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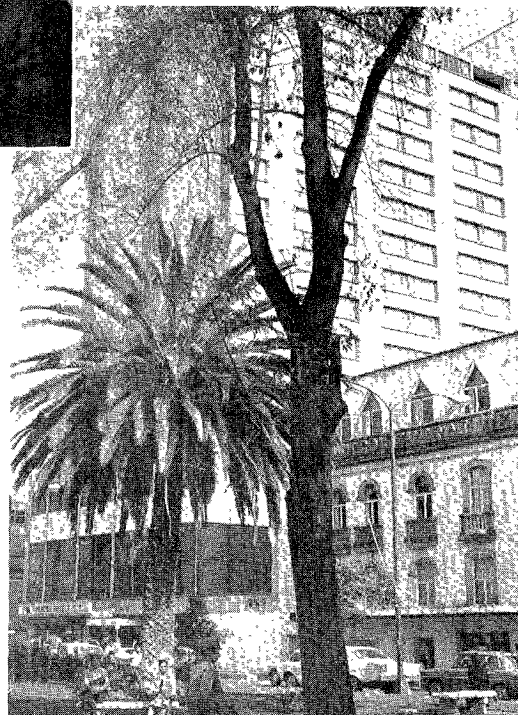
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The 1972 Annual Council met in the Aristos Hotel in Mexico City.

Never before has the Annual Council taken as many important actions, remarked Robert H. Pierson.



1972 Autumn Council Meets in

MEXICO CITY

By DON F. NEUFELD

AUTUMN COUNCIL 1972 met in historic Mexico City. In harmony with the church's international character (only one fifth of its membership lives in the United States), it is appropriate that its major policy-making meetings, such as its General Conference sessions and Autumn Councils, at least occasionally be held in countries other than the one in which its headquarters are situated. Thus it is that the next General Conference session will be held in Vienna, Austria, in

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the territory of the Euro-Africa Division.

Mexico City is thought to be the oldest continuously inhabited city in North America. Founded by the Aztecs in 1325, the city had a population of some 300,000 when the Spanish conquerors arrived in 1519. Today's population is 8,541,070 (1970 census).

The city lies on a great basin some 60 by 30 miles, the bed of the ancient Lake Texcoco. The area has no bedrock near the surface, a situation that creates a problem in building. Some of the structures in the city are slowly sinking.

Except to the north the city is surrounded by mountains. To the southeast are the snowcapped volcanic peaks of Popocatepetl (17,887 feet elevation) and Ixtacihuatl (17,342 feet). When the clouds lift, these grand peaks are framed in my motel window.

Because of its elevation of 7,349 feet, Mexico City, which is in the tropical zone, has the year-round climate of spring—mild days and cool nights.

The Autumn Council is the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the General Conference.

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Financial Speculation—One of Satan's Snares

IN THE October 26 and November 2 issues of the REVIEW we published a two-part article entitled "The Christian and Marketable Securities." To our knowledge this is the first time that the REVIEW has dealt with this important subject. The article presents a balanced, defensible position on the difference between investing and speculating.

One thing is clear: Christians are not to place their funds in projects that, because of the high element of risk involved, can only be classified as speculations. To do so is to enter the field of gambling, and waste their Lord's goods. As faithful stewards, God's remnant people are to invest prudently, and give generously to advance the work of the gospel, sharing with others the glorious news that Jesus is coming soon.

"The most solemn truths ever entrusted to mortals have been given to us to proclaim to the world. The proclamation of these truths is our work. The world is to be warned, and God's people are to be true to the trust committed to them. They are not to engage in speculations, neither are they to enter into business enterprises with unbelievers; for this would hinder them in doing the work given them."—*Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 38.

In the book *Counsels on Stewardship*, from which we just quoted, there is an entire section on The Lure of Speculation. Subsections are entitled Grasping for Riches, The Temptation to Speculate, and Unwise Investments. The message in the first subsection was written at a time when the fever of land speculation was spreading like a contagious disease. Ellen White spoke of this financial excitement as a "mania." She said: "The old safe, healthful paths to competence are losing their popularity. The idea of accumulating substantial means by the moderate gains of industry [hard work] and frugality, is an idea that is scorned by many, as no longer suited to this progressive age."—*Ibid.*, p. 231.

On the same page she used the term "speculation" in a context that would seem to define it as "anything that promises sudden and exorbitant gains." She spoke of this as being a "feverish grasping for riches," of trying to secure "all that is possible of the treasures of earth in the shortest possible time." This "spirit of gain getting, of making haste to be rich, of this all-absorbing worldliness," she said, "is painfully contradictory to our faith and doctrines."

In what ways is speculation "contradictory to our faith"? For one thing, the Adventist Christian professes to want Christ to dwell in his life so fully that the Holy Spirit can control his judgment, mold his attitudes, and provide for him worth-while goals. When a person becomes greedy for gain, and engages his money in speculative enterprises, he is listening to the voice of the enemy. Christ does not urge the Christian to place his money where it will be lost to God's cause.

Pointedly Ellen White wrote: "I am bidden to say that this is a device of the enemy to consume or to tie up means that is greatly needed to carry on the work of God. It is a snare of the last days, to involve God's people in loss of their Lord's entrusted capital, that should be used wisely in the work of winning souls."—*Ibid.*, p. 243. "They sink that which they could have spent in God's cause. . . . If means is lost, the person looks upon it as a misfortune to himself—as his loss. But he must remember that it is the means of another which he is handling, that he is only a steward, and God is displeased with the unwise management of that means which could have been used to advance the cause of present truth. At the reckoning day the unfaithful steward must give an account of his stewardship."—*Ibid.*, p. 233.

Throughout the decades of our ministry we have been amazed at the amount of money available when a get-rich-quick scheme is propounded. Hundreds and thousands of dollars come to the surface, and are virtually pressed into the hands of the promoter. God's cause needed the money, but it went into the hands of the enemy.

Clearly, this is Satan's doing. "Many times when the Lord has opened the way for brethren to handle their means to advance His cause, the agents of Satan have presented some enterprise by which they were positive the brethren could double their means. They take the bait; their money is invested, and the cause, and frequently themselves, never receive a dollar."—*Ibid.*, p. 235.

Speculative Opportunities Reveal Character

Some people wonder why they are offered an opportunity to participate in a speculative venture if it is not God's will that they take advantage of the chance to obtain a quick, large return. We already have suggested one reason—Satan is endeavoring to siphon off money that is needed by God's work.

But there is another reason. "God is acquainted with every heart. Every selfish motive is known to Him, and He suffers circumstances to arise to try the hearts of His professed people, to prove them and develop character."—*Ibid.*, p. 232.

What should be the goal of the Christian? To be a faithful steward of the goods entrusted to him by God. This means endeavoring to increase one's capital by work, thrift, and prudent investments so that one may help meet the continuing needs of God's work. It also means to seek divine guidance as to when to reduce one's holdings and place the funds in God's cause. The goal should be to have every possible dollar working to save souls.

In the day of Christ's coming all responsible Christian stewards will hear the Master say, "Well done." Whether we shall be among that number is being decided now by our use of every talent entrusted to us by God, including our money.

K. H. W.

LETTERS

... to the Editor

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FASCINATING WOMANHOOD

In the teachers' handbook for the *Fascinating Womanhood* class is the goal of the course: "Our goal is to bring to women everywhere the principles of fascinating womanhood that they may be loved and cherished in marriage while placing their husbands' happiness as a primary goal. We hope to assist in relieving marital problems and in strengthening the home." Honestly, is that degrading and dehumanizing?

The homes of America are falling apart. Divorce is at the highest level it has ever been in America, and Adventist homes are not untouched. The *Fascinating Womanhood* course has saved thousands of marriages from the ravages of divorce. Happier marriages make stronger Christians, and stronger Christians make stronger churches. Why should anyone condemn something that is strengthening our homes and churches?

MRS. BILL BEACH

Menard, Texas

Woman still wants felicity, security, home, and companionship. No court can give her these things, only God, her own womanly winsomeness and a faithful, considerate husband can supply them. She is at the mercy of herself and her husband.

In courtship we think of our lover as strong, handsome, masculine, wise, a sure protector. Why after he has married us and slaved to care for us for five, ten, twenty, and 50 years, should we think less of him? Does he then become despicable in our eyes? Maybe we should check our own loyalty and gratitude, our own hearts. Don't we still desire very much that our husband still find us loving, lovable, capable, loyal, and attractive?

All of us know from the number of broken homes and the large number of young people leaving our church year by year that we are not making the impact, the image, we should. Let us examine ourselves and make not an artificial image but a genuine one.

MRS. PEARL KELLER

Lewis, Indiana

TRUTH COMFORTS

Thank you for the beautiful cover poem "On the Death of a Loved One" [June 22].

My father was taken from us suddenly on July 16 in an accident on my brother's farm in Canada. My brother found this issue with the poem on the bedside table in our father's room. We used this poem in his memorial service. It had much meaning for us to know he had been reading this the day before his death. What a wonderful comfort the resurrection promise is!

MARGARET RUSSELL

Redding, California

HUMANITY OF JESUS

We appreciate the doctrinally sound editorials that have appeared during the past year on the "Humanity of Christ," emphasizing the fact that our Lord lived a sinless life in sinful flesh, which is the truth taught for years by our church leaders. It is so clearly stated in the Scriptures and in the Spirit of Prophecy, one wonders how any other view could be taken.

VIRGINIA S. MORRISON

Joshua Tree, California

GOD OVERRULED

I have been a reader of the *REVIEW* for 21 years, but as of the past year they have been excellent! I have just recently spent several months in the hospital. I know now that God overruled in my illness and brought me closer to Him. All through my illness I read the *REVIEW*, and I gained such an inspiration from them.

MRS. L. K. ELLIOTT

Macon, Georgia

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This Week...

Two paragraphs—the final two—were omitted from the editorial, "Looking at Some Elements in Revival Movements," which appeared in the November 2 issue (page 13). The author of the editorial was away from the office at the time the galley came from the typeroom and was, therefore, not able to catch the omission.

In the editorial sincerity, enthusiasm, supernatural power, and love, as connected with revivals, were discussed. The omitted two paragraphs drew some conclusions regarding love in this setting. Inasmuch as the paragraphs were an important part of the editorial, we present them here:

Even manifestations of what would seem to be a genuine, warm, embracing, wooing Christian love is not a sure criterion that a revival is a true one. "There are many whose religion consists in theory. To them a happy emotion is godliness. They say, 'Come to Jesus, and believe in Him. It makes no difference what you believe so long as you are honest in your belief.' They do not seek to make the sinner understand the true character of sin. . . .

"Satan is willing that every transgressor of God's law shall claim to be holy. That is what he himself is doing. He is satisfied when men rest their faith on spurious doctrines and religious enthusiasm; for he can use such persons to good purpose in deceiving souls. There are many professedly sanctified ones who are aiding Satan in his work. They talk much of feeling; they speak of their love for God. But God does not recognize their love; it is a delusion of the enemy."—*Evangelism*, p. 597.

The concluding editorial in this series is found on page 12 of this issue.

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Council members from Latin American countries were provided with a continuous translation into Spanish.

Autumn Council in Mexico

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This committee exercises full administrative power on behalf of the General Conference in the interval between General Conference sessions. The current council is one of the more important, because it is mid-term, between the past General Conference session in 1970 and the next in 1975. There is a wide representation present, including the presidents, secretaries, and treasurers of the world divisions, and the presidents of the union and local conferences in North America. Several laymen are members of the General Conference Committee. Committee members plus invited participants number about 325.

Holding the Autumn Council away from headquarters requires special planning. Karl H. Bahr, assistant to R. M. Reinhard in charge of physical arrangements, told me that theirs has been a colossal and complex task. But he hoped that holding the Autumn Council in a foreign country would add additional interest and color for the delegates.

After a week of important meetings preceding the opening of the Autumn Council the delegates gathered for Sabbath services in the auditorium of the Aristos Hotel, a commodious hotel situated in Mexico City's center.

Before Sabbath school began, I spoke with S. L. Folkenberg, associate treasurer of the Euro-Africa Division. I asked him whether he saw anything unique in the 1972 Autumn Council. He told me that the uniqueness he saw was the fact that time is running out, that now is the time that all activities ought to be concentrated in a vast soul-winning thrust. He feels that on a worldwide scale efforts should be coordinated so as

to accomplish most effectively the church's task of world evangelism. Every member, he said, should be encouraged to dedicate time, talents, and means in this final thrust.

His burden was endorsed by B. L. Archbold, president of the Inter-American Division, who addressed the congregation at 11 o'clock. He said that this is the time for the remnant church, which has both inside and advanced information on what is happening in the world, to preach as never before.

In his division they are practicing what he preached. A year ago, when plans were laid for EVANGELISM '72, the division set a goal of 40,000 baptisms for the year and a supergoal of 50,000. This goal, which some dubbed "wildly visionary," for previous yearly baptisms had reached only 29,000, was accomplished by the leaders leading. Every man in the division office was asked to "leave his desk for which he was not ordained, and go out behind a pulpit for which he was ordained."

Total Evangelism

This example caught on until leaders and laymen throughout the division experienced revival and went out to proclaim the message. An estimated 50 per cent of the division's members became involved.

What were the results? The year has not yet ended but at the end of the first six months baptisms were almost double those of the first six months of the previous year.

Closing his appeal, he said, "It's time to go home; it's time for that great reunion; we've been down here too long." The entire congregation stood at his appeal for total evangelism.

In the afternoon the Inter-American Division put on a colorful pro-

gram of pictures and music. This is the golden anniversary of the organization of the division in 1922. The division leaders regard the holding of the Autumn Council in Mexico City as a unique event helping to celebrate 50 years of progress in the division.

Progress there has been, but the needs are still staggering. On the progress side it was reported that by the end of the third quarter this year almost as many have been baptized (7,063) as constituted the membership when the division was organized (8,146). The leaders expect 10,000 baptisms by the end of the year. Laymen are credited with winning 3,450 for Christ by the end of June. Of the ministers, 20 already this year are centurions—that is, they have had at least 100 converts.

Speaking of needs, Enrique Gil, treasurer of the Mexican Union, said that only 28 per cent of the congregations in Mexico have their own church buildings. Furthermore, many large centers of population in the country are still without Adventist churches. Many more schools need to be built, he said.



Autumn Council '72 opened officially on the evening after the Sabbath. In the chair was F. L. Bland, one of the general vice-presidents of the General Conference. High light of the evening was an address by Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference. During the preliminaries he was presented with a medal of the city of Mexico by Velino Salazar, president of the Mexican Union, on behalf of the mayor of the city.

Recounting first what great things God has done, Elder Pierson stated that in the past ten years more than 1.4 million have been added to the church and in the past six years 900,000. In 1971, the best year in the church's history, 175,271 were added. The 1972 figures thus far are ahead of the same period last year.

But he added that we are not near the place where God wants us to be and that it is important that we look at what still needs to be done. He deplored especially the fact that so many are going out the back door (154,000 in five years).

Taking his text from Romans 12:4, 5, he appealed for unity in the church. Borrowing Ellen White's words, twice during his address he exclaimed, "Press together, press together, press together."

"I'm not trying to stifle debate, nor by unity do I mean complete conformity," Elder Pierson continued. "But after differences of opinion have been aired in committee meet-

ing, I hope you brethren can leave with your arms around one another."

The unity for which he particularly appealed was unity of action. Once policies have been voted, leaders at all levels ought to carry them out, he urged. Only in this way can the church stay together in a time when the hordes of hell are trying to pull it apart.

At the first devotional of the council, Sunday morning, October 15, at 8:00 A.M., R. R. Bietz, one of the vice-presidents of the General Conference, spoke on church discipline. Citing the Biblical examples of Achan, Korah, and the incestuous offender at Corinth, he showed that prompt disciplinary action is often necessary and urged that leaders be prompt to act when the situation demands. Classing Achan with present-day advocates of situation ethics, he appealed to the church to maintain its integrity in an age when moral standards "have been dragged down into the mud and mire of self-indulgence." But the discipline must be administered in love, he urged, and for one reason only—to save.

In his report at the nine o'clock business session, C. O. Franz, secretary of the General Conference, spoke of the marching saints, 2,191,894 (as of June 30, 1972) of them, as almost home. They are on the march, he said, "in Boise and Bangkok, in Calcutta and Chicago, in Buenos Aires and Bujumbura." The youth, too, are on the march, he noted. More than 7,000 young people were baptized in the South American Division on September 22, 23, and 24. These youthful saints know their Bible, he observed. In a recent national TV Bible contest conducted in Rio de Janeiro, four of the five finalists were Seventh-day Adventists. The winner, a 16-year-old girl, had to compete with religious leaders, Bible teachers, and church pastors.

"Where did you learn so much about the Bible?" the television moderator asked.

"Studying my Sabbath school lesson," she replied.

"What's that?" he asked.

She explained that it was the lesson pamphlet used by the church in its promotion of daily Bible study.

"Do you have a copy with you?" the moderator asked.

"No," she replied, "but my brother, who is in the audience, has one."

The brother was called to the stage, and before millions of TV viewers in Brazil, the moderator read a portion of one of the lessons.

The General Conference treasurer, K. H. Emmerson, next rendered his report. It was an encouraging report in that it showed moderate gains in tithes and mission offerings for the first six months of 1972 over the same period of 1971. Unfortunately, these gains are offset by inflation and devaluation of currency in certain countries, posing certain problems in the financing of the world church.

In his report, Jesse O. Gibson, General Conference statistical secretary, noted that as of June 30, 1972, the world membership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church stood at 2,191,894, as already noted by Elder Franz in his report, 462,858 of whom are in the North American Division. Accessions in the 12 months preceding June 30, 1972, increased 15.2 per cent over accessions in the preceding 12-month period.

The report showed a trend that for some years has been a source of concern. Whereas there has been a healthy increase in tithes, mission offerings have shown a steady proportionate decrease. For example, for the world field the tithe increased from a per capita of \$49.52 in 1960 to \$69.54 in 1971. Mission offerings increased from \$14.01 in 1960 to

Left: With Charles Taylor translating, Licenciada Velasquez, from the Office of Interior, Mexican Federal Government, welcomes council members. Below: Division leaders and union presidents receive mementos of their visit to Mexico (Aztec calendar plaques) from the Mexican Union. Right: In a special service, retirees (from left) W. A. Higgins, F. L. Bland, Nicolas Chaij, and E. W. Tarr are honored by Robert H. Pierson for their service.





Ella May Stoneburner (left) and Mazie Herin, associate secretaries, GC Health Department, keep notebooks up to date.

\$14.68 in 1971. But in 1960 church members gave 27.7 cents to missions for each tithe dollar; in 1971 they gave only 19.3 cents.

An interesting feature of the report was a tabulation showing the ratios of Seventh-day Adventist Church members to total populations in the various divisions. These ranged from 1 to 198 in the Australasian Division to 1 to 11,980 in the Southern Asia Division.

After the reports were presented and questions concerning them answered, began the work of which much of the Annual Council consists—that of presenting various recommendations and acting on them. Seldom are items introduced without prior careful consideration by one or more committees. Even then, when they are brought to the floor they often are amended before being passed or may be referred to a smaller group for further study.

One of the first actions taken was to change the name of the council from Autumn Council to Annual Council. The new name is more definitive, for the fact that the council customarily has been held in the autumn is only incidental. The important consideration is that the executive committee meets annually to consider certain business items of the church including yearly budgetary appropriations. Furthermore, autumn in the Northern Hemisphere is not autumn in the Southern Hemisphere, where a large proportion of the church's members live. The term *Annual Council*, therefore, is more in keeping with the international character of the church.

The various actions taken are too numerous to mention in this report. Important actions will be published in a later issue of the *Review*. Some 30 agenda items came up the first day. Following are sample items: Direct Contacts Prospective Workers, Institutes of World Mission, Institutes of World Mission Outside North America, Italian Language Publications, Appointment of Editors, Board of Regents and Commissions—Policy Revisions, Social Security Subsidy—Missionaries, Extended Mission Service Allowance, Adventist Volunteer Service Corps.

Monday morning, October 16, during the devotional M. S. Nigri, one of the general vice-presidents of the General Conference, spoke on the blessed hope of which he said he first heard 47 years ago. Coming from a Catholic home, he remembers his first Sabbath in a Seventh-day Adventist church. With deep earnestness the minister spoke of the sacrifices of the pioneers, notably Joseph Bates, who was chided by his wife for putting all his funds into the church, leaving, on an occasion, only enough money to buy a few pounds of flour.

How surprised, he observed, these pioneers would be if they should awake and discover that Christ has not yet returned.

Why has He not returned? Elder Nigri quoted from Ellen White showing that the delay has been caused not by any lack of preparation on God's part, but by unpreparedness on the part of God's people.

He appealed to committee members to spend more time in the upper room. It is so easy to permit busy programs to crowd out time for prayer.

The morning session was pleasantly interrupted by the arrival of a distinguished guest, Licenciada Virginia Velasquez, now assistant director of migration of the Office of Interior of the Mexican Federal Government. Having functioned also in other departments of the government, she is familiar with the work

of Seventh-day Adventists in Mexico and commended the church for its educational and social uplift programs in her country, carried on unselfishly without regard to creed. She reminded the assembly of the Mexican Government's policy of religious freedom for all, which permits Adventists to carry on their work unrestricted.

Within the framework of these ideals, she welcomed the council with traditional Mexican cordiality and hospitality and wished its members every success in their work for the welfare of mankind.

During the morning session word was received that the mother of Velino Salazar, president of the Mexican Union, who was present at the council, had passed away. Mrs. Salazar, 75, lived in Cintalapa, Chiapas, Mexico, and has three of her sons in the work—Velino; Jorge, president of the North Mission, Mexico; and Venancio, a pastor in Tijuana, Mexico. Prayers were solicited for the bereaved.

In the afternoon word was received of the sudden death of James Wheeler of Berrien Springs, Michigan. A recent graduate from the industrial education department, James, skilled in auto mechanics, asked for service in the Adventist Volunteer Service Corps. Responding to a call from Ethiopia, he arrived on September 29, and on October 16 was killed in a motorcycle accident, running into a road block he could not see. The council voted a message of condolence to be sent to James's parents.

An important item was introduced in the afternoon session—that of reorganization. The subject of reorganization had been presented to the 1971 Autumn Council, which recommended further study. In the interests of economy and efficiency it has been felt for some time that certain changes involving consolidation and reorganization would contribute to the church's effectiveness in the carrying out of its task.

First of all, to avoid overlapping

W. R. Beach (left), one of the general field secretaries, discusses an important point with Neal C. Wilson, who is the vice-president for the North American Division.



of programs, the 1972 Annual Council voted that as an interim arrangement until the 1975 General Conference session, the General Conference departments be listed by groups according to function as follows:

DEPARTMENTS LISTED BY GROUPS

Public Affairs—Religious Liberty, Radio-TV, Public Relations.

Church Affairs and Outreach—Health, Lay Activities, North American Missions, Sabbath School, Stewardship, Temperance, Youth.

DEPARTMENTS LISTED SEPARATELY

Education, Ministerial, Publishing, North American Regional.

Next it was voted to recommend to the General Conference session 1975 that the Bureau of Public Relations and the Radio-TV Department be merged, and that the merger become effective January 1, 1973.

It was also voted to look "with favor upon a merger of the Sabbath School and Lay Activities departments, and that as a part of a continuing study by the General Conference, the 1973 World Advisory Committees involved give study to a possible merger of the two departments, the final decision being made at the 1975 General Conference session."

The following recommendations were also passed: that the General Conference officers give continuing study to departmental assignments, and in keeping with consolidation studies, consider other possible mergers; and that the General Conference officers request departmental self-studies and careful review of departmental programs to bring about a reduction in programs and services to a practical level. The Wernick Committee Report should be considered in this study. A preliminary report is requested for the Spring Meeting, 1973, followed by a full report for the Annual Council, 1973.

An interesting pilot program was voted concerning the relationships between the General Conference and the North American Division Committee on Administration. The action reads as follows: "That provision for a more effective departmental service to the North American Division shall be accomplished by the adoption of a pilot plan which shall be structured at the 1972 Autumn Council to operate experimentally until the 1974 Annual Council as follows:

"a. In each department a secretary shall be assigned by the General Conference Officers to the North American Division upon the recommendation of the department head concerned in consultation with the General Conference president and

the vice-president for North America.

"b. The secretary assigned to the North American Division shall sustain a line relationship with the department head and a functional relationship to the vice-president for the North American Division.

"c. A North American Division Departmental Council shall be structured to plan and coordinate the departmental activities for North America. The vice-president for North America shall serve as chairman with other members of the council to include the General Conference department heads, the associate department secretaries assigned to the North American Division and others to be appointed by the General Conference Officers.

"d. In each department the secretary assigned to the North American Division shall be the departmental liaison for correspondence with the local and union conferences in the Division and, in counsel with the department head, shall recommend to the department staff itineraries, promotion and follow-through plans

pertaining to the North American Division.

"e. The head of the department concerned shall serve as the chairman of the North American Division Department Advisory Committee and the associate secretary assigned to the North American Division shall serve as secretary of the committee.

"f. The secretary assigned to the North American Division shall not under normal circumstances make more than one trip outside the division during the quinquennium and this should be done at a time when the department head will be in the North American Division.

"g. This pilot plan shall be reviewed by the 1974 Annual Council."

In the interest of economy it was voted to give study to merge the Northern and Central Union conferences.

In view of the unduly large size of many institutional boards, it was voted that General and union institutions review their board memberships and seek to establish a practical board membership size

FOR THE YOUNGER SET

How Darell Got His Bible

By MARY P. MAUR and ELLA RUTH ELKINS

DARELL lived in the Philippine Islands. He went to school every day just as boys and girls do around the world. Some of the textbooks at his school, where he was in the second grade, were just like the ones that the children in the United States studied from: *Fun With Dick and Jane*, *Our New Friends*, *Streets and Roads*. But there were very few books. Many times three or four pupils had to share the same book because there were not enough to go around. But in spite of this Darell studied hard whenever he could. And before long he could read very well.

Often Darell would say to his mother, "Mother, I wish I could have a Bible all my own. Do you think someday I can have one?"

"Maybe so." Mother would look lovingly at her son.

"How soon?" he would ask.

Mother would heave a little sigh. "You know we would like to give you a Bible. But right now we don't have extra money to buy one."

Always the questions were the same. Always the answers matched them. And always Darell was disappointed and turned away.

Each night after he unrolled his sleeping mat and knelt to say his prayers, he asked God to send him a Bible. And when he curled up on his mat to go to sleep, he wondered how God would answer that prayer.

The longing desire for a Bible crept into his thoughts as he studied at school. It was there as he ate his meals at home, and it stole into his mind even while he played.

One day he ran up the stairs from play into the house to find his mother. He ran to her and pulled at her hand. "Mother, if I ask God for a Bible, will He drop it from heaven? Will an angel give it to me?"

Mother had tears in her eyes as she drew Darell near and hugged him tightly.

"Just keep on praying," she managed to say.

Darell had an older brother, Lares. One day he said to Darell: "I know what you might do. I have a *Guide* someone gave me. There is a pen pal section in it with names of boys and girls who want to make friends in other places. Maybe you could write to someone in America where they have more Bibles than we do here. Maybe if you let some boy know you've been longing for a Bible, he might help you find a way so that you can get one."

A big smile spread over Darell's face. "Will you help me find a name? Will you help me write the letter?"

"Sure. Let's go find my *Guide* right now."

So the two boys were off on an exciting adventure.

(To be continued)



Kenneth H. Emmerson (with microphone), GC treasurer, explains financial statement, which shows healthy gain. To his right is Martin E. Kemmerer, GC undertreasurer, and to his left GC president Robert H. Pierson and GC secretary Clyde O. Franz.

while still ensuring adequate field representation.

Other items of interest relating to efficiency and cost reduction were:

1. That a sliding-scale formula based upon size of conference and tithing income be developed that will serve as a guide to union and local conferences in effecting the best balance between administrative and field expense.

2. That study be given to savings that can be effected by:
 - a. The merging of departmental functions and reduction of personnel at each level of organization beginning with the General Conference, and continuing through the union and local conferences.

- b. The reduction of expensive programs such as conventions, meetings, rallies, and retreats.

- c. The control of travel expense through the setting of realistic budgets, careful planning of trips, reduction of number in attendance at meetings, car pooling, use of time.

3. That careful study be given to the use of savings effected, ensuring that a large percentage of such savings are made available for field programs.

4. That NADCA appoint an efficiency committee to serve in monitoring and advising the unions regarding administrative and operating expenses. The committee will submit its report annually to union and NADCA officers.

5. That each union conference appoint an efficiency committee to serve the same purpose at the local conference level.

Need for Personal Pentecost

"Ministers have a responsibility, not only to espouse the truth and to make sure that their philosophies are correct, but to live that others might emulate their righteous lives," said W. J. Hackett at the Tuesday morning devotional.

"It is far easier to describe religion in terms of certain abstentions, than

it is to forgive the unlovely and the unlovable," he continued. "The gap between profession and practice must be closed.

"The Christian church will remain weak, anemic, and powerless unless we as individual Christians, ministers, and workers develop the divine traits," he warned.

Concluding his address, he observed, "In the church we so often pray for the latter rain upon God's remnant, but fail to pray for a personal Pentecost. God is looking for a people who can be trusted with power—power for personal witnessing. Then and only then can the copious showers of the latter rain fall upon the church."

In response to Elder Hackett's suggestion the congregation knelt in groups of two and earnestly petitioned God for a personal Pentecost.

The Annual Council is not all business. The importance of prayer is recognized not only during the meetings of the council but also in private devotions. At Mexico City the ladies organized special prayer bands that met in specific hotel rooms daily.

Bible Society Gift

During the Tuesday morning session, Enrique Gil, treasurer of the Mexican Union, presented a 100,000 peso check to Dr. Daniel Lopez de Lara, general secretary of the Mexican Bible Society. Responding to the generous gift, Dr. de Lara remarked that for the past six years Adventists have contributed more than any other church in Mexico to the Bible Society. He called attention to the fact that the society sent as its representative to its recent world meeting in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Horacio Taracena, manager of the Mexican Union Book and Bible House. Chosen from among three candidates in Mexico, he was one of the 11 representatives from the Americas. Velino Salazar, president of the union, is president of the society's com-

mittee on promotion. Dr. de Lara greatly appreciates the Adventists' active promotion of the Scriptures.

At a later point in the morning session the chairman announced "the most important item in the whole agenda." What was it? It was MISSION '73, or, as they call it in the Inter-American Division, EVANGELISM '73. Following thrilling reports on EVANGELISM '72 in the Mexican Union, and MISSION '72 in the North American Division, Theodore Carcich challenged the council to launch fully into the program for 1973.

Calling for personal commitment, Elder Carcich invited forward the various groups represented at the council (such as union conference presidents, local conference presidents, heads of institutions) until the entire council had moved forward. As they stood in commitment to the challenge of all-out evangelism in 1973, the General Conference president offered a prayer of dedication.

The Mexican Union has set as its goal for 1973, 1,000 converts a month. The Inter-American Division has set as its goal 45,000 baptisms in 1973 and a supergoal of 60,000. Its goal is also to establish the converts from EVANGELISM '72, and to put them to work. In 1971 the division had two evangelists who baptized 700 or more converts—K. S. Wiggins, of the East Caribbean Conference, and Carlos Aeschlimann, of the Mexican Union.

Nominating Committee Report

In the afternoon the nominating committee brought in a partial report. In a preliminary statement Robert H. Pierson announced that F. L. Bland, one of the general vice-presidents of the General Conference, has asked for retirement to take effect May 1, 1973. Elder Pierson expressed his appreciation for the work of Elder Bland and his regret that Elder Bland has found it necessary for health reasons to retire.

To replace him the nominating committee submitted and the council voted the name of C. Dunbar Henri. Elder Henri has spent 17 years in service in two divisions abroad and ten years service in his homeland, America.

Reflecting on his ministry in his devotional address Wednesday morning, October 18, Elder Bland recalled that he had spent more than 40 years in the ministry, 25 of them in administrative posts. He assured his hearers that even though he was laying aside his vice-presidency, his heart would never retire from preaching the Word of God. He challenged his

fellow workers to have the backbone to stand up and be counted when the need arises and to serve God without reservation and without conflict of loyalties until the task is completed. "It's time to go home," he concluded.

On Wednesday afternoon the nominating committee completed its report. Two more retirements on the General Conference level were reported, that of E. W. Tarr, secretary of the Public Relations Bureau, to

become effective August 31, 1973, and that of W. A. Higgins, an associate secretary of the Publishing Department, to become effective January 1, 1973. Since the Bureau of Public Relations has now been merged with the Radio and Television Department, no replacement for Elder Tarr was voted, but W. R. L. Scragg was voted the secretary of this combined department. Elder Tarr will function as an associate secretary of this department until his retire-

ment becomes effective. The other associate secretaries are M. H. Reeder, Carol Hetzell, and H. L. Reiner.

To replace Elder Higgins the council approved the nomination of J. N. Hunt, currently publishing secretary of the Central Union Conference.

Other nominations accepted were those of L. A. Ramirez, publishing department secretary of the Inter-American Division, to replace retir-

SHEPHERDESSES MEET IN MEXICO

By LOIS MAE FRANZ

The annual meetings of the General Conference Committee are usually thought of as a meeting for men only, but this is not entirely true. First of all, four women are members of this committee, and we understand there are plans to increase the number. Second, the women privileged to accompany their husbands or sons to the council in Mexico City discovered that special meetings had been planned for them. They came from all parts of the world including the great land of Mexico.

Promptly at 7:30 P.M., October 14, just after the sun had set, the session opened officially with a challenging message from the heart of Robert H. Pierson, General Conference president. This was just the beginning of spiritual feasts. At 8:00 A.M. each day the women met with the committee members for devotional periods wherein General Conference vice-presidents inspired all to a greater dedication and commitment to service in this "last hour." The last morning devotional of the business session was a reminder that "we not forget the way the Lord has led us in the past," which gives us hope for the future as presented by our pastor at large and editor of the REVIEW, Kenneth H. Wood.

At the close of one morning devotional the General Conference president's wife stepped to the microphone with a special appeal to the women to join in prayer asking for God's blessing at that important business session. Arrangements had been made for us to meet in groups for prayer in various parts of the hotel. "These men need the help of the Holy Spirit at this time. We women can pray as the men work," was the thought. The prayer bands proved to be a real source of strength for us as we met together.

On October 16, members of the General Conference Ladies Auxiliary invited all women who had come with the members of the council to meet with them for a time of fellowship from four to six in the afternoon.

Name tags were ready. Hostesses were stationed at their posts. All was in readiness. At four they came—more than 200 of them. We had a good time together. We were reminded of the little world in which we move and have our influence, of the glorious work that is ours to do in that little world that will give real meaning to life. Enrichment of life may be realized by being a cheerful Christian, one who leaves the world a better and brighter place each night because of her cheerfulness through the day. Just before we left this first of the three special meetings planned for the women, a preview was enthusiastically given announcing another two-hour meeting, October 18.

At the close of this time together, previous plans made by

two of our missionary-minded women made it possible to offer leaflets in Spanish so that these could be given to all people contacted through the day—in the markets, at the shops, to the taxi drivers, bus drivers, and to many others in this great city of 9 million people where we have 29 Seventh-day Adventist churches with a membership of close to 7,000.

Led by our Shepherdess director, Mrs. N. R. Dower, a most helpful and inspirational meeting was held on Wednesday as planned. Attendance was excellent. The material presented by Mrs. K. H. Wood in her talk was of great benefit to all. "Be yourself and don't try to copy the life-style of all your esteemed friends," she urged.

There were questions which a panel tried to answer aided by participation from the floor. But how we longed for more time for discussion.

Our third special women's meeting came on Thursday morning. We could have the room assigned to us for only an hour and a half, but this time was packed full of helpful admonition given from the Spirit of Prophecy writings on the kind of home we should strive to have, the training and example we should attempt to give to our children, ever remembering the Source of our knowledge and strength in accomplishing the important duties and privileges of mother and wife.

Looking ahead to the great evangelistic plans and involvement for 1973, Mrs. James V. Scully encouraged all by recounting her experience in 1972 as she worked with her husband who held evangelistic meetings in a small town in Wisconsin. The blessings she received were great.

Shepherdess clubs have been formed in many conferences, we learned. Many suggestions were shared for successful participation. At one camp meeting, during the first three days the Shepherdess members visited every family attending, those in tents, trailers, and cabins. As a result of these contacts many backsliders were reclaimed, husbands and wives were united, and baptisms followed.

Our memories of the time we spent in Mexico are most pleasant, but the most memorable spot to us is the Aristos Hotel on Paseo de La Reforma where we fellowshipped together, prayed together, and unitedly pledged ourselves to greater participation in all Christ-centered endeavors.

Panel members (from left) Mmes. James Chase, William Fagal, Robert H. Pierson, N. R. Dower, K. H. Wood, W. G. Soloniuk discuss important questions relating to the role of ministers' wives.



ing Nicolas Chaij, G. E. Maxson to replace retiring Alfredo Aeschlimann as secretary of the Health Department of the Inter-American Division; and Twyla Schlotthauer, associate editor, *Listen* magazine.

On Wednesday the business sessions were given over to the North American Division Committee on Administration. Two important items were introduced. The first, a lengthy statement entitled "Philosophy of Higher Education." This statement spells out in greater detail than previously the Adventist philosophy of higher education, showing its antecedents, its basic assumptions, and its aims. The statement was accepted with some modifications and with the understanding that further suggested changes could be submitted in writing to the Board of Higher Education, for review at the Spring Meeting.

While NADCA was discussing its items, the women who had accompanied their husbands to the council, and other women who were present, held a meeting of their own. Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the General Conference under the leadership of Kay Dower, the meeting dealt with problems the minister's wife may confront as she fulfills her important role. A panel dealt with such questions as ministers' children, the minister's wife's relationship to the church, and the wedding ring. In an address to the group, Miriam Wood, author of *Two Hands No Wings* and the new book *All My Dusty Babies*, emphasized that ministers' wives should be aware that in their roles many life-styles are acceptable, that each functions best in the area of her talents. Some 200 women were present.

Thursday morning Neal C. Wilson forfeited his devotional address, in which he had planned to speak on the church's and the nation's bulwark, the home, in favor of a program featuring MISSION '73.

His willingness to forfeit highlighted the importance he attached to MISSION '73. Although reports from MISSION '72 are highly encouraging, Elder Wilson observed, North America still falls far short of Heaven's design. The layman who seems to have the concept that the preacher has been hired to do the work of soul winning needs to be re-educated, he said. The pastor also needs to be re-educated. He must realize that his work includes the enlisting and training of laymen. Elder Wilson announced NAD's goal for MISSION '73 as 36,000 baptisms.

Rallying the support of North



1. W. Duncan Eva, president Northern Europe-West Africa Division. 2. E. E. Cleveland, associate secretary, Ministerial Association and coordinator MISSION '72 and '73. 3. Celia Cleveland, wife of E. E. Cleveland. 4. Elder and Mrs. G. R. Nash, now retired. Elder Nash was formerly GC Sabbath School secretary. 5. Jesse O. Gibson, GC statistical secretary. 6. Ralph F. Waddell, secretary GC Health Department. 7. (Left) Gottfried Oosterwal, department of missions, Andrews University, and Arthur Kiesz, president of the Northern Union. 8. (Left) A. Edwin Gibb and B. E. Seton, both of whom are GC associate secretaries.

American Division leaders, Earl E. Cleveland, coordinator of MISSION '73, called for North American Division union presidents to report briefly on the plans in their unions. Many unions have set baptismal goals. Elder Cleveland defined MISSION '73 as contact witnessing in which ministers and laymen alike will make personal contact with the unsaved in some way. Our members must be taught, he said, that it is as important to keep the command "Go ye into all the world" as it is to observe the command "Remember the sabbath day."

Looking forward to MISSION '74, Robert Spangler announced a program in which health evangelism will be combined with Bible evangelism. In preparation 12-minute health slide programs with accompanying tape script are being produced.

Church-State Relationships

Another important North American Division Committee on Administration item introduced on October 18 was one dealing with church-state relationships in the United States. After lengthy debate it was adopted. The new action sets controls and ceilings on Government moneys received by Seventh-day Adventist educational institutions. It warns that in receiving such moneys "nothing must be permitted to deflect these schools from the purpose for which they were established or to compromise their independence." In a subsequent issue of the REVIEW, this action will be dealt with in detail.

Among the members of the General Conference Committee are certain laymen. Wondering how they reacted to the church in action as demonstrated by the Annual Council, I asked one of these, Walter Ost, M.D., what his impressions were of the current Annual Council.

He replied that he had been especially impressed with the devotions, which he regarded as some of the most spiritual of any Autumn Council he had attended. Seeing the men from the General Conference moved to tears and emotions confirmed to him that these leaders were moved by the Spirit of God.

He felt also that decisions of great moment had been reached at the council, perhaps as great as any made by the church since the historic conference session of 1888.

After seeing the enthusiasm and commitment to MISSION '73 at the council, Dr. Ost believes that the results will be greater than one thus far may have been led to expect. If the laymen respond to the challenge, he looks for an outpouring of the

Holy Spirit's power in North America to parallel that already witnessed in other countries.

As the complexity of the work increases so does the amount of business the council needs to conduct and the number of items that require attention. In this report I can call attention to but a few of the more important items and those of general interest. A later issue of the REVIEW will include the significant actions. One is impressed as day by day he watches the proceedings by the carefulness, the earnestness, the thoroughness with which the work of God is conducted.

In an evening session on Thursday, October 19, a recommendation dealing with display and adornment was discussed at length. For some time it has been felt that laxness in this area has been creeping in; that it is becoming increasingly difficult to distinguish between the professed Seventh-day Adventist and the worldling. It was voted that "the principles of self-denial, economy, and simplicity should be applied to all areas of life—to our persons, our homes, our churches, and our institutions."

"That our pastors, evangelists, and Bible instructors present fully to candidates for baptism the Bible principles regarding display and adornment and acquaint the candidate with the inspired counsel given by Ellen G. White.

"Beyond this, and because of the special opportunities that rest with leadership to help the church reach its full potential of spiritual power, we expect our church officers, ministers and their wives, teachers, and other Seventh-day Adventist workers to give strong support to this recommendation through public testimony and example."

The last day of the council arrived quickly. Friday dawned clear in Mexico City except for clouds around Popocatepetl and Ixtacihuatl and for the ever-present smog, a problem that Mexico City shares with other large population centers.

Those who attended the last devotional were not disappointed. Using as his text Deuteronomy 8:2, "Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee," Kenneth H. Wood, editor of the REVIEW, declared, "God delights in impossible situations. When human ingenuity reaches its limits, God delights in baring His mighty arm," he continued. "What God has done in sacred history He can do today."

"Children and new converts ought to be taught the history of the Seventh-day Adventist movement," he

urged. "The hand of God has been as dramatic in the rise of the Adventist Church as in the history of ancient Israel." "We should emulate the faith, self-denial, and sacrifice of the pioneers."

Many agenda items remained for consideration on the last day of business, and a surprising number were acted upon. In one of them it was voted to establish a Spirit of Prophecy research center at Newbold College, England, similar, but on a more limited scale, to the one now existing at Andrews University.

Other actions included:

1. The setting of the basic goal for the special 1975 General Conference offering at \$3 million to be received in the churches April 26, 1975, and July 12, 1975.

2. The adoption of a philosophy of music as a guide to proper music in the churches and homes.

3. The holding of a Bible conference in 1974 in the North American Division, three identical conferences to be held, one at Southern Missionary College, a second at Andrews University, and a third at Pacific Union College.

4. The publication of a monthly edition of the REVIEW in Spanish and the translation of the *Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary* into Spanish.

Summing up the actions, Robert H. Pierson remarked that never before has the Annual Council taken as many important actions. But then, he observed, never has the church been faced with more problems, and, at the same time, more potential than now.

Record Budget

One of the big moments at every Annual Council is the time the budget is presented. Everyone rejoiced when it was announced that the 1973 budget is \$4.8 million more than this year, a total of \$59,322,396. The 1972 budget was \$4.5 million over the previous year. Hence the increase in two years is more than \$9 million.

Introducing the budget, Kenneth H. Emmerson, GC treasurer, remarked, "God has looked upon His church with favor." Such a large budget is possible only because of the faithfulness of our members who contribute weekly and liberally.

World division leaders responded with gratitude to the announcement of the budget and the entire congregation sang, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

When the time came to close the council, 102 items remained. It was

voted to refer these to either (1) the General Conference Committee in Washington, (2) the 1973 Spring Meeting, or (3) the 1973 Annual Council. In all there had been 198 items. A resolution of gratitude was read and adopted.

Before the council members left the business chamber the following retirees, F. L. Bland, W. A. Higgins, E. W. Tarr, Nicolas Chaij, were called forward and their wives were presented with beautiful bouquets of roses (Mrs. Bland and Mrs. Chaij were not present, but their husbands received the roses in their behalf). Elder Pierson expressed the appreciation of the church for their long and distinguished service.

Special Sabbath Services

Since the business of the council ended Friday afternoon and there was not time for the members to return to their homes before the Sabbath, a Sabbath program was planned.

In a consecration service Friday night in the ballroom of Aristos Hotel, Theodore Carcich, who was attending his Thirtieth Annual Council, began, "Be of good courage, God is with His people." "God is about to transplant His people from this planet of doom to the great kingdom of our Lord."

Choosing as his text, Ephesians 3:20, 21, throughout his address he reiterated the theme, "God is able." He is able, he said, for example, to manage this church, direct this church, lead it to complete victory and to reproduce Christ's life in its members. He works through the Holy Spirit. With the Spirit's power the most unlikely can do great exploits for God, as, for example, Antonio in South America, a man who can neither read nor write, who in ten years has sold 10,000 copies of *The Great Controversy*, 400 so far this year. The rubbish that bars the way for the Holy Spirit's working must be cleared away, he urged. W. Duncan Eva, president of Northern Europe-West Africa Division, and Robert H. Pierson, General Conference president, offered consecration prayers as the congregation bowed around the altar.

On Sabbath morning the council members met for their services, to which church members in the Mexico City area were invited, in the Cine Internacional ("International Theater") in Mexico City. Five thousand packed the building. The international character of the church was clearly evident in the bilingual services, with the translation taking place in both directions. If the speaker

spoke in English his message was translated into Spanish. If he spoke in Spanish his message was translated into English.

A surprising number of the ministers from the General Conference, including Kenneth Emmerson, Clyde Franz, M. S. Nigri, Arthur Roth, David Baasch, Walton Brown, Fernon Retzer, speak fluent Spanish, having all worked in Latin American countries. Rhythmic marimba music, colorful native dress, sun-drenched complexions, all reminded the visitor that he was in a land not his own, a land of friendly people, whose hearts throb with the blessed hope, and whose missionary zeal puts to shame the complacency that many Christians of other lands permit to dominate their lives.

V. W. Schoen, who conducted the lay-activities meeting, had no problem in the Mexican Union finding laymen whose devoted service was typical of the type of lay ministry Elder Schoen is promoting. Among others he presented Brother Fernandez, who since his baptism has been instrumental in the conversion of 160 persons. As mentioned earlier, laymen of the union are credited with winning 3,450 during the first six months of 1972.

With Alfredo Aeschlimann as translator, Robert H. Pierson preached the morning's sermon. He was introduced by B. L. Archbold, president of Inter-American Division, who, in the course of his introductions, presented also "the first lady of our church," Dollis Pierson. Speaking briefly, Mrs. Pierson brought greetings to the women of the Mexican churches.

Now Is the Time

After Elder Pierson began preaching, a mystery was cleared up. Upon entering the theater, every worshiper was presented with a bookmark on which was inscribed "*Llegado es el tiempo*" ("Now is the time"). This was Elder Pierson's theme taken from 2 Corinthians 6:2. "Now is the time to prepare. Time is short," urged Elder Pierson. "Now is the time to seek God as never before." "Ministering brethren must never forget that their first work is to win men for God. God did not say to them 'Go, hold a committee meeting,' but 'Go, preach the gospel.'"

Three meetings were held in the afternoon. In one of the Mexican churches of the area Arthur White, secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate, and E. E. Cleveland, associate secretary of the Ministerial Association and coordinator of MISSION '73, spoke. At the Aristos Hotel ball-

room Neal C. Wilson presented the devotional address he had planned to deliver Thursday morning but had forfeited in favor of a service promoting MISSION '73.

The third meeting, the one I attended, was held in Mexico's famous Palacio de las Bellas Artes ("Palace of Fine Arts"). Begun in 1900 and dedicated in 1934, this building because of its weight has settled more than 12 feet in the soft soil.

Admission was by ticket only, because of limited seating. The purpose of the program was to introduce to Mexican Adventists the world leaders of the church. The top three officers of the General Conference, Robert H. Pierson, president; Clyde O. Franz, secretary; and Kenneth Emmerson, treasurer; and the presidents of the world divisions were introduced. This was the first time there had been such a concentration of world church leaders in Mexico's capital city. Each spoke briefly. Marimba music, male quartets, John Hancock and his piano accordion, and Baritone Bob Folkenberg, all added variety to the program.

Spotlight on Missions

Another important feature of the one-and-a-half-hour-long program was the presentation of a multimedia production. Photographed and produced by Gordon Engen, public relations and radio-TV secretary of the Lake Union Conference, the program featured the worldwide work of Seventh-day Adventists. We could not but be impressed at the tremendous expansion of the work of God, which began in poverty 128 years ago.

When I got back to the Aristos Hotel I found the meeting there concluding in a closing dedicatory prayer by R. R. Bietz. Solemn faces and tears showed that a consideration of the nature of the true Christian home had led many to feel that they had fallen short of God's ideal. In his prayer Elder Bietz pleaded for forgiveness.

After a few brief announcements by Don Hunter, associate secretary of the General Conference, and a prayer for a safe journey home, the members of the council scattered to their hotels for last-minute preparations for the journey home.

The 1972 Annual Council is over. Many important decisions have been reached. It remains for those who attended to inspire the ministers and laymen in their home districts to carry out the resolutions adopted, especially to enter wholeheartedly into MISSION '73 in a great thrust for total evangelism. ♦♦

Homemakers' Exchange



Our 19-year-old son, who will vote for the first time in this election year, has campaigned actively for a party candidate. What began as a casual interest now has turned into full-time volunteer work. He did not return to school this fall because he wanted to continue campaigning. We are uneasy about his interest in politics. How should we advise him?

► The best advice I could give would be to suggest that your son read the entire chapter, "Special Testimony Relating to Politics," in the book *Fundamentals of Christian Education*, beginning on page 475. There are many dangers along the son's course of action. But if he will read and heed the counsel in this chapter there will be no trouble about politics.

J. A. LaLone

Keene, Texas

► "While many of our rulers are active agents of Satan, God also has His agents among the leading men of the nation. . . . But statesmen who fear the Lord are influenced by holy angels to oppose such propositions with unanswerable arguments."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 610.

It is possible that after your son receives his education when this election is over he will be one of God's agents proclaiming the third angel's message.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McCormick
San Luis, Colorado

► You will find the best source of information on your son's campaigning actively for a party in the Spirit of Prophecy books.

Political ambition leads to corruption, following principles that destroy judgment, a development of sentiments that are not in accord with truth. A Christian should not dabble in politics and should avoid discussion of it. Christ refused to interfere in the politics of His day.

Your son's education should be the first consideration; it is a must. His year out of school in politics will be a lost year as he thinks of his goal.

Helen Graham
Woodland, Pennsylvania

► I think the real question concerns your son's uncertainty about school. I would guess he has finished high school and probably is undecided about what he wants to be or even if he wants to go to college at all. His diversion into politics (in itself not unhealthy) will take its proper perspective when he has made up his mind about what he's going to do with his life.

I would guess that politics is a momentary symptom. Any advice to him should take the form of discussing the value of a college education—a discussion of exactly how much education would best fit his particular needs.

Of course it is not impossible that he could be one of those men who become a professional politician.

Larry Hallock
Evanston, Illinois

► Your son undoubtedly is interested in helping people or in improving the political picture. Commend him for his desire to improve conditions.

Then point him to the only real hope for this world—the coming of Jesus. Help him to see that he can hasten the coming kingdom by aiding the gospel ministry.

The instruction to us is clear. "Come out from among them, and be ye separate" (2 Cor. 6:17). "Ye cannot serve God and mammon" (Luke 16:13). "The Lord would have His people bury political questions."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 391. "Do not take part in political strife."—*Ibid.*, p. 395. (The whole chapter that includes these pages is worthy of study.)

"The government under which Jesus lived was corrupt and oppressive; on every hand were crying abuses—extortion, intolerance, and grinding cruelty. Yet the Saviour attempted no civil reforms. He attacked no national abuses, nor condemned the national enemies. He did not interfere with the authority or administration of those in power. He who was our example kept aloof from earthly governments. Not because He was indifferent to the woes of men, but because the remedy did not lie in merely human and external measures. To be efficient, the cure must reach men individually, and must regenerate the heart."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 509.

If every young person were so imbued with the spirit of service as your son and directed in right channels, "how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!"—*Counsels to Parents and Teachers*, p. 555.

H. N. Damon
Wildwood, Georgia

► I would suggest that the parents be thankful their son is not on the drug trail. If he has left school to become involved in politics, maybe he was not ready for college, after all. Children and young people these days are much more concerned about world affairs and are more alert to larger social issues than we parents were at their age. We were wrapped up in our little lives—school, parents, and friends. Children of this age have been exposed to the world and the crises around them through radio, television, and other news media, and they feel a responsibility to do something.

Let your son know that you are behind him. Love him and welcome him back home whenever he needs to return. Keep the door open.

Charlene Carlson
Glendale, California

► The first thing you might do is to clarify in your own mind the reasons why you are uneasy. Two possibilities appear at once—your son needs a good education no matter what he decides to do, and politics is a hazardous field for the Christian. If your uneasiness stems in part from the

fact that you support a different candidate than he does, you will need to try hard to overlook that factor, and of course you would not dream of mentioning it in any attempt to persuade him to abandon his political efforts.

From the standpoint of education, chances are he'll be willing to go back to school next semester after the elections. If not, perhaps his candidate (if he wins) could be persuaded through letters and telephone calls to encourage your son to continue his education. Even if the young man is determined to enter politics, a degree in law, business, social science, theology, or political science would seem to be a valuable prerequisite.

On the issue of Christian participation in politics, get out the comprehensive *Index* to the writings of Ellen White and do some careful study. One particularly telling passage is found in *Fundamentals of Christian Education*, pages 475-484. Discover for yourself from her writings the reasons why Christians must avoid partisan politics—for instance, politics can divide Christians from one another and from those they seek to influence for Christ.

You might even consider men like J. Edgar Hoover or Ralph Nader. Nader avoids (and Hoover avoided) partisan politics because he has goals that he feels transcend all parties. The Christian's goals are like that too.

Don't neglect to notice that Ellen White also says that there is nothing wrong with the ambition to sit in "legislative councils, and help enact laws for the nation" (*Messages to Young People*, p. 36). Even so, I rather think that any Christian would want to avoid association with the incredibly corrupt machinations of party politics.

Duane Howard
Wheaton, Maryland

NEXT QUESTION

Our daughter, who is beginning her senior year in academy, says that she would like to become a beautician. We are worried that this kind of career is not in keeping with Adventist standards. How should we advise her?

Send 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.

Questions for discussion in the Homemakers' Exchange are welcome and should be directed to the address given above.

RAPID PROGRESS OF PAPAL POWER

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is concerned about all the issues that affect the well-being of man such as ecological problems, the so-called population explosion, and the inhumanities of war, violence, and injustice wherever found.

But this church is also very much concerned with even more important events than those which make the daily headlines and are featured in the weekly news magazines. These more ominous developments are affecting the direction that men and nations will take in the very near future, even though their importance is barely recognized today.

One of these ever-accelerating currents that will soon surface in earth-shaking impact is the reconstruction of the image of the Roman Catholic Church, a phenomenon especially observed in the past ten years.

On October 11, 1962, Vatican II convened in Rome at the call of Pope John XXIII. (In Roman Catholic terminology, Vatican II was the twenty-first Ecumenical Council of the Christian Church and the second to be held in St. Peter's Basilica. The first Ecumenical Council, held in A.D. 325 at Nicea, condemned the Arian heresy.) Responding to the council's theme of the possible reunion of the church with its "separated brethren" were 2,700 "council fathers," including the church's cardinals, patriarchs, archbishops, abbots, and bishops from around the world.

John Coventry Smith, a president of the World Council of Churches since 1968, said recently: "In the last ten years a miracle has happened in Roman Catholic-Protestant relationships. Those of us who knew these relationships before Vatican II can still scarcely believe what we are experiencing. In almost every part of the world we were two distinctively separate Christian communities, only occasionally speaking to one another and often antagonists. Now we are friends, Christian friends.

"We officially recognize each other as fellow Christians. Vatican II did it and the National Council did it, the latter when it stated that Roman Catholics were eligible for membership in the Council of Churches [Protestant].

"We based recognition upon the thesis that there are elements of the true church in other churches. This doctrine allowed all kinds of relationships without compromising conviction."

Catholic-Lutheran Dialog

Kent L. Knutson, president of the American Lutheran Church and a participant in the Catholic-Lutheran dialogs, observed: "There can be little doubt that Vatican II still stands as the most formative event in this century, indeed, even since the Council of Trent. It has already shaped the Roman Catholic Church in ways that, from the point of view of Lutherans, has placed Rome on a new path which brings Catholics closer and closer to their Protestant brethren."

Archbishop Iakovos of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America extolled the events of the past decade: "The impact of Vatican II upon the Ecumenical Movement was, and continues to be, felt as a mighty and fresh wind which cleanses and purifies the denominationally polarized and polluted Church atmosphere and makes the breath of hope easier for those who aspire and work for Christian unity. . . . The very fact that the non-Catholic Christians are 'separated brothers' rather than 'schismatics,' speaks of the tremen-

dous transforming power of the Holy Spirit and makes Vatican II a catalyst in the final consummation of Christ's prayer for unity. Vatican II is not simply a new beginning, but a most powerful thrust which breaks the clouds and makes visible the dawn of the new day."

Within the Roman Catholic Church new forces and direction emerged such as the remarkable impetus given to personal Bible study by all Catholics. Father Walter M. Abbott, a Jesuit Biblical scholar and a former associate editor of *America*, the Jesuit weekly magazine, attributes to Vatican II present-day Catholic interest in Bible translation and distribution in general and specifically the church's interest in producing the Common Bible.

"Before Vatican II," Father Abbott recalls, "priests and religious read the Bible daily, meditated on it and prayed with it. But that was far from the general practice among the laity of the Catholic Church.

"The main thing that the Council did for the Bible in the Catholic Church was to make it clear that everybody should have daily access and make daily use of Scripture for meditation, study, and prayer."

The Common Bible

One of Father Abbott's chief goals is to help produce, in cooperation with Protestant scholars, the Common Bible, that can be used without prejudice by all Christians everywhere. He said, "This joint Bible movement is going to make Christianity look a lot more impressive to non-Christians who, after all, make up the great bulk of the population of the world."

"And all the world wondered after the beast" (Rev. 13:3). Could words be more accurate? And written nearly 2,000 years ago! We are living witnesses to the prediction made almost a century ago that there would be "the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power" (*The Great Controversy*, p. 606).

But, all the while, let us never forget for one moment that in this mighty religious colossus are many of God's people who seek the truth and who will embrace it when it is clearly revealed. "God still has a people in Babylon; and before the visitation of His judgment these faithful ones must be called out, that they partake not of her sins and 'receive not of her plagues.'"—*Ibid.*, p. 604.

H. E. D.

Is a Great Religious Revival Beginning in America?—3

RECOGNIZING TRUE REVIVALS

In our last editorial (November 2) we examined a number of elements that are usually found in revivals. We discussed sincerity, enthusiasm, apparent supernatural power, and that which may be termed love. We concluded that none of these manifestations necessarily indicate that a revival is true. Even when they are found together in a religious movement, it does not follow that the movement is of God.

What, then, are the signs of a true religious revival? We answer (and we are not being contradictory), sincerity, enthusiasm, supernatural power, love—and *obedience*.

The last element is the key to whether a revival is a true one. When obedience accompanies a spiritual awakening, we have reformation. And the object of revival must be reformation. "Is it possible for men to be holy, in accord with the will and character of God," Ellen G. White asks, "without coming into harmony with the

principles which are an expression of His nature and will, and which show what is well pleasing to Him?"—*The Great Controversy*, p. 471. The answer is No.

The authority of the Bible has been affirmed by some organizations participating in the current revival movement. But we fear that many people who are involved in the movement subscribe to the idea with little conception of what this means in practice.

Submission to authority, to law, is not the spirit of our day. And many people who become involved with revival movements do so because they are looking primarily for some sort of emotional fulfillment. Some involved in the present revivalism do not want doctrines. They are not interested in reasons as much as emotional experiences. For example, some connected with the revival who have been on drugs are looking for a "high" similar to what they found in drugs.

Ellen White, in writing of revivals, both past and future, says: "There is an emotional excitement, a mingling of the true with the false, that is well adapted to mislead. Yet none need be deceived. In the light of God's word it is not difficult to determine the nature of these movements. Wherever men neglect the testimony of the Bible, turning away from those plain, soul-stirring truths which require self-denial and a renunciation of the world, there we may be sure that God's blessing is not bestowed. . . ."

"In the truths of His word, God has given to men a revelation of Himself; and to all who accept them they are a shield against the deceptions of Satan. It is a neglect of these truths that has opened the door to the evils which are now becoming so widespread in the religious world. The nature and the importance of the law of God have been, to a great extent, lost sight of. A wrong conception of the character, the perpetuity, and the ob-

ligation of the divine law has led to errors in relation to conversion and sanctification, and has resulted in lowering the standard of piety in the church. Here is to be found the secret of the lack of the Spirit and power of God in the revivals of our time."—*Ibid.*, pp. 464, 465.

In the false revival predicted (see *The Great Controversy*, p. 464), a spiritual power doubtless will be seen (compare *Early Writings*, p. 56), but it will not be "the Spirit and power of God."

"Depart . . . Ye Workers of Lawlessness"

Speaking of the last judgment, Jesus said, "Many will say unto me in that day, Lord! Lord! did we not in thy name prophesy, and in thy name cast demons out,—and in thy name many works of power perform? And then will I confess unto them, Never have I acknowledged you—depart from me, ye workers of lawlessness!" (Matt. 7: 22, 23, Rotherham).

In the above passage "lawlessness" is a literal rendering of the Greek term *anomia*, translated "iniquity" in the King James Version. Christ calls those particular people who do great things in His name without doing God's will, lawless ones, "because they have refused to conform their lives to the perfect pattern set forth in the law of the kingdom of heaven."—*SDA Bible Commentary*, on Matthew 7:23.

That marvelous miracles and other apparently convincing events connected with revivals are not necessarily done through the power of God is difficult for some of us to learn. These things seem virtually to compel the verdict, genuine. But the warning is clear. If the law of God is not being upheld and all of His will followed, we are to be on guard. It is only as we take that stand that we can hope to escape being deceived.

T. A. D.

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LETTERS

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COMPLETE PROTEIN

Statements from the field of science indicating that vegetable proteins are fully adequate for human nutrition are so numerous these days that no one even bothers to keep track of them. In fact, some vegetable foods, such as soy beans, are scientifically classified as "complete" proteins. It is simply an established fact, even by worldly standards, that one can obtain adequate and complete protein nutrition in the vegetable kingdom without the use of animal products.

That nourishing milk substitutes would become available was foretold by the Lord when Ellen White wrote in the year 1900 that the health food business "is to supply the people with food which will take the place of flesh meat, and also milk and butter."—*Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 350. And the next year she foretold that "in all parts of the world provision will be made to supply the place of milk and eggs."—*Ibid.*, p. 359 (1901).

A world authority in nutrition has said: "As long as this country has access to a plentiful supply of calories and a variety of whole grain cereals and legumes, it is most unlikely that a protein deficiency will ever occur."—DR. FREDERICK STARE (Professor of Nutrition at Harvard University), *AM. J. Pub. Health*, 33:1449, 1943.

And another authority with impeccable credentials: "In grains, fruit, vegetables, and nuts are to be found all the food elements that we need."—*Counsels on Diet and Foods*, p. 363.

LLOYD ROSENVOLD, M.D.

Hope, Idaho

► Our readers will be interested in excerpts from a recent statement by Dr. Jean Mayer, professor of nutrition, Harvard University (*Washington Post*, September 7, 1972): "Though textured vegetable proteins may seem new, actually they've been around for years. . . . For years they've provided the main dishes at mealtimes in the homes of many Seventh Day Adventists [sic]. Generations of young people have been brought up on what they call a lacto-ovo-vegetarian (milk-egg-vegetable-fruit) diet or a lacto-vegetarian diet; the only animal products consumed are milk and eggs (or milk alone).

"Because their diet is well balanced, with a good mixture of whole-grain cereals, fruits, vegetables, milk and cheese, they show no sign of nutritional deficiency. In fact, the life expectancy of Seventh Day Adventists [sic] is well above the national average. This may be partly because of the low amount of fats they eat—no meat fats and not much animal fat. . . ."

"In the United States, protein intake is marginal only among children of extremely poor families. . . . When you put the various proteins together the whole is nutri-

tionally better than the sum of the parts. For proteins have a way of 'boosting' each other when you combine them in the right way."

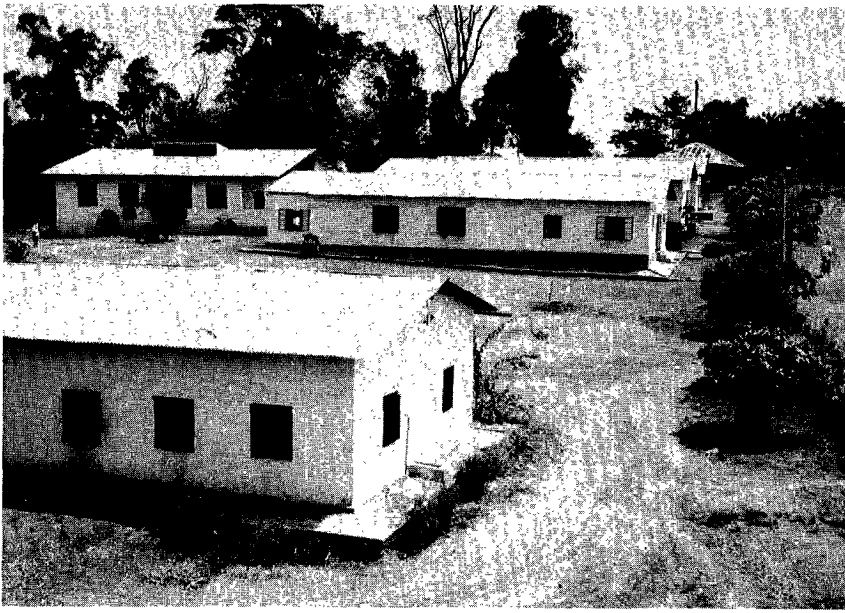
For those who do not have *Counsels on Diet and Foods*, the following comments will prove helpful for balance and accuracy:

"The time will come when we may have to discard some of the articles of diet we now use, such as milk and cream and eggs, but my message is that you must not bring yourself to a time of trouble beforehand, and thus afflict yourself with death. Wait till the Lord prepares the way before you. . . ."

"But I wish to say that when the time comes that it is no longer safe to use milk, cream, butter, and eggs, God will reveal this. No extremes in health reform are to be advocated. The question of using milk and butter and eggs will work out its own problem. At present we have no burden on this line. Let your moderation be known unto all men."—Pages 358, 359 (1901).

"The diet reform should be progressive. As disease in animals increases, the use of milk and eggs will become more and more unsafe. An effort should be made to supply their place with other things that are healthful and inexpensive. The people everywhere should be taught how to cook without milk and eggs, so far as possible, and yet have their food wholesome and palatable."—*Ibid.*, p. 365 (1905).

Editors



A general view of some of the wards at Masanga Leprosy Hospital, which is always filled to capacity.

By J. P. SUNDQUIST

MASANGA LEPROSARIUM: Where Men Find a New Beginning



There are two symbols on the letterhead of Masanga Leprosarium, Sierra Leone, West Africa: A sunrise and the legendary bird, the phoenix rising in youthful freshness from its own ashes.

For the many hundreds of patients who have come from all parts of Sierra Leone to the hospital, these symbols have a deep and inspiring meaning. For them Masanga means a new beginning, the dawn of a new day. From the ashes of ruined hopes men and women have risen to a new life of self-realization and usefulness.

The Masanga Hospital, with room for 300 in its main wards and sections for ambulatory patients, is filled to capacity. It is the only leprosarium in a country with reportedly the highest incidence of leprosy on the African continent. It is estimated that there are more than 80,000 lepers in the country, approximately three of each 100 of the population.

Situated strategically in the geographical center of Sierra Leone, Masanga is an expanding institution on 600 acres of land by a river providing picture-card views. The place is humming with activity, and cheerfulness seems to be the hallmark of the institution. This is contrary to what many expect in an institution, a number of the inmates of which are social outcasts because of general inordinate dread of the disease inherited through the centuries.

J. P. Sundquist is public relations secretary of the Northern Europe-West Africa Division.

"Masanga is not a leper colony where people are put away because there is no hope for them," states Reconstruction Surgeon Larry Magnusen. "This is a leprosy hospital where treatment is given for the complications of the sickness, which are often crippling."

Outpatient clinics care for the routine treatment, and referrals are made from other hospitals all over the country. Members of the Masanga staff visit other hospitals and counsel about leprosy.

Masanga Leprosarium serves a number of purposes. It isolates the highly infectious cases of leprosy from the public so that the disease will not be passed along. It cares for leprosy patients suffering from other diseases. It provides diagnostic facilities for leprosy and offers continuous physiotherapy to prevent deformities. This program includes providing a balanced diet as well as reconstructive surgery.

Preparing to Meet Life

The hospital also rehabilitates patients by instructing them in a variety of arts and crafts, including basket weaving, tailoring, dressmaking, carpentry and joinery, vegetable gardening, poultry farming, block molding, and masonry. This rehabilitation is done with a view to providing each patient with a skill that will make him useful and independent when he returns to his home.

As a part of the rehabilitation program patients are required to attend classes where instruction is given regarding the disease, its cause, complications, and cure. Coupled with this instruction are classes in hygiene and

in the fundamentals of good nutrition.

Interest in Masanga is widespread. The staff at Hultafors Sanitarium in Sweden defrayed the expenses for dormitories for the 60 primary-school students at the institution. Two American student missionaries were busy in the classrooms at the time of our visit. Adventists in Finland sent 50 sewing machines to help in the therapeutic work, and the government of Norway is providing a building for carpentry instruction. The X-ray machine is a gift from Russia, and German believers have contributed medical equipment. The British Leprosy Association has assumed the expenses of many of the children, and their German counterpart has provided 160 beds and surgical lights. Masanga is thus the focus for much international good will.

A recent three-month visit by Dr. Donald J. Sargeant, of Bakersfield, California, who is a specialist in plastic surgery, has meant a great deal to the institution, according to Dr. Roy Yeatts, medical director of Masanga.

Through the chief medical officer of Sierra Leone, notices were sent to government hospitals and missions advising them to send cases needing plastic surgery to Masanga during Dr. Sargeant's visit. As most of those sent were not leprosy cases, a special ward was provided for postoperative care. One hundred and ten operations were performed, including correction of cleft lip and mouth deformities, correction and reconstruction of nasal deformities, burn-contracture excisions and grafts, and several tumor excisions. They also included tendon transplants of hands and feet of leprosy patients, making it possible for them to walk and take hold



Dr. Larry Magnussen, one of the surgeons at Masanga Leprosy Hospital, explains a restorative procedure to a burn patient.



Restorative facial surgery is performed by Dr. Donald J. Sargeant (center rear) at Masanga. The work done at the hospital on tragically disfigured faces helps give confidence and happiness to men and women such as these.



Below: Surgical cases in the men's ward at Masanga patiently wait for further treatment.



Above: Twins of a mother who comes to Masanga as an outpatient enjoy a comfortable ride. Left: One of the leprosy patients makes fishing baskets for his livelihood and as rehabilitative training.

of familiar and useful objects again. Happier smiles one never saw than those on the bandaged faces of people under treatment. For instance, there was a 12-year-old girl whose grotesque face deformity had made her the butt of cruel remarks all her young life. Now she is beginning to smile. There was the tragically disfigured 23-year-old whose life since babyhood had been that of an unwanted stranger. Even after he heard of the possibility of treatment at the hospital he had to walk the 30 miles because the bus driver refused to accept on his bus a man with such a hideous face. We saw him smile. "The doctor is giving me a new face," he beamed between the bandages.

Yes, Masanga means a new day for many people. With a staff dedicated to attending the needs of the whole man, many of the patients get not only a new face but a new heart by the creative power of Him who calls all men. Twenty-four people were baptized in one ceremony, and others have followed. We thank God for Masanga, and pray that an increasing number will find there not only health but a living faith to take back to their towns and villages all over Sierra Leone.



The name of Humberto Campo's taxi has helped him witness to many of his faith.

CHILE:

Taxi's Name Enables Driver to Witness

Humberto Campo, a Seventh-day Adventist taxi driver in Arica, Chile, is able to witness to an average of 14 passengers daily of his belief in the second coming of Christ and other Bible truths. He is able to do this because of the name of his taxi—Maranatha. Frequently a passenger in his car says, "Pardon me, sir, but I'm curious. Would you tell me what *Maranatha* means?" This gives Humberto the opportunity he is looking for. As a result, he is kept busy giving Bible studies with interests he has found.

Formerly Humberto was a foreman in

an industrial plant. He attended the Adventist church for many years, but could not join because of Sabbath problems connected with his work. Then he had three heart attacks. He survived the last, he is convinced, only by the mercy of God. Immediately he arranged with his company to retire, became an Adventist, and bought a taxi, which he uses to make a living and to witness. Since this change in his life he has enjoyed good health.

WERNER B. MAYR
Lay Activities Secretary
Chile Union Mission

SINGAPORE:

VOP Instructors Fly to Correspondents

Instead of corresponding with their students by mail, Voice of Prophecy instructors from the Singapore Voice of Prophecy correspondence school traveled more than 2,000 miles in Malaya during April and July, visiting students in 11 towns and cities.

Traveling by air in a plane piloted by C. H. Damron, Voice of Prophecy direc-



A VOP team from Singapore traveled 2,000 miles visiting Malayan interests.

tor for the Southeast Asia Union Mission, teams of instructors visited Indian, Chinese, and Malayan correspondents as well as students of many other ethnic groups.

A Voice of Prophecy rally was held each evening in a city hall. The largest rally was at Telok Anson, Malaya, where more than 500 youth jammed the hall to hear God's Word preached and to learn to sing songs of salvation.

Within 12 days during the two months, members of the team personally visited and prayed with more than 1,150 young people who were seeking truth. Altogether, nearly 2,000 people attended the night meetings.

C. H. DAMRON
Director, Voice of Prophecy
Correspondence School
Southeast Asia Union Mission

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PAKISTAN:

School Loss Causes Focus on Ellen G. White

The government take-over of every church-owned-and-operated college in Pakistan except Pakistan Union School, which is operated by Seventh-day Adventists, became an occasion for members of the Pakistan Christian Council to discover Adventist educational principles as outlined in Ellen G. White's book *Education* and her other books.

The circumstances under which this happened were unusual. The council, which is composed of leaders of Christian work in Pakistan, had scheduled a meeting for September 1, 1971. On that very day every one of the Christian-owned colleges in the country was nationalized.

This move by the government that took office following the Indo-Pakistani war, was part of its program of nationalization. Land holdings, business organizations, and educational facilities were high on the priority list for nationalization as the government sought to redistribute the wealth and improve the lot of the common man.

The hopes of the council were

crushed. Their land and buildings had not been nationalized, but the school program had. This meant that the schools were now administered according to government policy with government-appointed administrators replacing former directors. The missions had to pay the bills and the taxes on the schools.

But why, the council wondered, was not the Seventh-day Adventist school nationalized? To discover the answer, they asked George P. Babcock, principal of Pakistan Union School and educational secretary of Pakistan Union, to explain to them the Adventist philosophy of education.

Providentially, a large shipment of the book *Education*, intended for use in education classes at Pakistan Union School, had just arrived. Elder Babcock took a number of copies of this book with him to the council meeting. He opened the discussion by giving each member a copy and reading with them the entire first chapter. Then he talked to a most attentive audience for a full two hours on our educational program and beliefs as outlined in the books *Education*, *Counsels to Parents, Students, and Teachers*, and *Fundamentals of Christian Education*.

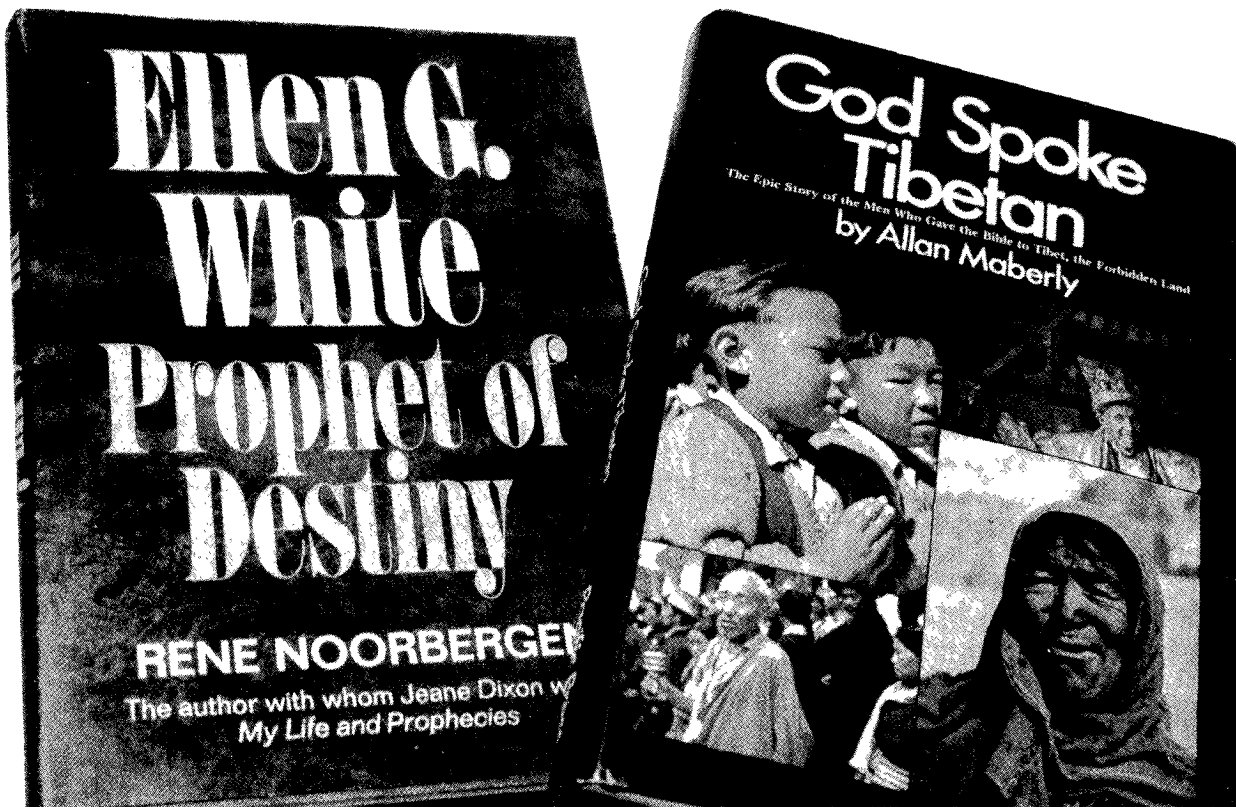
After he finished, the council members questioned him for another hour and a half regarding our educational system and Seventh-day Adventist beliefs. One of the men stated he had always thought Ellen G. White was one of the most diabolical authors in the world. But now, he confessed, he was forced to learn from those who heeded her counsel.

No one can predict how long we will be able to operate Pakistan Union School as a private institution. The fact that we have taken no financial assistance from the government is definitely giving us a longer period of grace. Another reason for our survival is that our school has always had as its ideal the task of preparing our own youth for service. Our students are almost all Christian young people. A large percentage of them are Adventists.

God is using this institution to spread His message to others, even to those in high places. We believe that God will let us keep our school until that time when it can no longer serve the divine purpose for which it is now being operated.

MRS. GEORGE C. JOHNSON
Teacher, Pakistan Union School

WE OFFER EVERYBODY



World Divisions

AFRO-MIDEAST DIVISION

★ The first 4-DK program for alcoholism held in Africa was conducted recently at the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Charles Watson, an associate secretary of the General Conference Temperance Department, introduced the program. J. W. Griffen, M.D., assisted.

★ The first temperance-health council held in the Middle East Union was conducted recently at the union office in Beirut, Lebanon. It was attended by workers from throughout the union. The purpose of the meeting was to study ways and means to use temperance and health programs to help open channels to work in Moslem countries.

★ A Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was conducted in Tehran, Iran, preparatory to an evangelistic campaign that is to take place in that city. Included among those who led out were Charles Watson, an associate secretary of the General Conference Temperance Department; R. W. Taylor, temperance secretary of the Afro-Mideast Division; and Lee Greer, a physical therapist of the Iran Mission.

R. W. TAYLOR, *Correspondent*

AUSTRALASIAN DIVISION

★ J. T. Howse, who pioneered Adventist mission work in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, was called from retirement in North New Zealand to become acting president of the Tonga Mission. Elder Howse will serve for a period of six months during the furlough of R. A. Millsom, president of the mission.

★ Fijian Pastor Bera, president of the Fiji Mission and a member of our division committee, reports that 34 evangelistic campaigns have been conducted in his mission in conjunction with MISSION '72. Total attendance was between 4,000 and 5,000 people. It is hoped that 200 converts will be baptized as a result of the meetings.

M. G. TOWNEND, *PR Secretary*

EURO-AFRICA DIVISION

★ Plans have been laid to penetrate Niger and Gabon, the two remaining unentered territories of the Equatorial African Union. Niger will be entered in 1973 and Gabon the following year.

★ Fifteen young people attended a Bible camp for Adventist university students recently. A. Archidec, a teacher at the French Adventist Seminary, Collonges, France, lectured on Bible manuscripts, and J. Flori, Bible teacher at the seminary, spoke on the inspiration of the Scriptures.

E. E. WHITE, *Correspondent*

INTER-AMERICAN DIVISION

★ Smoking Sam, the temperance department's smoking manikin, was visited by thousands of people at an International Fair held in Bogotá, Colombia, recently. Books and tracts by the thousands were distributed.

★ Five chapels were dedicated in the El Salvador Mission on the weekend of September 15 to 17.

★ Antillian College, Puerto Rico, this year has the largest enrollment in its history. There are 357 on the college level, 94 in grades 10-12, and 71 in the new nursing program.

L. MARCEL ABEL, *Correspondent*

SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION

★ Laymen met with ministers and administrators of the Ceylon Union at the Lakpahana Adventist School and Seminary, Mailapitiya, Ceylon, recently for instruction in how to win people to Christ during next year's evangelistic thrust named Action '73. R. M. Neish, lay activities department secretary of the Southern Asia Division, and M. E. Cherian, president of Spicer Memorial College and religious liberty secretary, Southern Asia Division, were the guest speakers for the meeting.

B. F. PINGHO
President, Ceylon Union

TRANS-AFRICA DIVISION

★ Twenty-nine previously unentered areas in the division have been entered during the present quinquennium.

★ A MISSION '72 team comprising John Chaves and Carlos Corderro is working primarily for the Portuguese community in Johannesburg. On the opening night of their recent campaign they had an attendance of more than 680.

★ During a recent quarter the Bible correspondence school in Cape Town graded more than 30,760 test papers. Four hundred and forty-five correspondents completed the Bible course.

DESMOND B. HILLS, *Correspondent*

Atlantic Union

★ The Halvorsen-White evangelistic team has left the Greater New York Conference after three years in the area. During the time they served in the East they baptized more than 800 people in an area that includes parts of three States and five conferences.

★ P. A. Bernet, publishing secretary of Atlantic Union Conference, expects that the union literature evangelists will deliver 1 million dollars' worth of our Adventist books and magazines this year.

★ Roger Blum, chairman of Atlantic

Union College's art department, is planning several innovations for the department this year. November 10 to 12 Elfred Lee and Ron Kwiek presented a graphic arts exhibit from the Review and Herald Publishing Association. At the end of November a display of original prints will be presented on campus by a Baltimore, Maryland, art gallery. Blum and Elfred Lee are presently in the process of organizing an Adventist Art Association to promote and demonstrate fine arts within the denomination.

EMMA KIRK, *Correspondent*

Canadian Union

★ Tithe of the Canadian Union showed an increase of more than \$350,500 during the first eight months of 1972 as compared with the same period of 1971. This was a per capita gain of \$13.10.

★ The Rutland-Kelowna MV Society recently donated eight records featuring top Adventist recording artists to Bob Harrison, production manager and program director of Radio Station CKIQ, Kelowna, British Columbia.

★ Seventy Toronto young people blanketed the Toronto suburb of Mississauga on Sabbath, September 9, with thousands of leaflets inviting people to take a Bible study course. Already requests are coming in from the 132,000 people living in Mississauga, and public meetings are planned there for early in 1973. Plans have been laid to open a new SDA church in Mississauga.

THEDA KUESTER, *Correspondent*

Central Union

★ Several parents in the Eureka and Iola-Chanute area in the Kansas Conference desired to have their children in a church school. The township voted to allow the Seventh-day Adventist churches to have an old school building that was being used only for 4-H and community meetings. The building, being remodeled on the inside by pastors and parents, will be used rent free for three years.

★ The Seventh-day Adventist church in Pueblo, Colorado, helped sponsor a booth at the Colorado State Fair recently. The temperance theme was used. The church was joined by the American Cancer Society in presenting the evils of tobacco.

★ Literature evangelists of Central States, Colorado, and Nebraska conferences have almost doubled the number of converts won over last year. Central States literature evangelist Emmanuel Bullock reports 18 customers baptized so far this year.

CLARA ANDERSON, *Correspondent*

Columbia Union

† Laymen from the Mountain View Conference who are active in the temperance work recently attended a training clinic in Searles, Alabama. The clinic was organized by Bill Dull, conference temperance leader. It was conducted by Dr. Agatha Thrash, who, with her husband, also a physician, has organized a school and built a church.

† Trustees-in-residence for the 1972-1973 school year at Columbia Union College are Joel Tompkins, president of the New Jersey Conference, and Ouida Westney, a Ph.D. candidate from Silver Spring, Maryland.

† Joyce Minton, a graduate of Columbia Union College, is the newly appointed director of nurses for Reading Institute of Rehabilitation. She was formerly with Brooke Grove Foundation, in Maryland, where she served as assistant director of nurses. Robert Streeter has been named to head the speech pathology department at the institute. He is the son of R. L. Streeter, treasurer of the Central California Conference.

† The Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland, has recently received the approval of the Family Practice Review Board of the American Medical Association to offer a residency in family practice.

† Featured speakers for the recent Potomac Conference teachers' convention held at Shenandoah Valley Academy, New Market, Virginia, included Dr. Ruth R. Murdoch, professor of education, Andrews University; Dr. W. John Cannon, associate secretary, General Conference Department of Education; Dr. Laurel Pennock, deputy executive secretary, National Association of Elementary School Principals; and Dr. Paul Bixby, professor of education, Pennsylvania State University. A high light of the meetings was the honoring of Miriam Tymeson. She is principal of the John Nevins Andrews School, Takoma Park, Maryland, and has given 50 years of service to Adventist education.

† Gordon Blandford, evangelism coordinator for the Mountain View Conference, recently spoke to capacity crowds during evangelistic meetings held at the Steelworkers' Hall in East Baltimore, Maryland, in the Chesapeake Conference. To date, 25 decisions have been made during the meetings. Members of the Dundalk and Essex, Maryland, churches helped with the meetings.

† Ministers and doctors of the New Jersey Conference attended a three-day retreat at Camp Berkshire, Wingdale, New York, recently. Keynote speaker was Joel Tompkins, New Jersey Conference president.

† James Melancon, assistant professor of religion at Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska, was guest speaker for a recent Religion in Life series at Kettering College of Medical Arts, Kettering, Ohio.

MORTEN JUBERG, *Correspondent*

Lake Union

† The Sabbath school departments of the Jackson, Michigan, church planned and constructed four exhibits for the Jackson County Fair this summer. Each exhibit won first-place prizes. In addition to the Sabbath school displays, the church school entered four exhibits, one for each classroom. These four exhibits brought the school four \$25 first-place awards.

† A gourd dipper made by Joseph Bates has been added to the collection of early Adventist artifacts at the Wood Street home of James and Ellen White in Battle Creek, Michigan. The dipper was donated by George and Alma Hoyt, members of the Battle Creek Tabernacle. Bates made the dipper for use during the ordinances for the Monterey, Michigan, church. When the church disbanded, members were permitted to choose keepsakes, and Mrs. Hoyt chose the dipper.

† The inspiration and challenge of Austin H. Vanderboegh, a Covert, Michigan, member, resulted in the paying off of a \$96,000 Gobles Junior Academy building debt in less than three years. Mr. Vanderboegh challenged individuals and churches supporting the school to contribute and gave generously himself.

† A New Testament witnessing training program was held for Michigan youth this year at the conference camp meeting. Leader of the program was Elden Walters, Southwestern Union Ministerial secretary and union evangelist. With him were nine young people from Texas, who gave demonstrations and advice to the Michigan witnessing teams.

† Mrs. Ralph Ahnberg, better known as Aunt Sue of the radio broadcast "Your Story Hour," spent four days in Wisconsin recently sharing stories of community involvement and challenging Dorcas Federations to become community service groups.

† Harold Bohr, a native of Wisconsin and a graduate of Andrews University, has assumed duties as pastor of the Chicago, Illinois, North Shore church.

† The Indianapolis, Indiana, Glendale church, with a seating capacity of more than 1,000, was nearly filled as Fordyce Detamore began his three-week series of Voice of Prophecy evangelistic meetings on September 30.

GORDON ENGEN, *Correspondent*

Northern Union

† Pat Morrison has recently been transferred to the Bowman, North Dakota, district, where he will be the new district pastor. He was formerly pastor at Bottineau.

† Seven people were baptized in the Albia, Iowa, church as a result of evangelistic meetings held by Robert Goranson, Iowa evangelist.

† A Youth Witness Crusade was held in Wolford, Iowa, recently. During the nine nights of the meetings an average of 90 attended. On the final night 30 non-Adventists were present. Each evening a different young person spoke of his personal experience. A follow-up program of visitation, literature distribution, and get-togethers is being held.

L. H. NETTEBURG, *Correspondent*

Pacific Union

† G. D. O'Brien will serve as pastor-evangelist in Las Vegas after several years in the Arizona Conference as evangelist.

† Bob Boney, Phil Jones, and Albert Liersch, Jr., were ordained to the gospel ministry during the Southern California Lynwood convocation in September.

† Arizona Conference elementary schools have a total enrollment of 638 this year—the highest gain in the union and 16 per cent above last year. E. D. Clifford is superintendent.

† George Gregoroff is the new publishing secretary of Northern California. During the past three years he has been directing the literature evangelists of Hawaii.

SHIRLEY BURTON, *Correspondent*

Southwestern Union

† A new church of 24 members was organized in Houma, south central Louisiana, on September 23. The pastor, Wallace E. Burns, has worked in Houma a little more than one year, most of the time as director of a youth Wayout center. On September 9 four young people were baptized as a result of his work; all were from non-Adventist families.

† The Texico Conference disaster relief van recently distributed many pieces of clothing and bedding as well as food to residents of Hillsboro, New Mexico, who were affected by a flood.

J. N. MORGAN, *Correspondent*



(Conference names appear in parentheses.)

Charles Bell, associate professor of physics, Walla Walla College, formerly with Hughes Aircraft Company.

Malcolm Graham, MV, education, and temperance secretary (Alberta), formerly director, Gitwe Adventist College, Central Africa.

Ralph Koorennny, staff, Walla Walla College, from staff, Loma Linda University.

Allayne Martsching, church school teacher (South Dakota), a recent graduate of Union College.

Dennis Munroe, staff, Walla Walla College, a recent graduate of Walla Walla College.

Mrs. Gerald Wadell, assistant in treasury department (Minnesota).

From Home Base to Front Line

North American Division

Fearn E. Hiten (PUC '59), returning as elementary teacher, Kabana School, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, of Clovis, California, left Seattle, Washington, September 25.

John Thomas Robinson (UC '65, AU '68), to be lay activities, radio-TV secretary and director of SAWS, Minas Mission, Minas, Gerais, Brazil, Nancy Ann (nee Colglazier) Robinson (UC '65), and three children, of Rapid City, South Dakota, left Miami, Florida, September 25.

Eugene E. Witzel (AU '59), returning as farm manager, Wollega Adventist Academy, Gimbi, Ethiopia, Irene B. (nee Klute) Witzel (AU '58), and three children, of Glen Ellyn, Illinois, left New York City, September 25.

Betty Julia Buckley (UC '40), returning as accountant, Far Eastern Division, Singapore, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, left Los Angeles, California, September 26.

Clarence R. Collier (AU '40 LLU '49), to be physician and teacher, Vellore Christian Medical College, Vellore, India, and Helen Louise (nee Watson) Collier, of Yucaipa, California, left Los Angeles, September 26.

Betty A. Fleming (MC), returning as office secretary, Far Eastern Division, Singapore, of Stillwater, Minnesota, left Los Angeles, California, September 26.

Carrie J. Robbins (PUC '27, LLU '32), to be physician, Karachi Adventist Hospital, Karachi, Pakistan, of Menard, Texas, left Washington, D.C., September 26.

George Elmer Bryson (PUC '61), returning as teacher, Seventh-day Adventist Secondary School, Bekwai, Ghana, Jeannette P. (nee Wright) Bryson (PUC), and three children, of National City, California, left New York City, September 28.

Jay H. Lantry (UC '48, U. of No. Dakota '50), returning as educational secretary, Far Eastern Division, Singapore, and Eileen E. (nee Mayberry) Lantry (UC '45), of Boulder, Colorado, left Los Angeles, California, September 28. Son, Kevin, left from San Francisco, August 23, en route to Far Eastern Academy in Singapore.

Adventist Volunteer Service Corps

Lila Mae Olmstead, of Orlando, Florida, to be office secretary, Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, Hong Kong, left Los Angeles, California, September 4.

Elizabeth Ann Buck, of St. Helena, California, to be teacher, English Language School, Osaka, Japan, left San Francisco, California, September 27.

Emanuel Pete Heinrich, of Yuba City, California, to be relief worker in Bangladesh, Ruth Ann (nee Wasemiller) Heinrich, and one child, left San Francisco, California, September 27.

Student Missionaries

Frederick E. Miller (PUC), of Calexico, California, to teach English, Antillian College, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, left San Francisco, California, July 30.

Sandra J. Shibley (AU), of Berrien Springs, Michigan, to teach, Palau Mission Academy, Palau, W. Caroline Islands, left Syracuse, New York, August 16.

Kimber Lee and Brenda Diane (nee Vito) **Burley** (CUC), of Takoma Park, Maryland, to be teachers in the English Language School, Seoul, Korea, left Washington, D.C., August 17.

Carol Ann Hanson (UC), of Webb, Iowa, to be elementary teacher, Far Eastern Island Mission, Majuro, Marshall Islands, left Los Angeles, August 17.

Alice M. Henry (UC), of Clarinda, Iowa, to be elementary teacher, Far Eastern Island Mission, Majuro, Marshall Islands, left Los Angeles, August 17.

Christine Bartlett (PUC), of Simi Valley, California, to be English teacher, Pacific College, Sonora, Mexico, left Nogales, Arizona, by car, August 18.

Irvine Keith Corbett (WWC), of Hope,

B.C., Canada, to teach Bible classes in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, left Vancouver, B.C., Canada, August 18.

Clifford J. Munce (WWC), of Sandpoint, Idaho, to teach Bible classes in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, left Vancouver, B.C., Canada, August 18.

Lloyd Wayne Perrin (WWC), of College Place, Washington, to teach physical education and promote MV work, North Argentine Academy, Leandro N. Alem, Misiones, Argentina, left Los Angeles, California, August 20.

Jeannette L. Prewitt (WWC), of Gilroy, California, to teach, West Irian Mission, Indonesia, left San Francisco, California, August 20.

K. Elizabeth Venden (AU), of Berrien Springs, Michigan, to teach elementary school at Palau, W. Caroline Islands, left Los Angeles, California, August 20.

Jeanne Kay Anderson (CUC), of Erie, Pennsylvania, to nurse, Pucallpa Mission, Pucallpa, Peru, left Washington, D.C., August 21.

Janelle Denise Koch (PUC), of Fresno, California, to teach at Musoma Mission, Tanzania, left San Francisco, California, August 22.

Geneth Kay Wolfer (AU), of Jacksonville, Florida, to teach music at Caribbean Union College, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, left Jacksonville, Florida, August 22.

John Paul Ross (AU), of Sommerset Center, Michigan, to teach in English-language school, Japan Union Mission, Osaka, Japan, left San Francisco, California, August 25.

Dennis Larry Shelton (AU), of West Frankfort, Illinois, to teach at North Celebes Academy, Menado, Indonesia, left Chicago, Illinois, August 27.

Wayne Eugene Koblanow (PUC), of San Pedro, California, to teach English, Phnom Penh Language School, Cambodia, left San Francisco, August 28.

Douglas James Robertson (LLU), of Riverside, California, to teach at Gitwe College, Nyanza, Rwanda, left Boston, Massachusetts, September 2.

Lee Claire Long (WWC), of Seattle, Washington, to teach mathematics, Harrison Memorial High School, Montego Bay, Jamaica, left San Francisco, September 3.

Kurt Bangert (PUC), of Angwin, California, to be ministerial assistant in the Togo-Dahomey Mission, Togo, West Africa, left New York City, September 5.

G. Robert Buller, Jr., and **Jean Gray Buller** (PUC), of St. Helena, California, to be teachers, Adventist Vocational College, Corz, British Honduras, left Laredo, Texas, by car, September 5.

Glenn C. Blum (PUC), of Angwin, California, to do MV work, Bolivia Mission, La Paz, Bolivia, left Los Angeles, September 5.

Susan Mae Brown (PUC), of Glendale, California, to nurse at the Chaco Sanitarium and Hospital, Chaco, Argentina, left San Francisco, California, September 5.

Marc Richard Scalzi (WWC), of College Place, Washington, to be a physical therapist at the Juliaca Adventist Clinic, Juliaca, Peru, left Miami, Florida, September 5.

Clementine Sanchez (PUC), of Angwin, California, to teach, La Paz, Bolivia, left Los Angeles, California, September 11.

CLYDE O. FRANZ



Two Are Ordained in Michigan Conference

Two pastors in the Michigan Conference were ordained at the conference camp meeting held this past summer at Grand Ledge. **John Glass** (center, left) is being greeted by **Charles Keymer**, Michigan Conference secretary, while **Jess Nephew** is welcomed to the ministry by the conference president, **Robert Moon**. **F. W. Wernick** (right), Lake Union Conference president, preached the ordination sermon.

GORDON ENGEN
Public Relations Secretary
Lake Union Conference

NOTICES

Literature Requests

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Mrs. Earle Brewer, Inyazura Secondary School, Box 56, Inyazura, Rhodesia: *Little Friend, Primary Treasure*, books, pictures, magazines, felt aids.
Pastor Elijah Njagi, Central Kenya Field, Box 41352, Nairobi, Kenya: D and R prophetic charts (cloth) and other missionary materials.
Charles Keya Ongera, P.O. Box 512, Kisii, Kenya.
Ghana Conference of SDA, Box 480, Kumasi, Ghana.
North Ghana Mission, Box 74, Tamale, Ghana.
Publishing Secretary, South-East Africa Union, Box 951, Blantyre, Malawi.
K. F. Mueller, Adventist College of West Africa, Ilishan, Remo, W.S., Nigeria.

Central America

Sullivan Parrilla, Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua, Central America via New Orleans: *Review, Signs, Guide, Insight, Little Friend, Life and Health*, picture cards and tracts (English and Spanish), used readers grades 1-8, academy Bible textbooks.

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, 40 Stubbs Road, Hong Kong: *Listen, Smoke Signals*.

India

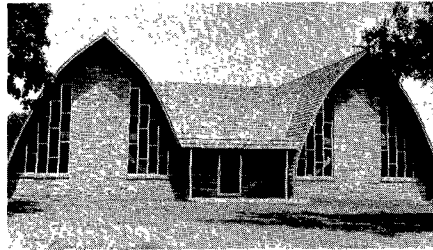
Pastor C. B. Hammond, SDA High School, Roorkee, U.P., India: *Little Friend, Primary Treasure, Guide, Insight, Signs, These Times, Earliest Quarterly, Junior Quarterly*, Bibles.
Pastor J. Daniel, Kannada Section, 8 Spencer Road, Fraser Town, Bangalore 5, South India.
Jayanthi Thero, 19, Peria Palayam, Varaganery, Tiruchirappalli-8, Madras State, South India: missionary literature and Christmas cards.

North America

DISCONTINUE: T. Durst and Dora Rogers Martin.
Allena Bratcher, 223 E. Elm St., Walnut Ridge, Ark. 72476.
Idamae Melendy, Review and Herald, Washington, D.C. 20012: New Testaments and Bibles.
Pauline Goddard, Rt. 1, Box 353, Linden, N.C. 28356: Only Friendship issues of *Review, Steps to Christ*, small books, magazines, tracts in English and Spanish.
James L. Allen, Route 2, Box 264, Kingstree, S.C. 29556: For foreign missions—*Quarterlies, Worker, Bibles*, books, magazines, songbooks, Christmas cards, pictures (from church bulletins, seed and nursery catalogs, of birds, animals, etc.). All items can be of any age.
N. Kaufmann, Fillmore, Calif. 93015: *Quarterlies* only of July, Aug., Sept., 1972.

Philippines

P. J. Barayuga, Tirad View Academy, Quirino, Hocos Sur, Philippines.
H. S. Bugayong, Northern Mindanao Mission, Cagayan de Oro City, P.I.: *Signs, Life and Health, Listen, Liberty, Spirit of Prophecy* books, visual aids.
Adolfo G. Aspe, Southern Luzon Mission, Cor. Marquez and L. Rivera Sts., Legaspi City H-103, P.I.: Sabbath school materials, Bibles, songbooks, Christmas cards, *Insight, Guide, Little Friend, Primary Treasure, Signs, Liberty, Review, These Times, Life and Health, Ministry*, cutouts.
A. G. Corpus, Mountain Provinces Mission, Box 17, Baguio City B-202, P.I.: *These Times, Signs, Message, Insight, Listen, Liberty, Bibles*, tracts, *MV Kit*, Chapel records, Christmas records.
Nelson Madriaga, East Visayan Academy, Box 167, Cebu City, P.I.: *Insight*, MV books, Destiny books.
Norma Bhady, Matiao Crossing, Pantuban, Davao del Norte, P.I.: dictionary and missionary materials.
Roque Tanjay, Tibanban, Gov. Generoso, Davao



Sedan, Kansas, SDA's Dedicate Church

The Sedan, Kansas, Seventh-day Adventist church was dedicated on September 2. This church was organized on February 6, 1971, with a charter membership of 25.

Since it was organized, two series of evangelistic meetings have been conducted by Carlton Dyer and Henry Reid, doubling the membership.

S. S. WILL
President, Kansas Conference

Oriental 0-504, P.I.: *Review, Signs, These Times, Insight, Liberty, Primary Treasure, Little Friend*, songbooks, Christian Home Calendar, Bibles.

Generoso C. Llamera, San Isidro, Kitcharao, Agusan del Norte L-109, P.I.

Mrs. Socorro Garcia, West Visayan Mission, Box 241, Iloilo, P.I.

Pastor S. L. Arrogante, Northeastern Mindanao Mission, Butuan City, P.I.: religious books, magazines, songbooks, child evangelism devices, youth materials.

D. J. Generato, Jr., Mountain View College, Malaybalay, Bukidnon L-204, P.I.: *Review, Signs, Bibles, Listen*, books, *These Times, Insight, Guide, Life and Health*, tracts, *Message*, visual aids.

Orlando T. Aguirre, Jr., Negros Mission, Box 334, Bacolod City, P.I.: Bibles, tracts, *Review, Little Friend, Signs, Insight, Guide, Listen, Smoke Signals, Liberty, Worker*, booklets, books.

Pastor Efenito M. Adap, Southern Luzon Mission, Legaspi City, P.I.: English Bibles, *The Great Controversy, From Sabbath to Sunday, Signs, Guide*, memory verse cards, books, magazines.

Pastor Angel C. Gepaya, Marutum View Academy, Acmonan, Tupi, South Cotabato, Mindanao, P.I.

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T. V. Barizo, North Philippine Union Mission, Box 401, Manila, P.I.

Severiano M. Tubias, Mayo, Mati, Davao Oriental, P.I.: Christmas cards, King's Herald records, prophetic charts, Bibles, E. G. White books, *Hymnal, Signs, Listen, Life and Health, Sabbath school and Vacation Bible School* materials.

Romeo Piseo, West Bayugan Brook, Bayugan 1, Agusan del Sur, P.I.: child evangelism devices and missionary materials.

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Precy Honorio, Kapatungan SDA Church, Katapatan, Trento, Agusan del Sur, P.I.: *Signs, Life and Health*, Christmas cards, books.

Mariano M. Aquino, Sr., Northeastern Mindanao Mission, B.P.A. Butuan City: Bibles, books, pictures.

Onofre R. Beltran, Jr., Southern Mindanao Academy, Managa, Digos, Davao del Sur, P.I.

South America

Dorothy Walter, Central Amazon Mission, Caixa Postal 243, Manaus, Amazonas 69,000, Brazil: pictures and child evangelism materials.

Ariel Barrios, Hilario Lagos 89, Santa Rosa, La Pampa, Argentina: German Bibles and E. G. White books.

Ulric L. Cornelius, 19 Pope St., New Amsterdam, Berbice, Guyana: *Primary Treasure, Little Friend, Guide*, books, games, MV books.

South Pacific

Samoa Mission of SDA, Upolu District, Box 600, Apia, Western Samoa.

West Indies

Mrs. L. M. Joseph, Los Bajos Village, c/o Los Bajos P.O., Trinidad, W.I.: *Signs, Guide, Insight, Message, Liberty, Review, Little Friend, Primary Treasure*, Bibles, books, Morning Watch devotional books.

Jenny Lind Joseph, 13 Freeling St., South, San Fernando, Trinidad, W.I.: *Guide, Little Friend, Primary Treasure, Songs for Boys and Girls, Worker, MV Kit*.

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Church Calendar

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Enrollments Increase in N.A. Educational Institutions

The colleges and universities of the North American Division in their opening enrollments for 1972-1973 showed an increase of more than 350 over the previous year. A decrease was experienced by four schools, whereas the highest gain, by Oakwood College, was 21 per cent. The following comparative statistics include only those who are actually taking classes on campus, and exclude students who are in off-campus extension programs:

	1971-1972	1972-1973
Andrews University	2,191	2,119
Atlantic Union College	643	707
Canadian Union College	91	108
Columbia Union College	914	901
Kettering College of Medical Arts	274	301
Kingsway College	89	73
Loma Linda University	3,511	3,653
Oakwood College	670	852
Pacific Union College	1,876	1,904
Southern Missionary College	1,412	1,421
Southwestern Union College	535	612
Union College	805	819
Walla Walla College	1,850	1,844
Total Student Enrollment	14,881	15,314

CHARLES B. HIRSCH

Bookmen Increase Sales and Baptisms During 1972

Forty students working in the Hong Kong area during the recent vacation sold thousands of copies of the magazine *Signs of the Times*, reports Monty Mohr, publishing secretary of the South China Island Union Mission.

In the Far Eastern Division baptisms have passed the 1,400 mark for the year as the result of contacts made by literature evangelists. This is nearly double the previous year's achievement.

From Tanzania the bookmen reported 65 baptisms in a recent month. During that same month their sales were almost double those of the corresponding month of the previous year.

From Inter-America comes the report that an average of 406 persons are being baptized each month from literature evangelist contacts. This represents a gain of nearly 100 per cent over last year's record.

W. A. HIGGINS

HAVE YOU RENEWED?

Time is fast running out. Forty-five days from now the year will end. We urge everyone who reads this message to be certain that he has subscribed to the *Review* for 1973. We also encourage church leaders to give strong promotion to the *Review*, both in public and in private, during the coming weeks. Every church member must have the church paper during the coming year.

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Surgeon Urgently Needed

Masanga Leprosarium in Sierra Leone, West Africa, which is designated by the Sierra Leone Government as the leprosy control organization for the entire country, is in urgent need of a qualified surgeon. The medical director of the institution is active in leprosy prevention and public health. (See story on the hospital on page 16 of this issue.)

The nurses, physical therapists, and other paramedical personnel at the hospital are well qualified. But the surgeon who has been there for several years must return to his homeland because of the education of his children. Consequently a general or plastic surgeon is urgently needed to carry on rehabilitative work. Special training will be provided if advisable. If you can possibly help in this most important field, please write to D. W. Hunter, General Conference Secretariat, 6840 Eastern Avenue NW., Washington, D.C. 20012, or telephone (202) 723-0800.

D. W. HUNTER

Filipino Moslems Are Being Reached by SDA's

The message that Seventh-day Adventists have for all mankind is reaching the minds and hearts of Moslems in the South Philippines. As a result a number of people from that religion have been baptized.

The recent Moslem-Christian conflict on the island of Mindanao, in the South Philippines, has been instrumental in causing many Moslems to listen for the first time to the message of the Bible. Especially has this been so in the Lanao district, where many are taking Bible studies.

In Iligan City, Aquilina Saliling-

Donozo, an elderly Moslem woman, was baptized during the evacuation in connection with the conflict. Years before the second world war she heard of the second coming of Christ from an American Protestant missionary. After searching the Bible she joined a small group of Adventists in Malabang. However, because of persecution and pressure from Moslem relatives and friends, she returned to Moslem life. More than 20 years passed before contact with Adventists was made again. Then she became sick and thought God was punishing her for not living the truth. In late 1970 she was admitted into our hospital in Iligan. There her love for the truth was revived. When she was discharged the hospital chaplain gave her Bible studies in her son's home. Her daughter, Solaniya, joined her in the studies and has been baptized.

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Large Baptism Climaxes Puerto Rico Meetings

Evangelistic meetings conducted recently in the Rio Piedras Youth Center, San Juan, Puerto Rico, climaxed and ended with the baptism of 287 people. Some 50 others are preparing for baptism. A wedding, conducted during the meetings, was of great interest to the audience.

The more than three-months-long series began with an attendance of 2,500 people. Don Luis A. Ferré, governor of Puerto Rico, honored the meeting with his presence.

Salim Japas, the speaker, was assisted by 32 associates, representing the 35 churches of metropolitan San Juan. Thirty evangelistic lectures were delivered to audiences ranging from 1,800 to 2,000 persons. David Baasch, an associate secretary of the General Conference, joined the group for the meetings.

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