean-Luc Lézeau, of Thonon, France, will associate with the construction team of the new mission station at Bafang, Cameroun, among the Bamiléké.

LYDIE ERDMANN, Correspondent



*Atlantic Union*



The entrance to the Brooklyn, New York, auditorium where the Spanish Voice of Prophecy series of meetings was conducted.

**NYC Spanish VOP Meetings Yield Encouraging Results**

Bible studies are being conducted in 150 homes, and 200 persons have been enrolled in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence Course as a result of a series of meetings held by Braulio Perez Marcio, VOP speaker for Spanish-speaking people in New York City.

For many years the Spanish-speaking people of New York City have heard the Voice of Prophecy in their own language with Speaker Perez and the King's Heralds, but recently for the first time they had an opportunity to meet these radio friends in person.

In the large Brooklyn auditorium some 1,800 seats were taken, and more than 100 people stood at the rear. Since then the church pastor, Norberto Mulinari, and the church members have contacted more than 900 interested persons.

DON HAWLEY  
Public Relations Office  
Greater New York Conference

✦ Faith for Today began telecasting to the Boston area over station WFBT at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 14.

✦ With a total of \$24,597.56 in sales, Greater New York Conference colporteurs set a record for monthly sales in October, 1969. Four colporteurs were responsible for a large share of the record sales. Their totals for the month of October were: D. Hernandez \$5,116; G. Brito \$3,417; E. Torres \$2,726; and E. Ochoa \$2,145. Gerardo Brito leads all of the Greater New York Conference literature evangelists with a total from January 1 through November of some \$17,000 in sales. Chester Shumaker is publishing secretary.

✦ Riverview Intermediate School in Norridgewock, Maine, is looking forward to a new school plant within the next year or two on its newly purchased property just off U.S. Route 2. Robert C. Quillin,

principal; Ruth Gallant; and Bruce A. Sturdivant are the teachers.

✦ Among the changes and improvements under way at South Lancaster Academy, South Lancaster, Massachusetts, is a new music headquarters. In the past, academy music students had to practice on the Atlantic Union College campus. Storage cabinets for music, and equipment for instrument storage have been installed. Elementary and academy music activities are under the direction of Garland Peterson.

✦ Instead of meeting in the evening for their services, the members of the Berea church in Nyack, New York, during the recent Week of Prayer met at six o'clock in the morning. Of the 60 families in the church, 90 per cent attended. Lance V. Shand is the pastor.

✦ Seven young people were baptized recently in the West Lebanon, New Hampshire, church, as the first fruits of an evangelistic series conducted in the South Newbury, Vermont, church by Rolf Lindfors. Another baptism is planned for the near future.

✦ DeLane W. Isaac, chairman of the department of secretarial science at Atlantic Union College, and Dr. William Van Grit, chairman of the department of foreign languages, conducted workshops in their fields for the academy teachers of the Atlantic Union Conference on October 5-7 on the college campus.

EMMA KIRK, Correspondent

*Canadian Union*



**Alberta Conference Ordains New Minister**

Herbert S. Larsen, second from left, was ordained to the gospel ministry at a large meeting at Canadian Union College, Lacombe, Alberta, recently.

Assisting in the service were General Conference, Canadian Union, and local conference personnel. Left to right: A. W. Kaytor, president of the Alberta Conference; Elder and Mrs. Larsen; H. L. Rudy of Portland, Oregon; J. W. Bothe, president of the Canadian Union; and R. S. Watts, a vice-president of the General Conference.

W. E. KUESTER  
Public Relations Department  
Canadian Union

**Alberta Workers Attend Emergency Training School**

Health and welfare service workers in Alberta, Canada, work in close harmony with the government EMO (Emergency Measures Organization). Pastors of the Alberta Conference were invited to attend an EMO Emergency Welfare Service directors' course given at the provincial EMO headquarters training center in Edmonton, November 17-21, with all expenses paid by the government.

The training was conducted by directors of the Emergency Welfare Service with classes taught from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. The subject matter covered was the five areas of emergency service controlled by the Emergency Welfare Service: 1. Emergency feeding, 2. emergency housing, 3. emergency clothing, 4. registration and inquiry, and 5. personal services.

The Alberta government is carrying on an extensive training program so that in the event of disaster, natural or man-made, everything will be organized to save life and restore situations to normal as promptly as possible. Everything was done to make the training as practical as possible, even to the enacting of simulated operations that would be needed should disaster strike.

Not all Alberta workers could leave their districts for the training, but those who attended were dressed in the official men's and women's health and welfare uniforms.

Each health and welfare unit or center of the Alberta Conference is being encouraged to have at least one trained person for each of the five emergency areas listed above.

HERBERT LARSEN, Director  
Health and Welfare Department  
Alberta Conference

✦ Community and business friends of Canadian Union College, in Lacombe, Alberta, were invited to an international supper, at which 18 different countries were represented. President P. G. Miller came dressed in a Datu chief Malaysian costume. Many of the guests were impressed by the delicious vegetarian salads and entrees.

✦ Seventy-five persons have been baptized in the Vernon, British Columbia, campaign conducted by the evangelistic team consisting of Dale Brusett, Verne Snow, and Lila Paul, associated with D. E. Tinkler. According to A. N. How, conference president, the campaign is the most productive in the history of the British Columbia Conference.

✦ Ten Portuguese-speaking visitors stood when an altar call recently was made on the last night of a series of meetings in Toronto. Encouraged by the response, Tracy Botelho, who had been studying with them, sent 500 invitations to the Portuguese in Toronto to attend a special meeting just for them. More than 50 responded and are eagerly awaiting a series of meetings in their language to be held by Henry Feyerabend.

THEDA KUESTER, Correspondent

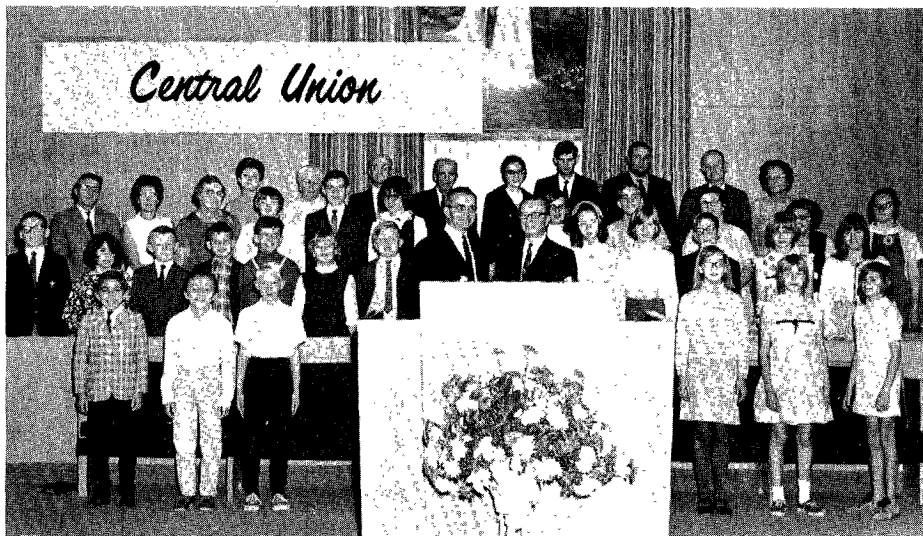


PHOTO BY C. W. REEDER

**The Grand Junction, Colorado, evangelistic meetings resulted in the largest baptism ever held in this church—46 persons. Most of the candidates are shown with the church pastor, Jerry Lastine (behind pulpit, left), and Bill Bornstein, evangelist (right).**

### Meetings in Grand Junction Produce Largest Baptism

Forty-six have been baptized in Grand Junction, Colorado, in the largest baptism ever held in the church.

Conference Evangelist Bill Bornstein's Christ Above All crusade had the assistance of Jerry Lastine, pastor of the Grand Junction church; Jim Coleman, pastor of the Fruita and Palisade churches; and Bob Bird, missionary under appointment to Formosa.

Gift Bible Evangelism and the Concern Program, along with Christian education, were prime factors in the successful crusade.

JERRY LASTINE, *Pastor*

### Kansas Follow-up Meetings Prepare for Future Series

The Voice of Prophecy daily broadcast has been followed by a series of meetings in Hutchinson, Kansas, conducted by James J. Aitken, secretary of the GC Radio-Television Department. A large number of non-Adventists attended night after night for the three-week series. The first night 160 nonchurch members turned in their names for free literature. More than 400 names were received throughout the series. Many of these had not been in an Adventist meeting before.

The pastor, Nelson O. Rima, assisted by laymen, is conducting Sunday night meetings and giving Bible studies. Seven have already been baptized. It is expected that these meetings will serve as a preparation for the series to be conducted in Hutchinson in the fall of 1970 by H. M. S. Richards, Jr., and the Gordon Hendersons.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Carrick are continuing to sponsor the daily Voice of Prophecy broadcast in Hutchinson.

S. S. WILL  
*President, Kansas Conference*

More than 200 Union College students participated in the recent MV-sponsored Stop-Our-Shivers project. The purpose of the SOS project was to gather winter clothing from Lincoln residents for distribution among needy Lincoln families. Joe Watts, the coordinator of the program, reported that about 500 pieces of clothing were donated.

Dr. William (Bill) W. Robinson and family have recently moved to Chadron, Nebraska. Dr. Robinson has set up practice upon his return from medical missionary service in Guam.

CLARA ANDERSON, *Correspondent*

### UNION COLLEGE

A Univac Model 9200-II computer has just been installed at Union College. This third-generation computer with four high-speed tape drives has initially twice the capacity of the IBM Model 1401 computer it replaces. It is capable of handling several additional advanced computer languages, according to Edwin Eivins, manager of the computer center. More than 90 operations have been programmed on the computer, and several more are planned for coming months. This included accounting, registrar's, college industry, and institutional records. In addition, the equipment is used for instruction and research in several classes. More than 60 students are now enrolled in computer-science courses. The offering of a minor in computer science is being contemplated for the 1970-1971 school year.

G. GLENN DAVENPORT  
*Director of College Relations*



The branch Sabbath school at Des Plaines, Illinois, is soon to be organized into a church. Bible worker Willietta Weller and members of the North Shore church have worked faithfully and given liberally to build up this new group.

Madison, Wisconsin, members recently contributed a total of \$1,005.20 for science equipment for their junior academy.



### Four Ordained in Southern California

Four young pastors were ordained at the annual convocation of the Southern California Conference on September 27 in Lynwood, California. D. A. Delafield of the General Conference preached the ordination sermon.

Left to right are Elder and Mrs. Edwin H. Zackrisson; Harold Calkins, conference secretary, who offered the ordination prayer; Elder and Mrs. Albert C. Tilstra; Elder Delafield; Elder and Mrs. James O. Brown; H. C. Retzer, conference president, who introduced and welcomed the candidates; and Elder and Mrs. Lawrence G. Downing.

S. A. YAKUSH  
*Departmental Secretary*

✦ The youth of Indiana Academy are conducting an evangelistic series in the Kokomo church. Donald W. Anderson, a teacher at the academy, has been working with the students.

✦ Mildred Belden, a graduate from the Hinsdale Sanitarium School of Nursing in 1922, who for many years has operated a nurses' registry and companion service for North Shore residents in Chicago, is setting up a trust fund involving at least \$5,000 if and when she sells her business. The money is to be loaned to eligible practical-nursing students. Miss Belden is currently confined to a hospital bed with a broken hip and arthritis.

✦ The Detroit Metropolitan church recently purchased from the St. Joachim church a nine-rank Wicks pipe organ, which has been expanded to 16 ranks and a total of 1,032 pipes. Dr. Warren Backer from Andrews University gave the dedicatory recital on November 15.

✦ On a cold Sunday morning in October, 90 per cent of the students at Grand Ledge Academy in Michigan with some of the faculty members staged a walkathon to Lansing, a round trip of 25 miles. Their objective was to raise \$5,000, half to go to the American Cancer Society and half for their new gymnasium. Mayor Alvin Kempf of Grand Ledge started the group, and the Honorable Richard Allen, their district representative in the State legislature, joined in the walk. The grand total of 2,502 miles (for which sponsors paid stated sums per mile walked) covered by the 108 participants brought in \$5,500.

MILDRED WADE, *Correspondent*

## North Pacific Union

✦ Columbia Academy's film production class has produced a full-color documentary sound motion picture *No More Darkness*. The film is a true story of a senior who found Christ while attending academy. The shooting, script, camera work, editing, and part of the sound were done by the students themselves. Of the secondary schools and colleges in the denomination, Columbia Academy is the only school teaching cinematography.

✦ Louis O. Machlan, Jr., M.D., a member of the medical staff of the Portland Adventist Hospital since 1949, past president of the medical staff, past president of the Multnomah County Medical Society, and currently speaker of the Oregon House of Delegates, has been appointed by Governor Tom McCall to the State's Hospital and Medical Facility Survey and Construction Advisory Council.

✦ W. L. Murrill, Washington Conference president, presided over a meeting of the lay advisory council at Auburn Academy on November 30. The lay advisory committee is a recent innovation in the Washington Conference. Each church has one representative on this council, which functions as a representative advisory group

to the president and the conference committee. The committee members in turn report back to the churches on the current operating trends of the conference organization.

✦ On November 15 four members were added by baptism to the Plentywood, Montana, church. The pastor is Will Deგრatry.

✦ For the third consecutive year the class of 1971 at Upper Columbia Academy gave up their annual Christmas party in order to cheer others. This year, as juniors, the 90-member class visited the Spokane Valley and Deaconess hospitals in Spokane, where they sang Christmas carols and gave holly and evergreen corsages to patients.

✦ Seven non-English-speaking Chinese seamen from the S. S. *Hai Yung* docked in Vancouver, Washington, were special guests at a Thanksgiving dinner hosted by members of the Sara Seventh-day Adventist church in one of the Clark County public buildings. A total of 80 persons attended the dinner prepared for underprivileged people. Food for the vegetarian dinner was provided by local merchants and prepared by the church members.

✦ Senior theology majors of Walla Walla College are providing a service to the churches in the La Grande and Enterprise districts of the Idaho Conference, according to the pastors, Roger Bierwagen and Ronald Boyce. The students fill speaking appointments in the Cove, Elgin, Enterprise, and La Grande churches.

✦ Several 20-year smokers kicked the habit as a result of the latest Five-Day Plan held in Anchorage, Alaska, recently. Forty-eight persons attended the sessions, which were conducted by church pastor J. Lynn Martell and Drs. L. David Ekvall and Leland F. Jones. Several of those attending signed up to take part in a cooking school.

✦ Sam Graham of the Christian Record Braille Foundation recently made his annual visit to the blind in Alaska. While there he visited not only various Adventist churches but other churches as well in the interest of blind people.

IONE MORGAN, *Correspondent*

## Northern Union

✦ For more than a year Mrs. Gwenda Thomas, a member of the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, church, has led a weekly community Story Hour in the nearby town of Toddville. Several non-Adventist mothers assist in the storytelling, which is conducted in a public community center.

✦ E. L. Marley, Iowa Conference president, was a recent guest on the Roy Fox radio show over station WHO, Des Moines. The calls on the show from listeners gave Elder Marley an opportunity to present Adventist beliefs.

✦ The Stillwater, Minnesota, Dorcas Society and the Washington County Medical

Auxiliary entertained the Senior Citizens Club on November 14 at the Legion Hall in Stillwater. The Choraliers from Maplewood Academy were featured, and gifts were provided for the senior citizens.

✦ Six young people were baptized in the Guthrie Center church at the close of a series of meetings in Winterset, Iowa, on November 19. L. M. Heifner is the pastor.

✦ After having no services for about a year, the Greenfield, Iowa, church opened its doors on November 15. The group there, which is small, is sacrificing and working to build up the church membership.

✦ The 33,000-square-foot Harris Pine building being erected in Hutchinson, Minnesota, is nearing completion.

✦ E. L. Calkins, pastor of the Lemmon, South Dakota, church, was re-elected president of the Lemmon Ministerial Association. Through his instrumentality 28 copies of *Good News for Modern Man* were presented to the Five Counties Hospital and Nursing Home in Lemmon.

L. H. NETTEBURG, *Correspondent*



## Two California Conferences Hold Joint Workers' Retreat

Under the banner, "That ye bear much fruit," a two-conference workers' retreat was recently sponsored by the Northern and Central California conferences. Seeking to fulfill this text and gain a deeper experience with God, the entire program centered around this theme.

Among the guest speakers were R. R. Bietz, vice-president of the General Conference; Edward Heppenstall, of Loma Linda University; and Emilio Knechtle, (pictured above), director of St. Luke's School, New Canaan, Connecticut, a consecrated Adventist layman.

Each session was planned with the thought in mind of a deeper infilling of the Holy Spirit. The opinion was voiced by many that this goal was achieved. The content and plan of the entire series of meetings was well executed.

High light of the entire series was a special communion service, arranged by the two conference presidents, James Chase and M. C. Torkelsen, and organized by Charles Mellor, ministerial secretary of Northern California. The ordinance of humility preceded the taking of the emblems. More than 400 ministers and their wives participated.

W. B. BRISTOW  
*Department of Public Affairs  
Northern California Conference*



**With a shipment of 1,500 cartons of textbooks ready to go to SDA schools in North America (from left) stand Arthur Carlson, assistant book department manager, Pacific Press; L. F. Bohner, general manager; and W. R. Wollard, book department manager.**

**Pacific Press Issuing New Sets of Textbooks**

The writing and preparation of textbooks for denominational schools—once limited to Bible textbooks—has grown to cover many elementary and secondary fields of study.

At present the GC Department of Education employs writers for a revision of our Bible textbook series, grades 1-12; a reading series to serve grades 1-8; and a health-science series for grades 1-8. These projects represent an investment by the General Conference of thousands of dollars not included in the price that parents or school boards pay for these books when ordering them from the Book and Bible Houses.

The Pacific Press, long the publisher of these teaching materials, lists about 200 texts, teacher's guides, workbooks, and other teaching aids in its order form for Seventh-day Adventist textbooks and supplies for the 1969-1970 school year.

Many of these books are used in English-speaking countries overseas, and a few of them are translated into the languages of the various countries.

The preparation of the current reading series for grades 1-8 will be completed in another year. The revision of our Bible textbooks has just begun, and the health-science series for grades 1-8 is about one-third completed.

I. V. STONEBROOK  
GC Department of Education

*Southwestern Union*

✦ A new company of 15 members has been organized in Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, under the direction of A. C. Carlson, district superintendent.

✦ W. E. Dopp, Missionary Volunteer secretary of the Southeastern California Conference, recently conducted a Week of Prayer for the Sandia View Academy student body.

✦ A two-and-one-half-ton truckload of

clothing from the Texico Conference community service depot was taken to the LaVida Indian Mission in Northwestern New Mexico during the Christmas season.

✦ Two Seventh-day Adventists from Tucumcari, New Mexico, were elected to office in the State Women's Christian Temperance Union convention recently held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mrs. James Jenkins will be public relations director for the convention, and Camille Bell will work in social service.

✦ Opening services for the new Durant, Oklahoma, Seventh-day Adventist church were held November 29, 1969.

✦ The Nowata, Oklahoma, congregation has recently held its first worship service in the new building. The church was erected by donated labor from the church members under the direction of Stanley Elmendorf, conference builder.

J. N. MORGAN, *Correspondent*

*Loma Linda University*

✦ A fund for the advancement of the evangelical concepts of the Christian faith has been established at Loma Linda University by Dr. William G. Wirth, of Pasadena, California. The primary use of the fund will be to assist the administration in bringing to the campus competent scholars and speakers representative of evangelical Christianity. In addition, the William G. Wirth Fund for Biblical Studies may be used to help support special events such as seminars or retreats and the acquisition of library materials.

✦ Opening ceremonies for the first emergency-service helistop to be located at an Inland Empire hospital were held October 26 at Loma Linda University Hospital. The 54-foot-square helistop atop the north wing of University Hospital was financed by the Loma Linda University Hospital Volunteer Service League (pink ladies). Construction of the helistop began last April.

RICHARD WEISMEYER  
*Public Information Officer*

**Babes for Mothers; Souls for the Kingdom**

The Tempe, Arizona, community, situated a few miles west of Phoenix, is just one of many places where dedicated missionaries are working in ministry to man with the three angels' messages. How is this being done in Tempe?

Walter Zipf, a columnist for a well-known Arizona weekly, tells the story of Ernest E. Pohle, an Adventist doctor whose contributions to the Tempe, Arizona, community, including the delivery of 8,235 babies, have earned for him the esteem and affection of thousands of families.

Delivering babies is just a part of Dr. Pohle's work. He began practicing in Tempe 32 years ago. He installed the first laboratory and X-ray facilities in the town and opened the first medical center and hospital there in 1940. Approximately 60,000 patients have passed through its doors. Currently known as the Tempe Community Hospital, the institution is owned by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Dr. Pohle and his wife, Myrtle, have spent a number of years as missionaries in Guatemala and Mexico. Both speak Spanish and serve a bilingual community. Dr. Pohle's brother, Charles, has practiced medicine for years in nearby Chandler.

The Pohles have a doctor son, Charles E., now in Guadalajara, Mexico, and a son-in-law, Dr. Delvin E. Littell, serving as a lieutenant colonel in the Medical Corps at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

Through the years, a number of youthful Seventh-day Adventist workers have received substantial assistance from the Pohles while attending school and preparing for their lifework.

Columnist Zipf observed that "Dr. Pohle has been dedicated to serving his fellow men and the Seventh-day Adventist Church, through which he has carried on much of his work."

Through their medical work this Adventist physician and his wife have certainly brought the light of the third angel's message to a small community along with the healing ministry of love and good will. A number have been converted as a result of their labors.

D. A. DELAFIELD  
*Associate Secretary, E. G. White Estate*

# Magician With the Soil

By HAROLD WYNNE  
Public Relations, Loma Linda University

While population specialists are wringing their hands over the world's people explosion, an Adventist soil wizard, Jacob R. Mittleider, is proving that improved food production methods could more than care for the world's needs.

As a self-supporting missionary, Mr. Mittleider, whose home is in Loma Linda, California, has visited lands in the Middle East, Africa, Asia, and the South Pacific. His surveys in these areas, made at the suggestion of friends on the faculty of the Loma Linda University's School of Public Health, revealed that agricultural deficiencies were much the same everywhere. He concluded that the solution lay in universal application of more scientific methods taught so the layman could understand them.

From 1965 to 1967 Mr. Mittleider was in New Guinea, where he conducted several farm demonstrations as an agricultural training institute that dramatically supported his thesis. His methods transformed brush "devil's land" and former low-yield farmland into acreage that produced crop surpluses.

Mr. Mittleider succeeded not only in transforming lands but the lives of people as well by substituting hope for despair. In some instances native men, who formerly let their women do all of the work on the lands, accompanied Mr. Mittleider into the fields and continued to work proudly in their new role as family providers of foods.

A decade ago "Mittleider" was a household symbol for quality nursery plants

from coast to coast in the United States and in Hawaii. His wholesale nursery in Loma Linda supplied plants by air freight in a business that grossed a half million dollars a year. He developed the "Magic Mitts" method of growing, packaging, and delivering more than 50 varieties of living plants and flowers by air freight through retail chain outlets, and he holds patents on a number of popular carnation varieties.

In 1963 he sold his business, retired, and turned over his estate to the church. Then began his international agricultural survey.

One of his achievements in New Guinea was an institute at Sopas, located at an elevation of 7,300 feet in the interior. Here he trained nine native students, who returned to widely scattered communities to spread the scientific methodology they had mastered by working side by side with Mr. Mittleider each day for nine months.

So successful was the institute that a permanent home for a program of annual international agricultural institutes is now envisioned. A possible location is Mountain View College, a four-mile-square campus located on Mindanao in the Philippines.

The hallmark of the Mittleider method is maximum production. The plan features regular soil testing and balancing of the soil with required nutrients, early starting of plants in greenhouses to ensure uniform growth in a disease- and insect-free environment until they are strong enough to resist attack, careful landscaping, weed-free cultivation, and over-all cleanliness. The neat appearance of the fields is enhanced by constant care and by the fact that the nearly one hundred per cent survivability leaves virtually no open spaces between plants in each row.

"God provided abundantly for us," he states. "If there is hunger in the world, it is not because He intended that it be so. The problem is not of His making, but is the fault of man."

## Christian Record Chooses New Symbolic Emblem

A new emblem having an open eye in a diamond frame has been designed for the Christian Record Braille Foundation of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Operating since 1899, the Christian Record Braille Foundation aims to open the eyes of the blind through Braille and recorded publications. Blind and visually handicapped people are helped to be aware of the world around them and to become self-sufficient.

A blind recipient of our services wrote recently in Braille, "I should like to take

this opportunity of thanking the Christian Record Braille Foundation for all the work you good people do on our behalf. I wish to express my appreciation and gratitude."

Another Braille reader wrote, "Enclosed is my Christmas love gift. Please continue sending the *Christian Record* and *The Student*."

The foundation is dedicated to giving the Advent message to the blind. Operations are funded one hundred per cent by donations.

ROBERT L. SHELDON  
Public Relations Director

## Pioneer Doctor Reaches One Hundred Years



Dr. Patience Bourdeau-Sisco, the daughter of Daniel T. Bourdeau, an associate of J. N. Loughborough, recently celebrated her hundredth birthday. She was born in Santa Rosa, California, November 26, 1869, when her father and Elder Loughborough

were holding the meetings that resulted in the first company of believers in California, at Petaluma.

Patience learned the French language in Europe when her father worked there with J. N. Andrews. As a young girl she gave Bible studies prepared by her father.

At Geneva, Switzerland, when Patience was 16, Ellen G. White used her as a French interpreter on shopping trips.

Returning to the United States in 1887, Patience spent a year at the Chicago Mission before spending four years at Battle Creek College where she graduated in 1892. Later she attended the University of Michigan Medical School, receiving her degree in 1902. For three years Dr. Bourdeau operated a small sanitarium at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and served as superintendent of the medical department of the West Michigan Conference.

In 1905 she married Harry N. Sisco, who was a member of the faculty in South Lancaster, Massachusetts. Four years later he graduated with his medical degree from George Washington University. During the time he was in school Patience was engaged in sanitarium work at Iowa Circle in Washington, D.C., in a house once occupied by General Ulysses S. Grant. From 1910 to 1913 Dr. Harry Sisco served as medical director of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, and Patience was on the staff.

In 1913 the couple moved to Baltimore, where they engaged in private practice. Dr. Harry was an active and highly respected physician until his death in 1943. Dr. Patience continued her practice, retiring after more than 50 years of devoted service.

She makes her home at the Williamsport, Maryland, Sanitarium and rest home.

Questioned as to the reasons for her long life, she said, "My habits of life are very regular. I am a vegetarian. I refrain from worrying." WALTER C. MOFFETT



Jacob R. Mittleider





Edward Avinger, associate pastor, Shiloh church, Chicago (Lake Region), from Andrews University.

Mrs. Ernestine Belts, Bible instructor, Milwaukee (Wisconsin), from Seattle, Washington.

Robert Burrow, pastor (Pennsylvania), from (Southern New England).

W. H. Elder, Jr., president (North Dakota), formerly lay activities and Sabbath school secretary (Northern Union).

Mrs. Elizabeth Frank, office secretary (Ohio), from Far Eastern Division.

Jerome Frederickson, elementary school teacher (North Dakota), from Lincoln, Nebraska.

R. J. Frood, treasurer, H.H.E.S. (Columbia Union), from same position (Pacific Union).

Richard Garner, staff, Indiana Academy, from Columbia Union College.

Thomas B. Glenn, publishing secretary (Allegheny West), formerly literature evangelist (Michigan).

Frank Hansen, associate publishing secretary (Upper Columbia), formerly publishing secretary (Montana).

Beverly Hawkins, office secretary (Allegheny West), from Toledo, Ohio.

William L. Haynes, pastor, Mansfield-Blooming Grove (Ohio), formerly pastor (Indiana).

Lawrence G. Kromann, youth pastor, Walla Walla Valley area (Upper Columbia), from (Central California).

Robert Lewis, MV secretary (Allegheny West), from Detroit, Michigan.

(Conference names appear in parentheses.)

From Home Base to Front Line

North American Division

Lloyd Pratt, M.D., to be relief physician, Davis Memorial Hospital, Georgetown, Guyana, of Sacramento, California, left New York City, November 23.

Gloria J. Davy (WWC '68), to be a nurse in Mugonero Hospital, Kibuye, Rwanda, of Eugene, Oregon, left Boston, Massachusetts, November 30.

James H. Snell (AU '67), to be chaplain in Bangkok Sanitarium and Hospital, Mrs. Snell, nee Shirley Ann Wollenberg (Kenosha HS '56), and two children, of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, left Dallas, Texas, November 30.

Fred W. Ellis (PUC '59; AU '60), to be Bible teacher in Pakistan Union School, Chuharkana Mandi, West Pakistan, Mrs. Ellis, nee Sylvia Marie Lund (PUC '59) and two children, of Superior, Wisconsin, left San Francisco, California, December 1.

James A. Twing, M.D. (attended AUC '40-'41, also AU '46-'48; Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara '62), to be relief physician Heri Hospital, Tanzania, and Mrs. Twing, nee Ethel Louise Hall (attended AUC '42-'43), of Lake Orion, Michigan, left Detroit, Michigan, December 1.

Adventist Volunteer Service Corps

Jacob W. E. Roth, to be designer and industrial arts director, Central American Vocational College, Alajuela, Costa Rica, and Mrs. Roth, of Angwin, California (PUC), crossed the border at Laredo, Texas, October 10.

W. P. BRADLEY

NOTICES

Literature Requests

[All requests for free literature should be sent to the mission or conference office of the area. They will then send on to us such requests as they feel are proper to honor. All literature requested through this column is to be used for missionary work, not personal needs. Mark packages: "Used publications—no monetary value. Destroy if not deliverable."]

Send a continuous supply of literature to B. S. K. Amoako, SDA Mission, Techimantia, Ghana, W. Africa.

WANTED: A continuous supply of Christian Home Calendars, Andraesen's *The Sabbath, Signs, Listen, Liberty, Life and Health, These Times, Message, Review, Good News for You, Your Bible and You*, games, youth materials, and other denominational and Spirit of Prophecy books by Joseph F. K. Mensah, SDA Mission, P.O. Box 22, Kintampo, B/A, Ghana, W. Africa.

WANTED: A continuous supply of old Bibles to Idamae Melendy, Review and Herald, Washington, D.C. 20012.

Helen M. Graham, R.D. 1, Box 237, Egypt, Woodland, Penna. 16881, requests *Guide, Instructor, Primary Treasure*, and junior Sabbath school stories.

Dr. F. Ficker, P.O. Box 2334, Pretoria, So. Africa, desires *Life and Health*.

Brigido T. Esteban, SDA Church, Nalvo, Santa Maria, Ilocos Sur, Philippines B-426, needs *Signs, Guide, Little Friend, Primary Treasure, Review*, books, songbooks, Bibles, picture cards, prophetic charts, Chapel records.

Send Spirit of Prophecy books, *Review, Signs, Listen, Guide, Message, Little Friend, Smoke Signals, Worker*, quarterlies, songbooks, Bibles, Christmas cards, films, tracts, games to Rosier Do Dal, No. 101 Lawibual Rd., Tiddim Myo, C.S.D., Union of Burma.

WANTED urgently: Clean, used copies *Signs, Listen, Liberty, Life and Health, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend* in a continuous supply to Mrs. Eileen Bazley, Box 124, Monto, Queensland, Australia 4630.

Send missionary supplies to the following: Restituto E. Flores, Southern Mindanao Mission, General Santos, Cotabato, P.I.; Mrs. Olive J. Gayle, Southfield P.O., St. Elizabeth, Jamaica, W.I.; Isaac K. Donkor, SDA Mission, P.O. Box 74, Tamale, N/R, Ghana, W. Africa; C. R. Thompson, Madana Adventist School, Marshall Lagoon, Papua.

URGENTLY NEEDED: Flannelgraphs, *Signs, Life and Health, These Times, Listen, Liberty*, Bibles, pictures to Manuel A. Panaguiton, Don Carlos, Bukidnon, P.I.

The Church at Work in the Far East

By CLARENCE C. KOTT  
Sabbath School Secretary, Pacific Union Conference

A recent ten-week itinerary in the interest of Sabbath school work in the Far Eastern Division made me think of the tremendous task before us. One can have no concept of population statistics until he has seen the swarms of people in some of the Far Eastern countries.

As we traveled through Japan and saw what seemed like millions of people crowded into small areas and swarming across the streets, in the stores, on the sidewalks everywhere, I was moved with the tremendous needs for men, methods, and means to carry on the work of the gospel.

The Osaka Center is strategically located. M. T. Bascom has organized a language program that is an entering wedge in non-Christian Japan. The language school has a good reputation and a good attendance. Already 11 have been baptized as a by-product of the school. The student missionaries who are assisting are doing a good work. In fact, we saw many student missionaries from our North American colleges dedicating time and effort here.

How to reach the millions was the problem that plagued me. Most of them are either deep in tradition or uninterested in what they consider to be foreign ideologies. Many are just too busy and have either too much or too little of this world's goods to be interested in Christianity.

In Seoul, Korea, we came upon an accident scene just seconds after a truck hit a man in the street. A taxi had stopped, and a bystander, thinking to be helpful, started to carry the victim to the cab. Another man tried to pick up his dragging, shoeless feet. The victim—unconscious and completely limp—was then placed in the back seat of the waiting cab.

There are few, if any, ambulances in these countries. The only two I saw were at our hospitals. One station wagon-panel truck vehicle of ancient vintage was at the Bacold Adventist Hospital in the Philippines, and a similar instrument of mercy at the Seoul Adventist Hospital.

My trip was an enlightening and rewarding experience. The work in the division is in good hands. So many things are being accomplished that seemed impossible to do. Such divine miracles will lead to the finishing of the gospel work in the Far East.

Church Calendar

Religious Liberty Offering	January 17
GO Emphasis	January 24
Gift Bible Evangelism	February 7
Church Lay Activities Offering	February 7
Faith for Today Offering	February 14
Christian Home and Family Altar Day	February 21
Christian Home Week	February 21-28
Listen Campaign	February 28
Penetration Tract Evangelism	March 7
Church Lay Activities Offering	March 7
Sabbath School Visitors' Day	March 14
Spring Mission Offering	March 14
Missionary Volunteer Day	March 21
Missionary Volunteer Week	March 21-28
Youth Magazine Offering	March 28
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	March 28
(Northern European Division)	March 28
One Million New Pulpits	April 4
Church Lay Activities Offering	April 4
Andrews University Offering	April 11
Literature Evangelism Rally Day	April 18
Education Day and Elementary School Offering	April 18
(local conference)	April 25
Health and Welfare Evangelism	May 2
Church Lay Activities Offering	May 2
Servicemen's Literature Offering	May 9
Spirit of Prophecy Day	May 16
Christian Record Offering	May 16
Division-wide Enrollment Day	May 23
Home-Foreign Challenge	June 6
Church Lay Activities Offering	June 6

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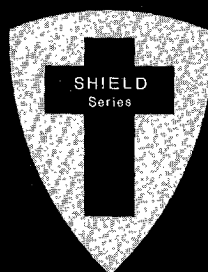
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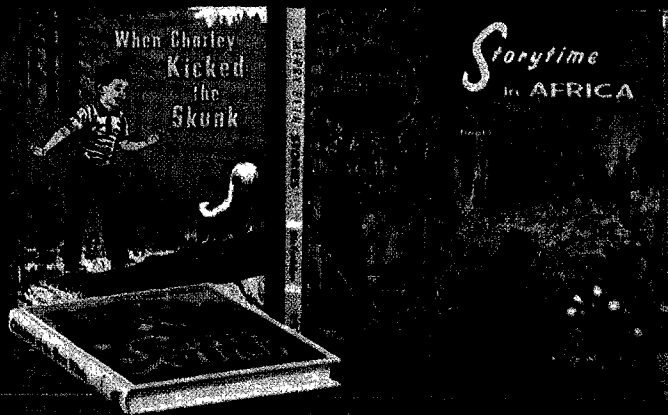
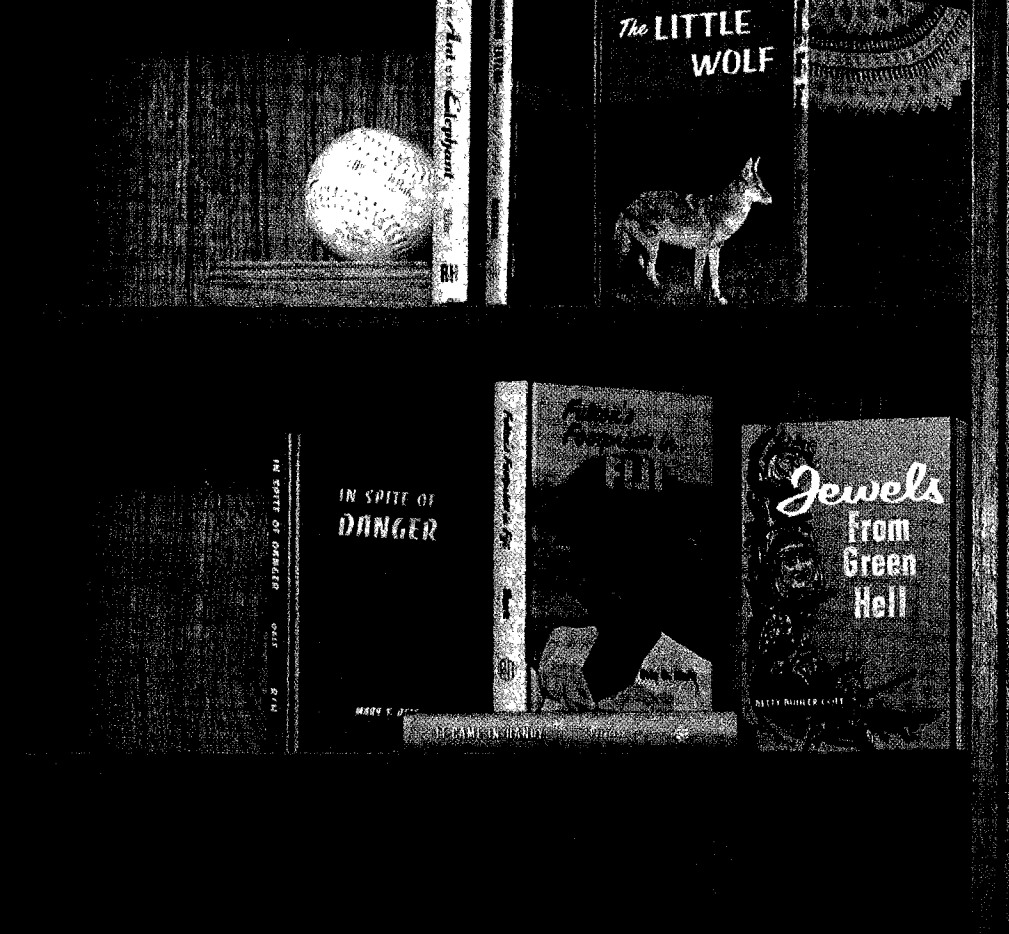
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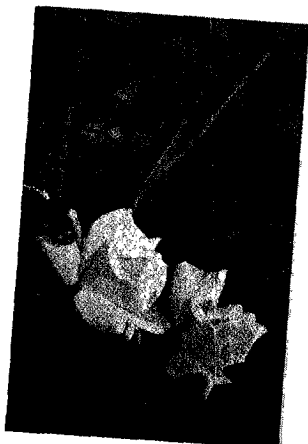
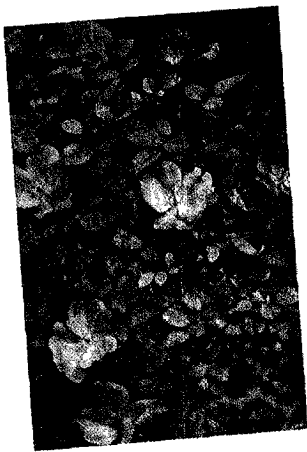
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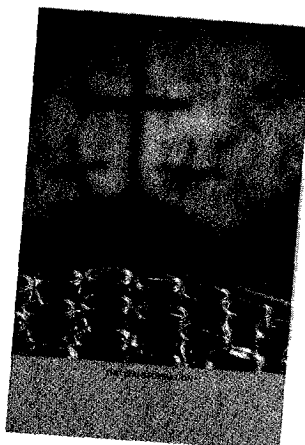
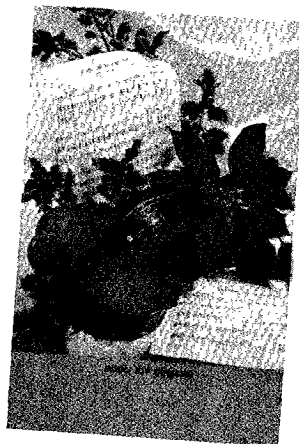
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# This Week...

Years ago Ellen G. White counseled parents to move out of the cities to provide a better moral environment for their children. Many inquire, Is this counsel relevant today? This week Wesley Amundsen begins a series of four articles entitled "Out of the Cities," in which he reviews this counsel. In his first article (see page 2) he quotes from authors who have made recent surveys of the moral, social, and economic conditions in modern cities and from those who have made predictions as to future conditions.

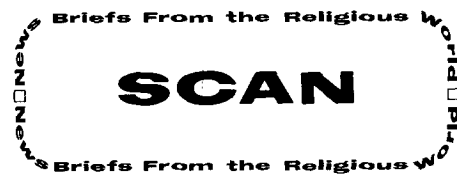
As the series unfolds, Seventh-day Adventists who reside in cities should review carefully their reasons for living there and should inquire whether the counsel to leave the cities applies in their cases.

Wisconsin born, Elder Amundsen was ordained a Seventh-day Adventist minister in 1932. His service for the church included a term as a missionary in the Inca Union Mission (1923-1926) and a term (1939-1950) as lay activities and Sabbath school secretary of the Inter-American Division. In the United States he served variously as pastor, evangelist, departmental secretary, conference president (Mexico), and college president (Madison). His last service (he has recently retired) was as secretary-treasurer of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions (ASI), General Conference, and secretary

of the North American Missions Committee, General Conference.

The third article in the series "Always New, Always True" is entitled "Prophecy or Astrology." The author, Theodore Carcich, a general vice-president of the General Conference, calls attention to the curious contradiction of our day, which sees a generation sophisticated enough to land men on the moon spending millions on occult practices (page 6). What a challenge this represents for Seventh-day Adventists, who have a knowledge of the source of the occult and who know what greater role is yet to be played by the rulers of the darkness of this world! As never before men need the message of the Bible to know how to interpret our paradoxical age.

From time to time in the columns of the REVIEW the president of the world church, Robert H. Pierson, has shared with readers the burden of his heart for all-out evangelism. In this issue he reports on encouraging results from recent evangelistic thrusts in various parts of the world (page 4) and announces that plans are being laid for a strong advance after the Atlantic City General Conference session. He feels that if every member cared enough, loved enough, there would be no lack of funds to carry out these plans. World Concern Offering (March 14 and May 23; May 16 outside of North America) is an opportunity for members to honor the great General, who says, "Advance!"



## ALABAMA BAPTISTS TOLD SCHOOLS WILL REQUIRE FEDERAL AID

BIRMINGHAM—A Baptist university president, Harry Philpott, president of Auburn University, predicted here that in the next decade some form of government support will be required to ensure the existence of Baptist educational institutions.

"Our task," he said, "will be to devise programs which will safeguard so far as possible, the administration of our schools in private hands, and which will draw a clear line of distinction between activities which are religious in character and those which are common to the educational experience of all students."

Messengers (delegates) endorsed a \$1 million Federal loan to Samford University by Housing and Urban Development. The funds will be used to build a second unit for the student union building. Samford is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

## PAINTINGS STOLEN FROM CHURCHES

NAPLES—A painting of the Nativity, by Caravaggio (1569-1609), was stolen here from the high altar of the Oratory of Saint Lawrence and Saint Francis. Two other paintings were also stolen from the Church of Saint Severino in Naples. They were a sixteenth-century painting of three saints and a seventeenth-century painting of Saint Joseph, attributed to the school of Solimena.

In the past 25 years it has been estimated that scores of paintings have been stolen from Italian churches.

## NON-VIOLENCE MOVEMENT STARTED

EDINBURGH—More than 2,000 ministers and hundreds of lay people are currently being invited throughout Scotland to become "followers" of a new nonviolence movement launched by the Rev. MacLeod of Fuimary, Scots Presbyterian founder of the famous Iona Community.

The new movement is called the New Breakthrough in Christ, dedicated to the pursuit of peace through nonviolence, to the defeat of world poverty, and to the re-establishment of personal commitment to common worship, Bible reading, and prayer.

## LUTHERAN COMMUNION HELD VALID

CHICAGO—Does the Lutheran Church have the "real Eucharistic presence" at its communion services? The answer is Yes, according to a prominent Vatican theologian.

Father Jan L. Witte, S.J., professor of Protestant and ecumenical theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, and a consultant to the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, expressed his views on the validity of Lutheran communion services in response to a question from Father Edward M. Egan, co-chancellor of the Chicago archdiocese.

# Review and Herald

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

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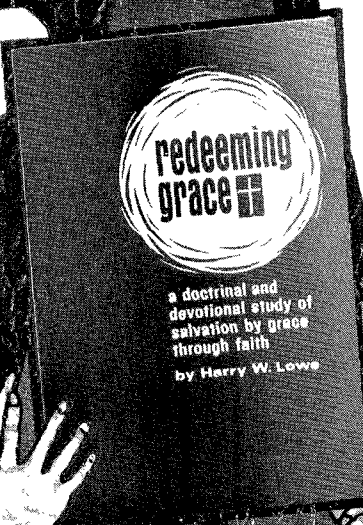
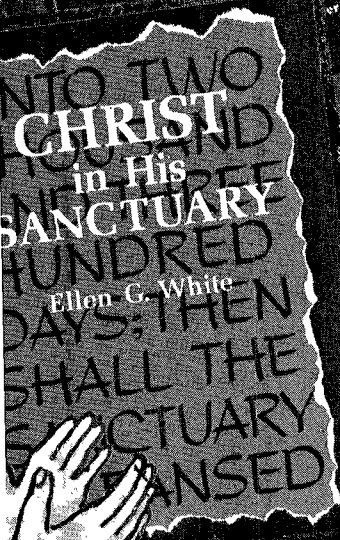
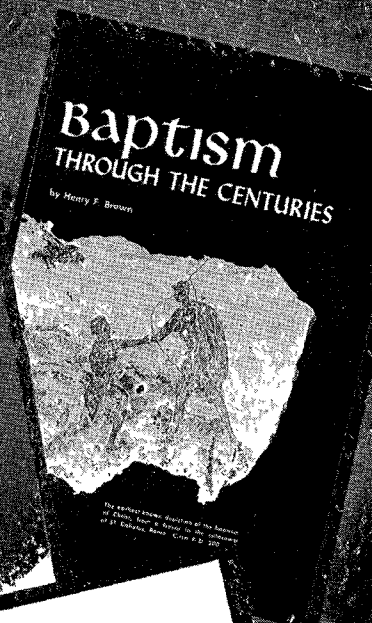
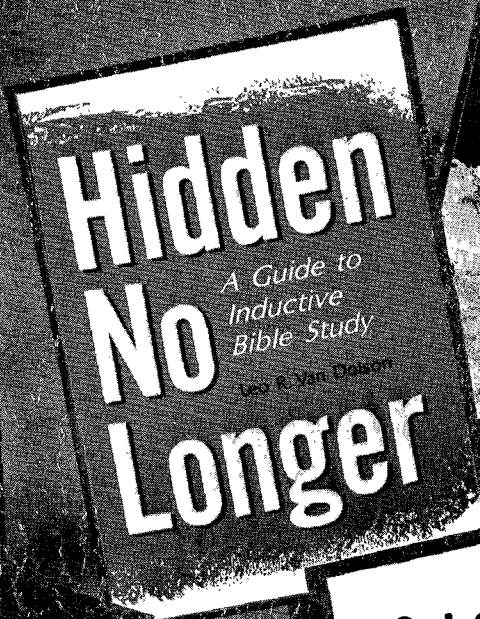
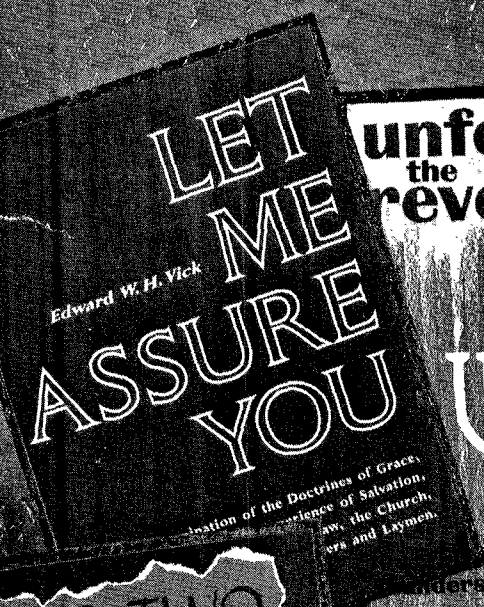
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The new public approach to alcoholism, called the Four-Dimensional Key to the Cause of Alcoholism will be featured in a special edition for February.

E. H. J. STEED

**Testimony Countdown Spurs Reading of Nine Volumes**

Testimony Countdown programs in churches, and even simply reports of the program, have led many to consistent *Testimonies* reading.

A believer on the West Coast who as a third-grader heard Mrs. White speak to the church school children but who has not had the privilege of attending a Countdown series, reports:

"Soon after the beginning of 1969 I read in one of our publications that if a person read 13 pages a day he could finish the nine volumes of the *Testimonies* in one year.

"Although I had for many years looked up passages in the *Testimonies* and had heard quotations from them all my life, I wanted to read them through, every word of them. So I began on January 26.

"Tonight, November 28, I finished reading volume 9. They have not been a disappointment. Rather, I have found in the experiences of those to whom Sister White addressed her messages many experiences that parallel my own, and her counsel to them has been an inspiration to me."

ARTHUR L. WHITE

**Wyoming Evangelists Set Baptism Record in 1969**

The 1969 baptisms in the Wyoming Conference are triple what they were in 1968, reports William C. Hatch, president. To date, 144 have been baptized, well above the goal of 135 set for 1969. John W. Fowler, Ministerial Association secretary, just finished a series of meetings in Casper with a baptism of 22 and more to follow. The conference's coordinated evangelistic program is off to a good start, and we thank God for the results already seen.

J. R. SPANGLER

**Staff of Benghazi Hospital Assigned to Other Posts**

Although certain members of our Adventist staff at the newly nationalized Benghazi Adventist Hospital were invited to remain as employees of the hospital, the staff agreed that conditions made ac-

ceptance of this offer untenable. Our church had assembled a well-qualified, loyal staff from America, the Philippines, Indonesia, Korea, India, and several countries of the Middle East. It is hoped a few can continue to serve.

F. C. Webster, president of the Middle East Division, and R. C. Mills, treasurer of that field, have spent many days in Benghazi, Libya, dealing with questions and problems arising out of the recent nationalization. When the Government took its action, our hospital and another nonchurch-related hospital in Tripoli were the only privately owned medical institutions left in the country. The new Revolutionary Command Council of Libya decided that all medical services should be owned and administered by the Government.

Immediately after the nationalization, a medical director, director of nursing services, and business manager were installed from the Government civil service.

Out of the 48 families and single workers in Benghazi, the Middle East Division is planning to relocate within its own territory some of the personnel, including W. L. Bradshaw, Tom B. Davis, A. L. Dennis, R. Jon Green, Nancy Johnson, H. N. Sheffield, M.D., J. A. Sines, D.D.S., and J. W. Whitehouse. A number have been asked to fill urgent calls from other fields or institutions. Among these are: Doctors V. L. Almonte and George N. Benson, to Ethiopia; Erlinda Cabanilla, Trinidad de Guzman, Sally Kent, M.D., and Anne Meyer, to Karachi, West Pakistan; Rae Anna Brown and Carmen Coloma, to the Trans-Africa Division; R. A. Nolin, to Puerto Rico; and J. C. Johannes, to the Far East. Still awaiting reassignment are Christine Moniga and W. L. Perry. Several workers who were due to return to their homelands soon have with reluctance returned home early.

Regarding the church investment, Elder Webster reports that "the Government representatives have repeatedly asserted that complete compensation will be paid." The Libyan Government has appointed a committee to determine the just compensation. Two men from the Libyan Government's justice department, two from the Government finance department, one from the hospital, and our division treasurer, R. C. Mills, constitute this committee.

D. S. JOHNSON

**Nonflesh Protein Foods Attract Public Attention**

The general public in the United States is becoming increasingly aware of non-flesh protein foods produced by Seventh-day Adventists.

The Marriott Corporation, a nationwide food and motel chain listed on the New York Stock Exchange and based in Washington, D.C., produces a monthly publication for guests entitled *Table Talk*. Its November issue included the following brief item, which was entitled "Science Digest Says":

"It is predicted that two-thirds of the food products we'll eat 15 years from now have not been invented yet, and our current cook books will be collector's items.

"They also predict that the hamburger of 20 years from now will contain no hamburger, but will be made entirely from soybeans. Shucks—the Seventh Day Adventists are way ahead of the times. They've been making soyburgers for as long as I can remember, and—they taste delicious!"

On December 3 Worthington Foods presented six of its products on the Today Show in New York City. Products shown before a nationwide NBC television audience of millions included Stripples, Veja-Links, Wham, Prosaage, and the Smoked Turkey-Style and Smoked Beef-Style Luncheon Slices.

The interview was scheduled for two and a half minutes, but Hugh Downs and Barbara Walters became so involved in tasting and talking about the new meatless meats that they spent eight minutes discussing the implications of vegetable-protein foods.

**Ingathering Report—7**

As of December 27: \$6,608,635.10 has been reported. This is a gain of \$292,934.46 over the same period a year ago.

The Columbia Union has exceeded the million-dollar mark and joins the Southern Union in this remarkable achievement. The Pacific Union lacks only \$37,000 of attaining this mark.

All ten unions show excellent gains over this period last year. Chesapeake, Pennsylvania, Southern New England, and Texico have joined seven others who have become Silver Vanguard conferences, reaching \$25 per capita.

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