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AT THE FIRST World Youth Congress, held in Zurich, Switzerland, responsibility for the Trans-Africa delegation, its display booth and a myriad of detailed arrangements lay in the hands of Pastor B. E. Jacobs, Division MV Department secretary, and his seven colleagues (seen here), with Pastor Merle L. Mills, president of the Division and chairman of its executive committee, adding his counsel, en-

couragement and inspiration. Two hundred delegates represented Trans-Africa, some of whom manned our display booth in the administration hall. African curios, black and white photos, and coloured slides attracted many visitors, and interest in the work of the TAD was evident from their many inquiries and comments.







James D. Runkel, South African Union Conference



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First World Youth Congress

Zurich, Switzerland, Europe July 22-26, 1969

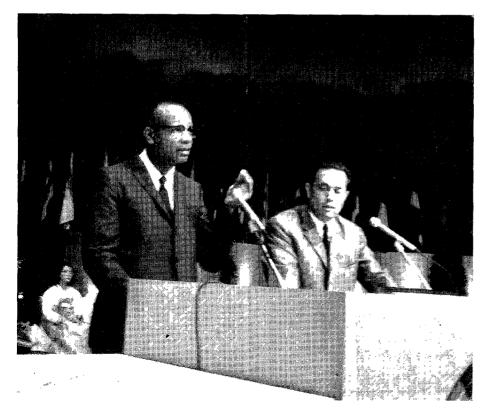
THE CLEAR decisive tones of three trumpets in unison hushed the vast congregation of twelve thousand into silence. The place, Zurich's famous Hallenstadion; the date, Tuesday, July 22, 1969; and the hour 8.00 p.m. The first World Youth Congress was about to begin!

Preceded by several enjoyable musical items, the official opening was performed by Pastor Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference, who received a rousing ovation from the assembled delegates. Highlighting the program was an address by the mayor of Zurich, who expressed his appreciation for the effort being put forth to guide and assist our youth of today, and his pleasure that Zurich had been chosen as the venue for such a large gathering of Seventh-day Adventist young people. President Ludwig von Moos of the Swiss Conference sent his welcome in letter form, stating that "The future here, as in all parts of the world, rests in the youth. Therefore, may a good spirit in your congress here in Switzerland lead to a peaceful future through a highly correct understanding and moral foundation to which you also are bound."

Pastor Theodore Carcich, a vice-president of the General Conference, urged the youth of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to "Stay in the Race," and find the answer to today's problems. He was the guest speaker for the opening session, and maintained that others before us have had their problems to face and have solved them "without pulling the establishment down on their heads." He encouraged our young people to be persevering and courageous and "stay in the race until it was won."



Theodore E. Lucas, World Leader, MV Department



COVER: While twelve thousand Seventh-day Adventist youth gathered in Zurich, this city was celebrating the 450th anniversary of the Zwingli Reformation. In 1519, Huldreich Zwingli, a farmer's son from Toppenburg who became a priest, began opening the Holy Scriptures to worshippers in the Grossmünster (Great Minister) in Zurich. In our cover picture the Grossmünster is seen with the statue of Hans Waldmann, a national hero, silhouetted against the flood-lighting of this magnificent church.

LEFT: An associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, Pastor Earl E. Cleveland, was the speaker for the three morning addresses. His topic was "There IS a Way"—Out, Through, Up—for today's young people: out of their problems, through to Jesus Christ, and up in dedication and surrender. Pastor Cleveland is ranked as one of this denomination's most powerful speakers, and his messages were of real practical help and uplift to his audiences.



ZURICH'S famous Hallenstadion, a covered cycle track and ice-hockey ground, was converted into a congress hall with a seating capacity of 15,000. A large platform, 6 feet high by 140 feet wide by 60 feet deep, was erected at one end, and the erstwhile racing area was filled in with chairs. Standing erect on a semi-circular wall at the rear of the

platform were 46 flags from the principal nations of the world, while on the opening night, towering tall and straight above them, the Swiss flag was given pride of position. Around it but at a lower level two delegates from each division planted their division's MV flag. Covering the back entrance of the platform was a large map of the world, on which Africa was the centre.

FROM THE EAST they came, from the far north, from behind the Iron Curtain and the Bamboo Curtain, from the Americas, Cuba and Alaska, from Africa, from Asia and Europe, twelve thousand Seventh - day Adventist young people, to the first World Youth Congress, held in Zurich, Switzerland, from July 22 to 26, 1969.

In the short space of three days, by means of computers, the twelve thousand delegates were housed in hotels, rooms, and school classrooms converted into dormitories. This mammoth task would have taken months by conventional methods. Three meals a day for all those hungry mouths was no easy undertaking for any catering business but this feat was successfully and quickly executed by having the food prepared and wrapped in ad-

vance and the main dinner-hour dish in cellophane containers needing only to be dipped into tubs of boiling water in order to heat it just before consumption.

In an adjacent building, an auditorium cared for overflow congregations in separate meetings with outstanding speakers such as Pastors W. R. Beach, W. Duncan Eva, J. J. Aitken, and Theodore Carcich. In the administration wing, the Zurich Main Post Office ran a mini-post office to care for delegates' incoming and outgoing mail, and the telephone department operated a small telephone exchange for our convenience. Swissair had a plane booking desk next door to the Information counter, and the Treasury Department of the General Conference helped delegates and visitors with money exchange matters. The world divisions and several of the General Conference departments had display booths on the ground floor, and work booths in the basement. Both the Review and Herald Publishing Association and the Swiss Publishing House displayed and sold the latest books just off the press. Among these was Pastor Pierson's new book, Though the Winds Blow which he personally autographed for purchasers.

The souvenir and postcard sellers did a brisk business and during the heat-wave which the city experienced while we were there, cool drinks and ice-creams were in constant demand. Arrangements were made whereby those wishing to have cool drinks on the Sabbath could purchase tickets on the Friday, which could be ex-



AN EFFECTIVE public address system carried the spoken word up to the farthest galleries, and modern devices helped to care for the problem of the translating of programs into the major languages of the world. From the platform only English and German were used but in eleven booths erected just off the platform, along both sides of it, interpreters translated the message of the hour.

Those wishing to hear the message in a language other than English or German were supplied with small earphone-equipped transistor radios, and by a turn of the dial they could pick up the language desired. Flood and spot-lights were effectively beamed from machines on scaffold-like platforms 20 feet high on both sides of the auditorium.

changed for drinks during the Sabbath hours.

During each of the three morning sessions, reports from the world divisions were given when delegates in colourful national costumes created a "United Nations" atmosphere. The Trans-Africa Division report was top of the list in this series and under the leadership of Pastor Bob Jacobs, the audience heard of the witness of seventy-five thousand young people in Trans-Africa, and of the quadrennium target of fifty thousand youth won to this message and baptized by General Conference time.

In their report, the Central European Division presented an old theme in a modern setting—the spread of light throughout Germany from the

Reformation and the printing of the Bible, and by the use of lanterns the spread of the light of the third angel's message was depicted.

A program on three major problems facing youth on a world-wide scale—materialism, sex, and dope addiction, was presented by Dr L. Trader of Germany on the Wednesday afternoon, and a spectacular "Keep Fit" display was given by young men from Andrews University on the Thursday afternoon, showing skill in endurance, balance and precision.

During the evening session on the Wednesday, the three host divisions, the Central, Northern and Southern European Divisions, gave interesting and colourful performances of folklore. There was a special ceremony of tossing the flags, Swiss yodelling,

and the playing of an alphorn. A group from Finland performed a national game with a large ball. On the Thursday evening, the remaining eight world divisions each presented a further program, at which time flags from many countries were carried by nationals in costume.

The Friday afternoon of the Congress was pronounced a free afternoon, for all except a select group of young people who spread out across Zurich in "public witness." Small groups, each of which included a choir, soloists, instrumentalists, and a guest speaker, conducted Share Your Faith meetings in parks and public places in the city, making known to the local populace something of the work and beliefs of the Seventhday Adventist Church.

TRANS-AFRICA'S DELEGATION



Our Quartet from the Southern Union performed very creditably and presented an impressive appearance in their national costume. They are: Isaac Nkosi (1st Tenor), Abraham Sekgaphane (2nd Tenor), Timothy Mtshali (Baritone), and Seth Sibeko (Bass).

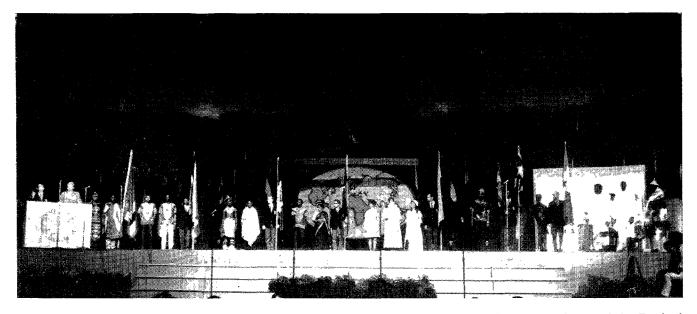


Ephraim Mvuti was Solusi College's delegate. He felt that "the Zurich World Youth Congress has united the Adventist young people of the world more than ever before. Despite differing ethnic backgrounds our youth can rally behind their Master, Jesus Christ, for the finishing of the work. This great Congress revived my spirit to serve my Master more earnestly. The fact that thousands of other young people all over the world are witnessing for Him gave me special encouragement and incentive to be a faithful witness also."



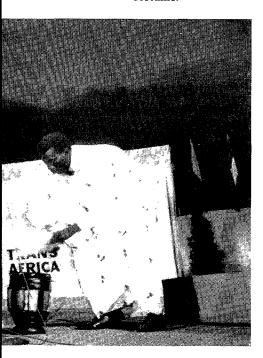


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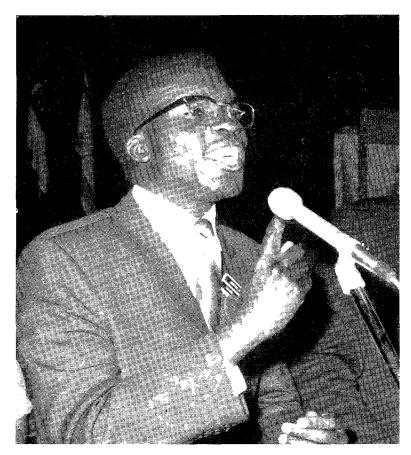
At the desk (extreme left) is Ivan M. Piercey of the Zambesi Union, relating a thrilling experience of a faithful witness in Zambia, while the Trans-Africa Division delegates in national costumes formed a semi-circle on the large platform. The MV department secretary of each union is holding the flag of the country in which his union is operating.

Forming part of the Trans-Africa delegation, Teresa Smit (left) and Judy Mattison of South Africa stand with James D. Runkel, MV Department Secretary, South African Union Conference. The ladies are in South African Voortrekker costume.



o of the Central African Union performing on rans-Africa Division program.

Justan Nkumba of Malawi addressed the Congress on the Friday morning, telling of his experience in his witness for the Lord.





The large WELCOME sign outside the Hallenstadion where the meetings were held

Music of the Congress

MUSICAL ITEMS throughout the Congress-and there were manywere of a very high standard. Soloists, duetists, and instrumentalists were specialists in their fields, and choirs from Poland, the United States, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Scandinavia, and elsewhere were under experienced and capable directors. A massed choir of hundreds of young voices was assembled at the commencement of the Congress, and under the direction of Wayne Hooper of the Voice of Prophecy in the United States, rendered several items including the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

Singing-evangelists Sunny Liu and Charles Brooks combined their Godgiven gift of song with the preaching of Pastors Pierson and Cleveland when appeals for consecration were made.

Our male quartet from the Southern Union (seen on page 6) performed their several items very creditably, and the bamboo orchestra from the Philippines (pictured here) evoked much interest. One outstanding soloist was Mervyn Whittaker, a whistler from Australia whose clear melodic notes reached to the far recesses of the great auditorium, like a bird trilling its carol of praise in the spring-

and appealing. A flute solo was given by Veikko Friman of Finland and there was a men's trio from Montemorelos, Mexico. From India came a Tamil youth group, singing to the accompaniment of a guitar, and vocal soloists included Kathy Tetz from North America, G. DeMeo from Italy, and our own Manuel Escorcio from Helderberg College. Van Knauss did yeomen service at the electronic organ at all meetings and others assisted at the piano as accompanists. The German brass band and the Csammer violin and piano ensemble gave added variety to an already rich selection of musical items.

time. From our hospital in Berlin a quartet of nurses' voices was sweet



Anton Jacobsen of Bulawayo expressed his impressions of the Congress by saying: "The Congress was a great success. I am sure everyone who attended gained something spiritual from it, either from the Sabbath services or from one of the many outstanding choirs."

Bamboo orchestra from the Philippines.



Manuel Escorcio, whose singing was one of the blessings of the Congress, says, "It was really marvellous to be with God's young people of this last generation in a united Advent family. Everything was wonderful, from the opening of the Congress to its very last minute. Those days spent there were a concrete and positive blessing to us



THE SABBATH OF THE CONGRESS

A "FESTIVAL OF MUSIC" ushered in the holy hours of the Sabbath on the Friday evening, and in this program an international flavour was created as choirs, quartets, soloists and instrumentalists from all parts of the world praised the Father and the Son in song and music.

Pastor Theodore Lucas gave a short address on consecration and sounded a special appeal to the thousands of young people in his audience to be vigorous witnesses in every area of their individual influence.

"Heaven help us stand for something lest we fall for everything,' urged Pastor R. H. Pierson during his Sabbath morning divine service. "This is the day that requires great courage of Adventist youth, the day when youth are tempted to acts of impurity because 'everyone is doing it.' Dare to be youth of courage and character," he said. He concluded his sermon with an earnest appeal to those young people who had never before given their hearts to the Lord to signify this decision by standing to their feet. From all over that vast congregation young people stood, not en masse and not because their friends were standing, but in ones and twos. This was

Miss Eileen Lehnberg of the Sentinel Publishing Association was a delegate from South Africa. Eileen says that the Youth Congress was particularly geared to meet the needs of the youth in the church, though the youth in a needy world were not overlooked. Programs were arranged with fantastic variety, presenting exciting endeavours by youth in action for Christ; also, thrilling, never-to-be-forgotten displays in "youth international," giving in song and pageant a glimpse of the beauty of national culture.

The many activities, in which we can all have a part, proved that there need never be a dull moment in the life of a Christian youth. There is sufficient to satisfy all the demands of a young person. a truly thrilling sight, one that must have brought joy to the loving heart of the Saviour.

"Music of the Spheres" was the title of the Sabbath afternoon musical program, and again the unity of all nations in Christ was demonstrated as singers and instrumentalists brought into one program the music of heaven as expressed in different languages from around the world field.

Later that afternoon Pastor Lucas explained the latest MV soul-winning plan, the "One-to-One" program, while in mime young people on the platform demonstrated just how neighbours and friends can be effectively approached and interested in our beliefs. This program in its execution was impressive and unforgettable and of practical help to those who might be shy or new in the great work of soul-winning.

Pastor Neal C. Wilson, who is no stranger to Trans-Africa, having spent some years of his youth in Malawi and South Africa while his parents were missionaries to our Division, made the final appeal of the Congress when he followed through from Pastor Pierson's call to consecration in an address on Commitment. Pastor Wilson said: "A personal relationship with Jesus Christ is the first necessity for anyone seeking to help the world—and himself. . . . When the Saviour told His followers to go into all the world, He gave them a faith that could be adapted to all peoples, all nations, all classes of men."

Finally the last blessing was pronounced by Pastor Lucas, and this great concourse of God's people dispersed—the first World Youth Congress had ended! The following day, Zurich, the city to which the first Seventh-day Adventist missionary went in 1874, returned to its normal way of life, as delegates and friends left by plane, road and train for their homes in the four corners of the earth.



Pastor Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference, pauses for a few words of welcome to old friends.

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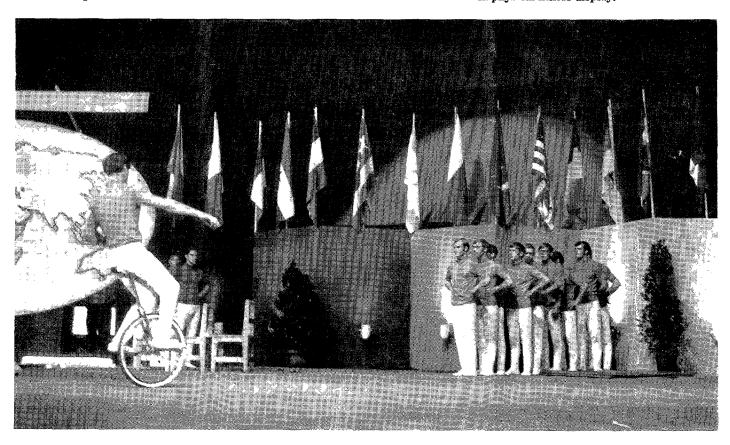
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Above: The delegates of a sister division, Inter-America, hold aloft the flags of the countries within their division's borders.

Below: Young men from Andrews University, Michigan, U.S.A., in physical fitness display.



REPORTING ON

PEOPLE AND EVENTS

"Hoe gaan dit?" These were the first words with which Pastor Robert H. Pierson greeted me when I unexpectedly met him in Berlin while I was on furlough. Quite a conversation in Afrikaans followed, and I was surprised that Pastor Pierson still remembered so much of the Afrikaans he had learned while serving in this Division. When I met him again in Zurich at the World Youth Congress our greetings were again exchanged in Afrikaans. This little courtesy from the president of the General Conference made me realize how much regard he continued to have for the believers in our Division

Pastor and Mrs Merle L. Mills, still on furlough in the United States, wrote that at last during the month of August they were able to relax a little and set themselves to the important task of replenishing the mind and body in preparation for a further term of service. Up until then their program of appointments and services had been heavy.

The wedding of their son Myron, to Pamela, daughter of Dr and Mrs A. W. Babienco of California, took place on July 20. This was indeed a joyous occasion for Pastor and Mrs Mills and the OUT-LOOK offers them sincere congratulations

The Division family at headquarters recently welcomed Miss Muriel Bosch and Miss Doris ten Cate, both from the Southern Union. Miss Bosch replaces Mrs Loris Smith who has changed her name to Mrs Kenneth Webster, and Miss ten Cate replaces Miss Fiorna Thomson who has also changed her name. She is now Mrs Winston Roberts.

Pastor W. W. Fordham of the Regional Department of the General Conference has arrived in Kigali, Rwanda, Central Africa, for the start of his evangelistic campaign in that city. This campaign is being held in the new Kigali church which has a seating capacity of 500. Three sessions had to be conducted on the opening night to accommodate about 1,500 people who attended. A Bible class is being taught by Pastor Zefaniya Rutwa, a departmental secretary of the East Rwanda Field.

The Tanzania Union recently welcomed Pastor and Mrs Ronald Spear into their ranks. These missionaries served for a number of years in the Congo and Central African Unions, and during their absence from Trans-Africa, were missionaries to Hawaii.

Another "ex-TAD" missionary to be welcomed back is Miss Tabea Matter who is now serving at Heri Hospital in Tanzania

It is with real regret that a farewell has had to be expressed to the Reinhard Engel family of the West Congo Field. For health reasons these missionaries have returned to Germany.

Pastor and Mrs Lloyd E. Biggs were recent visitors to headquarters. Some may remember Pastor Biggs as the secretary-treasurer of the Zambesi Union back in the mid-1920s. The Biggses were accompanied on their African tour by Dr and Mrs Robert L. Wyckoff and their two daughters.

Special greetings were sent through the editor to our believers in Trans-Africa from Pastor and Mrs W. Duncan Eva, the S. G. Maxwells, the C. T. Bannisters, the Ernest Logans, with Angela and Heather, and the Paul Sundquists, with Vivianne and Ingrid. These former missionaries were visited by the editor while on furlough, and Trans-Africa, its members, work and achievements were the topics of conversation, filling many an hour.

A union-wide youth congress was conducted in the Central African Union during August. Guest speakers were Pastors M. E. Lind and B. E. Jacobs, recently returned from the World Youth Congress in Zurich.

At Malamulo and Mombera, youth congresses were held during August. One of the highlights of these meetings was the reports of the 600 Lay-Youth efforts planned for this year, some of which have been conducted in all parts of Malawi already.

The Tanzania youth can look forward to their congress in December, and during 1970 in the Zambesi Union and the Southern Union the MVs will gather for their special meetings.

OUTLOOK

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SUNSET CALENDAR

OCTOBER 1969	NOVEMBER 1969

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Cape Town	6.50	6.55	7.01	7.06	7.12	Cape Town	7.19	7.26	7.32	7.39
Johannesburg	6.08	6.12	6.16	6.19	6.23	Johannesburg	6.2 8	6.33	6.38	6.44
East London	6.11	6.16	6.22	6.27	6.33	East London	6.39	6.46	6.52	6.59
Port Elizabeth	6.22	6.27	6.33	6.38	6.44	Port Elizabeth	6.51	6.58	7.04	7.11
Bloemfontein	6.17	6.21	6.25	6.29	6.34	Bloemfontein	6.39	6.45	6.51	6.57
P'maritzburg	6.00	6.04	6.09	6.14	6.19	P'maritzburg	6.24	6.30	6.36	6.42
Durban	5.58	6.03	6.07	6.12	6.17	Durban	6.22	6.28	6.34	6.40
Windhoek	6.51	6.53	6.56	6.59	7.02	Windhoek	7.07	7.12	7.16	7.21
Bulawayo	6.04	6.05	6.08	6.10	6.13	Bulawayo	6.17	6.21	6.25	6.29
Salisbury	5.52	5.53	5.55	5.57	6.00	Salisbury	6.04	6.08	6.11	6.14
Gwelo	5 .56	5.58	6.00	6.02	6.05	Gwelo	6.08	6.15	6.20	6.25
Lusaka	6.04	6.05	6.06	6.07	6.09	Lusaka	6.11	6.15	6.18	6.23
Blantyre	5.37	5.39	5.39	5.41	5.43	Blantyre	5.47	5.50	5.53	5.56
Lubu m bashi	6.06	6.06	6.07	6.07	6.07	Lubumbashi	6.11	6.13	6.15	6.18
Nair o bi	6.26	6.23	6.22	6.19	6.19	Nairobi	6.21	6.22	6.22	6.24
Mombasa	6.14	6.13	6.12	6.10	6.09	Mo mb a sa	6.12	6.13	6.14	6.17
Kisumu	6.36	6.32	6.30	6.28	6.27	Kisumu	6.28	6.29	6.29	6.30
Kampala	6.44	6.41	6.39	6.36	6.36	Kampala	6.37	6.38	6.38	6.39
Dar-es-Salaam	6.19	6.17	6.16	6.15	6.15	Dar-es-Salaam	6.17	6.20	6.21	6.24
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LOVE TRIUMPHANT

By Mext I. Mit.s.,

President, Trans-Africa Division

THE CRUCIFIXION of Christ is the most subtime event of all history. In God's immessurable love, love displayed for the sinner by the death of His Son who wilkingly permitted fits place alled Calvary—"Golgotha, the place of a skull"—chere they crucified Cruciffolion is the most subtime event of all history. In the same that the state of the same transport of the same

