



## VACATION WITNESSING

*A large number of students from the Australasian Missionary College, of various nationalities, spent their last vacation in literature-evangelism in Australia and New Zealand. They were well received by the public, and most returned with their fees for this year. On request, some have sent in a brief report of their experiences, which follow.*

### They Need Jesus

DAVID LAWSON

**D**URING college vacation I found more than ever before, that people were reading their Bibles but were unable to find the truth. Oh, if only they could understand what they read!

In one home I spent an hour with a lady, and although I did not sell a set of books I felt that every moment of that time was profitably spent. She had just heard of Adventists and was eager to learn something of their beliefs and practices. With the Lord's help I was able to give a brief outline of Bible truth and of our work. Just as I was about to leave that home the dear soul said, "I wish I could find a Bible course that would aid me in Bible study. I read the Bible but I'm afraid I understand little." As I was almost ready to return to Avondale I was not able to commence studies, but I enrolled the lady in the Voice of Prophecy Correspondence Course.

A few days later I placed a set of "Children's Hour" and "Christ's Object Lessons" for cash in a home at

Gaythorne, Brisbane. During a short conversation afterwards I noted that my client repeatedly mentioned a radio session her teenage daughter had been listening to. She also said that her daughter had been thinking of sending in for a free Bible course, as she liked the Scriptures very much. Putting two and two together, I asked if I might enrol the daughter in the Voice of Prophecy course. Yes! that was the programme, all right, and so she signed up. The daughter came out and substantiated her mother's statement. She said she read the Bible each night but found it very difficult to learn much.

On every hand I saw the dire need of the people was Jesus. As I think of these experiences and others, my mind is turned to a statement by Sister E. G. White, and I would like to pass this challenge on to the readers of this report: "Jesus is calling for many missionaries, for men and women who will consecrate themselves to God, willing to spend and be spent in His service. Oh, can we not remember that here is a world to labour for? Shall we not move forward step by step, letting God use us as His helping hand? Shall we

not place ourselves on the altar of service? Then the love of Christ will touch and transform us, make us willing for His sake to do and dare."—*"Christian Education,"* page 42.

### Comforting the Poor in Spirit

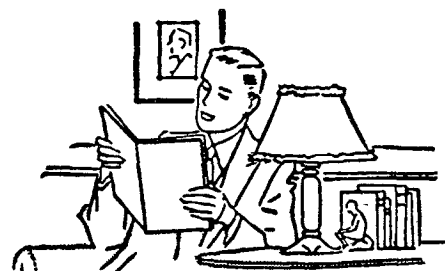
BARITA GULTOM

**I** KNOCKED on the door of a home and a voice said, "Come in." I found an old lady in bed. She was partially paralysed and suffering from pneumonia.

I tried to comfort her and she told me of all her hardships and trials. She was a God-fearing woman who had lost her husband thirteen years before. "He was all in all to me," she said. "He was my strength physically and spiritually. When he died it seemed God's blessing was no longer with me. We had only one son and we dedicated him to the Lord. But now he is in the Army and he has no more interest in religion. He does not recognize me as his mother and I am all alone."

The radio in the room was playing "Home, Sweet Home." She mentioned that the hymn "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" was her favourite. She used to sing it to her son to encourage him to look to the cross. There was a piano in the room so I played and sang this hymn for her. She burst into tears, then fell on her knees and prayed for her son and herself.

She asked me to sing another song, one that would help her to look to Jesus and to the land where there is no sorrow and death. I sang "Beyond the



Sunset." She listened, and when I had finished she gripped me by the hand. "Now I know why I have suffered. Jesus is no longer hiding in the shadows. You have given me strength to look through the darkness into the light," she said.

We knelt in prayer, and before I left I gave her a copy of the "Voice of Prophecy News" and presented her with "The Marked Bible," as she could not afford to buy a book.

I am certainly glad I spent the time in literature-evangelism. The rich Christian experience I obtained is worth more than anything money can buy. The Lord blessed me and crowned my work with success.

## The Joys of Fellowship

T. LUDOWICI

ONE of the first things that impressed my friend and me was the hospitality of our Adventist members in the areas where we worked. About eight o'clock one night we arrived at Nowra, on the south coast of New South Wales. We did not know a person in the district, but had a vague idea of where the J. C. Warren family lived some miles out of the town. We rolled up there and immediately they threw the house open to us and said we were to stay there just as long as we were in the district.

From there we worked for four weeks and then moved south to Ulladulla where we were warmed by the hospitality of the George James family. We went south as far as Moruya and inland as far as Nelligen.

On a dairy farm at Nowra I showed my books to the owner. His friend, who was standing just behind me, suddenly produced something out of a box which I did not see. But I soon felt something rough on my neck and saw a live five-foot black snake hanging round my neck. This called for some quick action and it was soon on the floor.

I spent an hour and a half with a little woman who is now almost blind. She had been a faithful church-goer for many years, but was beginning to murmur against God. She had lost her husband and now her sight was fading. Her one question was "WHY?" After quoting several texts I helped her to realize that all things work together for good to them who love God. She needs more help and we are endeavouring to provide this.

One day when passing a church I glanced up at the notice board and there displayed in large letters was the subject for the service the next Sunday night: "Why I am Not a Seventh-day Adventist." With some other of our members we attended this service to hear what the young minister had to say. He declared that we were not under law but under grace, and the Ten Commandments amounted to nothing. After the service we spent three quarters of an hour talking with him and trying to explain our beliefs. Sister Warren has since sent him a Sabbath school lesson pamphlet and we trust that through

this experience this minister will be enlightened.

Scattered through the sparsely settled territory we found folks ready to hear the Adventist message and some who were struggling to hold high the Adventist standards. We spent hours with such folks telling them of church affairs beyond their little confines. What impressed us was their sincerity and earnest desire to build up companies down the south coast.

We sold "Children's Hour" and "Christ's Object Lessons," and always carried Voice of Prophecy leaflets. These we gave especially to old folks whose radios were the sole means of their contacts with the rest of the world. They welcomed the opportunity of listening to our broadcasts. It is our prayer that from the hundreds of leaflets distributed, many souls will be saved in the kingdom of God.

In all we travelled 5,000 miles over all types of roads and tracks, and thank the Lord for His watchcare over us. At Ulladulla we camped in a tent on Brother James' property and in spite of torrential downpours we were kept dry. We lost only one day's work through rain, and there was not one occasion when I did a full day's work that I did not obtain at least one order. God blessed us abundantly, and to anyone who wants a wonderful experience I would say, become a literature-evangelist.

## Sharing Their Faith in the Melbourne Express

IRIS HOBBS

IN His wisdom the Lord brings those who are seeking for truth into touch fellow beings who know the truth. It is the plan of Heaven that those who have received light shall impart it to those in darkness. As His representatives among men, God does not choose angels who have never fallen, but human beings, men of like passions with those they seek to save."

There were four of us students travelling on the Melbourne Express. Just before the train pulled out of Central at Sydney a young man who was out of breath entered our carriage. We soon introduced ourselves and told him where we had come from and all about our college. I happened to have a paper with me which was entitled, "What Is a Seventh-day Adventist?" This he read with interest. He told us he was a Catholic of good standing.

Before settling down for the night he related the story of how he caught the train. At his home on the North Shore he phoned a taxi half an hour before the train left. The taxi driver promptly told him that because of traffic lights and congestion in the city he would not be in time for the train. However, our friend insisted and the taxi drove through the city without a stop or hindrance of any sort. The driver remarked that in all his experience in driving he had never driven through Sydney like that.

I lay awake that night thinking this may have happened for a purpose, and

wondering how I could tell this young man more about our wonderful message. In the morning we invited him to have prayer and the Morning Watch with us, and we prayed especially for him. The girls sang hymns and choruses for the rest of the journey. As we alighted from the train in Melbourne we had the satisfaction in our hearts that we had shared our faith, and those of us who were to engage in literature-evangelism considered this first experience to be an appropriate introduction to our work.

I cannot say that my work was a remarkable success. However, I did meet some lovely Christian people who were longing to understand the plain truths of God's Word. I could not tell how many cried on my shoulder, how many needed love and sympathy and a word in season. One lady pleaded with me, "You will come back and tell me more, won't you? You will come back?" Another lady was sure I had been sent to her that day. She was really in distress, so much so that I stayed with her for six hours, giving her treatment and writing out many healthful recipes for her. Another lady talked with me for a long time, relating a most pathetic story. I arranged to revisit her a few nights later. I answered all her questions and told her many things concerning Jesus and His Word. As a result we both experienced the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit and were both happy when I left that home shortly after 2 a.m.

This short period of door-to-door evangelism opened my eyes to the grand and noble ministry of our regular literature-evangelists. Brethren and sisters, I ask you to join with me in prayer for these faithful workers who are doing what the Master would have them do.

## Wesley's Rules for Lay Preaching

1. Be diligent. Never while away time, or spend more time at any place than is strictly necessary.
2. Be serious. Let your motto be, "Holiness to the Lord." Avoid all jesting and foolish talk.
3. Believe evil of no one unless it is fully proved. Take heed how you credit it. Put the best construction you can on everything.
4. Speak evil of no one. Keep your thought within your own breast till you come to the person concerned.
5. Do not affect the gentleman. A preacher of the gospel is the servant of all.
6. Be ashamed of nothing but sin; no, not even of cleaning your own shoes when necessary.
7. Be punctual. Do everything exactly at the time.
8. You have nothing to do but save souls. Therefore, spend and be spent in this work.
9. Act in all things, not according to your own will, but as a son in the gospel and in union with your brethren.



## Around the CONFERENCES

### Providential Guidance of Baptist Pastor into Adventist Church

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From a life in the Army through to a Christian training school, into the ministry and now to accept the Bible truth of the Seventh-day Adventists is nothing but the working of providence to Pastor Clive Tamplin.

Meeting this pleasant God-fearing young man, his wife and three small children at the Queensland camp April 9 was a pleasure indeed. Inviting me to their tent, they recounted for me the leadings of God.

Just six months ago they arrived in Australia from England to pastor the Rockhampton Baptist church. Pastor Tamplin recalled for me just how it all began.

"I was reared without religion," he said. "In fact, as a teenager I belonged to the Young Communist League. A sinful, worldly life was my delight until one day an uncle invited me to a Christian youth meeting. This aroused a sense of conviction, and three months later I accepted the Lord Jesus as my Saviour," he said. In 1943 he was baptized with his sister in Surrey, England.

Early in the next year he joined the Army and was sent to Malaya. "It seemed as if God was shielding me for a special purpose, because on every occasion that action was planned, I was taken sick. I never had to kill a man during the whole campaign."

"Christmas Eve, 1946, in Malaya, while in prayer, I believe God spoke to me, calling me into His service. On my release in 1948 I entered the London Bible College to prepare for the ministry," he stated. After completion of the course all his energies were devoted to Christian work—so much so that a breakdown in health eventuated.

At the same time God opened the way for them to come to Australia. "We arrived in Rockhampton, November 5, 1954." By this time the pastor's wife was helping along with the story, and together they enthusiastically told of their contact with Seventh-day Adventists.

"I believe in divine dissatisfaction," he announced. "The modernistic interpretations at times had me worried, but I accepted them, feeling that it was not up to me to differ with the church," he explained. But he did not count on the pos-

sible visit of a Seventh-day Adventist literature-evangelist. Faithful to his task, Brother Hebbard was calling on every home, and the Baptist minister's home came into this category.

The pastor's wife agreed that the books "Children's Hour" and "Christ's Object Lessons" were very nice, but insisted that she must consult her husband. Brother Hebbard arranged a visit in the evening, but was kindly told by the pastor that their small salary of £6 5s. per week could not be stretched.

Evangelism predominated in our faithful brother, and straightway he presented a complete set to this family. A friendship soon developed, and Brother Hebbard "proved such a staunch friend I freely discussed religion with him even though I had no time for his beliefs," the pastor emphasized.

About this time the pastor had been preparing a series of sermons on the second coming, and then planned to cover the subject of the Ten Commandments. Coming to the fourth commandment he diligently studied for Bible evidence to support the first-day observance, but found none. His sermon was prepared nevertheless from other writers supporting the viewpoint.

"Here again God intervened, by a sudden storm," he declared. "Instead of my usual congregation of over forty members, only three people heard that discourse. God broke the force of my opposition to His Word.

"I was completely unhappy, and discussed the subject with my literature-evangelist friend." Soon the pastor was

reading Adventist literature and deeply searching the Scriptures. Next he attended the Adventist church service.

"One day while reading about the Sabbath truth in my study I was fully convinced that I must keep the Sabbath," he told me with a ring of assurance in his voice. Mrs. Tamplin broke in, saying, "At the same time I was in another room reading about the Sabbath truth while recovering from a fever. I was convinced, and decided to follow the Bible Sabbath. A few minutes later Clive came in and told me of his decision. You can imagine how happy we were."

"Now the problem started," her husband said. "How could we leave the church and keep the Bible Sabbath? Here again God had ways and means. Due to internal strife which took the issue out of our hands we felt obliged to leave. But to make this decision we asked for a sign from the Lord, and it was fulfilled.

"We could do nothing else than resign and follow God's leading." As soon as this became known to our brethren in Queensland the way was opened in the literature-evangelist ministry for our Brother Tamplin to serve the Lord.

"The Adventists have surely been good to us, and God has already blessed my efforts in the literature-evangelist work even though I have been in it only ten days," he remarked.

The next day I saw this really keen and happy young couple with their twins aged four and a half and little boy of two listening in rapt attention to Pastor E. E. Roenfelt preach in the big tent.

"I have come to the church that is living with the Bible," Brother Tamplin said, "and I am discovering many other great truths that Adventists teach. We have even taken to vegetarianism and all the rest, and we are enjoying it." And he and his wife really meant it, if one could judge from their countenances.

May God bless our faithful literature-evangelists, and this new brother and his family as they continue in this God-ordained work.

Left to right: Brother and Sister Hebbard with Pastor and Mrs. Tamplin and their children, snapped together at the Queensland campmeeting in April.



## Tasmanian Conference Session

H. W. HOLLINGSWORTH

The Tasmanian Conference Session and camp-meeting convened on the Glenorchy Showgrounds from February 16-26, 1955. The unusually dry conditions had dried off the grass and permitted dust to become a little unpleasant. These and other inconvenient conditions resulted in the delegates requesting the conference executive committee to investigate the possibility of securing a camp site of our own, where more desirable conditions could be enjoyed.

The presence of Pastor and Mrs. E. E. Roenfelt from the General Conference was a very great pleasure to the Tasmanian people, who remember with much appreciation the time when Pastor Roenfelt was their president. Pastors F. G. Clifford, R. A. Vince, and R. E. Hare from the Inter-Union Conference; and Pastors T. C. Lawson, F. L. Taylor, A. P. Dyason, R. N. Price, and Brother W. J. Gilson from the Trans-Commonwealth Union Conference, all gave very helpful counsel on the committees and in the session meetings; but beyond this all were encouraged and blessed by their spiritual messages, which were calculated to help God's people in these days of preparation for Christ's return.

The reports revealed a growing membership, which has now reached 990. The tithes and offerings given by our members reached a record figure for the conference. On the final Sabbath afternoon the members gave and pledged £732 for foreign missions, and in the Sabbath school on the two Sabbaths an addition of £121 was given.

During the session, time was taken on the Sunday afternoon to dedicate the new church school at Moonah. Brother Gilson, the Union Conference Educational secretary, gave the address, in which he emphasized the place and importance of Christian education to the Adventist movement. The local conference Educational secretary reported on how the building was erected, and paid tribute to the response of the entire membership in donating of their means to make possible such an attractive and serviceable building in which to conduct our secondary school. The hard work so willingly and freely given by the Moonah and Hobart church members had resulted in greatly reducing the cost. The Parents and Friends Association have made a real contribution to the school's facilities.

The session appointments were: President, and secretary for Home Missions, Religious Liberty, Education, and Radio, H. W. Hollingsworth; secretary-treasurer, G. Stingel; MV, Sabbath School, and Temperance secretary, L. H. Hay; Publishing Department secretary, R. C. H. Smith. Conference Executive Committee: H. W. Hollingsworth (chairman), G. Stingel (secretary), H. G. Bryant, C. J. Howell, W. A. Smith, R. L. Roberts, A. D. Smith.

Through the many agencies God has given us for extending a knowledge of His kingdom, we believe there are bright prospects for a rapidly growing membership

in the conference; and with thankfulness to God for past blessings we face the future with courage and faith.

(Since this report was written Pastor Hollingsworth has been appointed president of the North N.S.W. Conference and Pastor C. Judd president of the Tasmanian Conference, as already announced in our columns.)

## Dorcas Sales

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Home Missionary Secretary, A.I.U.C.

(We are indebted to Home Missionary leaflets for much of the material in this article.)

From time to time we have been asked the question, "Is it right or wrong for our Dorcas Societies to conduct a sale of work to help them in their finances?" We shall endeavour in this article to answer this question briefly.

We are sure that all our workers and leaders will agree with us when we say that the Dorcas Welfare Society is an important missionary organization in the church, and that it has its financial needs in carrying forward its good Samaritan work. For this society to function properly in its service to humanity, these needs must be met; therefore, the sale of food, needlework, etc., donated by the Dorcas sisters themselves, or by any of the church members, constitutes a proper and legitimate way in which funds can be raised by the Dorcas Welfare Society for its service, without in any way lowering the high standard that it should at all times maintain.

It is very true that as a denomination we stand against the conduct of any activities within the church building which would tend to make the Lord's temple a house of merchandise. A sale of work should not be held in the house of God, or on the church grounds. To do so, we believe, is contrary to the spirit of reverence and worship which should characterize God's sanctuary, therefore Dorcas sales should be held in some other place than in the church building or on church grounds.

The method usually followed for a Dorcas sale is simple and easy. A committee appointed by the Dorcas Welfare Society to secure the use of an empty store or building, or a well-located counter in a large store, which would be suitable for the sale. The prices charged for articles sold should not be exorbitant. Full value should be given for the prices charged. Expecting higher than prevailing prices is out of harmony with Christian principles and will create prejudice and dissatisfaction. On the other hand those coming to the sale, especially our own church members, should not expect to receive these articles at half-price or less. It would be well for us to remember that in buying these articles from our own Dorcas Welfare Society, we are at the same time giving our support financially to a very important missionary project in the church.

Every department in the church has been organized for the purpose of soul-winning. This is certainly true of the Dorcas Welfare Society, and this purpose should not be lost sight of in our Dorcas sales. Our Dorcas Welfare Society sales should be made soul-winning agencies. In other words a Dorcas sale should be a campaign for souls. When feasible our attractive small books and magazines as well as tracts and other literature should be arranged in connection with every sale to which the public is invited. Tracts and periodicals should be distributed to those who come to buy.

If the Dorcas sale consists of food it should be selected and prepared in harmony with health reform principles. Our high standard of health reform, as presented in the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy, is to be followed by acquainting people with the principles of our message. Much criticism has come to our Dorcas leaders on this very point. This, however, should not discourage us. We are not expected to measure up to the opinions and teaching of all those who may visit these sales. What we are expected to do is to measure up to the principles as laid down to us in the Bible and the writings in the Spirit of prophecy. Thus, my dear fellow believers, many contacts may be made with those who perhaps would never be reached with a series of evangelistic meetings.

May God continue to richly bless our Dorcas work, and all those who are connected with this important soul-winning agency in the church.

## Carmel News Letter

Dear College Friends,

It seems but a short time since we threw open our doors in welcome to the students of 1955, but already almost two-thirds of the first term have gone.

Yes, and having once thrown open our doors, figuratively speaking, we found it difficult to close them again. It soon became evident that we would have a full house. In fact there has not been such a large enrolment for a good many years.

The school year officially began with the opening exercises of Wednesday evening, February 16, when our principal, Pastor R. Reye, extended a warm welcome to visiting speakers, friends, and ninety-three students. A great many of these were in attendance for the first time; seventy-five were indoor students, eighteen would come in to school each day from homes in the vicinity. Boys' Hall is comfortably filled with twenty-nine young men, while Girls' Hall is packed with its quota of forty-six young ladies. Fourteen of these students have come across the border from our neighbouring state of South Australia, four girls are from Tasmania, and two young men have come from as far away as Bega, New South Wales. The student group includes eight sets of brothers and sisters, three sets of twins, and a number of young people from non-Adventist homes.

This occasion was the ninth in succession that Pastor W. J. Richards had attended. It was destined to be his last (at least for the present), as he has now taken up his new appointment as president of the North Queensland Conference.

Western Australia's incoming president, Pastor H. White, was also present. In his remarks he made reference to Saul's call to the kingship of Israel, pointing out the wonderful advantages the young man had, the wise counsel he received, and the good start he made. His eventual failure was due to the fact that he chose to go his own way rather than follow the counsel of God. Students new and old were challenged to heed the counsel of the Lord and to succeed where King Saul had failed.

According to Pastor D. A. Brennan, MV leader for Western Australia, the formula for a successful college career is youthful enthusiasm plus patient endurance, multiplied by continual surrender to the Lord for service.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Scott, late of Devonport, Tasmania, were also present. An officer of the E. S. and A. Bank, Mr. Scott has recently transferred to the Perth branch. He and Sister Scott are now residing in Floreat Park, and their twins, Blanche and Josephine, are indoor students at Carmel. We are very happy to have Sister Scott head up the music department this year. She spends a very full two days at the college each week. Sister Scott provided a pleasing interlude in the evening's programme when she played a Beethoven sonata.

Sister Brian Howell also contributed a much appreciated contralto solo. Brother Howell has recently joined the teaching staff of the Victoria Park Central School.

Telegrams expressing good wishes for a successful year's work were received from Pastor E. E. White, principal of the A.M. College, and from former students in exile in New Zealand and Tasmania.

The motto selected for the occasion and displayed before the student body was, "Take hold, hold on, never let go."

The curriculum for 1955 has been extended to include four additional subjects, namely, Junior German, Pre-Leaving Mathematics, Leaving Physics, and Leaving Biology. To accommodate these, classes begin at 7.30 a.m. and run through eight periods, including the chapel exercise, by lunch time at 12.50 p.m. Our full-time teachers, Brethren Jorgenson and Fitcher, are teaching seven different classes each morning, and other staff members are carrying a proportionately heavy load in addition to their other regular duties.

The annual camp-meeting convened at Advent Park, March 8-20. In harmony with our regular practice, the students were in attendance on the two Sabbaths of the encampment, two trucks being used to transport them there. It was a great privilege to sit at the feet of such world-travelled and experienced men as Pastors Clifford, Roenfelt, and Vince. Their broader view of world conditions struck a note of urgency in their messages which we would all do well to heed. These good

men also addressed the students in their own college chapel and were greatly appreciated.

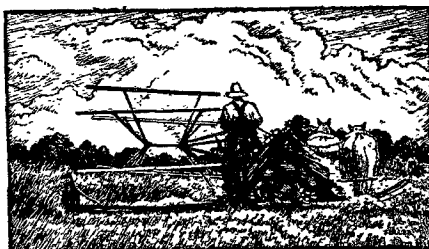
Our next news letter will include a report of the college Appeal for Missions campaign, which we plan to embark upon next week.

And now we wish you all Heaven's richest blessing wherever you are, whatever your calling, and crave a continued interest in your prayers.

On behalf of all at W.A.M.C.,

Yours in the Master's service,

Cyril R. Were, Preceptor.



### Golden Grain

FAITH BURCH PERRY

*The fields are white, the reapers few,  
The grain will waste for lack of care—  
Christian, does God depend on you?  
Speak to the Lord in humble prayer.*

*Ask Him to send forth harvesters  
To reap the fields that waiting lie;  
And if He answers, calling you,  
His call you must not then deny.*

*Or if His choice fall on your son,  
Or on your daughter, still rejoice,  
For honour great is given those  
Who glad obey that loving voice.*

*Oh, high will be the wages earned  
By those who reap the waiting grain;  
The joy of their dear Lord is theirs,  
Eternal life shall they obtain.*

—Southern Asia Tidings,

Feb. 15, 1955

### Baptism at Wallsend

T. A. ANDERSON, Church Pastor

Twelve new believers happily gathered to receive the rite of baptism on Sabbath afternoon, April 2, in the Wallsend church, North New South Wales.

The members of the sister church of Hamilton share with those of Wallsend the honour of introducing these souls to the message they have so gladly received. A family group of three, in the providence of God came all the way from Germany to learn of this truth. The father of this family found the foreman of his new employment department a missionary and a friend. This brother from the Hamilton church made good use of his opportunities and shortly the mother and daughter also were studying the faith. All three stood in the font together to signify their association with the people of God. Another family trio adorned the font to-

gether—a father and mother and mother-in-law. These are part of the results from the work of earnest young men of the Wallsend church. God has instructed us that laymen and ministers should unite their efforts for the salvation of souls. Obedience to this instruction brings results and adds happiness and blessing to the church of the living God. When a family had difficulty in getting a home and were befriended and assisted by an Adventist builder, their appreciation opened the way for Bible studies and these were given per medium of visual aids by the wife of the builder. In the case of another couple who entered the water together, the wife had been a Catholic, and though the husband had previously known the truth he had not been baptized. But some of the lady's relations by marriage were Adventist missionaries and another was a minister. The leaven of the gospel worked through these channels, and now the two rejoice together to be members of the household of God.

Two sisters were with us whose husbands have not joined them, but the children are enriching the Sabbath school, and prayers are ascending for the men. The children of the other families are with them also, and we trust these will grow into the church. Six of the new members will join the Wallsend church, four will worship with the Hamilton church, and two will unite with the church of Avondale.

May the Lord hasten the day when in one grand gathering the saints of all ages shall worship together in the New Jerusalem.

### £100 for Your Story Hour

One day early in April a gentleman stood in front of a building in The Boulevard, Strathfield.

"Home Health and Education Service" he read on the brass plate. This was the place he was looking for. But there was another plate announcing, "Greater Sydney Conference of Seventh-day Adventists." How were these two organizations associated?

The visitor entered and requested to see an officer of the Home Health and Education Service. Pastor H. A. L. Freeman, the Publishing Department secretary, being absent, the caller was ushered into the office of Brother A. H. E. Miller, the secretary-treasurer of the conference. Brother Miller observed that his visitor was a cultured man.

Mr. A. stated that he had been greatly impressed with the children's programme, "Your Story Hour." He did not know who was producing the programme and he wished to meet the sponsors. Finding that they were Seventh-day Adventists he wanted to know what they believed. [He did not belong to any denomination.] Brother Miller told him that we believe in keeping the Ten Commandments, including the fourth, and in the imminent return of Jesus.

Now, how did Your Story Hour programme begin? The answer is given by



the producer, Brother Stanley Hill: "I was convinced that the growing boys and girls were deserving of better fare than the Wild West blood and thunder, crime and murder." And without radio experience of any kind they commenced in a very simple way to produce a children's programme with the purpose of "making the boys and girls of today better men and women of tomorrow."

"And are the broadcasts I have listened to recently good samples of the programme these lay people produce?" inquired Mr. A.

Receiving an affirmative answer, he opened his wallet and placed on the desk of our astonished treasurer notes to the value of £100.

"You may be assured your donation will accomplish a great deal of good for the boys and girls of Australia," Brother Miller said as he expressed sincere thanks on behalf of the conference.

"You certainly would not have received this donation were I not convinced of that," declared the generous donor.

Before he left he gave a suburban address and expressed a wish to meet the Radio secretary for Greater Sydney, Pastor Wilbur Stewart, to discuss how he could further help "Your Story Hour."

Someone who happened to be in the conference office at the time recognized the visitor as the head of a long established firm in the city whose name is a household word.

Last year one of our Queensland members gave £50 towards the local broadcast of this same programme.

Another point of progress is that on Sunday, May 1, at 8.15 a.m. Station 3KZ, Melbourne, began a free broadcast of "Your Story Hour."

## Advance in the Philippine Islands

W. L. PASCOE

Treasurer, Far Eastern Division

More than seven thousand islands lying between Formosa and Borneo comprise the Republic of the Philippines. These islands boast a most colourful historical background, which includes conquest by the Spanish away back in the sixteenth century. Hundreds of years later the Spanish were defeated by the United States of America in the Philippines. Later came the Japanese occupation during the years of World War II. Shortly after the close of that period, the peoples of the Philippines were granted complete independence, and today they are recognized as one of the nations of the world.

In Manila today, on the campus of the San Thomas University, which opened its doors about three hundred and fifty years ago, a printing establishment that commenced to function in 1592, only a short time after the printing of the first Bible in Germany, continues to operate.

The Roman Catholic Church has become strongly established throughout the Philippine Islands. Many large churches and cathedrals may be seen there and



A corner of the nurses' lounge room in the nurses' home. In the picture are Nurses Eileen Hartley of Christchurch, South New Zealand, and Correne Todd of Charters Towers, North Queensland.

large numbers of devout Filipinos regularly attend mass and partake of the forms of worship of the Catholic Church. The burning of thousands of candles as one of the forms of worship is a spectacular sight, and a very widespread custom here.

Literature-evangelist R. A. Caldwell came from Australia to the Philippines many years ago as the first Adventist missionary worker. He laboured for years, sowing the truth over many widely separated areas. Today we see much fruitage that has resulted from the efforts of Brother Caldwell and those who followed him as Adventist missionaries.

Today the baptized membership of the North and South Philippine Union Missions totals almost 50,000. The headquarters of the North Philippine Union are located in the large capital city of Manila, and those of the South Philippine Union in Cebu City, within walking distance of the spot where the famous explorer Magellan first landed in the Philippines centuries ago. Last year 5,102 names were added to the church rolls throughout the Philippines by baptism.

While attending the recent annual councils of these two union missions, I learned that the South Philippine Union alone has 360 organized churches in its territory; also that the Central Luzon Mission, one of the local missions in the North Philippine Union, has recorded 100 or more baptisms each and every month regularly for the past several years.

At the present time in the territory of the North Philippine Union Mission alone, thirty-six evangelistic efforts are being conducted simultaneously. I attended one of these meetings last Sunday evening in the town of San Pablo. I saw the auditorium crowded with more than 500 Fili-

## The Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital

### NURSES' ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

In later issues of the "Record" notices will be inserted calling for applications from Seventh-day Adventist young men and women who are desirous of joining the 1956 Nurses' Training Class at the Sydney Sanitarium and Hospital.

The New South Wales Nurses' Registration Board is prepared to accept the New South Wales Intermediate or Leaving Certificate or your State equivalent as an acceptable certificate to commence training, otherwise it would be necessary for the applicants to pass the Nurses' Entrance Certificate. May we suggest therefore that all applicants from Australia and Tasmania contact the Registrar of your State Nurses' Registration Board, and he will make arrangements for you to sit for this examination in your local state. No such examinations are held in New Zealand.

A. H. Forbes, Secretary.

pinos, and heard the call to "keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus;" I witnessed the response of that large group, most of whom expressed their determination by the grace of God to keep all the commandments of God.

Brethren and sisters of the faith in Australasia, one of our workers planted the first seeds of truth in the Philippines. Today the fruitage is growing into an amazing harvest of souls. Pray for God's continued blessing to rest upon this rapidly expanding work in this group of islands.

# The Saints Are Saying

D. E. HAY, Monamona Mission

"So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said." Ex. 18:24.

We can imagine Moses seated in the judge's chair. To him, as the leader of Israel, came all the people, some seeking advice, others making complaints. His keen eye and quick brain would sum up the facts of each case and within a matter of minutes his decision would be given.

But even though he worked so hard and efficiently the volume of business that was brought to him for attention frequently caused him to labour well into the night. Consequently, he was often so tired that matters of greater importance which required his personal attention had to be postponed for another day.

Jethro, his father-in-law, had long observed the strenuous programme that Moses had set for himself, and at the conclusion of one particular day he approached Moses and told him that he was doing far too much, and warned him that if he continued to handle his work in this fashion he would ruin his health. He suggested that Moses should appoint good, strong-principled men to act as deputies and he himself attend only to "every great matter." In this way he would have more time to promote God's plans, such as instructing the people in the "ordinances and laws . . . the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do."

Moses, recognizing the wisdom of Jethro's advice, immediately appointed able men from the various tribes to assist him.

Here was no ordinary man. Here was a man prepared to take advice from another of greater experience. He could have reasoned: "I am the God-appointed leader of Israel; I know best. I am younger, too, active, and see more clearly than my old father-in-law." But he did not think this way. He had the good sense to take the counsel of Jethro, a patriarch of mature judgment.

In our denomination there are many elderly folk who have been Seventh-day Adventists for many years, who have sound advice to give out of their experience to the not-so-old among the church members.

During December, 1954, I visited some of these elderly saints, all of whom are over eighty years of age, in the Coorabong area, and asked them to give their advice for the church out of their experience in life. I pass it on to you:—

**Brother and Sister A. H. Ferris:** My wife is seventy-five and I am eighty-six years of age. We have been fifty-three years in the truth of the advent message. At first we expected Christ very soon, and even though there is long delay we love His appearing more than ever. In advising the dear church people we would join with Paul, and say: "Yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry," and "Cast not away therefore your

confidence." With Peter we would say: "Be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless." With James, "Be patient." With Isaiah, "Arise, shine." With Solomon, "Fear God, and keep His commandments." With Jesus, "Be ye also ready." With Sister White, "Courage in the Lord." Prayer can change the most discouraging outlook. "Be strong in the Lord."

**Mrs. Greive:** My membership with the advent people dates back about forty-six years. My advice to all is that we show more love to each other, especially to those who are weak and find it hard to be true to our high standards. We need a firm faith in God and His promises, and to study daily His Holy Word and the Spirit of prophecy. These habits have made us a peculiar people.

**Mrs. Niebuhr:** We know the message is still right. We need to keep alert in our daily living because it is "the little foxes that spoil the vines." Read a portion of God's Word daily to keep your experience fresh. Then your life will do all the witnessing necessary.

**Mrs. Vetter:** If young people study the Word of God and are willing to follow His guidance they will save themselves a lot of trouble and sorrow and will enjoy a happy Christian life.

**Brother E. C. Watts:** The years have taught me, if we would be happy in the Christian life, that next to daily personal consecration, study of the Word and prayer, it is important to be active in the service of God; to help others on the way with love and sympathy. In giving we receive, in blessing we are blessed. The joys of service for the Master and our fellows are sweet, real, and lasting. Also, carefulness in Sabbath observance brings peace to the soul. According to ability and opportunity, taking an active part in the

Sabbath school brings a joy the world cannot give nor take away. Faithfulness to all points of the advent message is important and will bring a glorious reward.

**Brother A. T. Start:** My experience during the fifty years of service for the Master is: "Every chapter and every verse of the Bible is a communication from God to men. We should bind its precepts as signs upon our hands and as frontlets between our eyes. If studied and obeyed, it would lead God's people, as the Israelites were led, by the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night."—"Patriarchs and Prophets," page 504.

**Mrs. E. A. Southon:** Have faith in God and trust in Him when the future looks dark. When you come to the last crust and you can still trust in God I say that God will provide for your needs and for your children. When I was in New Zealand many years ago, I was down to nothing in food, a young lass who didn't know me, brought me food left over from a Salvation Army tea. God will always provide for you; He will provide in sickness and in health. I have also noticed over the years how He has provided for our churches, schools, sanitariums, and colleges.

**Brother S. M. Roake:** Looking back one is impressed by the memory of genuine sacrifice rising far above that in evidence today. Since the church has become "rich and increased with goods," the witness of the Calvary spirit appears to have diminished in like ratio.

The Lord's message to His church has no commendation for the acquiring of material wealth, individual or denominational. He declares His church to be lukewarm (uninterested). Weariness nor its cause does not reside in the changeless message of the gospel. Change has occurred in our mode of living, from which flows the spirit of worldliness, reflecting adversely on the interests of the church, which is the body of Christ.

To recapture the Calvary spirit, I would suggest placing the emphasis on the first commandment. You see, if we worship the only true God, the entire Decalogue will be observed faithfully, and tremendous power will accrue to the church. The word "brother" would be clothed with its correct meaning. Means essential for the expanding work of the gospel to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people will be ploughed back into the Lord's field as never before.

Let us, then, like Moses of old, be humble enough to listen, wise enough to consider, and big-hearted enough to follow the advice of those who have much to offer out of their years of experience—the living saints!

I am sure our readers will agree that this advice from these fathers and mothers in Israel today is timely and helpful, and that like Moses of old, we should be humble enough to listen, wise enough to consider, and big-hearted enough to follow the advice of those who have much to offer out of their years of experience—the living saints!

## Our Great High Priest

HAROLD W. McCROW

*Our great High Priest for ever pleads  
His sacrifice for human needs,  
As now before the throne He stands,  
Our names engraven on His hands.*

*The veil is pierced, and He doth stand,  
The heavenly Priest, at God's right hand,  
His righteous merits to implore,  
Our Intercessor evermore.*

*Oh, cover us, that we may stand,  
A blood-bought throng, at His right hand;  
The battle fought, the victory won  
Through Christ, the Lord's anointed Son.*

*And when He comes as King of kings,  
And all His ransomed home He brings,  
We'll through the countless ages praise  
His matchless love, His marvellous ways.*

—"The Ministry."

# Can Two Walk Together Except They Be Agreed?

A talk given at morning worship in the division office, Wahroonga, by DR. E. G. McDOWELL, Educational secretary for the Australasian Division.

In Gen. 5:22-24 we read that Enoch walked with God for three hundred years. From man's viewpoint that is a long time to walk with God. We know little of the details of Enoch's life, but we do know that this experience resulted in his translation. Therefore it is something to think about very seriously; for we all seek salvation.

In the latter portion of 2 Cor. 6:16 we find Paul expressing the thought that God walks with us. So we walk together—we with God and God with us. Amos, in chapter 3 and verse 3 of his book, inquires: "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?"

I know but little concerning this subject of walking with God, although I have given quite a deal of thought to it. I presume that people who have been through very difficult experiences, like the martyrs in the Middle Ages, would know what it was to walk with God, for only by such a relationship could they maintain their faith. We live in such favourable circumstances, in which living the Christian life, from a material and social viewpoint at least, is apparently easy, that we do not feel the dire necessity to keep close to God. If we live very much longer I believe we will know that.

People frequently need guidance—educational guidance, social guidance, financial guidance, child guidance, marriage guidance, and so on. It is only when the way becomes difficult that people feel the need of a guide, and sometimes we are not sufficiently aware of the dangers facing us to sense the need of God; and yet we need Him every day and every hour.

In my thoughts of walking with God I find I have to think of things that are familiar to me. I think of walking with a person over a road we have traversed together. Then I carry these thoughts to these texts on walking with God.

Let me illustrate. Recently Pastor E. Rosendahl and I went mountaineering in the Mt. Cook region of New Zealand. We were proceeding up the Hooker Valley, over fairly difficult terrain, though the track at this stage was reasonably well defined. I stopped to take some pictures while he proceeded. When I continued twenty minutes later I found Pastor Rosendahl in a different position from what I had expected, and he was almost too far for me to shout to him.

I wondered what made him go that way, for it seemed to me that he had taken an unnecessary detour. "Why not keep on this high level instead of going down there?" I reasoned. I felt my route was better. Usually it is very unwise for two people mountaineering to separate for any

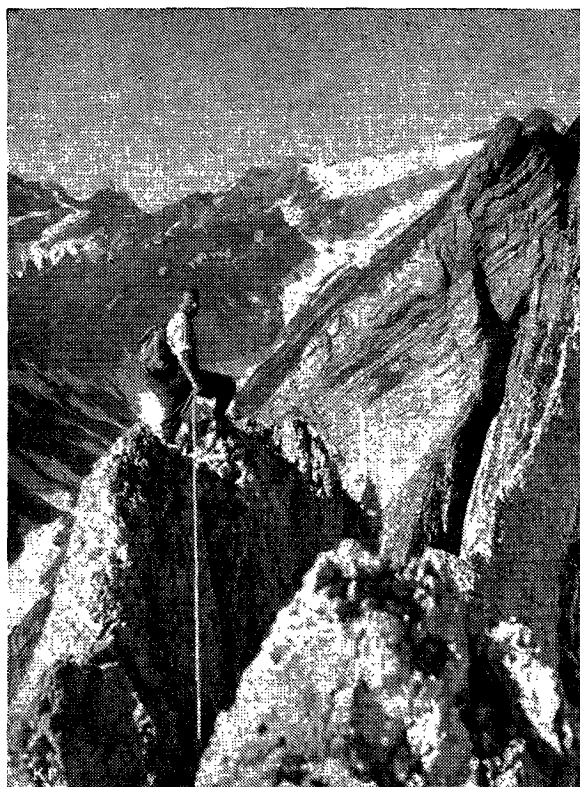


great distance. Even though there may be differences of opinion they should keep together. However, we were too far apart to confer, and I decided to continue. I should have remembered that my companion had been up this route twice before, and I had not been there at all. Suddenly, after walking for some time I found the track gave out completely, for the mountain-side at this spot had fallen away, leaving a steep and dangerous escarpment. I was faced with the difficulty of descending this steep and somewhat terrifying slope or retracing my steps. I figured it would take me quite a while to walk back, so I decided to make the descent. I reached safety but only after some anxious moments.

Often we try to walk like that through life. We see God leading one way but we decide to take another path and we find God again only after a perilous detour. Sometimes in prosperity we have lots of confidence, not seeing dangers ahead, and try to walk without God. Even in such periods we need to walk with Him or else we may lose Him altogether.

As Pastor Rosendahl and I ascended the Hooker Glacier we got into more difficult terrain and so we roped ourselves together. Now we could not get apart. And even

"We think our Sabbath services, our prayers, our Bible reading, are our religion. It is not so. We do these things to help us to be religious in other things. These are the mere meals, and the workman gets no wages for his meals. It is for the work that he does."—Drummond.



when roped together, it is necessary to walk carefully in one another's steps. Paul admonishes us time and time again to walk in the footsteps of the Master. People believe that climbers are roped together so that if one slips the other can prevent his falling. That is true, but it is often more important to rope together on a comparatively flat glacier than on a steep mountain-side, because wide crevasses may be completely concealed by a covering of snow. Stepping there a climber could plunge right through. The first man on the rope probes every foot or every few inches with his ice axe. When it tends to go through he probes a little more carefully to discover whether he may be directly over a crevasse. The one following must be careful to walk in the precise steps of the first man. Roped together, you must walk together, cover the same ground. One cannot stop and the other go on.

I regard the Bible as the rope that binds us to God. If we walk with a person we must appreciate his company and his conversation. If we walk with God we must enjoy His company and love to converse with Him. Our pursuits, our pleasures, the books we read, the company we keep, our conversation, our general behaviour, will all be patterned after God's ideal. We will then reach the place where we shall think His thoughts and in finding our own pleasure we shall be doing His will.

I believe that walking with God means prayer, meditation on spiritual themes, study of His Word, and keeping our hearts fixed on Him. If we walk with God as Enoch walked we shall be ready to meet Him when He comes to translate His saints.



# The WORLD VISION



## Pioneering Among the Gypsies

MRS. HANNAH SAMUEL

(Excerpts taken from a letter written to Pastor O. O. Mattison concerning the work of one of our lay members.)

On November 30, 1954, I went to Gandigammula and returned home on December 4. This village is eighty-seven miles from Guntur and there are 120 families there. One hundred families are gypsies, ten are Baptists, and ten are other caste people. To get to this village we have to go part of the way by train and then by bus, but after that there is no proper road and the final thirteen miles have to be done either by bullock cart or by foot. We have to pass through thick forests for miles. But the scenery is very beautiful, as the village lies between two rows of the Eastern Ghats. We cannot get anything to eat there as the people eat cholam bread. I took my rations from home otherwise I would have starved. They do not have kerosene lights but burn firewood instead. There are no hospital facilities nearby and the nearest post office is six miles away.

You will remember, Brother Mattison, that you baptized a gypsy boy on January 1, 1953, at the time of the dedication of our church, and named him "David." From that time until now he has been doing a wonderful work among these gypsy people. In the beginning he had many troubles with the heads of the group, but he stood firm in his faith and has been doing his best to turn them to Christianity. They are a very innocent and ignorant people, and they would not allow any other missionaries into their village. But God changed their hearts toward me. The leaders now respect me and accept me in their midst.

While in the village I gave them a comparative study of their religion and Christianity, and in the end the leaders and others said that all of them want to follow Jesus. They declared that they would give up their bad habits of idol worship and smoking, etc., and follow the good habits of Seventh-day Adventists. Is it not wonderful? They said if I remained there one or two months the whole village would be changed to Christianity. David felt very glad that I had been there, as my presence had encouraged and strengthened him in his faith. It seems David visits the interested families every day and tells them about Jesus and prays with them.

When Brother Sorenson came to Guntur recently I told him about David and requested him to see that he is sent to one of our schools for Bible studies next year.

He is the first Seventh-day Adventist among the gypsies in the whole of the Southern Asia Division, and he should be encouraged. He is a poor boy and is very faithfully working for the remnant church.

There are ten families in this village who say they are Christians but they know nothing about the Bible and its doctrines. I want to go there again next month and stay for fifteen days to teach them our doctrines and the truths of the Bible and I hope and pray the whole village will become Seventh-day Adventists.

—“Southern Asia Tidings,” 1/2/55.

## God Turns the Battle

RAYMOND S. MOORE

Educational Secretary, Japan Union Mission

There was trouble in Okinawa, serious trouble. Residents of the three northern towns of Okuma, Hentona, and Kijoka were up in arms because some of their high school honour students were leaving their classes on Saturdays to attend the Sabbath school of “a sect called Seventh-day Adventists.” Not only were these students severely criticized by the teachers and principals, but the honours which in solemn Oriental ceremony had been heaped upon them for their scholarship and other achievements, were now shorn from them.

Their parents were angry. They had “lost face” because their children had been disobedient to their schoolmasters. They reacted in various ways. Some of them gave their children the “silent treatment,” and would not talk to them at all. Others beat their children unmercifully, while still others chained them to trees to keep them from going to this “strange Sabbath school.” Two of the parents threatened to kill their children, and one of these threats was published, with the mother adding that this child was now less than good for nothing at all by so embarrassing her and the town.

The newspapers picked up the story and spread it thoroughly over the 650,000 inhabitants of the Ryuku Islands. The reporter, trying to make a name for himself, pushed the story for all he could make of it. Information was willingly provided him by Professor Miyagi, superintendent of the schools of northern Okinawa.

Next, the American Occupational authorities became stirred, and suggested that they step in with their authority and quiet the townspeople and the press. But it would have been inconsistent with the principles of religious liberty for the

Seventh-day Adventist workers to have sought or even permitted this help. Their trust was in God rather than man.

One official in sympathy said, “This is priceless publicity for you!” This was scant comfort to us.

We visited the school leaders, including Professor Miyagi and his assistants. They listened courteously, and then pointed out that not they, but the parents were our most serious problem. There were some questions about this in our minds because parents in these Oriental countries have a great deal of respect for their schools and the opinions of their teachers.

After a brief respite the persecution continued with even greater animosity. One girl was even burned with hot irons after she had been chained to a tree.

The situation was presented very carefully to the workers in Okinawa, and all united in earnest prayer. We also joined in fervent prayer at Japan Missionary College, for some of our students were from these very towns. Students and teachers in unity claimed the promises of God. It was a test of faith for all. The college was much in prayer, and intensively.

Then we all saw our prayers answered by a wonder-working God. First, Mr. Miyagi received a letter from his daughter who had been visiting in Tokyo and who had come to one of our meetings there. She wrote her parents of her deep impression of the message, describing our welfare, educational, and Voice of Prophecy programme.

Mrs. Miyagi became curious. Then she began to change her mind about these people of this “strange sect” who had been conducting these strange Sabbath schools during their children’s class time. Next, she asked for Bible studies.

What is especially significant is that Mrs. Miyagi is one of the most active and forceful women in all of Okinawa. She heads all the women’s clubs of the northern part of the island. And she has some influence on her husband, too.

As you are reading this article, the Miyagis are enthusiastically studying the Bible. With their influence, the whole attitude of the people is changing in northern Okinawa. There are no more attacks from the newspapers. Our new little junior high school is operating with Government licence at Shuri, and much greater things are on the way.

We were reminded of the “publicity” prophecy of the official. How true! For now we are known more and more favourably over the whole island of Okinawa. God turned the battle! Surely His promises of Deut. 28:13 will never fail, if we follow the conditions He has set down.

## The Sequel

(Published one month later)

In the last issue of the “Far Eastern Division Outlook” we reported “God Turns the Battle” in Okinawa. This experience was more dramatic than human words can describe, because the hand of Heaven was in it. And it involved so many people, so many prejudices, and apparently

unending conflicts, that it may have become the great turning point in favour of our work in Okinawa.

Yet perhaps the most thrilling and concrete part of the whole experience came to us here at Japan Missionary College the other day when the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miyagi, the former persecutors of our people, applied for admission to Japan Missionary College.

Here was a young woman of fine personality and great sincerity, with ten years of highly-credentialed teaching experience, the daughter of the superintendent of schools of Northern Okinawa, applying to the college of the church they had so recently hated. She had been a classmate of one of our present Okinawa students, Nobuko Irei.

Such a sequel double-thrilled our hearts when we learned that Miss Miyagi's sister, who is just graduating from high school, is also applying to our college.

This has taught us more than ever the lesson we must not underestimate our God. He has taken the hearts of this father and mother, the most influential couple in the entire area of Northern Okinawa, and has warmed them to this faith. Now we here at Japan Missionary College are to have the happy and holy experience of working to restore the image of God in their souls.

## Converting Converts into Converters

CHEAH HUN YOUNG

Eight souls were baptized in the Penang English church through the efforts of our recent converts who have been converted into converters of souls.

You are interested in this because it confronts you with the possibilities of converting our converts into converters. Did you ever stop to think that most of our churches which have a rapidly increasing membership, are churches whose leaders have not only the burden of going into the world to convert souls to Christ merely to fill the pews, but also the burden of going the second mile in converting their converts into converters?

Last year Pastor A. P. Ritz started a Light Bearers' Training class and about ten completed the course. This year another class was organized and eight were graduated. These light bearers are already bearing their lights, giving Bible studies to individuals, conducting cottage meetings and branch Sabbath schools, and distributing literature.

Brother Jimmy Wah, a Voice of Prophecy convert, was not satisfied with just having his name in the church record book. Bubbling over with enthusiasm to share his faith, he gave Bible studies to his sisters and has won three out of the four of them.

A technical assistant in the Public Works Department, also a Voice of Prophecy convert, anxious to tell his friends how great things the Lord has done for him, visited these friends after office hours and expounded the Word of God to them.

As a result Brother Ng Sui Koon converted three of his office friends and one other friend.

In order to increase the talents that the Master has entrusted to him, a student carried the third angel's message to his Indian friend. Interest was kindled and Bible studies began. Now this boy is determined to take his stand in spite of strong opposition from his parents.

Converting our converts into converters is the great Master Evangelist's method. Jesus did not only say, "Follow Me." He said something more than that. He said: "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:19. This is the very method followed by the apostles and the early churches. When writing to his young convert, Timothy, the Apostle Paul stressed in his letter, "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me . . . the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." 2 Tim. 2:1, 2. Here the apostle to the Gentiles was not only writing to the Timothy of his time, but also to the Timothies of today and of all ages, telling them to convert their faithful converts into converters; so that they "shall be able to teach others also." The Spirit of Prophecy again and again stresses the wonderful results than can be accomplished by this plan: "Through that one soul the message was often extended to thousands."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 229.

Be not content with just attaining your baptismal goal, but be willing to go the second mile. Andrew Carnegie said: "It is the horse that finishes a neck-ahead that wins the race."

"The things that thou hast heard . . . the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." Let us heed this counsel and lay definite plans for converting all our converts into converters.

—"The Messenger," Nov.-Dec., 1954.

## No Time to Pray!

O. A. SKAU

It is strange how God steps in when we have exhausted our own resources. In this connection I think of an experience that came to us during the reign of terror in Calcutta. As a mission we had managed to care for our workers and members except one. In order to help this family Pastor Peak had to appeal to the military for help. The major listened to the appeal and said, "Be here tomorrow morning at nine o'clock." The next morning Pastor Peak drove over to the police station in the mission jeep. The major came out and got into a military jeep saying, "Follow us!" They started out down Park Street. Pastor Peak heard a lot of rumbling behind him but he thought nothing of it. When he arrived in the narrow street where the national worker lived, the major and Pastor Peak stepped out of their jeeps. Pastor Peak was astonished to see a group of British soldiers with guns at ready and bayonets fixed completely close

the street both in front and behind. Not only that, but there was also a big tank behind across the street. The worker and his family were quickly evacuated and taken to the mission. All that was easy. Pastor Peak did not see a person around except the military people.

The next day it became necessary to go back to the vernacular church to get a few things that had been left behind. Pastor Peak had not seen anybody the day before, so he felt that the people in the street had fled. He jumped into the jeep and drove over. The street was empty when he got there. He entered the place and found the things needed. He quickly left the building and walked out to his jeep. Just as he was about to step into the jeep he and the jeep were surrounded by an angry mob shouting, "Kill him!" Pastor Peak was completely taken by surprise and became confused. One man took hold of him and asked why he had come there. Pastor Peak said, "I am a padre and I came to get these things for our national worker."

The leader in the group said, "You don't look like a padre."

Pastor Peak said, "What can I do? If I came with a hat and tie on you would take them from me because they are western. Now I have come without tie, coat, and hat, and then you say I do not look like a padre."

The crowd kept yelling, "Kill him! Stab him! Kill him!"

The leader tried to shield Pastor Peak, and finally he pushed him into the jeep and told him to go and not come again.

Pastor Peak stepped on the starter but nothing happened. He kept trying, still the engine refused to go. This did not help Pastor Peak's feelings. No one knows why the motor refused to run. It may be that in that tense situation Pastor Peak had failed to turn the ignition key. Anyway he could not get it started. The leader of the group seeing Pastor Peak's predicament and realizing that he could not control the group very much longer, yelled at them to push the padre's jeep. As many as could got around and behind the jeep and pushed it down the street. Pastor Peak pulled and twisted everything on the dash board, and suddenly the motor roared and the jeep leaped forward. It was fortunate for all concerned that no one was caught by the plunging jeep.

Did God confuse Pastor Peak to save the situation? No one knows what might have happened had the jeep started immediately. One of the angry mob might have hit Pastor Peak over the head with a club. As it was the mob's attention was directed to the stubborn jeep, and by pushing they were unable to hit Pastor Peak and he got away. Did Pastor Peak pray? No, the situation was such that there was no time for prayer. But he and many others had prayed beforehand for guidance and protection, and we feel that God had given both.

Yes, God is "a very present help in trouble." Ps. 46:1. And He has a thousand ways of helping us that we know nothing about.



The picture shows the Emperor presenting a diploma to one of the graduates. By his side is the Empress. In the corner are two Ethiopian officials. On the right is Dr. Claude Steen, the Union Medical Secretary, and on his right is Miss Alma Binder, the head of the School of Nursing.

## Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, Ethiopia

Graduation Address to Nurses' Class of 1955 by  
DR. HORACE HALL

Your Imperial Majesties, Your Imperial Highnesses, other members of the Imperial Family, Excellencies, Ministers, members of the Board and Faculty, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is indeed a pleasant occasion for all of us and a special privilege for me to speak to this graduating class and this company of people. This, I understand, is the second graduation of a nurses' class in the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital, and therefore it marks another substantial layer in the foundation of medical care and service for the good subjects of His Imperial Majesty.

This occasion should prove to His Imperial Majesty and those associated with him that the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital is proving what they had hoped for the institution, not only as a place for care of the sick but also as a source of well-trained workers in the widespread realm of Ethiopia.

Let us consider the class motto for 1955—"Serving Others." I wish to compliment them on this choice of a theme to guide the ideals of their lives. I do not believe that a better wording could possibly be found. Only one other class motto lingers in my mind and its words were "Despair at Nothing." A combination of these two thoughts would, in my mind, cover the life experiences of the successful nurse.

For over a third of a century it has been my privilege to observe the life and work of consecrated nurses in many parts of the

earth. It is my firm conviction that the nurse holds a very special place in the field outlined by the motto "Serving Others." Their careful, accurate work in the operating-room, again at the bedside, and again in the homes, still others in schools and churches, has always brought satisfaction to the school which trained them, as well as to many a suffering soul.

The nurse's training makes a man a better father, a woman a better mother. This training makes one a better citizen, in fact a better missionary to his fellow men wherever he or she may be placed. For years I have maintained that a godly nurse is the one to depend on in any emergency or critical experience. . . .

The nurse has learned self-control, has learned to pray on through trials which would overwhelm others. In constantly dealing with very ill people the nurse is very apt with not only the right treatment but also the right word to soothe a sore heart and a tormented mind. The doctor has brief discussions with his patient and starts the troubled mind in the right direction, but the faithful nurse in the hours of time with the patient can carefully see that those thoughts are pressed home tactfully, and in scores of instances I have seen the nurse carry this through to a great victory in the life of the sufferer; leading him to a healthy mind enthroned in a healthy body. In fact, I remember now a motto which brought out that point, namely, "A strong mind in a strong body."

"Serving Others"—it would be very difficult to improve that motto. It would be like painting a lily to improve its colour, a thing that cannot be done. If our Lord ever had a motto, it would surely be like the one chosen by this class of 1955. May God bless them in upholding both those words for the world to see—always looking for an opportunity to help, to lift, to be kind, to say something kind, to do something kind. Since I stepped off the aeroplane in Addis Ababa I have received a remarkable uplift myself by hearing of this class through Dr. Steen, who first told me of their graduation motto. . . .

So keenly do I feel about this subject that I would recommend at least part of the nurse's training course in the training of teachers, nearly all missionaries, and in all those lines of endeavour which concern race betterment and social work. It is difficult to find a profession where nursing training would not be a real benefit.

Nurses we need, yes, indeed, but we want them to have a vision that carries them above and through disappointments and discouragements. We want them to carry our teaching of proper diet, proper breathing, and healthy living in general, to many people; but above all we want them to carry with them the true loving humility found in our Lord and Master. We believe the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital is training such nurses in Addis Ababa.

### Congratulations from the Emperor and Empress

After the eight graduates recited the Florence Nightingale Pledge in Amharic and in English they were awarded their diplomas by Their Imperial Majesties, assisted by Dr. Steen and Miss Alma Binder, the Director of the Nursing School. His Majesty the Emperor thereafter made the following speech:—

We are happy to be here today on the occasion of the graduation of this second class of nurses of the Empress Zauditu Memorial Hospital Nursing School. We congratulate you on the completion of the first stage of your studies and more especially on the choice you have made for your life's work—to nurse the sick, to succour the helpless, and to serve your country in this, man's noblest profession. You have chosen the right course.

Your profession calls for discipline—the discipline of humility and kindness, the discipline of study and devotion to duty, the discipline of self—but its rewards are many.

We congratulate your teachers and medical colleagues of this hospital of Christian Faith service. We know they, too, are proud of your achievements. These diplomas have been conferred on you in the hope that your life and work as nurses will be worthy of the training and study you have received at this hospital, which bears the name of Empress Zauditu. Should you permit these principles to guide you in the execution of your humane tasks you will be rendering a service deserving the high appreciation of all.

# Encouraging Prospects in the Middle East

GEORGE J. APPEL

We are faced in the Middle East today with a tremendous history and a future fraught with great possibilities. This is a territory of endless deserts, of stone and sand; of oases where water, which is considered as a gift from God, has brought life to small areas; of great rivers, on the banks of which the history of man began—the Jordan, the Nile, the Tigris, and the Euphrates. Here the workers and believers of the advent cause are pressing forward with faith and courage to finish God's work in the countries where the seeds of truth were sown by the Master nearly two thousand years ago.

In Upper Egypt the work has gone slowly for many years, but now, largely as a result of the interests created by the Voice of Prophecy Correspondence School lessons, scores, yes, hundreds, are waiting to be gathered in. A letter received recently from one of our workers in that area brings the following encouraging experience:—

"I wish you could have seen the joy on the face of Rowheyya as she sang the sweet songs of the gospel for us. One song about the blessings of the Sabbath day especially appealed to us. It was a song of her own composition, expressing her happiness at having been brought into the light of our message. Although Rowheyya has been blind from birth, there shines from her face, and is manifest in her voice, a joy that is an inspiration to hear.

"Sister Rowheyya is the first convert of Rasem Sidra, a zealous lay worker living in the town of Bahgura, Upper Egypt. Really, I should say that Rowheyya was the first convert outside of the family, for when Brother Rasem learned of the truth in the autumn of 1953, he faithfully studied the message with his family until every member accepted the truth. Since then Brother Rasem, who operates a taxi, has spread the message to cities and villages wherever he is called to travel. Not only does he carry a good supply of tracts to distribute to the passengers, but he has prominently displayed the truth on the windows of his motor-car.

"About five years ago Brother Rasem felt dissatisfied with his religion, and began to search for a church that more closely followed the teachings of the Bible. His quest for truth led him from one church to another. For one church, in order to establish this faith in his town, Brother Rasem spent from his own pocket more than \$350 to prepare a meeting-place in his home.

"It was during the autumn of 1953 that he first heard of Seventh-day Adventists. There were no Adventists living in his town, but in a neighbouring city there lived a Seventh-day Adventist merchant whose good reputation had spread to other places. Rasem paid a visit to our brother,

and after a short Bible study left with the book "Friendly Talks" to read. For weeks Rasem studied every book and tract he could obtain, comparing them with the Word of God. In December he travelled to Asyut and attended a camp-meeting conducted by another church. Here he discussed the Sabbath question with workers of other denominations. The outcome was that two weeks later Brother Rasem and his family were baptized.

"Immediately the people of his town became angry, and determined to force him either to renounce the Adventist faith or to leave their town. His own parents drove him and his family from their home. The priest tried to persuade all house-owners not to rent him a house. He was accused of being a criminal or a communist, and nearly sent to prison. The prejudice, the threats, the ridicule, that he and his family endured were most severe, yet they have all not only remained faithful but are zealous in their desire to carry the message to others.

"In the same land where Moses chose to renounce the pleasures of this world and cast his lot with the people of God there are men and women today with the same spirit."

Perhaps one of the busiest workers in Upper Egypt is our evangelist in Asyut, who, though he is in charge of our school—and this alone is a full-time job—has rallied his teachers and the church members to unite with him in an evangelistic effort. At the first service the church was filled to capacity. This young man and his associates won over one hundred souls last year.

Opportunities for the establishing of churches have never been greater than they are today in all Egypt. Church buildings as well as meeting-rooms are needed far beyond any budget provision made so far. In most of the cities and villages there are no available rooms, halls, or meeting-places. Today there are whole companies pleading for a church building to be provided for them so that they may have a place to worship. There also exists an acute situation because of lack of workers. From Luxor to Aswan, on south to the borders of the Sudan, we have no work and no workers to send. From Ismailia east to Port Said and south to Suez no work has been established. In the Nile Delta alone there are hundreds of cities and villages yet unentered. It looks like an impossible task, but God's hand is not shortened. The millions in the land of the Pharaohs will hear the message before the end.

How we wish our "Review" readers around the world could visit our Middle East College, if only for a few minutes! This is the advanced training centre for the advent youth of the Middle East. Not only would you be charmed with the beau-

tiful view as you saw before you the blue waters of the Mediterranean, with the city of Beirut in the foreground, but you would be thrilled as you looked into the faces of the fine group of young men and women from all the countries of these old Bible lands, who are there in training as the result of your sacrifice in making such a school possible. Already many of the graduates of this college are active in soul-saving endeavour. Much credit for the success of the local schools is due to the able staff of teachers, who, for the most part, have been trained in Middle East College. A mission director has just written that the enrolment for this year in two of the middle-grade schools in his mission is over five hundred students.

In planning for camp-meeting in this local field the committee decided to hold the meetings in an unentered area over one hundred miles north of the site of the old city of Nineveh. It was a most fortunate choice, for the spot was ideal, with abundant water and other facilities for the use of the campers. It was also near a village where food supplies were available. In addition to nightly evangelistic meetings conducted especially for the village friends, the doctors and nurses of the Dar el Salaam Hospital held a medical clinic, treating scores who came daily for medical help. Such a fine spirit of co-operation and consecration was shown by everyone who attended the camp-meeting that not only was a blessed experience enjoyed by those who attended, but a new area has been opened, with many people definitely interested in the message. Now a worker is located there, some souls have already been baptized, and others are preparing for the same rite.

During the camp, on a day when the doctor had already treated seventy patients, and in addition had preached several times in the meeting, he received a call to go to a village to treat a woman whose relatives feared she would die before morning. Even though it was late and he was tired he went to see her, gave her some medicine, and then had prayer for her. This woman's husband became very friendly. He said that if no one else would sell land to the Adventists on which to establish a school, he would do it. He said, "I know they are good people, because of what they did for my wife." Of course, after he offered to sell us land, others also were willing to do so. This is the story of how we were able to obtain land up there in the vicinity of Mount Ararat.

Only a few years ago work was opened in North Lebanon, near one of the few remaining groves of the cedars of Lebanon. A meeting place was secured in which an evangelistic effort was started. Suddenly one night an angry mob came rushing toward our meeting-place. A gang of ruffians had been hired to attack the unprotected audience with clubs and stones, to close the meeting, and drive our workers out. However, the meetings continued, and in a short time a goodly number accepted the message. Today there is an organized church of some forty members, with a splendid interest in many





*A typical scene in the streets of Bethlehem.*

of the villages. Land has now been purchased, and a church building is under construction. Thank God that He remembers His work and workers in every time of need.

The following is a brief report of the activities of the Dorcas Society of this newly organized church:—

"Half of our members are in distant villages and unable to attend often. However, friends from the village began to attend, until many times we had more non-Adventists present than members. We tried to encourage all to report needy families to the society leaders, and help would be given as soon as possible. Giving out fifteen Christmas and Easter baskets for poor families in Bishmazine and nearby villages proved an inspiring project, and although not publicized, it has brought favourable attention to our welfare society.

"Various means of raising funds were carried out—plastic food covers, bags, aprons, and bibs were made by the Dorcas women and sold, as well as baby ensembles, dresses, and shirts. In all, sixty items of clothing and of household use have been marketed. Over 450 new and used garments have been distributed to the poor. Sewing activities were suspended this summer, and the primus and pressure cooker appeared as 'operation canning' got into full swing. After raising funds for the Dorcas, we continued on enthusiastically raising money for our new church building. Altogether the summer totals are as

follows: 205 glasses of jelly, 315 bottles of grape and tomato juice, 75 quarts of canned fruit, and 50 pints of fig and quince jam. There is still some jelly and grape juice to dispose of, but when this is sold we expect to have a goodly sum in our building fund."

Yes, our believers are willing to do their part to help provide funds for a church home.

God is wonderfully blessing the literature ministry in the Middle East. Three years ago it seemed difficult to think of having as many as five student literature-evangelists to sell literature during the summer months, to say nothing of having that many full-time literature-evangelists. With the assurance that "if there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures," the Middle East Press was established just two years ago. How thankful we are for the well-printed truth-filled literature that it turns out from month to month! In only a few months after the presses started running, sufficient literature was ready to enable forty-four student literature-evangelists to spend over three months in scattering the printed page. That was in the summer of 1953. Last summer over eighty literature-evangelists, other than assistant literature-evangelist leaders, sold the largest amount of literature that was sold in one summer in the history of the literature work in this field. Yes, Christian litera-

ture can be sold even in the Middle East. There are still brighter days ahead in this line of soul-saving work.

Encouraging word comes in from the old land of Palestine. New work has been opened in the Jerusalem area, with meetings in Bait Jala, a small village near Bethlehem, where David herded sheep as a boy. Already six have been baptized, one of whom is dedicating his life to the literature ministry. As each Sabbath passes, services are conducted in Ramallah, as well as in Bethlehem and Bait Jala. These, with studies being conducted in private homes in Jerusalem, give promise that soon there will be organized companies of baptized believers in all four of these cities, which will be beacon lights pointing to the time when a host of believers will be gathered from these centres made sacred by the presence of the Saviour.

As one stands today on the slopes of the Mount of Olives, looking to the west, toward the old city of Jerusalem, with the old Temple site in the foreground (now site of the Mosque of Omar), he can almost hear the Saviour say with tear-choked voice, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem." Today there are thousands of ignorant and poor people there for whom surely the Spirit of Christ yearns with loving pity. As one works in these areas he feels that he is doing a special work for Jesus.

Seeds of truth have also been sown in the mountain fortress city of Kerak, the ancient capital city of the Moabites. As the result of an effort held there a number are in a baptismal class. Land has been offered for a church and school, giving promise of a well-established work in the near future.

The believers of the Jordan Mission rejoice that soon a new church building will be completed for the city of Amman, as well as a church and school centre at El Husn, in North Jordan. Thus the teachers and evangelists in this old and interesting field have united their efforts for advance, until that field will be lightened with God's glory as the work closes. They need additional workers, such as pastors and teachers, for truly the field is ripe, ready for the harvest. Schools and companies could be established in many new areas if only there were the men and means to do so.

Encouraging news comes from the old land of Persia, where during recent years the work has been so difficult. Over twelve thousand have enrolled in the Voice of Prophecy Bible Correspondence School. Already nearly three hundred have graduated from the course. A number of these have been baptized. The others are being organized into home and branch Sabbath schools. Yes, these lessons are entering homes and hearts as has never been witnessed before. These lessons, unidentified and unsuspected by the relatives of honest students, are being studied and treasured by thousands all over that land. Today is the day of salvation for many from among the people of Esther's land.

Besides the opening of the work in the Sudan a year ago, another light has been kindled—another lighthouse set up—on



the very tip of Saudi Arabia, from which the light of truth can shine to many of the estimated ten million souls who until now have been living in gross darkness. An evangelist and his family have located in the city of Aden in the Aden Protectorate. For a few months the Middle East Division evangelist and his wife will be associated with him, to assist in opening up the work. They hope to conduct an evangelistic effort as soon as arrangements can be completed. A branch Bible correspondence school has already been set up which will wield a mighty influence throughout the entire area. Here they also can contact the many caravans and the

thousands of people who travel to the interior.

A remnant is being gathered out from all the countries of the Middle East. As time is running out, our workers and believers are moving forward with courage, trusting in God's promises, making any necessary sacrifice to see God's work finished. We need scores of consecrated, Spirit-filled workers, for the fields are ripe ready for the harvest. We thank you for your support and prayers as we face the tremendous challenge of advancing the Lord's work in the Middle East.

—"Review and Herald," 3/2/55.

## Eating Between Meals

MERVYN HARDINGE, M.D.

Why do people eat between meals? The two most common reasons are habit and nervous tension.

The habit of eating between meals is easily formed, because eating is usually a pleasant experience and gives opportunity for doing something enjoyable. For many, however, eating affords an escape from pressure, tension, or unpleasant responsibilities much as does drinking or smoking for millions of others. The common excuse that these indulgences in eating are necessary to combat hunger, weakness, or lassitude is not supported by scientific studies. The immediate feeling of renewed vigour and energy, which usually lasts but a short time after the snack is taken, must be credited in general to the pleasure and diversion afforded by the eating process.

That rest must follow any physiological activity is a fundamental law of our being. Greatest physical efficiency is achieved on a regular programme of rising, retiring, working, resting, and eating.

How highly the body regards its rest periods is illustrated by the regularity of the heartbeat—every beat being followed by its brief interval of rest during which the muscle recovers energy for the next contraction. Thus, out of every twenty-four hours the heart rests some sixteen hours between beats. To suppose that the digestive system can long remain in good repair while continually burdened with a mass of undigested food, which robs it of its rest periods, is a most serious error.

The process of digestion involves not only the stomach but the entire alimentary tract with its various organs and glands that produce the secretions necessary for the digestion of food. Every part of this delicate machinery requires periods of rest in which to prepare its products for the next meal. For example, between periods of food intake the gall bladder, a hollow muscular organ, collects and concentrates the continuous secretions of bile formed by the liver. Then, when food enters the small intestine, the gall bladder contracts and pours out a quantity of its

now concentrated bile to mix with the food.

Similarly, the salivary glands, whose secretions begin the digestion of food in the mouth, require rest periods in which to prepare their digestive enzymes. The microscope shows that cells of salivary glands that are rested are filled with tiny droplets known as zymogen granules, the enzymes of the saliva. By the end of the meal these same cells are emptied of their granules, the saliva then produced is much more watery and its digestive power is weaker. With constant nibbling, or constant chewing of gum, the salivary glands are unable to build up their stores, and thus the first important step in digestion is hindered. The same is true of other digestive secretions.

When meals are taken at regular intervals the supply of gastric juice is greatly increased. Then at mealtime, whether food is taken or not, the gastric juice begins to flow; but with irregular eating the stomach has little opportunity to prepare normal secretions. Rest periods for the digestive apparatus are essential also for the maintenance of a high tone of its muscular organs. When food enters the stomach its muscular walls relax to accommodate the meal. This adjustment completed, work proceeds to prepare the food for passage to the intestines.

As the stomach empties, its size gradually decreases while the tone of its walls steadily increases to the high level of the resting organ. But if the stomach must work continuously, its morale is demoralized and its tone diminished. Whenever the stomach works it arouses the whole alimentary tract to activity. Thus irregularity in eating deranges the work of the entire digestive system, and dyspepsia may follow with various manifestations of discomfort, gas, heartburn, foul breath, vomiting, disturbed appetite, or ulcers.

Eating between meals not only disturbs the efficiency of digestion, but it also interferes with the selection of proper food. The child or adult who nibbles comes to the table with a spoiled appetite, unable to relish wholesome food. A survey made by the Navy revealed that their men eat about one-sixth of their daily food intake outside of regular meals. Since these foods are usually of the dessert type—candy, pop, ice-cream—all high in calories but low in other nutrients, the quality of the day's food intake is lowered. Even in many hospitals between-meal feedings for the patients have been discontinued because this practice interferes with good nutrition. Irregular eating may also lead to overweight, because the additional calories from these snacks are superimposed on those from the regular meals.

### The Bedtime Snack

Still another eating error is the bedtime snack. A person may think it helps him sleep better, but actual research has shown that it causes restlessness, with tossing and turning and dreams, especially if hard-to-digest foods are eaten.

That we might be spared suffering due to ignorance, the Lord has given this people instructions on every phase of healthful living. Not the least of the important principles laid down is that of regularity in eating. The subject is widely covered, but the keynote may be summed up in the following few words:—

"Regularity in eating should be carefully observed. Nothing should be eaten between meals, no confectionary, nuts, fruits, or food of any kind. Irregularities in eating destroy the healthful tone of the digestive organs, to the detriment of health and cheerfulness."—"The Ministry of Healing," page 384.

—"Review and Herald," 24/2/55.



## WEDDINGS



**SKUSE-BINNS.**—At the Dora Creek church, N.S.W., on March 29, 1955, friends gathered to witness the marriage of John Skuse of Bickley, W.A., and Hilda Binns of Dora Creek. Our very best wishes go with John and Hilda as they serve the Lord unitedly. C. A. J. Ogg.

**DUFFY-McPAUL.**—In the evening of April 19, 1955, Wahroonga church opened its doors to Oliver Melvin Duffy and Delma June McPaul. These young sanitarium workers are held in high regard, as was well evidenced by a large gathering of associates and other friends who witnessed the marriage ceremony. We believe God's blessing will abide with the new home-makers and anticipate happy association in their continued service in the community. G. W. Rollo.

**DONALDSON-HAWKINS.**—The Murwillumbah (N.S.W.) church was the setting for a delightfully pretty wedding on April 11, 1955. On that day Gordon Hugh Donaldson, youngest son of Brother and Sister J. C. Donaldson of Brisbane, took for his wife Audrey Gladys Hawkins, only daughter of Brother and Sister C. M. Hawkins of Murwillumbah. Many relatives and friends from near and far gathered for the happy occasion, and we heartily join with them in wishing the wedded pair all the blessings of Heaven on their newly established home in Brisbane. A. C. Needham.

**SEWELL-WARD.**—In the Perth church on March 1, 1955, Norman Everard Sewell awaited the arrival of his bride, Pamela May Ward. Both Norman and Pamela are well known and highly respected in the Western Australian Conference. This union means the establishment of another Christian home in the friendly hills of Bickley, as Norman is linked with the W.A. Missionary College as assistant farm manager. To these devoted young Christians a large number of friends and relatives tender their congratulations and pray God's blessing upon their united journey through life. John H. Wade.

**EDWARDS-WHITE.**—It was with real joy of heart that many relatives and friends gathered in the exquisitely decorated Remuera church, Auckland, N.Z., to witness the exchange of marriage vows between Barbara Emily White and Kenneth Leslie Edwards in the evening of March 7, 1955. These young people are widely known in North New Zealand as they have engaged in the service of the denomination, the bride in the conference office and the bridegroom in the office of the Health Food factory in Auckland. We wish them very much of Heaven's blessing as they establish their Christian home and continue in faithful service as witnesses for the Lord. A. G. Ratcliffe.



## UNTIL THE DAY BREAK

**"The dead in Christ in radiant form  
Will hail the resurrection morn;  
With living saints they all shall rise  
To swell the triumph of the skies."**

**SIMON.**—After many months of physical disability, Brother John Gilbert Simon fell asleep in Jesus on February 20, 1955, at the age of seventy-seven years. Brother Simon accepted present truth last year and was baptized in the Napier church, North New Zealand. We laid our late brother to rest in the Waipukurau cemetery to await the call of his Lord. We extend our sincere sympathy to his wife, fourteen children, four grandchildren, and other relatives. D. H. Davies.

**LEES.**—On April 9, 1955, at the age of sixty-seven years, Brother Cecil Herbert Lees passed suddenly and unexpectedly to his rest. His life was one of sincere devotion, unselfish service, and faithfulness to duty, and he was respected by all who knew him. Our brother's one desire in life was to see the cause of God prosper, the work in the mission field finished, and the coming of the Lord hastened. To his sorrowful wife, and other relatives, we extend our sincere sympathy. We laid him to rest in the Eaglehawk cemetery, there to await the call of the Life-giver. H. Baird.

**ROSENDAHL.**—On March 23, 1955, Brother Christian Rosendahl passed to his rest at Port Macquarie, N.S.W. Eighty-three years ago he was born at Townsville, Queensland, and spent his early days along the banks of the Herbert River. His parents came from Denmark and were among the first settlers in the district. Sugar-cane growing occupied most of his time until 1915, when he disposed of his property and moved to Avondale, where his growing family could have the benefits of the Australasian Missionary College. He also commenced studies, but after a short time was invited to the position of assistant manager of the above institution. For five years he held this office, and while there was called by the Board of Management to the Sydney Sanitarium, Wahroonga, where he occupied the position of manager for four years. From there he returned to farming pursuits and took up land at Pappinbarra, just outside of Wauchope, and there he remained for fifteen years. Since then he has lived in semi-retirement at Port Macquarie. Fifty-five years ago he married Miss Dorothy Schnepel and together they fought life's battles until the grim reaper stepped in.

Through the years Brother Rosendahl was a very active worker for his heavenly Master, and until failing ears and eyes prevented him, he carried the responsibilities of church leadership. Scarcely a person to whom he spoke left without

some literature dealing with "present truth," and many have been his visitors through the years, for the home has always been open to friends and needy travellers, who have been caught by his contagious smile and warm handshake.

Left to recall his unselfish loyalty and devotion is a loving wife, three sons—Fred, Eric, and Noel; three daughters—Mrs. W. Allum, Mrs. L. Allum, and Miss Phyllis Rosendahl; two brothers, three sisters, a host of other relatives and friends, as well as the church members with whom he worshipped whenever and wherever he could. After a service in the church at Port Macquarie, which was well attended, the interment took place in the local cemetery. Pastor D. Wyborn, of the Trans-Tasmanian Union Conference, assisted the writer at the church and the graveside.

J. D. Anderson.

The treasurer of the Greater Sydney Conference expresses thanks to the anonymous sender of £42 10s. tithe.

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**FOR SALE.**—On account of ill health, 168-acre dairy farm, Qld. Permanent water, 26 acres cultivation, all necessary farm implements, tractor, etc., half mile from railway station, milking machines, 40 milkers, 15 heifers, good returns, 9-roomed house partly furnished. Reply to "Record."

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## BREVITIES

The Trans-Tasman Union Conference announces their intention of holding a Youth Camp Congress at Telebudgera, North New South Wales, December 26 to January 2, 1956.

On April 27, Pastor and Mrs. E. E. Roenfelt left Australia for Singapore, on their way back to America. Pastor Roenfelt's ministry and association were everywhere very much appreciated, and especially the fact that he accepted such a full programme during his furlough period.

An officer of the Ringwood church, Victoria, Brother K. J. Pengelly, has been accepted for the position of engineer at Aore, the headquarters of the New Hebrides Mission. Brother Pengelly's wide experience as an employee of the Victorian Railways, Vacuum Oil, the Snowy Hydro Electric Scheme, and Dunlop Rubber will make him a valuable man in the mission field. The Ringwood church elder has also highly recommended him.

While engaged in evangelism in the Greater Sydney Conference for a number of years, Pastor K. Mead has shown a keen interest in the young people, being active in organizing and leading the Western Suburbs Crusaders. Now he has accepted the call of the Victorian Conference to fill the position of MV secretary vacated by Pastor C. Judd (now president of the Tasmanian Conference). He was farewelled by Greater Sydney on May 14.

The Publishing Department has advised us of these internal changes: Brother P. Nickells, assistant secretary, Queensland; Brother J. McKechnie to succeed him as secretary for North Queensland. Brother Brian Mayhew, we are sorry to say, has returned to North New Zealand on account of ill health. Brother F. C. Flemming, a leader in Greater Sydney, felt a yearning for evangelism, and as there was no vacancy in this line he elected to return to literature-evangelism, which provides direct personal service.

Just sixty years ago Petersham was in the denominational news. In the "Bible Echo" of February-March, 1895, Pastor S. McCullagh reported: "Pastor R. Hare has arrived from Victoria to join us in another tent effort this season. We have pitched the tent in Petersham, one of the best suburbs in Sydney. The first meeting was held last night, February 7. Although the rain descended in torrents all day and up to within half an hour of the meeting, yet we had a good attendance. Brethren J. E. Collins, J. Pallant, and A. W. Semmens are connected with us and the Lord is blessing their efforts." Six weeks later it was stated that the attendance was increasing and some had decided for Bible truth.

Brother C. Bylund, who recently returned from the New Hebrides, is to connect with the Carmel Health Food factory, Western Australia.

While busy with many duties besides his teaching work at the Papuan Missionary School, Bautama, near Port Moresby, Brother A. G. Chapman has made time to finish his B.A. course by correspondence with the West Australian University. The diploma was issued in April. We send our congratulations to Brother Chapman on his achievement.

Figures supplied to the division office reveal that twenty-nine Adventist families or individuals in six centres of North New South Wales suffered in the recent floods the loss of homes, property, and goods to the value of £35,385. To assist in the rehabilitation of these members and those who it is anticipated will yet make request from South New South Wales Conference, the officers have for allocation the sum of £6,000 contributed by the churches in Australia and New Zealand.

"Through our Welfare work a family were influenced to attend the Cottesloe church," states a Perth correspondent, "the children joining in their particular divisions of the Sabbath school." Also "at day school recently a cleric of another denomination was telling the story of Cain and Abel during the period for religious instruction. Sue Ellis told her mother when she arrived home, 'Fancy, mother, I was the only one who could answer any of the questions.'"

"On March 14 the Cooke Mission team said good-bye to Bathurst" (N.S.W.), writes Evangelist R. K. Brown. "They had spent twelve months in that fine little city and they have left behind, by the grace of God, sixty-nine dear people who made their decision for Christ and His truth during the campaign. Fifty of these people have been baptized and another nineteen are keeping Sabbath and attending church and are planning for the next baptism. Pastor Austin Cooke will return from Dwybo for this event. The Bathurst church welcomes its new minister, Pastor Frank A. Basham and looks forward, through him, to spiritual growth."

A graduate of the Sydney Sanitarium in 1942, Sister Doreen Davey of South Australia, has a thirst for knowledge and education by travel. After doing the obstetrical course in Melbourne and serving for some time at the Warburton Sanitarium, she took the Tressilian course in Sydney and was employed by the Infant Welfare Department as a Baby Health Centre Sister. In 1948 Sister Davey went to England, took the British obstetrical course, later gained experience in hospital administration in various British hospitals, studied for a diploma as a Tutor Sister, and then set off for Canada. She is now a full-time Tutor Sister in the Vancouver General Hospital, where there are 497 trainee nurses. We hope some time soon Miss Davey will yearn to see her native land and her old friends again.

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The prosperous Riverina city of Wagga Wagga, South New South Wales Conference, was the setting for Pastor R. A. Anderson's first ministerial institute, held for three days, April 24-26. Those present spoke enthusiastically of the value of Pastor Anderson's counsel, particularly on evangelism, which will enable them to vault the smaller-town situation that has balked so many up to the present.

The Town Hall in the Sydney suburb of Petersham was filled with approximately 900 people on Sunday evening, April 17, to hear Evangelist G. Burnside's opening address on "A Peep into the World's Tomorrow. Is Peace Possible?" The speaker dealt with some of the signs of Christ's coming and declared that the Bible is the only light that pierces the gloomy future. He said it was significant that Christ's only reference to war was in connection with prophecies of the last days. A fifty-voice choir sang creditably under the baton of Brother Roy Naden. This evangelistic mission is actually a continuation of the campaign in the Sydney Town Hall last year, and most of those who were attending there were present at this Petersham meeting. It is expected that a baptism will be held before long.