



### *The Pictures*

Brother A. R. Hiscox demonstrates his kerosene-operated projector to Mrs. M. Darby, Mrs. W. Pannell, and Sharon and Bobby Darby. Mrs. Darby was baptized as a result of the use of this projector. (See page 9.) Fulton Missionary College 1960 graduates—nineteen, plus Brother N. L. Mills, faculty adviser. (Report on page 2.) Mrs. Pietz arrives by plane at Karimui, the first white woman to enter. (Story by Mary Pietz, page 5.) Samoan presentation to Pastor E. H. J. Steed. (Report on page 3.)





# Our ISLAND FIELDS

## Missionary Nurse—Introduction to Service

Sister Miriam Cook, who left Sydney towards the end of November last, en route to her appointment at Kukundu, Solomon Islands, has been observing and gaining nursing experience along the way. We take some paragraphs from a personal letter:

"While in Port Moresby I visited the Baby Health Centre headquarters. From there I was sent out by jeep to visit several other centres. One was in a village built out over the water, all homes being connected to each other and to the bank by planks. Underneath the houses were gay groups of piccaninnies splashing, swimming, and canoeing. One of the houses was the Baby Clinic. The mothers were squatting or sitting cross-legged on the floor with their babies, awaiting their turn. All around the walls were posters showing how the teeth should be cleaned, best food for babies, how to keep feeding utensils clean, etc.

"Then a jeep called for me and I was taken to another village, travelling for miles along the waterfront, past the bitumen roads and the well-dressed sophisticated natives of Moresby, out into more primitive conditions, where the children wear only their birthday suits and their elders very little more.

"I was also taken to pre-school clinics, Catholic and Government, and was introduced to Dr. Janousek, a Yugoslav lady. I watched her examining patients. Then she called a native ambulance and we visited two hospitals. Returning to headquarters, they gave me literature on Native Baby Health Centre work in the Solomons. All told, I had a most profitable and interesting time there. Dr. Janousek was so bright it was fun to go around with her. She is full of laughter and the natives love her. I was so happy the mission made it possible for me to stay a few days at Port Moresby.

"Brother Bais met me at Lae and showed me round this beautiful town, so green with luxurious growth, especially after dry, dusty Moresby. I met Sister Bais, and Brother and Sister J. Sherriff and their month-old baby. Thus passed my two-hour stay there. Then we headed for Rabaul, where I stayed with the Dickins family. From there I visited Brother Ray Peet and his wife and family, from Avondale. He is doing his medical training for the Government service.

"For two days I visited the beautiful Nonga native hospital about six miles out of Rabaul. I observed and did some pathology work—blood-counts, blood

groupings, hæmoglobin tests, examined slides under a microscope, saw hookworm specimens, etc. While I was at the hospital a quake rocked the building like a cradle. Bottles rattled but no harm came to them as they were on shock-absorbing shelves in the middle of the room. When the tremor was over there was laughter from all quarters, as though they thought it quite a joke.

"On Sunday Sister Dickins kindly took me around Rabaul, which is surrounded by mountains thickly covered with jungle. I was told that through the hills and mountains there are hundreds of miles of tunnelling made by the Japanese, including a complete hospital. On the way to Nonga hospital, every now and then you can see openings into these tunnels.

"Being asked to go to Kambubu for three weeks I had to purchase food supplies. Brother Masters took me to the native market where fruit and vegetables are mainly spread out on two long tables in a wall-less shelter. All are sold by the basket, the bundle, or the group, or large single fruit for one shilling. For one shilling each I bought a basket containing twenty-one kau kau (sweet potatoes), a bundle of lettuce, a basket of a dozen lemons, a basket of a dozen small tomatoes, three avocado pears, a large papaw, a hand of sixteen bananas, and so on. The market fascinated me.

"Outside the building, in the boiling sunshine, sat other natives selling pumpkins and melons, while further away were the vendors of betel-nuts and little bags of lime. These nuts and lime chewed together produce a narcotic effect, I am told.

"We boarded the mission ship for Kambubu about 2.45 a.m. Brother Masters started up the engines and we commenced our trip. An early start is made so as to arrive at our destination before the wind springs up. In exactly six hours we were there.

"Jones Missionary College was about to close. The week-end saw the graduation exercises and various associated activities. The male choir sang a number of pieces. I thought their masterpiece was 'The Holy City.' They also sang several pieces we used to sing in the Avondale Symphonic Choir—'Let Us Cheer the Weary Traveller' and 'O Holy Lord.' The girls' choir sang beautifully, too. The boys put on a demonstration of precision marching to the music of the band. It was all quite entertaining.

"On the Saturday night we all gathered around a camp-fire for an investiture. I think there were 105 candidates.

"Sabbath morning a baptismal service was held at the mouth of the Kambubu

River. Eighteen candidates, with a native pastor each end of the line, all clasped hands and walked out into the sea. It was a beautiful picture with the background of hills on neighbouring New Ireland. The ministers baptized alternately, and when all had received the rite they clasped hands again and walked back to the beach, where they were welcomed into church fellowship.

"I hope I never get to the place where I take all the God-given beauty of the islands for granted. The creatures deserve mention, too. At night you can see lights darting in and out of the croton hedges. They are the fire-flies. Last night while in bed I opened my eyes and saw a tiny light flitting around my room. There are also numerous big brown toads hopping around the lawns at night. Argentine ants are here, too. A crying baby was found on examination to have a ring of cradle cap eaten on its head by these ants, and through that into the skin below, making a horrible gaping sore that took weeks to heal.

"When this letter is read I expect to be in the Solomons."

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## Fulton Missionary College Graduation Week-end

B. H. R. TOWNEND

"The wonderful work being done by this college should be more widely known than it is," remarked the Honourable Semesa Sikavou, M.A., Member of Legislative Council and District Education Officer, when addressing the large audience gathered at Fulton Missionary College, Fiji, for the graduation ceremony November 27, 1960. That which the Government appreciated, and which impressed him the most, were the enthusiastic spirit of progress and development, and the emphasis placed by the college on maintaining a balance in education between academic and practical training.

In past years, at graduation time, the poor old chapel at Fulton was surrounded with as large a congregation as had been able to squeeze uncomfortably inside. But this year a record crowd of over 500 was seated inside the beautiful new dining-hall to honour the graduates from the various training courses and to bring to a climax the most outstanding year in the college's history.

Those who through their Sabbath school offering provided the new building would have been satisfied that their investment had been wisely and carefully used for a good cause. For the past year a team of students worked under the direction of Brother Ron Pahl, our college building instructor, erecting this large service block which provides urgently needed store, bakery, kitchen and dining-room facilities for nearly 250 boarding students. The last few days of November were filled with unprecedented activity, putting the finishing touches to the building and beautifying the surroundings.

All was in readiness for the concert on the Thursday evening. During the two

hours of musical and variety items, the audience was brought to realize the high standard that had been attained by the students in cultural pursuits.

On the Friday evening, Pastor C. R. Thompson, Education and MV secretary from the Central Pacific Union, told how he had been greatly impressed by the past students of the college he had observed rendering faithful and effectual Christian service in various parts of the territory; and he challenged this year's graduates to follow their chosen aim and be "Doers of the Word," and not hearers only. During the divine service on Sabbath morning, Pastor W. A. Coates admonished all to hold to the most noble principles of life by living for and with Christ.

The gloriously warm, sunny weather of previous days gave promise of a very pleasant baptismal service in the afternoon. However, just as the congregation was gathering at the riverside, black clouds rolled over the hills. But young people who had weathered the storms of opposition and persecution in their determination to stand for the truth were not to be discouraged by torrential rain. Pastor C. S. Adams and Pastor A. P. Dyason led forty-five candidates through the sacred rite into the fellowship of Jesus and His church. It was fitting that Jubilee Year should culminate in the largest baptism in the history of the college. Many are the stories of the victories won and the difficulties overcome in the experience of these candidates.

The MV meeting presented by the graduates highlighted outstanding examples of consecration and devotion to duty at various stages in the history of the Christian church, and concluded with the keynote of the graduates dedicating their own lives to continue the tradition of service that has been handed on to our generation by the pioneers of faith.

When the college choir presented the sacred cantata "Esther" in Suva two weeks previously, the main body of students were unable to go so far, so on the Saturday night a repeat performance was given for the college family and our friends in the surrounding districts. One of the features that particularly impressed the audience was that the complete cantata was sung from memory, even though the choir members were all students to whom English was a foreign language.

As already reported, Pastor A. P. Dyason had achieved a very creditable standard with this group. One experienced music critic from the city of Suva stated that he had never heard such sweetness of tone and clarity of expression from a non-English choir. He could hardly believe it was possible for such a mixed group of singers to attain such a high standard of performance, for there were twelve different races represented in the choir.

The climax of the whole week-end programme was the graduation service on the Sunday afternoon. It was at this meeting that our visitor Semesa Sikavou expressed his pleasant surprise at learning of the developments in the college; and at ob-

serving the spirit of unselfish service that appeared to be the keynote of the school. He advised the graduates to look on their college training as a mere beginning to their life's work, and assured them that the civic leaders appreciated the fact that there was an educational institution upholding such character-building principles of life.

Diplomas were presented to four Ministerial, eight Teacher, five Business, and two Building course graduates. This year the graduates will be found in widely scattered fields of the Central Pacific each contributing to the progress of the gospel in its various phases.

Toward the end of August we were honoured with a visit from Mr. R. J. McKearney, Inspector of Secondary Schools for the Department of Education, Suva. During chapel exercises, our visitor gave good advice on how to achieve success in our education. Following this, he made a brief inspection of most of the college departments, both academic and manual.

We quote from a letter received from Mr. McKearney a few days after his visit:

"I was most agreeably surprised at the amount of building taking place. The new building blocks, both wooden and concrete, reveal an advanced level of construction ability and reflect much credit on all concerned. The new dining-hall and cookery-block is excellent both in conception and execution.

"I was delighted with the progressiveness of the school. There have been many changes over the past two years. The 'let us do it ourselves' attitude has developed in the children a pride in their school and a purposefulness in their work. At assembly the pupils were most attentive and appreciative. They appeared a happy group of youngsters who thrive on hard work in the gardens, club work, and compound life generally. Although drawn from different races and from scattered areas of the Pacific, the pupils have chummed up extremely well. There was concerted effort in their singing."

While this senior inspector's visit was brief he undoubtedly caught the true Fulton spirit of 1960.

#### Extracts from the Principal's Report

**Enrolment.** The total of more than 360 in all grades was an all-time record for the school.

**Evangelism.** Literature mailing bands, personal home visitation, and a full-scale evangelistic effort in the near-by township of Korovou had not only given practical soul-winning experience to many students, but had also resulted in several people being drawn to the Saviour.

**MV.** An investiture of over 100 in all classes from Busy Bee to Master Guide had capped a year of strenuous activity for the MV work. More than 600 vocational honours had been earned, the keenest interest centring in Nature and Craft subjects. All college graduates were qualified Master Guides who will play an important part in the church-centred activity for the youth of their home districts.

Nearly fifty students gained First Aid certificates from the St. John Ambulance Association.

**Anniversary.** The year 1961 marks the "coming-of-age" of the college, and it is hoped that under the blessing of God this twenty-first birthday year will even surpass the record year of 1960 in all phases of school life and progress.

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### Twice Honoured

#### SAMOAN TALKING CHIEF'S WISDOM

ERNEST H. J. STEED

Director Public Relations, Australasian Division

Samoans are well-known in the Pacific Islands as gracious people of great dignity and tradition. They are believers in the art of negotiation through discussion and discourse.

From the distant past chieftainship has included the high rank of Talking Chief. This man takes the precedence over all others at assemblies of chiefs—equivalent to the speaker in the parliaments of today.

Whilst visiting Samoa recently it was my privilege to meet Pastor Tavita, the youth leader of the mission. He is in direct line from one of the three High Talking Chiefs of Samoa—Fata Kolao. After the death of his father, Pastor Tavita was urged to return to his village and assume his office, but he declined because of his choice to serve the Lord in the work of the ministry.

Because my grandfather, Pastor Joseph Steed, was one of the early Adventist pioneers in Samoa, Pastor Tavita contacted his relative, now the Talking Chief, and they were happy to have presented to me the emblems of the Talking Chief's office.

The rod or TooToo was owned by Fata Kolao and is one hundred years old, and the brush or Fue, owned by his son, is nearly eighty years old. The Fue with all its long strands of fibre is a symbol of authority. Each strand represents words of wisdom. The Tapa cloth presented was owned by the wife of Papalii Ula, M.L.A., a High Chief of Samoa, and was presented to me by Rose Ryan, his grand-daughter. Rose, who is office secretary to the mission president, Pastor D. I. Jenkins, also presented the high Talking Chief's items on behalf of the present Fata.

We plan to use these historic items publicly and on TV to call attention to the life of the Samoan people and the work of the church for these people.

#### Made a Member of Steed House

The accompanying picture shows Pastor Tavita Niu, our Samoan Young People's Leader, pinning a badge on our Brother Ernest H. J. Steed, during his recent Temperance promotion trip to Samoa.

The Adventist Central School at Lalovaea, when considering names for its Inter-house Activities, a few years ago, chose Steed as one of its house names, in honour of the early missionary Pastor Joseph Steed—grandfather to Brother Ernest and our president's wife, Mrs. D. I. Jenkins.



Pastor Tavita Niu, Samoan youth leader, pinning the badge of Steed House, of the Lalovaea school, on Pastor E. H. J. Steed, grandson of the missionary for whom the house is named.

We have had special "house" badges struck, and these are worn as part of our school uniform.

Who could let the opportunity pass?

The children of Steed House eagerly voted our brother an honorary membership in their house in consideration of his lusty barracking for them during the house activities held on the day of his arrival in Samoa.

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## Retrospect and Prospect

L. N. LOCK

Departmental Secretary, Coral Sea Union Mission

We have recently returned from fur-lough. As we came in to land at Port Moresby thoughts of change were forced upon my mind. How different was our approach to Port Moresby from the first approach I made, when with my parents we arrived in Moresby on the old "Morinda" over thirty-six years ago! At that time the "Morinda" was the sole contact with Australia, and she made a monthly trip to Port Moresby and two other ports in Papua. Now in addition to several ships there is an almost daily DC6B air service to the Territory. The night we flew in there were two DC6B flights, and we flew with Pastor and Mrs. Keith on the special flight which left Sydney about 10.30 p.m. Our flight was direct to Moresby where we arrived before daylight and made a perfect landing in the dark at 5.15 a.m. After about an hour's wait in Moresby we flew on to Lae and home at five minutes past seven that morning. We truly live in an age of speed.

And since we arrived home I have been reflecting on how the work of God has

grown in the thirty-six years' association I have had with that wonderful work here in the Territory.

When we arrived on July 9, 1924, we had but one mission station in the whole of the Territory, which was at Bisiatabu. The thirteen years of work since Pastor S. Carr first started in had been hard years with little apparent fruitage. There had been two baptized. There was much rejoicing shortly after our arrival when a further eleven followed the Lord in baptism, thirteen after thirteen years.

In those days, and for several years after we did not have a native teacher in a village. The Sabbath school which my parents established at Efogi was but the second in the whole of the Territory. The Sabbath school enrolment at the time of our arrival was well under the hundred mark. What tremendous effort had gone into the winning of those first members!

And now what is the picture as we see it today? It is a thrilling one. For some information I turn to the report of the Coral Sea Union Mission, which consists of Papua and the mainland section of the Territory of New Guinea. This is the report for the third quarter of 1960, the final quarter's reports not yet being in hand. From one Sabbath school back in 1924 Sabbath schools have been added until today there are 358 with another twenty-six Branch Sabbath schools. From less than a hundred the membership of the Sabbath school has grown to 28,196.

And what of the church membership? We would naturally expect that that, too, would have grown, and such is the case. The report shows that as at September 30, 1960, the membership stood at 9,423. At the annual meeting for the Coral Sea Union Mission recently completed it was

reported that for the first eleven months of 1960 there had been 2,003 baptisms. What a Jubilee year this has been!

Another very encouraging feature of the picture as it is seen today is the number of European lay members who are now in the Territory. Many of them are in the employ of the Administration, with some of them even in top positions. They are making a very valuable contribution to the work and to the standing of the Adventist membership in the community.

One recent incident shows the respect with which Adventists are held by many. A native sergeant of police a few months ago made an approach to his superior officer advising him of his wish to resign from the service. When inquiry was made as to the reasons for his resignation it was discovered that through the influence of his godly wife the man had made his decision to follow his Lord and become a Seventh-day Adventist. Knowing the difficulty that his observance of God's rest day might create, he had decided to tender his resignation.

His superior advised him not to be too hasty and he would see what could be done about the matter. The sergeant was a valued man and his superior did not wish to lose his services. Hence an approach was made to head office. The result? A circular was sent to all administrative centres advising officers that all Adventists in the force be given full Sabbath privileges.

And what of the prospects for the year 1961? Wonderfully bright. How cheering it was at the annual meeting to learn that budgetary provision had been made for four additional European workers to be added to the staff of the Coral Sea Union. The greatest problem we face today is the one about which the Lord Himself counselled His followers to pray to the Lord of the harvest. Workers are needed, both European and national. There is a wonderful harvest waiting to be gathered in.

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## Success for New Hebridean Evangelist

DEAN GILES

District Director, Aoba, New Hebrides

Sabbath, November 26, the climax of Jubilee Year, found 200 believers and friends gathered on our Aoba beach, where huge breakers were pounding on the black sand. Despite the boisterous scene confronting us, the sixteen people gathered for their baptism knew an inner calm—the peace that passeth understanding. The two native pastors gave the baptismal charge in turn, and when the sea subsided sufficiently, led the candidates into the water. In my mind I pictured other men in other places doing similarly on this great day of reaping.

Behind every baptism there is a story, often a miracle. There is also much work and prayer. Pastor Simon Karae, who prepared these people for admission to the church, experienced all of these elements. Simon will be remembered by many who met him and his wife Nasen at the Mel-



bourne Youth Congress a few years ago. For some years he has acted as assistant MV secretary of the New Hebrides Mission, and since observing Pastor G. Burnside's mission in Fiji he has engaged in direct evangelism.

There are no competing attractions to detract from a mission effort on Aoba, but there are prejudices and indifference for the evangelist to overcome. Knowing this full well, Pastor Karae prayed before launching his mission that God would honour his ministry with just one convert. His enthusiasm increased nightly as more and more people came, many of them walking for several miles. The highest attendance during the three weeks of meetings featuring film-strips and illustrated addresses was 180. Among that number there was the convert for whom the evangelist had prayed. I met this man at a Sabbath service just a few days after he had been savagely beaten by his nephew as a result of his decision. He was carrying a new Bible, lesson pamphlet and hymnal which the local church had supplied, and was radiantly happy despite his trial.

Happily I can report that Simon Karae's prayer was answered much more abundantly. There were many more who took their stand besides the one for whom he asked. One clear result of this success is that Pastor Karae and others, having tasted the thrill of evangelism, want to continue witnessing this way.

In the Aoba district for the Jubilee Year we had forty-two baptisms. I fully believe that with planning and a dedication among all of our workers and teachers, as Simon has shown, we can double this number in 1961.

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## *The Cry of New Guinea Is Being Answered*

MARY G. PIETZ

No doubt many "Record" readers will have seen the colour film "The Cry of New Guinea," taken by Mr. Eric Were, and will have been thrilled by the challenge it brings. We who are working in New Guinea feel this challenge twofold because of what our eyes see and our ears hear.

When two doctor boys were placed in the Karimui area we wondered what the results would be, what conditions they would find there, and how they would spread the gospel to a people who are illiterate and suspected of cannibalism.

Little by little word would come through to Goroka of the work these two boys were doing and that all was well with them. A small strip for Cessna planes was cut out of the virgin bushland by a Government patrol officer and police boys, and this was one more link with the Karimui people.

The first natives, a man and a meri (mary), of this tribe were flown into Goroka for hospitalization and came to our headquarters with Pastor Locas. What poor, frightened specimens of humanity they were! But we had another contact.

About six weeks ago one of these doctor boys returned to Goroka and told us some of his experiences among the Karimui natives and of their customs, some of which are quite revolting, to say the least. Paul took our Sabbath school mission talk, and what a story! He told of how a boy of about eleven years had died. Paul wanted to conduct a real burial (these people eat their dead). He consulted with the parents and they decided to take the body to their house to mourn, after which the doctor boy could bury the boy his way.

On going to the house for six days (by this time the body had decomposed) Paul finally threatened to report the parents to the patrol officer, as there are new laws now. When he said this the mother and a friend jumped at the body and began eating the arms, and Paul said the water was running out of their mouths.

The doctor boy was desperate and gathered up the body. The people followed

him to a hole he and another doctor boy had dug, and there they buried the first Karimui native. He had another similar experience, where the people tore out the rotted jawbone and began to eat it before he could bury the body.

I have often wondered what these people were really like, what type of country they lived in, and the style of their houses. A few weeks ago I had the opportunity of seeing for myself, as Brother L. H. Barnard, who is district director of that area, was flying in by Cessna plane and had a spare seat. Would I go? I jumped at the chance, and what a wonderful trip! Words fail to describe the beautiful plateau on which these people live.

Touching down on the small strip we were soon surrounded by natives and imported police boys. I was a novelty, being the first white woman to enter Karimui.

How repulsive the people looked—thin, hawk-like faces, ribs showing, and distended abdomens. But as I gazed at them



A picture of the first grave at Karimui, with the mother and father at the head of the grave, while the two doctor boys, with the aid of the picture roll, tell the story of Jesus.

I felt the ever-present challenge to present the gospel to these people, and thus bring them a better and fuller life.

We hadn't very long to look around the station, which is a credit to the two doctor boys and their families, as the pilot was anxious to return to the home base. Already the natives are learning to live in individual houses instead of in the community houses, with their pigs.

On our return to Goroka we brought two sick Karimui men with us to the hospital. We have since visited them and they seemed grateful. One wanted to give me his one and only big taro he had brought with him. Thus the people are learning to share.

Yes, the "cry of New Guinea" is ringing in our ears, and we must advance while we have time. In the kingdom of God I'm sure we shall see many souls won from this dark section of the world, and what a joy it will be in the earth made new to mingle and talk with them!

## Bible Instructor in India

ADA WARHURST

It is high time I sent a line or two your way. Just at the moment we are more concerned about the lines that supply our electricity than the lines of words. All day we have been "sitting pretty" on the edge of a cyclone. That is, the streets are pretty with ferns, trees and all kinds of greenery, but are now navigable by boat. I was fortunate to get through about an hour ago on my cycle, but only just. It took some force to steer through the currents of water.

We have had a very wet spell, the wettest in South India's history for twenty years. I have somewhat lost count of the days on which we have had rain. I think we are up to the seventeenth, or it may be even more. All I know is that I have enjoyed the cool weather for a change, seeing that the extreme heat of Madras does not agree with me.

Throughout the wet days I have kept up with my visitation programme, for we are in the midst of our evangelistic effort. Death never takes a holiday, and we who bear the words of life cannot afford to be behind the enemy of souls. So, dressed in plastic like some queer model from the realms of space, I have found it rather pleasant paddling through water sometimes over my knees to get into the houses. It is a good time to find folks home, too. None seem in any hurry to go out, so we can usually spend longer time with them.

We do not use a tent for our evangelistic meetings, but a hall made of corrugated iron painted silver. It is called "Silver Hall." Although the location is on the outskirts of the city and is not sufficiently central to attract large audiences, we are having a good attendance and expect to have a fair harvest of souls. Our biggest heartache is the large number of ex-Adventists who are not with us. There are more of these than members by a long way. Many are the reasons that

have been given for going out, but the big tragedy is the lack of pastoral visitation. Some can boast of only one visit in six years. Whatever the cause, I am so glad God loves sinners, and by His grace we can meet the challenge of winning all for Him.

I'm so glad the spirit of Jubilee Year took hold of so many in my home field and that many souls are being won for the kingdom of God. It is a thrill to read the "Record." I must confess I belong to



ADA WARHURST

the impatient clan who find it impossible to keep church periodicals for Sabbath reading. As soon as the "Record" comes it is read from back to the front page, and not put down until every inch of newsprint has been scrutinized. I guess it takes the separation of land and sea to make one fully appreciate every word that comes from the homeland.

God bless you all and keep you by His power. We do appreciate your letters, the "Record," and even the odd items of news we read about the Australasian Division in the "Review."

## VOICE OF YOUTH

### Juniors Brought Jewess to Sabbath School

W. A. STEWART

Sabbath School Secretary, Trans-Commonwealth Union Conference

While visiting our newly built Sandringham church in Melbourne we had the privilege of shaking hands with one of their new Sabbath school members.

"I am a Jewess from Israel," was Miss Lavell's introduction to us, "and I would like to tell you of the very providential way in which God led me for the first time last Easter to the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

"Some time ago I lost my sight, and my home now is in a blind institution. One Saturday morning the longing came over me to know God's Word better. I decided to try to find my way to a certain Protestant church in the hope that the minister there might be able to arrange for someone to come and read God's Word to me each week.

"On the way I met two juniors whom I asked to help me to this particular church. However, without comment, these two boys took me instead to a Seventh-day Adventist church. Not being able to see, I did not know I was being ushered into an Adventist Sabbath school. But the welcome was so warm and the atmosphere so friendly, and the singing so earnest that I was deeply impressed. And when someone finally explained to me that I was attending a Seventh-day Adventist Sabbath school, and that Adventists keep Saturday as the Sabbath, as a Jewess, even though I knew nothing about Adventist beliefs, my heart leapt for joy to meet with a group of Christians who keep the same Sabbath as I do.

"Truly," concluded this handmaiden from Israel, "God leads us in a wonderful way. I thank Him for bringing me to the light of the Advent Message, and I want to continue to follow the Good Shepherd all the way."

As we talked with Miss Lavell we were reminded of Isaiah's promise, "And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them." Isa. 42: 16.

We are so proud to have this "Israelite indeed" as a member of our Sabbath school, and look toward that glad day when a large harvest of souls from Israel will yet connect with God's remnant church.

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### Counsel to Develop Talents

R. H. H. THOMAS

December 3 and 4 had been looked forward to by the Nelson (South N.Z.) MV Society for many weeks. The reason? Pastor L. A. Lansdowne, the local conference MV leader, was to spend the whole week-end with them as their guest. He arrived Friday and met with some of the Missionary Volunteers at the fellowship conducted in Brother J. Johanson's home.

Sabbath afternoon, Pastor Lansdowne invested twenty young people with MV pins for successfully completing class work for 1960. There were two Sunbeams, one Helping Hand, thirteen Friends, and four Companions. Three of the Friends had covered their work completely by correspondence, being isolated, the writer visiting them occasionally to examine their progress and set further work for them to do on Sabbath afternoons.

The message by Pastor Lansdowne at this meeting was "Encourage thyself in the Lord." He pointed out that "the world wants and is looking for youth with

back-bone who will accept and act out their responsibilities with courage."

Saturday evening the Pathfinder Club convened and demonstrated some of their club programme for him. Then they set to feverishly to finish their hobbies for the display that was to be part of their programme for the Parents' and Friends' Pathfinder tea on the morrow.

At the tea, when Brother George Ripplingale had just about exhausted them with his games period, they assembled and went through their usual programme for the benefit of the visiting parents and friends. Pastor Lansdowne spoke to them on the theme "The measure of a man is his mind." Turning to the hobbies (which were of an exceptionally high standard) he complimented the teachers and the Pathfinders on their excellent work. He urged them to continue to learn from their hobbies, nature honours, and club life to expand their talents, so that when they in turn are placed in a position of leadership they will be ready to accept their responsibilities, having prepared for them in their youth.

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## Two Teen-agers Conduct Missions

D. M. WINGER

Eighteen to twenty persons are preparing for baptism in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, largely due to the preaching of two teen-age youth, Carlton Dyer and Don Schneider.

Carlton Dyer, seventeen years old, conducted a seven-day revival in the Vivian Seventh-day Adventist church. Nine persons took their stand to be baptized. Two of these will be re-baptisms. Carlton was not privileged to attend a Seventh-day Adventist school except for one year. At Ozark Academy, Carlton heard God call him to study for the ministry. He plans to attend South-western Junior College this year to pursue the ministerial course.

Don Schneider is also seventeen years of age. He graduated from the Wisconsin Academy last year and has been holding evangelistic meetings in a hall, pioneering new work in that area. Six to ten persons are now preparing for baptism. Praise the Lord! Don also plans to attend South-western Junior College to study for the ministry.

Both of these young men conducted these meetings this summer of their own volition. They, along with thousands of other Seventh-day Adventist youth, have dedicated their lives to help fulfil the Missionary Volunteer aim: "The Advent Message to all the world in this generation."

Brethren, I believe that this is the generation that will rise up and fulfil this aim. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." God's Spirit is being poured out upon our youth. "Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, . . . your young men shall see visions." Let us not despise our youth by failing to teach them how to give Bible studies, or by failing to encourage them to become ministers and Christian workers.

"With such an army of workers as the youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and quickly coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world." ("Education," page 271.) The one who penned those words was only seventeen when she received her first vision. Her husband, James White, had brought 1,000 souls to Christ before he was twenty-one. At sixteen years of age, Pastor J. N. Loughborough began preaching. Stephen Haskell started preaching at the age of nineteen, and Luther Warren, who as a youth first pleaded with the General Conference leaders for a young people's organization, began teaching and giving temperance lectures at the age of fourteen. God bless the youth.—"The Record," U.S.A.

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## MV's in Action in Korea

R. E. KLIMES

The black-uniformed, closely-shaved students of South-western Academy waste no time on Sabbath afternoons. In groups of ten they walk from village to village, round up the children, and under straw-thatched roofs sing and pray and tell the simple stories of the Saviour. The Lord who bade the little ones to come to Him,

calls them again through the voices of our consecrated Missionary Volunteers of Korea. They work without evangelistic aids, without literature, and only one picture roll among them all, but they work with God's Spirit who touches heathen hearts.

Mr. Hyuk Pak, a Korean Missionary Volunteer, operates an unusual school in two rented dirt-floor buildings in a little town three miles south of the 38th parallel. As a means of winning souls, Brother Pak conducts a dressmaking and hair-dressing school in the morning and a middle (high) school in the evening. He is the only Seventh-day Adventist in the town.

The fifty students attending classes in the morning are prostitutes who are being reclaimed by the Word of God and taught a useful trade. The thirty-five in the evening are mainly shoe-shine boys. Tuition is free. Some of the townspeople assist either financially or by teaching without wages, but the equipment and buildings are far from sufficient.

Mr. Pak has received an invitation from an officer of a neighbouring town to start a similar programme there. The need is great, the opportunities are broad, the people are willing, but the means are insufficient.—"Far Eastern Division Outlook."

## Disappointed?

L. M. NELSON

Secretary, MV Department, South-western Union

Have you ever been disappointed? You are not the only one. As a youth leader I have seen scores of heartbroken youth and parents. Perhaps there is a dream of wedding bells, but one party proves untrue. Or sickness strikes, and a career is cancelled. Or there is an accident, and a loved one is taken away for ever.

But there is One whose heart has seen more sorrow and disappointment than any of us can imagine or understand. Focus your mental power for a moment and picture Jesus looking upon Jerusalem with tears in His eyes. He recalls the disappointment when Adam and Eve sinned in the garden, the grief that filled His heart when He had to destroy the world with a flood, and of sorrows uncounted when Israel continually rejected His counsel.

Here Christ stands. One who longs to heal every known disease, yet the people try to stone Him. He is the resurrection and the life, and can bring the dead to life again, yet they try to push Him over a cliff. He can supply every known want; yet they refuse Him as king, and would take Caesar instead. He can change the heart and give victory over every sin, yet they are planning to crucify Him. No wonder Jesus wept!

What caused the death of Christ? Was it the nails driven through His hands and feet? Or the whipping by a Roman lash? Was it the abuse, the inhuman treatment,

or the loss of blood? No, Jesus died of a broken heart. The disappointment and weight of sin were more than human life could bear.

Do you remember the day you first discovered your Saviour? How your heart beat with divine love as you came up from the baptismal waters and knew that every sin had been washed away! What assurance you found in 1 John 1:9: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

You experienced the reality that "though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18. Victories were gained. Old habits were put away. How diligently you daily studied the Good Book! You had to tell everyone of your new-found faith. Your heart was filled with joy, peace, and the love of God.

### The First Love

In the Book of Revelation, the second chapter, verses four and five, we read: "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works."

Years ago in the "Review and Herald" of December 15, 1904, the servant of the Lord wrote: "Leaving the first love is

represented as a spiritual fall. Many have fallen thus. In every church in our land, there is needed confession, repentance, and reconversion. The disappointment of Christ is beyond description."

"Few give thought to the suffering that sin has caused our Creator. All heaven suffered in Christ's agony; but that suffering did not begin or end with His manifestation in humanity. The cross is a revelation to our dull senses of the pain that, from its very inception, sin has brought to the heart of God."—"Education," page 263.

Our hearts should be filled with shame. We should be moved to immediate action to change our lives. We must heed the appeal that God makes to the Laodicean church: "Buy of Me gold tried in the fire." The Word of God must become a part of our daily experience. The Morning Watch must take on new meaning. We must not only taste, we must feed upon the living Word.

The appeal continues: "And white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed."



## Around the CONFERENCES

### Cooking Demonstration, Toowoomba

JOY TOTENHOFFER

"But you don't mean to tell me that this sausage does not have any meat in it?"

"Yes, that's right. This is vegetarian, and is made mainly from lima beans and the protein from wheat, called gluten."

"Well, if my wife could cook vegetarian meats to taste like this we'd be happy to go without meat."

Such were a few of the remarks overheard at the conclusion of a cooking demonstration and "Taste and Try" which was a feature of our final week of mission meetings for this year here in Toowoomba (Qld.). The function was rated a real success, and we have found this plan the ideal way to introduce both new and old Adventists to tastier and better vegetarian cooking.

A short introductory talk on food in general, and how it affects our health and our personality, was followed by the first demonstration, when Mrs. Margaret Edgeworth showed how to make two basic patties: one from soy beans and the other from rice. Then Mrs. Zelma Edwards gave the recipe for a split pea mould which is served with mint sauce. After each demonstration, samples of the savoury were served in individual containers to each person present.

Mrs. Jean Freyling told of the valuable part that gluten can play as a substitute for meat, and all agreed that her gluten steaks were truly delicious.

Surely, now is the hour when Adventist youth should be wearing the robe of Christ's righteousness. Every sin must be confessed. We must submit ourselves to Christ until the heart, the will, the mind, and the thought are merged into His life. This is what it means to be clothed with the garments of His righteousness.

And last, we are told, "Anoint thine eyes with eyesalve." This is the hour when Adventist youth should be pleading with the Holy Spirit to provide heavenly discernment, so we may see and overcome.

What a change would come into the church of God if all were to heed the counsel of the True Witness! The youth could then take their rightful place in finishing the work. Soon we could behold the glorious scenes of the second coming. The disappointments of this life could be exchanged for the joys of heaven, and we could behold the joy of a loving Saviour and experience peace of heart. Adventist youth must not disappoint their Saviour. They must respond to His appeal.—"Review and Herald," October 20, 1960.

I was delegated to show how the Mock Windsor sauce is prepared, and Mrs. Edgeworth cooked some savoury rice with vegetables. Mrs. Edwards demonstrated a vegetarian savoy, and the last recipe given was for a delicious gluten and walnut roast.

Time was also taken to introduce those present to the various health foods which are marketed by the Sanitarium Health Food Company. One lady remarked that now she could understand why the Adventist ladies did not have to make daily treks to the butcher's shop; and another volunteered that she had no idea such a variety of delicious savouries could be made without meat. This lady is a vegetarian and we hope our mutual interest will provide a means of future contact and lead to an appreciation of spiritual delicacies.

The interest in the programme was so keen that plans are already under way for more such demonstrations next year, not only in Toowoomba, but also in the three other churches in this district, where my husband is now leader.

The recipe for Gluten and Walnut Roast:  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup finely chopped walnuts, 1 medium sized onion, grated, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon Marmite,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon herbs, 1 cup cooked gluten, minced, 1 tablespoon oil or copha, 1 small teaspoon salt, 1 small cup tomato puree.

Dissolve Marmite in tomato puree. Beat egg slightly. Add all ingredients together and pour into greased pyrex dish. Bake for 1 hour in moderately warm oven. Serve hot or cold.

### Acts of the Apostles in Sydney In 1960

CYRIL BROWN

"Christ's followers have been redeemed for service. Our Lord teaches that the true object of life is ministry. . . . By living to minister to others, man is brought into connection with Christ. The law of service becomes the connecting link which binds us to God and to our fellow men."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 326.

A few lay people, encouraged by a small result from their missionary endeavours the previous year, decided to continue their ministry together in 1960. Brethren Les Jackson, Terry Butler, and Hartley Ballard carried the responsibility right through the year. Brother Edmund Parker and willing musicians all played their vital parts. The result was three baptisms conducted in which seventeen dear friends became avowed followers of Christ. Since this missionary group commenced operating in the little hall about twenty months ago, twenty-three have been baptized.

The prayer scroll helped to keep on record some of the blessings the Lord bestowed on those who are serving or seeking Him. Following are some experiences written on the scroll.

A gentleman gave up his position to keep the Sabbath and was unemployed for three weeks. During this period he looked for employment but found none. He asked for special prayer at the mission one Sunday night. The next morning by nine o'clock he found work without Sabbath duties.

Another man had an accident which caused blindness in one eye. He asked for prayer that the Lord would restore his sight. He is now in active employment with about ninety-five per cent vision restored. This dear brother gave up an excellent Government position to observe the holy Sabbath. He had been trying to overcome the use of alcohol and cigarettes, but these habits seemed almost too strong for him. When he gave up his good position in a deed of sacrifice to obey the commandments, the Lord gave him the victory over both habits. This victory was given in spite of the fact that his next work took him on deliveries to hotels, where he had much free beer offered to him, also cigarettes.

The cards on which the people's prayer requests were recorded were lost during the packing up after the campaign was concluded. Two hours were spent searching for them. Then two of the group knelt to ask God to help them find the cards. During prayer one of the two praying was impressed to look in a book that had been on the book table but had since been packed away. Within half a minute the lost cards were found. They had slipped between the pages of this particular book.

An order was sent to America for some slides to be used in a promotion programme during the cold winter months. It seemed impossible that the order and the films could pass through all the offices and legal obstructions, and be in Sydney



in time for the meeting. Again prayer was held, requesting that the films arrive on time. Finally the advertising went out without the films having reached us; but the day before the meeting they came.

A gentleman reported that his car had been stolen for a week and the police could find no trace of it. During the Sunday night meeting he asked for God's help to be enlisted. The next morning the car was found 100 miles away in the country; and precious records that were in it when stolen were still intact when the car was restored to the owner.

A Sunday school teacher had difficulty in accepting the doctrines taught by us. After many months of Bible study and reading a large number of Adventist books, this lady agreed that this was God's truth for our day. When she told her husband of her decision, he cut her off from handling any money, so she could not have fares to go to church or offerings. As soon as her baby is old enough she hopes to take some part-time typing to earn offerings and fares.

The struggle to overcome the habit of smoking was very severe. Victory seemed impossible even with the help of prayer. Finally this lady had the courage to say the only way she could overcome smoking would be for her to get sick when she smoked. Without her knowing it, we petitioned the Lord to that effect. Within a week she became ill, and every time she smoked she was terribly nauseated. The victory was won with the Lord's help, and baptism followed.

Two anointing services were held for people who were seriously ill. A young man had developed a softened vertebra in his back, which caused him severe pain, and it appeared that he would become an invalid. The best medical treatment was unable to remedy his condition. After intercession on his behalf, this young man returned home and slept without the strong sedative he had to take previously. Though he still has a slight weakness in his back and occasionally feels some pain, he is able to work and enter into normal life activities.

The other case referred to was a lady who while attending our meetings was informed by her physician that the pain and hæmorrhage in her mouth and nose were caused by a seemingly incurable infection. In both cases of anointing there was no visible manifestation of the power of God at the time. The lady was advised to return home full of faith in Jesus and to use every natural, healthful means to co-operate with the Lord in bringing about her recovery. Her recovery was steady, and at the end of six weeks her infection appeared to be healed. The doctor suggested a few ray treatments just to be sure the infection was destroyed. At the end of the seventh week she was completely restored.

When we go to the Lord in prayer we believe He uses many agencies, such as physicians, healthful principles of living, etc., through which to bring relief from suffering to those who place their faith in Him.

Not happy in the church where she wor-

shipped, a lady began to pray that God would lead her into the one of His choice. Shortly after petitioning Him in this manner, she was walking along the street when she heard an audible voice say, "Worship here." In surprise she looked around, both for the source of the voice and the place. She was just passing a Seventh-day Adventist church at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, so she turned and went in. After the service she met my wife, who invited her to the mission meetings.

This friend accepted scriptural truth and planned for entrance into fellowship with us. But she developed a painful nerve affliction in her arm and was so distressed that her hopes of baptism faded for the time. Prayer again availed, and she was able to go through the baptismal rite without pain.

Many of the experiences had faded somewhat from memory as the year's activities absorbed our interest. We unfolded and re-read the prayer scroll at the conclusion of the mission, and rediscovered the loving response of God. We write these providences so that "Record" readers may have their faith strengthened in the God whom they worship. Truly He is still leading His people by the pillar of fire, past dangers and obstacles, toward Canaan's happy land.

"Gratefully will the ransomed ones remember those who have been instrumental in their salvation. Precious will heaven be to those who have been faithful in the work of winning souls."—"Christ's Object Lessons," page 373.

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## Layman Had the Right Kind of Projector

ADRIAN M. PETERSON

The work of a layman with an unusual projector provided an interesting feature at a recent baptism held in the Kadina (S.A.) church.

The layman, Brother A. R. Hiscox, made a round trip of over thirty miles each Thursday evening for several months to the small railway siding at Willamulka. Willamulka has only half a dozen homes, with no shops, hotel, or post office, and has no electricity either.

Brother Hiscox owns a kerosene-operated still projector which he had previously used while a missionary-teacher in New Guinea. Each Thursday evening he would light the kerosene projector, which delivers approximately 100 watts of light, and screen one of the 20th Century film strips.

After many hours had been spent in Bible instruction, and upon the practical Christian help given by Brother and Sister W. Pannell, the wife in the home, Mrs. M. Darby, signified her intention of making a complete surrender in baptism.

Mrs. Darby was baptized in the Kadina church on Jubilee Year baptism Sabbath, November 26, in a most impressive service conducted by Pastor K. Mead of the MV Department in the South Australian Conference.

## Minister and Wife Greatly Missed

MRS. C. M. COOPER

After nine years of true and faithful service as pastor of the Katoomba church, Pastor G. Peacock, with his good wife and helpmate, has left the mountains for health reasons, to take up residence at Gorokan, near Wyong, on the Central Coast of New South Wales.

In his warm-heartedness, Pastor Peacock was always ready and willing to do a good turn for anyone, and endeared himself to everyone with whom he came in contact. Both he and Sister Peacock will be greatly missed.

But they certainly deserve a rest after thirty years of missionary service in the islands, then a period at Mona Mona Mission in North Queensland. All of us at Katoomba church wish them God's richest blessings in their new surroundings.

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## Steadfast, Immovable

EVELYN GOODING GOLDING

[Sister Golding passed away on September 21, shortly after she wrote this story.]

I am happy to bear my testimony to my belief in the teaching of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, on this my eighty-third birthday, in this our Jubilee Year.

In the year 1887, South Australia was keeping Jubilee Year, and so staged the Jubilee Exhibition in Adelaide, and all the people in the country towns who possibly could, took a trip to the city to visit the Exhibition and purchase a souvenir in remembrance. And though we lived in Clare, a hundred miles north, and were a very large family and rather poor, yet we all in turn paid a visit.

Mother having read the tracts sent us by father's sister when she was baptized as the second person to take her stand in Adelaide, decided that while in Adelaide to see the Exhibition, she would be baptized, and so she was. On her return home, she and father decided to have "family church" in our home every Sabbath morning, being the only Seventh-day Adventists in our large town. And having housed and cared for the first colporteur sent to Clare, and having bought one of his books—"Bible Readings for the Home Circle"—what could be better than to take up the study of that book chapter by chapter, that is, subject by subject?

I, being ten years of age, quite understood those lessons and fully accepted the teaching for myself. That was seventy-three years ago, and I have studied the same lessons over and over again in the Sabbath school. Therefore I am an Adventist, not because my parents were but from my own choice. I have loved the truth and taught it to others all through the seventy-three years, and so any so-called "new light" doesn't change my belief from the old teaching based on God's Word; and I could never be anything other than a Seventh-day Adventist of the old sort.

## THE WORLD VISION

### *Typhoon Victims Receive Aid from Mission Doctor*

The press on Taiwan recently reported the mercy mission undertaken by Dr. Kao Kuang of the Adventists' Taiwan Hospital following disastrous landslides in the interior of Taiwan.

The landslides, caused by Typhoon Shirley, wrought havoc among the mountain villages, destroying homes, burying whole families, and isolating and injuring many of the people.

Dr. Kao was flown by helicopter to the disaster areas, where he was able to give aid to those in need, and plans were laid for removing some of the more seriously injured to the hospital by helicopter. The press story told how "after landing at the village (of Paoshan) at 4.15 p.m., Dr. Kao braved heavy rains and walked for more than three hours with a guide to reach Teng Chu, the worst-hit place."—"Tell," Nov., 1960.

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### *Free Advertising in El Salvador*

ORLEY FORD

We are holding an evangelistic effort in Quezaltepeque, Salvador, about thirty kilometers from the capital. We are now in our second week and things look good so far. I searched the town to find a large hall to rent. Owners of the few halls that might have served refused to rent for fear of the priest. They say he is very "bravo." Finally we had to choose between the church, which is very small, and the open air. We decided to try an open-air meeting in the patio of the home of one of the brethren. All sides of this patio are enclosed and there is no way to enter except through the room where our brother lives. It was not a very promising arrangement, but we decided to try it. We hung a curtain to improve the appearance and put up wiring and a screen.

The priest began to rant, and threatened to come with a procession each night until we left. The public was excited, and expectation ran high the first night. Between 200 and 300 people came in. Many were standing, though we had seats for 200. I had just begun to preach when the procession came with a loud speaker. They had the image of the virgin with them and the priest called on all the faithful to come out, but no one left our meeting. They would have been ashamed to do so even if they had wanted to. The crowd outside stayed about half an hour, ranting all the while. Because we were inside and the door was closed, we barely heard the noise outside; and with our loudspeaker we were able to go on.

The town people resented the action of the priest and many talked against him.

They report that he says he is going to leave this town. So far, we have had a full crowd, nearly 300 at least. We don't need to do any more advertising, as the priest has advertised us well and everyone knows where we are.—"Messenger," July, 1960.

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### *Spiritism in Egypt*

C. V. BRAUER

Secretary, Sabbath School Department,  
Nile Union

During the past few months Spiritism has become very popular in Egypt. All over the country young and old, rich and poor, Moslem and Christian, have experimented with the current "fad" by which a basket is placed upon a table, over a piece of paper, and a pencil is wedged into the basket with the point in position to write on the paper. Those gathered around the table then, following the reading of a verse from the Bible or the Koran, ask questions of the spirit that occupies the basket, and the questions are answered in writing as an unseen hand guides the pencil over the paper. Thousands have indicated that their questions have been answered correctly.

To meet this "attack" our pastors and evangelists have held public lectures on the doctrines of "Spiritism." Large numbers have been helped to see the true source of the "spirits." In Heliopolis, Wadie Farag opened his current evangelistic campaign with a well-advertised address on "Spiritism." In the audience were university professors, pastors of other churches, and several well-known spiritists. The Heliopolis church was packed and several hundreds were turned away.

This meeting led to an invitation to Brother Wadie to join with three others in a public discussion of "Spiritism" in the university. The other speakers were: the editor of a leading magazine and the man responsible for the current popularity of the "basket"; the leader of the spiritists in Egypt; a leading Moslem sheik, who spoke against Spiritism from the Moslem view-point. Brother Wadie Farag was invited to speak as the representative of the Christian viewpoint, and the Lord greatly blessed his words, with the result that practically the entire audience of 1,000 university students vocally agreed with the Biblical position. From this gathering and from other meetings on this subject Seventh-day Adventists in Egypt have gained much favourable comment and interest in our beliefs.—Middle East "Messenger," Third Quarter, 1960.

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### *World Newsogrammes*

(From the "Review and Herald")

★ In Sierra Leone a layman walked twelve miles each week to give Bible studies to a group. Later when a minister visited the company he found more than 100 ready for baptism. In another instance a young man who had spent only six months in one of our training schools, raised up a company of 100.

★ In one country of Southern Europe a man who used to be a millionaire lost his entire fortune as a result of becoming a Seventh-day Adventist. When this brother was visited recently he said, "Now that I have received the Adventist message I am the richest man in all the world."

★ Some time ago, while visiting England, Pastor Fridlin, president of the Southern European Division, saw a motto being used by a group of pacifists meeting in Birmingham. The motto was "Be active today or we shall be radioactive tomorrow." "This is a good motto for us," observed Pastor Fridlin. "Our aim is to be active for God."

★ In India a girl about fifteen years of age travelled 600 miles to Poona, with only a few rupees in hand, to enrol in the Voice of Prophecy school, which she thought was a regular boarding-school. This girl's widowed mother, a Hindu, gave full endorsement to her daughter's desire to know Christ, and she wrote, "Perhaps after my daughter has learned of Jesus, I, too, will follow."

★ The influence of our institutions is illustrated by an experience at Skodsborg Sanitarium. Five of the patients had purchased tickets to attend a theatre ten miles away in town. Before leaving, the group were sitting in the parlour of the sanitarium. A number of our young women came in and sang several gospel songs. Afterwards, the five patients went to town; but when they arrived at the theatre entrance all of them agreed that the influence of the music had created a distaste for the theatre. Turning around, they drove the ten miles back to the sanitarium without using their tickets.

★ In a small Indian village drought had prevailed for a long time. Streams, wells, and other sources of water for the area had dried up. In desperation the non-Christians of the village asked that everyone unite in praying to the rain god, Veruna. But the Adventists replied, "No; you pray to your god and we will pray to the true God. You pray to Veruna on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and then we will pray to our God beginning at sundown Friday until sundown Saturday night."

The non-Christians prayed desperately for three days, but the heavens were as brassy as ever. No sign of rain appeared. Friday afternoon the village people came to our members, acknowledging failure in their appeal to Veruna, and asking that our people now seek the true God. All night Friday and all day Sabbath our people fasted and prayed. In the early afternoon there still was no sign of rain.

But one hour before sunset the sky was covered with heavy, dark clouds. Lightning pierced the heavens, and ere long it began to rain. Rain fell all Saturday night, all day Sunday, and all Monday. The non-Christians were much impressed. Recently, when Pastor Mattison went to check on the accuracy of the story he discovered that the villagers had put a gunny sack over Veruna's head. Obviously, they had lost confidence in this god—one of India's 380 million gods.

# Sabbath Observance

(At the Annual Meeting of the Australasian Division in November it was "VOTED, That the following statement on Sabbath observance prepared by the General Conference in Autumn Council be recorded and passed on to the field and also published in the 'Australasian Record.'")

Throughout our history Seventh-day Adventists have joyfully observed the seventh day as the Sabbath of the Lord our God, who created us and later redeemed us by His blood. But because of the ever-increasing complexities of our modern age our members are at times perplexed to know how rightly to relate themselves to certain problems that arise in connection with Sabbath observance. These problems are many and varied and therefore cannot be dealt with in detail in a general statement.

In urging our world membership to a more careful observance of God's holy day we call attention to the following:

All twenty-four hours of the Sabbath are equally sacred. This is clear in the Word of God, and the counsel of the Spirit of prophecy emphasizes it.

"From even unto even shall ye celebrate your Sabbaths." Lev. 23: 32.

"We should jealously guard the edges of the Sabbath. Remember that every moment is consecrated, holy time."—"Testimonies," Vol. 6, page 356.

"You should not rob God of one hour of holy time." Id., Vol. 2, page 702.

Any work that it would be wrong to engage in at noon on the Sabbath would be equally wrong to engage in just within the borders of the Sabbath day.

"The Sabbath law forbids labour on the sanctified rest-day of the Lord. The toil that gains a livelihood must cease; no labour for worldly pleasure or profit is lawful upon the Lord's day."—"The Spirit of Prophecy," Vol. 2, page 164.

"Be it loss or gain from a worldly point of view, it will not alter one jot or tittle of God's claims in the fourth commandment. The name of every transgressor with the character of the offence, is written against the offender in the books of heaven."—MS 34, 1897.

"If we violate the letter of the fourth commandment for our own advantage from a pecuniary point of view, we become Sabbath-breakers and are guilty of transgressing all the commandments, for if we offend in one point we are guilty of all."—"Testimonies," Vol. 1, page 532.

There are of course certain kinds of labour that are always lawful on the Sabbath day, such as the care of the sick. The Scriptures and the Spirit of prophecy are clear that we may render a service wholly in keeping with the Sabbath in caring for the sick. This is true of the doctor visiting those who must have his attention on the Sabbath, and of our nurses and others in our medical institutions caring for the sick. However, we would counsel our ad-

ministrators in all institutions, constantly to be on their guard to hold down to the very minimum even necessary labour on the Sabbath day.

Jesus said the Sabbath was made for man. It was given to us by the Lord as a sign that He is our Maker and Redeemer. (Eze. 20: 12, 20.) It was given to us for our good. It was given to us as a day of rest from our daily toil. It was given to us as a day of worship, communion with God, and fellowship with the saints. God wants it to be for His children a day of joy and gladness. His promise concerning it is:

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words; then shalt thou



## That Eden Sabbath

SYBIL READ

*What peace, what blessing must have been  
On that fair Sabbath morning scene!  
No fog to dim sun's golden light,  
No taint of sin, no baneful blight  
On trees, or plants, or meadows fair,  
But life and beauty everywhere.  
The carolling of happy birds,  
The peaceful harmony of herds,  
The perfect flowers with sweet perfume,  
Earth's living carpet from God's own loom,  
The music of the rippling brook—  
These pictures from God's nature book.  
But when another page we turn  
We e'en a fairer scene discern.  
Two souls, in perfect joy and love,  
Communing with their God above;  
Made in His image, like Him pure,  
In harmony with His great law.  
Brimming with life and mental power,  
Praising their Maker hour by hour.  
Angel visitors converse  
On wonders of God's universe.  
What must that Sabbath day have been  
In Eden when there was no sin!  
Ah! soon shall dawn a Sabbath day  
Sweeter than Eden's—far away.  
No life-destroying germs around  
To mar the joy that shall abound.  
God's work in every phase restored,  
His name by every soul adored.  
Instead of two, an innumerable throng  
Raising the immortal victory song,  
The song that angels cannot sing,  
And e'en in Eden could not ring.  
Creative and redeeming love  
Together blend; and all hearts move  
To praise and adoration sweet  
When Christ our Priest and King we greet.  
O what a Sabbath that will be—  
In that blest concourse we must be!*



delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isa. 58: 13, 14.

For these reasons the leaders assembled in the 1960 Annual Meeting appeal to our members in all parts of the division, young and old, to apply these great eternal principles to our daily lives, ever seeking to exalt our Lord's intents above our own in regard to the observance of His holy day which sets us apart from the world around us.

Our blessed Master while on earth set us the highest and noblest example in obedience and Sabbath observance, and as His people we should joyfully follow in His steps. 1 Peter 2: 21.

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## Tips From Johnny's Teacher

ELSIE K. TYSON

1. Make Johnny think that going to school is one of the greatest privileges in this world.

2. Encourage him to set a goal for his life. It will spur him on.

3. Help him to understand that the teacher is as interested in him as you are, and wants to help him reach his goal.

4. Visit with Johnny's teacher. Be friends. Don't wait until Johnny gets into trouble to make a call. Working together you can make his school life very successful.

5. Show an interest in Johnny's homework. He'll show more, too, if you encourage him a bit. But don't do it for him. That is not the purpose of homework.

6. Provide Johnny a quiet comfortable place for study. The benefits of a dictionary and reference books will be rewarding.

7. Teach Johnny to do first things first. Don't leave important homework to be done just before bedtime.

8. Make Johnny's school chums welcome in your home. This will develop his personality and leadership qualities.

9. Take part in school activities. Be a strong supporter of your Home and School Association. Volunteer your services to Johnny's teacher. Johnny will, too.

10. Provide Johnny with some physical work each day, preferably out of doors.

11. Give Johnny a good start each day. This will include: (a) sufficient rest, (b) nourishing breakfast, (c) clean, appropriate clothing, (d) morning worship around the family altar, (e) a good lunch, and (f) a cheery, happy send-off.

12. Don't talk about Johnny's teacher in front of him. He thinks she's perfect. You know better, but let him think so. Her work will be much more effective if she has his complete confidence.

Won't you try these tips? I am confident that your work together with Johnny's and his teacher's will produce an abundant harvest to record on his next report card—"Atlantic Union Gleaner," Sept. 5, 1960.

# Conquering Moods of Depression

JOHN W. OSBORN  
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Who would ever think that a man about to be signally honoured by translation would be found sitting under a juniper tree praying that he might die? Yet this is the pathetic picture given in 1 Kings 19 of one of the world's greatest men of God, deep in the grip of despondency.

Elijah had become a self-appointed exile. His mind, heart, and body had gone into hiding. He had driven himself into the misery of his own exclusiveness. He had slumped into the smallness of his own soul. He drew the shutters across his heart and sat in the darkness of his soul, all alone.

Elijah was in a sad state of mind. Dark forebodings and dismal imaginings swept over him. He found himself tossed on a sea of trouble without bottom or shore. His dark mood did strange things to him. He had fled from death threatened by Jezebel, and yet he asked to die. Had he not run, the wicked queen would have accommodated him.

Despondency had transformed him. He who was invincible at Mount Carmel was vulnerable in the wilderness. Atop the mount he had feared neither man nor devil. Single-handed he had faced a hostile king and his court. Without flinching he had put to death the priests of Baal. Now he was fleeing from the threat of a woman. He who had been strong in faith was besieged with doubts.

Not even the best Christians live continuously on an even keel. There are times when the greatest of God's servants find themselves in the grip of despair. The great English martyr, Hugh Latimer, who was willing to face death by burning, once said, "Pray for me! Sometimes God doth visit me with His comfort; sometimes I'm so afraid I could creep into a mousehole."

Moods of despondency come to most of us at one time or another. Then we have a desire to run away from it all, to seek the seclusion of some juniper tree.

Elijah's experience reveals a number of reasons for a depressed spirit. He had just been through intense excitement. It took every ounce of his energy to face the representatives of apostate Israel in a showdown. On Carmel there had been a marvellous demonstration of the power of God. Naturally Elijah expected that a great reformation of God's people would immediately follow. This was to be the great climax of his ministry. For this he had prepared for three-and-one-half drought-stricken years. Therefore he was unprepared for the sudden turn of events. Seeing the work of a lifetime apparently blow up in his face was the last straw.

Depleted bodily strength will also cause depression. Elijah was suffering from physical and nervous exhaustion. He had not eaten all day at Carmel, for he had to be on the alert constantly because of the trickery of the Baal priests. Later the slaying of those wicked men had

taken something out of him. Then on top of all that he had run through mud and torrential rain in front of Ahab's chariot. Before he had time to rest he had set out again on foot and had kept running until he was in a distant wilderness. No wonder he was moody.

In addition to these reasons for being depressed, Elijah was now idle. This was devastating to a man of an active and vigorous nature. Therefore Elijah felt that he had a monopoly on trouble. He wrapped himself in self-pity and prayed that he might die.

All kinds of remedies have been offered for moods of depression. Some are helpful; others are not. It has been suggested that one plot his mood curves, keeping a record of when they come and how long they last. There is some value in this, for it will help to approach recurring moods objectively and prepare us for the next arrival.

It is also suggested that we keep our bodies in the best of health and refrain from practices that will exhaust them. (A healthy body contributes to a happy disposition.) It has been suggested that we endeavour to keep our minds in a healthy state, building a sound philosophy of life and avoiding self-pity. There is power in positive thinking.

In the experience of Elijah the Lord revealed how best to meet the troublesome problem of depression. At the very outset the Lord sent an angel with dinner for Elijah. After the prophet had eaten he fell asleep again.

From this we can learn that physical refreshment is not unimportant in overcoming depression. Food can do wonders for drooping spirits. It can often change one's whole outlook. Rest is nature's sweet restorer. Many are pushing their bodies too hard and whipping them beyond their strength. As rest and good food were used to start Elijah on the way to normal thinking, so they can be an aid to us also.

Elijah needed a fresh glimpse of God. He had been looking at himself too much. At Horeb he began to talk with God. He opened the sluices of his soul to God. He told Him what was on his heart. There his faith was revived and the gloom vanished like mist before the morning sun.

When depression sweeps over our souls we need to go to Calvary as Elijah needed to go to Horeb. We need to pour out our hearts to God, to open our souls and receive a fresh draught of truth from God. In the hour of our greatest weakness we need to place our trust anew in God.

Elijah did not find God in the wind howling savagely among the mountain peaks. He did not find God in the mountains reeling under the shock of a great quake. He did not find God in the flames of lightning stabbing the dark heavens. He found God in the still small voice.

In quietness of soul is our strength. Shut in with God, rather than with self, listening to His voice gently speaking to our souls as it did to Elijah's, depression will vanish like wreathing steam from the kettle's spout.

As a final step in the cure of Elijah's despondency the Lord sent him back to active work. Religious activity for God is part of the cure for depressed spirits. Occupied minds and hands give no time for self-pity. Service for God opens the way to a bright, cheery life. When Elijah returned to work, new friendships awaited him, new opportunities challenged him, new victories were in store for him, new revelations of God delighted him. Ultimately the man who sat under the juniper was triumphantly transported to heaven in a fiery chariot.

In Elijah's juniper experience the Lord reveals how we can master our moods of depression. It is a formula that never fails. First we must meet the needs of the physical man in the restoration of a fatigued body through food and rest. Next we need to journey to the mount of God where we can pour out our hearts to the Lord, to lay down our burdens, and catch a fresh glimpse of Calvary. Then we need to enter anew into service for the Master.

As the angel of the Lord ministered to Elijah in his hour of dire need so will he minister to us also. The Lord stands ready to encourage and help all who are despondent as was Elijah. His attitude toward His prophet was not one of severity. He ministered to him tenderly. He waited patiently until the prophet came to himself.

In like manner He will deal with you and me. Moods of depression will come even when, like Elijah, we may be facing the time for translation. Let us learn from the experience of this great man of God how to master these moods of depression.

"Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise Him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God" Ps. 42:11.—"Review and Herald."

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## What Have You Read Today?

C. R. BEELER

What have you read today? Count up the items, just for curiosity—your Bible, the Spirit of prophecy books, the newspaper, magazines, a letter or two, and church papers.

You may be surprised as you survey your reading habits. Happily surprised to find that it amounts to more than you supposed. Or you may be startled to see how little you read.

How many pages have you read today, from any and all sources? Eight? Twenty? Fifty? Has it been enough to properly feed your intellect? And your soul?

Have a planned reading programme. Besides the newspapers and occasional



magazine article, your correspondence, your Sabbath school lesson, one should plan a balanced diet of book reading. How many books did you read during 1959?

Reading is essential to keep the mind active with fresh ideas, as well as to keep it stocked with up-to-date information. Staying too long in an unventilated room, breathing stale air without an abundance of life-giving oxygen, dulls the wits, anaesthetizes the brain, overpowers one with drowsiness. Likewise, shutting up the mind from the pungent, growing effect of new ideas—ideas from the outside—stagnates the intellect with the staleness of re-thinking the same old thoughts. Result: a bored bore, dull company for himself and unstimulating company for others. Mental asphyxiation has been the tragedy of many with the idea that learning stopped when the body reached maturity and school attendance ended. It has been observed that he who cannot read is less to be pitied than he who can read and will not.

Devotional and spiritual items obviously should come first—both from the standpoint of importance and of quantity. Read the Bible through, again and again. Read it, for a change, in one of the newer versions or translations. A portion daily, both of the Bible and of the Spirit of prophecy is essential to spiritual health.

All matter of an evil, degrading nature is naturally to be refused. But there is an abundance of secular literature that is profitable. Some might be classed as entertainment, such as works of biography, travel, or wholesome adventure. Then there is that which is informational, dealing with current events, human relations, health, homemaking, music, art, nature, hobbies, etiquette, and even science, history, or business, in a general way. Technical treatises abound upon literally thousands of scientific, vocational, and professional fields, graded from the simple to the most advanced.

Your planned reading programme should include something from each category from time to time. It should not be all entertainment, nor wholly informational. Read something quite regularly that deals with your principal occupation, to keep developing your ability and increasing your efficiency. Whatever your work may be, you will doubtless find books that would lend themselves to self-improvement in it. Then expand your horizons by reading something that has to do with an entirely new field of activity or thought.

Find books that will help you perform better the duties of a church office you hold—on ushering if you are a deacon; on social work, if you are a Dorcas leader; on record-keeping or budgeting, if you are a clerk or treasurer; on conducting meetings and discussions, if you are a Sabbath school or MV officer; on church music, if you are chorister or organist.

It is good to set a goal for the year of a certain number of books to read. Many busy people read a book a month. Some read as many as one a week. Suit your goal to your own programme, and

then plan for sufficient variety. Don't be afraid of large books—they may be read a few pages at a time, even if it takes weeks or months to complete them. Discipline yourself to read something occasionally that requires effort to understand and absorb.

Keep your mental windows open and benefit by the stimulating and refreshing currents of idea ventilation.—“Southern Tidings,” U.S.A.

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### *U.S. Treasurer Eats Simple Food*

Money is magic. “But there are things that even money can't buy, and they,” says Ivy Baker Priest, treasurer of the United States, in the September issue of “Life and Health,” “are time and good health.”

In an exclusive interview article, Dr. J. DeWitt Fox, editor of “Life and Health,” tells a fascinating story from the desk of the Money Lady of Washington, Mrs. Priest, the second woman to hold the office of treasurer in the country. The rise of a little girl from a copper-mining town in Utah to this esteemed position is a tribute to the American way, where hard work and dogged determination spell

success—provided a firm foundation of good health and religious faith is made.

Mrs. Priest, a long-stemmed beauty of five feet eight inches, who weighs only nine stone nine pounds, doesn't have to watch her diet, because she learned early to eat simple foods—and she avoids sweets, pastries, rich, and fried foods. She prefers fresh fruit, cottage cheese, green vegetables, milk, and buttermilk to more heavy foods, though she can eat anything she likes.

For exercise she gets more than her share on the golf course, “in extra swings,” she says laughingly. She also enjoys walking, swimming, and horseback riding.

She advises everyone to take a little vacation every day, having fun and relaxation. She enjoys her work, and has real zest for her position.

A favourite speaker to banking groups, she flies about the country to financial meetings, meantime keeping a busy Treasury office going. A mother of three grown children, Mrs. Priest, a Mormon, thinks children should be taught reverence and respect for religious things and for the rights of others. No child is too young to learn respect for authority, she says.—“Northern Union Outlook.”

### *A Worthy Mother in the Advent Cause*

W. N. LOCK

Hannah Rebecca Searle was born in Taunton, Somerset, England, on January 5, 1863. When she was a child of about ten years her parents migrated to Australia, travelling on the ship “The Great Queensland,” and settled in Maryborough, Queensland.

Hannah's mother was one of the fourteen trained nurses who had set out from England with Florence Nightingale to nurse the British soldiers during the Crimean War. Arriving in Australia, she continued her vocation as a nurse and midwife, and in those pioneering days when there was such a scarcity of doctors and nurses, she was in keen demand, and performed a remarkable ministry.

At the age of eighteen years, Hannah was married to Carl William Petersen, a driver on the Cobb and Co. coaches from Gympie to Maryborough and Brisbane. This union resulted in fourteen children being born, eleven of whom (seven daughters and four sons) are still living.

Some years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Petersen moved to the Mackay district in Queensland, and there one of our pioneer colporteurs, the late Brother A. T. Start, sold Mrs. Petersen a copy of the book “The Coming King.”

Her interest was aroused at once, and with the good follow-up work of Brother and Sister Start, combined with the visits of the president of the conference, Pastor H. E. Piper, Mrs. Petersen, together with three youngest children, Laura, Rhoda, and Olive (now respectively Sisters T. R. Kent, S. V. Stratford, and T. J. Bradley)

took their stand for the Advent Message. These three daughters all found their way to the Australasian Missionary College.

Shortly after this another daughter, Dagmar (Mrs. W. Murray), decided to obey all the commandments of God, and later two of the sons, Charles and James, did likewise. Only last year, still another daughter Florence (Mrs. F. Symonds), was baptized.

Over a period of forty-four years, Sister Petersen was always a staunch and true believer in the Advent faith. In addition to the sons and daughters who followed her spiritual example, she also had the pleasure and satisfaction of living to see several of her grandchildren trained for and enter the service of the denomination. These are all well-known and greatly respected in the cause today, in both the home and the mission field, viz., Pastor Ray Kent (who has recently accepted a call to evangelism in South Africa); Rhoda Kent (Mrs. Milton Krause of the Greater Sydney Conference), Norma Petersen (Mrs. R. Trood of North New South Wales), and Edna Murray (Mrs. L. N. Lock of the Coral Sea Union Mission).

Sister Peterson lived a long life and exerted a wide influence, especially among the members of her family, comprising eleven children, thirty-four grandchildren, fifty-three great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren, a total of 106!

Today she rests, awaiting the resurrection morning. May the hope which continually sustained her burn more and more brightly within each of our hearts until that wonderful day when there will be no more decay or death, no more partings, no more saying “good-bye.”

## Weddings



**McCATHIE-ARCHER.** It was a happy day for Alwyn and Robin when they stood before the altar on October 24, 1960, in the Palmerston North church, New Zealand, to exchange marriage vows. We join the many relatives and friends who witnessed the happy event, in wishing this young couple God's richest blessing as they set up their new home in Palmerston North.

Raymond H. Kent.

**CATER-DUNLOP.** A tastefully decorated church filled with relatives and friends completed a happy bridal scene in Thirroul, N.S.W., on October 3, 1960, as Raymond George Cater and Jeanie Wilson Dunlop exchanged marriage vows "till death us do part." These fine young people come from good Adventist homes and will bring to the new hearth a background of Christian upbringing that speaks well for their future happiness. May God's rich blessing overshadow their home.

H. W. Kingston.

**ALLUM-TOWNEND.** On November 30, 1960, Leonee Irene, eldest daughter of Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Townend, was married to Rodney Arthur, son of Brother and Sister W. Allum. This marriage linked together two well-known families in the Advent Message. The bridegroom is a grandson of the late Pastor F. A. Allum and Mrs. Allum, who spent many years in China as missionaries. Following the ceremony at the church the guests proceeded to the reception, where all joined in wishing Rodney and Leonee God's blessing as they set up a Christian home from which will radiate an influence for good as they live for their Master.

E. W. Hon.

**COOMBS-ELLIS.** On December 6, 1960, the Preston church, Victoria, was well filled with relatives and friends who came to witness the union of Graham Eric Coombs and Beverley Helen Ellis in the holy estate of matrimony. These two young people are graduates of the A.M. College class of 1960, and enter the work of God in North New South Wales. They come from two godly Adventist families; Beverley from the large, well-ordered family of Brother Norman Ellis of Diamond Creek, Victoria, and Graham from a more recent Adventist family of Greater Sydney, all sons and all devoted to God and His service. May God bless this couple and make them fruitful in the work of the Master to whom they have given their hearts and talents.

H. S. Streeter.

**BOULTING-NIEBUHR.** On December 8, 1960, at the Avondale church (N.S.W.), Pastor James Boulting and Miss Wanda E. Niebuhr exchanged marriage vows. The large gathering at the church betokened the interest and esteem in which this couple are held in the community, where both have given appreciated service for God. The guard of honour formed by the bride's former pupils was a fitting conclusion to the ceremony. At the reception, guests extended their good wishes, and telegrams from far and near brought greetings from relatives and former student teachers who were helped and encouraged by Sister Boulting during their college training. As Pastor and Mrs. Boulting unitedly serve the Lord, may His special blessing be theirs.

H. W. Hollingsworth.

**COCKBURN-HUTCHINSON.** In the morning of November 20, 1960, the Macksville church (North N.S.W.) was beautifully decorated for the marriage of Margaret, only daughter of Brother and Sister H. Hutchinson of Warrell Creek, and James, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Dr. Cockburn. The many relatives and friends who filled the church to witness this happy event showed the high esteem in which this couple are held. As Jim and Margaret set up another Christian home at Warrell Creek, may God richly bless them in spreading the message of a soon-coming Saviour.

J. E. Martin.



**ARCHER.** Alice Edith Archer, aged eighty-three, was interred in the Kelvin Grove cemetery, Palmerston North (N.Z.) on November 3, 1960. Our sister was a faithful church member and witness for the Advent Message. She leaves to mourn her passing, two sons, one being Pastor S. Leeder of Mullumbimby, North N.S.W., and a daughter, Mrs. Davis of Palmerston North. We extend our deepest sympathy to the relatives, and look forward to the glad reunion day when partings will be no more.

Raymond H. Kent.

**WATKINS.** Sister Heather Isobel Watkins of Toronto, N.S.W., passed quietly to her rest in Newcastle on November 13, 1960, after an illness of more than six months. Our sister was most resigned and confident during this time, for her trust was in her Saviour. Sister Watkins will be keenly missed by her husband and only daughter Maureen, as well as by the members of the Toronto church, where her organ music was so much appreciated. We laid her to rest in Beresfield, in the certainty of the "blessed hope."

Arthur C. Needham.

**WATSON.** On November 21, 1960, Sister Margaret Watson of Blacktown, N.S.W., closed her eyes in death, which brought release from suffering. Accepting the Advent Message in 1924, she became a charter member of the Blacktown church. Before a church building existed meetings were held in her home, and she was active as a deaconess and in Dorcas ministry. She leaves two sons, James and John, to carry on her consecrated example. The services in the church and at the graveside in Castle Hill were jointly conducted by Pastor H. Stacey and the writer, the loved ones being pointed to the blessed hope of a soon-returning Saviour and reunion.

C. V. Christian.

**GRAY.** On November 30, 1960, we assembled in the Karrakatta cemetery, Perth, W. A., to say farewell and pay our last tribute of respect to our beloved sister, Mabel Julia Gray who, at the age of seventy-two, took a heart turn from which she did not recover. She was born in Melbourne but had lived in West Australia for fifty-eight years. She was a loyal and diligent member of the Mt. Lawley church. She will be greatly missed but she rests in hope. We extend our sympathy to the three children, Dulcie, Alan, and Milton, and other relatives and friends. Associated with the writer in the funeral services were Pastor Howard Rampton and Brother R. Possingham.

D. A. Speck.

**NEALE.** Suddenly but not unexpectedly, the light of Percy Neale's life was extinguished on December 8, 1960, in his seventy-ninth year. He was a colourful character in the history of the Adventist cause in Victoria. In youth he accepted its teachings and was one of the early students at the Avondale School for Christian Workers. He was an honoured member of the East Prahran Memorial church, of which he was the first elder. He loved the cause of God and was zealous for its success. To his widow, four children, Mrs. Fowler, Bill, a business man in Brisbane, Mrs. B. Hansford, and Rob of Queensland University, and nine grandchildren we commend the promises of God. The services at the church and the Brighton Lawn cemetery were shared by Pastor L. Rose, president of the conference, and the writer.

H. S. Streeter.

## RETURN THANKS

Mrs. E. Rosendahl and family sincerely thank relatives and friends for the beautiful floral tributes, telegrams, comforting letters and cards sent to them at the time of their sad loss of a loving husband and father. These have all helped sustain us as we look beyond to the glorious dawn of the "perfect day." Again we say "Thank you" and ask you to please accept our message this way, as it is impossible to answer all personally.

**FOR SALE.** Fully furnished cottage, e.l., city water, choice position. Jack Hagen, Cooranbong, N.S.W.

**WANTED.** Accommodation man, wife, and son 18 years, city or suburbs of Sydney. Apply Jack Hagen, Cooranbong, N.S.W.

**WANTED.** S.D.A. accountant. Please state experience and age. Good opportunity and wages. Also office girl. Apply Bonney's Pest Control Company, 10 Allison Street, Dubbo. Phone 3487.

**FOR SALE.** Modern 3 bedroom home, all conveniences, close college. Also 500 hens in laying cages, saw-tooth sheds. £4,500. A. C. Mackay, Crawford Road, Cooranbong, N.S.W.

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## NOTICE

Because of increased accommodation the Albury church school has vacancies for secondary level students desiring a Christian education to the Intermediate standard. Reasonably priced board is available for a limited number. Contact, as early as possible, the Headmaster, Adventist church school, Parkinson Street, Albury, N.S.W.

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# SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON HELP

HARRY W. LOWE

General Conference Field Secretary

For Sabbath, February 25, 1961

(Please preserve for reference.)



persecution of her enemies." ("The Acts of the Apostles," page 473.) From Matt. 24:37-39 we can add to these signs the unconcern of men with any but creature enjoyments and material things, so that, like the antediluvians, they will be unaware of impending doom.

Luke 21:25-28. "There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity." The Revised Standard Version says "distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea . . . , men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world." At the same time there will be indifference and foreboding, but the latter is that of the wilfully uninformed. In addition, there will be earnestness and watchfulness in true believers. "They that heed the warning shall not be left in darkness, that that day should overtake them unawares. But to them that will not watch, 'the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.'"—"The Great Controversy," page 38.

1 Tim. 4:1. "In the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils." Spiritual declension arises from certain causes. Weak faith, incomplete dedication, ignorance of the Word, worldliness, neglect to follow light, self-sufficiency, superficiality—all are reasons for defection. To have a puny love of truth is often to fall victim to the "strong delusion" that believes a lie. For further reading: "The Acts of the Apostles," page 266.

2 Peter 3:3-5 (R.S.V.). "Scoffers will come in the last days . . . following their own passions." These wilful critics argue that because all things exist as they were in our forefathers' day, they therefore will continue thus into an indefinite future. But, says the apostle, they deliberately ignore the fact that "by the word of God heavens existed long ago, and an earth formed out of water and by means of water, through which the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished."

"Marvellous beyond expression is the blindness of the people of this generation. Thousands reject the Word of God as unworthy of belief, and with eager confidence receive the deception of Satan."—"The Great Controversy," page 561.

Matt. 24:14. "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world . . . and then shall the end come." By its nature this must be one of the last signs of the end, if not the last. If the coming of Christ is the most awful event for a wicked world, obviously a loving Creator will not permit men to fall under judgment without first giving them ample warning.

"When the members of the church of God do their appointed work in the fields at home and abroad, in fulfilment of the gospel commission, the whole world will soon be warned, and the Lord Jesus will return to this earth with power and great glory."—"The Acts of the Apostles," page 111.—"Review and Herald."

## THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS

The hope of the second advent of Jesus so electrified the first believers that they expected it in their day. It is such a stupendous event that no true believer can ignore it. It is the logical outcome of the resurrection, which in turn was the capstone of the incarnation and crucifixion. It is both the deliverance of the church and the judgment of the world.

Whether we use the words "appearing," as in Titus 2:13, "coming," as in James 5:8, "return," as in Luke 19:12, "presence," as in 2 Thess. 1:9, "come again," as in John 14:3, there is but one event that fulfils all these descriptions—the blessed hope of our Lord's second coming in power, personally, gloriously, audibly, visibly.

### 1. The Assurance of the Event

John 14:1-3. "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again." Jesus here used an emphatic form of argument common among men. Paul's use of it appeared in last week's lesson: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above." They were to see Him go. Therefore they could be certain of His return. "Come again" is from one of the ten New Testament words used for various aspects of the Lord's return.

Heb. 9:27, 28. "Unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Literally, "He will appear to the ones expecting Him, with a view to salvation" or "to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him." (R.S.V.) The angels found watchers for Messiah's coming on the Judean hills. It was to the watching Magi that the Lord's coming was revealed. Knowledge of the Lord's return will, like the news of His earthly birth, come to those who earnestly watch for Him. See "The Great Controversy," page 315.

### 2. The Event in the Old and New Testaments

Jude 14, 15. "Enoch . . . prophesied . . . saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints." "Enoch became a preacher of righteousness, making known to the people what God had revealed to him. Those who feared the Lord sought out this holy man, to share his instruction and his prayers. . . . It was the Spirit of Christ that spoke through Enoch." ("Patriarchs and Prophets," page 86.) His message that the Lord's coming was "to execute judgment upon all" is singularly harmonious with other Bible pictures of the judgment. The coming is described as audible, tempestuous, fiery.

(Ps. 50:3.) One of the oldest books of the Bible anticipates a resurrection to meet the Lord: "I know that my Redeemer liveth, and . . . in my flesh shall I see God." Job 19:25, 26.

Matt. 24:30. "The sign of the Son of man" is a small black cloud that became large and glorious as the Lord approached the earth. ("Early Writings," page 15.)

2 Peter 1:16-19. "We . . . were eyewitnesses of His majesty." Peter made known the works of Christ, and he had seen the glory of the transfiguration, where "the future kingdom of glory was represented in miniature." ("The Desire of Ages," page 422.) He therefore claimed that his testimony was not "cunningly devised fables." He, with his fellow disciples, was "looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13.

### 3. Signs of the Lord's Return

Matt. 24:3. "When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?" "The future was mercifully veiled from the disciples. . . . Christ presented before them an outline of the prominent events to take place before the close of time." ("The Great Controversy," page 25.) What He said was puzzling to them, but "they would have been overwhelmed with horror" had He outlined in detail His own awful death and the frightful destruction of Jerusalem.

Matt. 24:7. "Nation shall rise against nation, . . . and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers ['various,' R.S.V.] places." To this Jesus added, in His answer, the prevalence of iniquity to the point of lost love for religion: "Most men's love will grow cold" (verse 12, R.S.V.). "He had warned the disciples that the church would be in more danger from this evil than from the



## BREVITIES

Brother Donald Fraser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fraser of Warburton, has gained his degree of Bachelor of Commerce, with five honours. Donald has attended the Melbourne University, and we congratulate him on his achievement.

In the latest examination in Commercial Law conducted by the Australasian Society of Accountants in Sydney, Brother T. Andrews of Esda Sales and Service tied for third place in New South Wales. We are happy that he has done so well.

After an extended period of service in North New Zealand, Pastor E. B. Ibbott has returned to Australia as song leader for the Trans-Tasman Union, and will be associated with leading evangelists in this territory. He has been greatly appreciated in New Zealand both for his musical abilities and for the number of converts among those with whom he has studied the Scriptures.

Pastor H. Josephs reports from India: "I have just spent the last three weeks 'Uplifting' (Appeal for Missions). We have found it difficult, but the Lord has given us about the same results. I saw the Governor of Kerala, who has promised to give. I made arrangements to see His Highness of the old Travancore monarchy, to present our work to him. The Mayor of Trivandrum, capital of Kerala, gave willingly. They are all in favour of English-medium schools."

Their term on Pitcairn having expired, Pastor and Mrs. R. Cobbin are expected back in New South Wales in February for one month. Then they will continue their missionary service in Fiji, where Pastor Cobbin has been called to the presidency of the East Fiji Mission, replacing Pastor Barry Crabtree, who is to fill the vacancy caused by the permanent return to the home field of Pastor W. A. Coates, president of the West Fiji Mission. Pastor Don Davies of North New Zealand has accepted an invitation to the pastoral care of Pitcairn for the usual period of two years.

Changes among personnel who have mostly served for a number of years in their present positions are reported from North New South Wales and Greater Sydney: Pastor W. J. Richards, president of the North New South Wales Conference. Pastor L. A. Lansdown, MV leader in South New Zealand to the corresponding responsibility in North New South Wales. Pastor H. W. Hollingsworth to Greater Sydney for pastoral ministry. Pastor A. C. Ball from Norfolk Island to the care of the Fairfield and Cabramatta churches in Greater Sydney. Pastor W. P. Claus to Norfolk Island. The care of the Manly church has, incidentally, been entrusted to Pastor R. H. Powrie, recently come from West Australia to retire.

## Please Help Build a Library

GORDON A. LEE

I am anxious to give the young people of my school here in Samoa a greater scope for reading. There are practically no books here and fewer still in the villages. If church members could send us magazines, periodicals, books, digests, geographies, and copies of denominational publications I could begin to build some form of library.

The people here have little or no conception of even the most common and everyday things of other lands. By reading and seeing pictures in magazines and books they will gain a better comprehension of the language in which we are trying to train them.

Please post your contributions to me at Siufaga, Savaii, Western Samoa.

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## You Are Invited to the Youth Congress in Manila

In a letter accompanying the advertisement you see here, Miss Marion Barlow, of the Far Eastern Division MV Department, explains:

"Several weeks ago the Congress publicity committee met and discussed the possibility of advertising this youth congress in the union papers of the North American Division, the 'Youth's Instructor' and also in the two neighbouring division papers, namely Southern Asia and Australasia.

"This idea was brought to mind inasmuch as this year is internationally known as 'Visit the Orient Year,' and so many of our folk do overseas trips nowadays, especially to the Orient, that we felt some may like to include the Youth Congress should they be planning a trip out this way."

The gathering in Manila promises to be very colourful and stimulating in every way.



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## Girls Pass Examinations with Honours

THELMA SILVA

Early in November, Lady Gutch, wife of the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, visited Betikama and presented fifteen of our senior girls with certificates for Home Nursing and badges and certificates for Mothercraft. A high percentage of the girls passed both examinations with honours.

They were instructed in the Mothercraft course by the tutor sister from the Central Hospital in Honiara. The Home Nursing instructress spent many years lecturing for the Australian Red Cross.

At the presentation the girls demonstrated the method of bathing a baby (using a real live three-weeks-old infant), how to wash a patient in bed, and how to make a bed.

This was the first group of girls ever to pass these examinations in the British Solomon Islands, and we feel very proud of them.

At the end of our school year we held a Pathfinder Fair. The programme included a first-aid demonstration, life-saving, marching, flag-raising ceremony, and fire lighting, using sticks instead of matches. Many Europeans came from Honiara to attend this display, and were happy with what they saw.