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Our Vietnam Correspondent Reports . . .

First Impressions of Saigon

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A MONTH HAS PASSED since we arrived, and gradually we are beginning to feel at home in busy, bustling Saigon. It is certainly a city at war. The military is still very much in evidence. Soldiers are patrolling the streets with guns at the ready. We have heard rifle shots in the streets, and I am told some are "trigger happy." There is much barbed-wire, and guards stand behind sand-bags at every important corner. Plastic bombs go off frequently causing loss of life and heavy damage to property. One was quite close to our compound. The explosion shook our bed and woke us up early one morning.

We frequently treat gunshot wounds and bomb victims in our hospital. There are also many street accidents, commonly called "H.B.H." or "hit by Honda"—and small wonder! The traffic on the roads is unbelievable. As well as cars, taxis, trucks and jeeps there is a seething mass of Hondas. Sirens sound incessantly as ambulances, police and convoys try to force their way through. Our pediatric ward is just above one of the busiest and noisiest intersections in town and I have seen the babies jump up in their sleep from a sudden blast of noise from the traffic below. I have given up using my stethoscope trying to listen to heart beats, etc.—the noise is too deafening. There are the "choppers" constantly flying overhead as well. Sometimes we think they are flying in one window and out the other, they sound so close.

Miracles Occur

Our hospital situation is desperate. Officially we have beds for thirty-eight patients, but unofficially we crowd in

about sixty-eight. Some of the most seriously ill patients are lying on stretchers in the hallways with staff and visitors walking around and over them all day. But it is in the hospital that I have felt the presence of God in a very definite way. I am convinced that many of the patients recover in answer to our prayers. For example, I was sitting in my office



last week with the usual crowd of out-patients in the room, and case-history sheets all over the desk. Suddenly a distraught mother and father, causing quite a commotion, pushed their way into the room and placed a baby in front of me on top of the papers and everything. One look at the baby and I knew it was dead. Hardly knowing what to do and with all eyes glued on the little one I placed my hand on the chest and started resuscitation. Pretty soon she took one gasp, and after a while another. Slowly, but miraculously, her breathing returned to normal and soon she was back in her mother's arms. I looked around and every face was smiling and happy. Experiences of this nature, and there are many of them, bring great blessing and encouragement to the heart of the missionary doctor. At the same time they cause him to walk very humbly before his God and Maker.

We salute our friends in the wonderful homeland and request your earnest prayers on behalf of our work in Saigon.

**SIX PAGES OF REPORTS FROM THE
GENERAL CONFERENCE (Pages 6-11)**

5-Day Plan at Auckland University

B. D. HOKIN, Public Relations Secretary, Ausdass

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST students attending Auckland University have formed a society called "Ausdass"—Auckland University Seventh-day Adventist Students Society. It is dedicated to assisting Adventist students spiritually, academically and socially, and to sharing our faith with other students.

Ausdass members decided that temperance was the best aspect of our message to present first, as there is strong interest within the universities in drugs and drug taking. Public education programmes condemn drugs while they condone alcohol and tobacco. A positive approach is needed, so it was decided to run a 5-Day Plan.

This year's "World Health Week" was devoted to cancer. To capitalize on the publicity that the Cancer Society would have on radio and TV and in the press was a logical course of action and marked the commencement of our campaign. A lecture was organized for the Friday of World Health Week. The New Zealand Cancer Society screened the film "Smoking and You," and a leading surgeon gave an address and answered questions on smoking and health before an audience of over 200. At the conclusion of the lecture, the 5-Day Plan, to commence the following Monday, was announced. This was not the only advertising medium. Student publications gave us good coverage and the university was blanketed with posters and handbills.

Departure and Affiliation

The Auckland students departed from the usual pattern of university-run 5-Day Plans by holding meetings during the lunch break, rather than in the evenings. It was thought that this would enable more students to attend.

On the Monday, Pastor Grosser, North New Zealand Conference Temperance secretary, assisted by "Smoking Sam," spoke to thirty-five university students, twenty-eight of whom smoked. They represented a typical cross-section of students, some with long hair, others scruffy and dirty, while still others were quite presentable. All were sceptical. One young man in particular didn't know what we could do to help him quit smoking that he hadn't already tried. He had failed so many times; this was to be his last attempt. But he succeeded!

Another participant was a mother with a young family. She worked full time and studied full time at the university as well. She just couldn't give up her smoking, it seemed, until it was suggested that plenty of rest and nourishing food was needed during this critical phase. With a drastic change of her habits she, too, was able to part company with Lady Nicotine.

In general, all the participants were overwhelmed that someone was prepared to help them for no reward, and for no ulterior motive such as pushing religion on to them. Of those who completed the 5-Day course, only one candidate had smoked during the time of the plan. It was a very gratifying result.

Besides helping these students to stop smoking, prejudice has been broken down, and, as a direct result of the 5-Day Plan, the long-hoped-for affiliation of Ausdass to the university has become a reality.



Two of the university students who attended the 5-Day Plan lectures, talk with Pastor B. C. Grosser, the North New Zealand Conference Temperance secretary. (Photo, B. C. Grosser.)

What I Saw at Avondale College Sabbath School

E. H. CLARK

Sabbath School Secretary, North New South Wales Conference

"What, no one-class Sabbath school at Avondale College?"

I wish you could have been there that sunny Sabbath morning. I wish you could have been there early to see the smiling students streaming from their residence halls toward their chapel, taking their places for the 9.20 a.m. song service prelude to Sabbath school.

Almost the entire programme is conducted by student officers and has appropriate variety, vitality and rich spiritual content.

The pulsating heart of the College Sabbath school programme, of course, is the thirty-five-minute class discussion of the weekly lesson theme. Can you picture the scene?—hundreds of students reverently breaking up into more than twenty groups, moving to previously prepared circles of seats on the lawn, in sheltered places under the trees, and some to classrooms and meeting halls?

As we moved from class to class we saw Bibles and quarterlies opened and every student searching the Scriptures for meaningful answers to life's greatest questions. We saw students seeking soul-satisfying concepts of truth and righteousness. We saw students earnestly reaching out for reality in their religion, reaching out after God—and finding Him. They were discovering new dimensions of the gospel and the reality of true Christian living in today's world. Wisely the leader of each group, instead of dominating the scene, seemed more like the chairman of a well-conducted discussion group, asking questions that needed to be answered, stimulating thought, and the desire to do the will of God.

Wanting to Study

We heard some students say, "We used not to study our Sabbath school lesson. But now, because of meaningful class discussion, I find myself wanting to study daily to make a worthwhile contribution to the discussion, in class." "My teacher will surely be asking me some penetrating questions—like the one today; 'Is it enough to desire to be a Christian?'"

So it was that we saw in College Sabbath school the sort of thing we should see in every Sabbath school: stimulating questions, animated class discussions, spiritual discoveries and personal decisions.

These things I saw being developed and demonstrated—these enlightened concepts of Sabbath school class presentation and participation. This is the concept so essential for personal stimulus to deep daily study of the Sacred Scriptures. In the case of College Sabbath school classes they begin and end with prayer.

North N.Z. Reporting . . .

Youth of North New Zealand on the March

ROBYN RATTRAY

APRIL 5, 1970, was the opening night of the Youth Mission in Hamilton, New Zealand.

The youthful speakers, all members of the Hamilton church, spoke on subjects ranging from Daniel 2 to the Sabbath. Under the guidance of Pastor A. Jacobson, our church pastor, the speakers (some speaking in public for the first time) presented their subjects clearly and well.

These lectures were well illustrated on a flannelgraph with black lighting ably operated by Maurice Gunn.

Terry Wheeler and Colin Rogers led a bright vocal and instrumental group which rendered many appropriate and well presented numbers. There were nine lectures with nearly one hundred people attending each meeting.

May God bless this effort put forth by the youth of the church and may it be an inspiration to all for further service for God.

Palmerston North Youth Mission

RAY NEWMAN

THE YOUTH of the Palmerston North church were privileged to engage in a youth mission led by Pastor C. V. Christian, our Division MV leader, for the period May 30 to June 7.

The advertising consisted of personal invitations, individually addressed, plus handbills and newspaper advertisements. In addition, Pastor Christian was interviewed by the local newspaper and radio station.

Meetings were conducted in the luxurious Manawatu-area Electric Power Board hall, which is very modern and very comfortable. At the conclusion of each meeting we invited those who attended to avail themselves of a hot drink in the adjoining lounge, and we were gratified to see that nearly everyone did so. This enabled us to mix with our visitors, to chat with them and get to know them.

We at Palmerston North praise the Lord for His blessing (already we have regular Bible studies in our home), for the spiritual refreshing, as God's Word was preached, and for the inspiring leadership of Pastor Christian, who not only pointed the way, but showed us how to win souls for the Lord.



Seventy children attended the "Story Hour" Easter MV Camp at Lake Taupo, North New Zealand. Pictured is Brother R. Nixon leading the children in one of the sessions. (Photo, C. Amos.)

Youth in Action at Loafer's Paradise

R. NIXON

EASTER WEEK-END saw some 130 young people and leaders congregate at "Loafer's Paradise," a delightful spot adjacent to beautiful Lake Taupo, North New Zealand. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all in a varied and interesting recreational and spiritual programme. Possibly the highlight of this week-end get-together was the "Happy Hour" conducted on Sabbath by several of our youth for non-Adventist children on the campground.

Just one advertisement was placed on the wall of the camp community kitchen and, no doubt many were wondering, "Will any boys and girls turn up?"

Starting time came all too quickly and only half a dozen or so very timid children arrived at our large assembly and dining tent. However, a bright "Hullo, good to see you," plus a big welcoming smile extended to these few, very quickly changed the scene. In the next brief minutes boys and girls of all shapes and sizes appeared on the scene. In no

time at all there were seventy children eagerly participating in action songs, choruses, quizzes and listening intently to Bible stories and special items.

Judging by the beaming smiles and the hearty "thank-yous" at the conclusion, it was obviously well worth the effort.

What a blessing and joy it was for our young people to witness for Christ in this way. The servant of the Lord has stated, "Real happiness is found only in being good and doing good," and further, "There is no other class that can do as much good as young men and young women who are consecrated to God."—"Messages to Young People," pages 210, 204.

Some good seed was undoubtedly sown in these tender hearts, and comments made by non-Adventists to our camp cook in the community kitchen indicated that the standards and conduct of our young people were very much appreciated.

Future Plans

Besides these activities there are some real outreach programmes planned for the future, such as:

- ☆ A public mission planned and conducted by the youth of New Plymouth.
- ☆ Teen-dial to be operated in Lower Hutt.
- ☆ A Sabbath afternoon Story Hour at Papatoetoe; a Pathfinder Club as a follow-up.
- ☆ Public temperance programme on the drug question by the teenagers of Hamilton.
- ☆ Youth evangelism at Kaitaia and also in Auckland.
- ☆ One-to-one Evangelism right through the conference.

Take a look at any of the conference mission programmes and you will find our youth behind projectors, carrying the offering bags, caring for microphones, pulling curtains and doing a thousand and one things to make the programmes a success.

We honour God's youth who are determined to take—

THE ADVENT MESSAGE TO ALL THE WORLD IN THIS GENERATION.

Editorial

THE CRUDDEN AFFAIR

ROMAN CATHOLICS in Melbourne know the name of Father Crudden very well. Until a few months ago, this extremely able priest was the director of the Catholic Education Office. To the parents of diocesan school children he was virtually "Mr. Education."

However, his story is an example of the fulfilment of the old saw: "The bigger they are, the harder they fall." From the educational pinnacle to which he had climbed, Father Crudden has now "fallen" to the place where he is an "ordinary" parish priest. Many Catholics feel that this progressive educationalist has been discriminated against by the hierarchy for expressing his views simply and forthrightly. On the other hand, many feel that his removal from the Catholic Education Office was timely and essential if the faith was to be communicated to the children in its ancient and—to the Catholic mind—pristine purity.

What caused the fall of this man from his eminent position? Last October he gave a talk to Catholic parents in the suburb of Gardenvale, in his capacity as director of the Catholic Education Office. In this talk he dropped a few bombshells which were hardly calculated to win him friends among the conservative members of the audience. Some walked out in the middle of his discourse, preferring not to hear such heresy; many of them went straight to their telephones and poured their opinions into the ear of Archbishop Knox.

Many who remained waited until question time and then pounced on him, and left the priest in no two minds as to what they thought about his advanced ideas of education, and many of these, too, communicated to bishop and archbishop their concern that a man in such a high place would dare to speak such things that were not lawful to be uttered.

Now what were these heretical things? In a quoted newspaper report of his words, you will easily see the explosive nature of the ideas promulgated. Father Crudden said: "I have heard quite responsible people say that a certain degree of indoctrination is necessary in the primary school, particularly in the teaching of religion."

"If this is the case, then I would be the first to join any organization for the abolition of Catholic schools."

"Indoctrination is always, absolutely without exception, a violation of the human person."

"It occurs in Catholic schools as it does in State schools and universities but I am naively optimistic enough to believe that we are learning slowly to eliminate it from our educational processes."

Later, in the same speech, he went on to say: "Dogmatic definitions and moral absolutes are adult aberrations; it is bad enough that they restrict and inhibit the Christian lives of adults; it is absolutely unthinkable to foist them on to children."

Father Crudden believes that "we have to be prepared to let young people formulate their own beliefs and their own moral values." (!!) He acknowledges that this will lead some pupils to accept conclusions that are hardly orthodox, but he feels that, if the search for right is genuine, then right will eventually triumph. While the teacher, he believes, should be a co-searcher with the child, he shrinks from the idea that the search for moral values should be "an elaborate conducted tour to a destination always known to the teacher but hidden from the child." You would be better off with straight-out catechism methods of indoctrination than that, he believes.

Now the Roman Catholic Church's internal problems of this sort, while they interest us, do not concern us. We do not propose to get into a fight which is quite outside the orbit of

our ecclesiastical world. We have our own problems to solve and our own questions to ponder.

However, the Melbourne "Herald" recently printed a letter taken from a Catholic magazine, which is worth our consideration, as is this whole matter when we think of the philosophy of it. The letter read: "I maintain that catechism answers, like tables in maths, if learned by heart, 'click' eventually, and suddenly you can see how it all fits."

"I know why we continue to send our children to Catholic schools. Fear. Fear that if we take them away, even the little religion they seem to have will be lost."

"My husband and I were horrified to see that religious instruction was nothing more than social studies."

That is a good letter. Every Adventist parent, too, should send their children to Adventist schools for (partly) the same reason: fear that, should they commit their sons and daughters to the secular (which often, but not always, means godless) education of the state system, those children might be alienated from all they have been taught to regard as truth. (We acknowledge the many God-fearing teachers in state services everywhere, but we also recognize that their hands are tied.) Of course, we send our children to Adventist schools for reasons other than fear; there are many positive reasons for such decisions. But that parent has a scant regard for his child's spiritual future who does not recognize the possible results of the alternative to church school education, and who does not fear the all-too-probable result.

But what of Father Crudden's philosophy? Is he ahead of his time? Is he a shining light which the parents, in their blindness, cannot see? Do his ideals merit the consideration of all who must consider the moral aspects of education?

We have our doubts about this. If we understand his term "dogmatic definitions and moral absolutes" aright, we feel that we must part company. Moral absolutes, as we understand the term, relating for instance, to honesty, justice, humility, truth, moral behaviour and human decency, are not, to use Father Crudden's words, "adult aberrations." These are God's principles, laid down with a straight "Thus saith the Lord." And woe to them that try to overturn these fundamentals of God's absolutes! We are living in a time when a whole generation is coming to adulthood, nurtured on this philosophy. We see the tragic results in millions of young people today who are groping for what they think are the "moral absolutes," and we see them doing it through a haze of "pot" smoke and with minds befuddled with hallucinogenic drugs. This is the result of a guideless search; this is what comes of turning young minds loose to forage for themselves when they have not yet the maturity or experience to recognize the path that truth and goodness and purity must take.

All around us we see the unfortunate results of the "new morality" or the "liberated thinking" of adolescents who have come to adulthood bewildered because they have none of these despised "moral absolutes." This eminent priest speaks of these dogmatic definitions and moral absolutes as being "bad enough that they restrict and inhibit the Christian lives of adults; it is absolutely unthinkable to foist them onto children." We honestly want to know what is wrong with some restrictions (when imposed from within) and inhibitions; these self-disciplines are the marks of decency and civilization in the best sense of the word. They are the stuff of which a Christian society is made. God help us all if our educators teach the young people among us to cast them aside!

Robert H. Parr



News From All Over

Compiled by MERRIL HAYWARD

YOUTH OBSERVERS AT THE G.C.

Washington, D.C., U.S.A.: Officials at the General Conference headquarters invited eighteen youth from various church territories and ethnic groups from within the United States to attend the World Conference in Atlantic City. They were given briefing sessions and opportunities to ask questions. They were allowed to express their views but did not vote. Church leaders hope this will help young people interpret the process of church government to other young people, and help prepare them for future leadership.

ADVENTIST BOYS BECOME ASTRONAUTS

Juneau
church school
"Appollo" 13
astronauts.



Alaska, U.S.A.: The principal of the Juneau church school, is keeping his students alerted to the momentous events of modern history, which recently included space travel.

Three eighth grade boys, along with their teacher, assembled a cardboard spacecraft, complete with controls, walkie-talkie and other essential equipment. It contained sleeping compartments, food, water, and fresh air. The principal manned the controls from the control headquarters in the hallway of the school.

Altogether the astronauts made the thirty-six hour round "trip" to the moon and three lunar orbits. During revolutions the "astronauts" received and transmitted pertinent data and photographed the lunar surface. During the flight the "astronauts" performed navigation from stars, logged their position on a telemetry chart, and performed a vital solar wind experiment.

A reporter from the local newspaper heard of this and three columns were devoted to this event with a picture of the "astronauts" to complete it.

THE BIBLE IN RUSSIA

Moscow, U.S.S.R.: Recently a Communist critic has termed the Old Testament "a majestic literary monument that stands on the level of the Iliad and Odyssey." The critic (A. Kashdan) states that the Bible is based on "historical truth." Kashdan emphasizes the "positive value" saying that it "deserves a distinguished place in man's esteem because of its qualities as a literary work and its insight into human psychology." Russian people are hungry for the Bible. In 1968 Russian authorities put on sale 100,000 copies of the Russian translation and these were virtually sold overnight. Maybe the belief of some of the "historic value" of the Bible will eventually bring belief in God to many others.

WHERE HAVE ALL THE CHILDREN GONE?

New York, U.S.A.: Public schools have been releasing children from school early so that they might attend their religion class. Only 40 per cent of the children ever reach Bible class, although all are released early only because they have agreed to take the class. The public board of education declares the problem is not within their control. The blame has been put on the parents who take no firm stand on religious instruction for their children and leave the child to decide whether to go to Sunday school or not, and it is believed the attitude carries over.

PAINLESS DENTAL SURGERY

California, U.S.A.: Dr. Niels B. Jorgensen, retired professor of oral surgery at the Loma Linda University, has been doing some research into pain and pain-killing techniques. Recently he has developed a remarkable method of pain-killing in his field of dentistry. This method does not put the patient to sleep, but into a tolerant, and pleasant twilight state where time passes pleasantly and two or three hours of operating seem to be but a few minutes. This remarkable method was televised in America a few weeks ago on a CBS television documentary entitled the "Mystery of Pain."

MODERN MIRACLES STILL HAPPEN

Brazil: Recently a bus travelling at 100 m.p.h. went out of control on a bridge at the bottom of a three-mile hill. Thirty people were killed instantly and several died later. An Adventist woman was expecting her husband to return home on this bus and she was notified, by the police, of the accident and was asked to go down to the morgue to identify him. She went down and searched carefully but she could not recognize any of the mutilated corpses. She returned home, and several minutes later she received a phone call from her husband. He was, indeed, to have travelled on that very bus. He had purchased the ticket, but when he arrived at the depot the bus had already departed! His comment was, "Truly, I have been born again!"



The bus in which thirty people were killed.

GRAHAM MORRIS Culls . . .

Excerpts from the General

"We have a great God who is leading this movement. With His help, with your prayers, and with the co-operation of the brethren, I will do my best." With these words, Robert H. Pierson accepted the standing vote of the delegates to serve another term as president of the General Conference.

In his report to the delegates, the retiring General Conference secretary, Walter M. Beach, said that "on the threshold of the 1970s the Seventh-day Adventist mission to the world is beset with awesome but challenging responsibility."

He said organized Christianity appeared to be afflicted with what many consider to be a terminal sickness. Clerics have been leaving the Catholic priesthood and the Protestant denominations in increasing numbers, both in North America and abroad. The percentage of North Americans who feel that religion, as a whole, is losing its influence, has increased from 40 per cent to 75 per cent in a scant thirteen years. Indeed the outlook is forbidding.

However, we are more thoroughly convinced than ever that the Advent message and the church of the remnant are tailored for this "time of the end."

Pastor Beach said Seventh-day Adventists preach God's good news, not politics, nor social reform.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Conference treasurer, Pastor K. H. Emmerson, reported that the tithing principle, introduced when the first General Conference was formed in 1863, had brought into the church coffers a record \$US411,673,000 in the past four years. During the previous quadrennium, the figure was \$289,925,000. Since 1863, the total amount of tithe received in the treasury is \$1,561,479,737.12.

The second major source of income to the General Conference through both the churches in North America and the overseas divisions is the mission offerings. The faithfulness of our

members, as demonstrated by their generous and sacrificial gifts, has been an inspiration, Pastor Emmerson said.

The mission offerings increased by \$20,607,000 to \$98,325,398.



After his re-election as president, Robert H. Pierson asked Mrs. Pierson to join him on the platform. With her at his side, he gave an acceptance speech Friday morning.

PUBLISHING

Pastor D. A. McAdams, the Publishing Department secretary, reported that world publishing sales for the quadrennium totalled \$157,873,585, a gain of \$36,826,000 over the previous quadrennium (1962-65).

He disclosed that, from the beginning of the Adventist Publishing programme to 1969, a total of \$741,530,259 worth of literature had been produced and sold by our publishing houses.

During recent years a deferred selling plan on the payment-by-mail system has been developed. The plan is being used in North America, Austr-

lasia, and some sections of Northern European and Trans-Africa divisions. The programme has facilitated the sale of books in sets. On this plan, many literature evangelists sell up to \$40,000 worth of literature a year.

During the past four years, baptisms from literature evangelist contacts total 32,209. Prayer has been offered in 2,285,883 homes visited during the past four years.

During 1969, 7,700 sets of "Testimonies for the Church" were sold. The normal distribution is about 1,800 sets. The Testimony Countdown programme has been largely responsible for this new impetus in the sale of the "Testimonies."

ELLEN G. WHITE ESTATE

Pastor Arthur L. White, secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate, reports that the book "Steps to Christ" now appears in 100 languages and fourteen million copies have been distributed. (Any book that sells more than 10,000 copies is considered a best seller.) "The Great Controversy" has appeared in thirty-seven translations, "The Desire of Ages" in seventeen, and each of these books has reached a distribution of about two million copies.

Pastor White said that in a few months a new Ellen G. White devotional book will appear in our Book and Bible houses for 1971. The appearance in a single reference volume of the Ellen G. White supplementary comments in the "Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary" is a major publishing accomplishment. Pastor White said that included in the volume are also the Ellen G. White statements found in the appendices of "Questions on Doctrines."

Pastor White said that at the very heart of the work of the White Estate are the files of Mrs. White's manuscripts and letters, her correspondence with leading workers, the files of periodicals, the early pamphlets, etc., in the custody of the board of trustees. He said the trustees have taken seri-

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ously Ellen White's commission to make new compilations available in areas of counsel vitally needed. Two new compilations will soon go to the publishers. One of these deals with science and will take the place of "Principles of True Science," long out of print. The other manuscript is entitled "Guidelines to Mental Health."

On the campus at Andrews University the Ellen G. White Estate maintains a vault with a full set of copies of its Ellen G. White manuscripts and letters and other basic materials. In this way a second location for copies of irreplaceable key documents is provided and the materials are of great research value to the seminary and graduate school.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Dr. Ralph F. Waddell reported that the Department of Health during the past quadrennium had employed 22,000 workers around the world. Hospitals and clinics had admitted one and a half million patients, and provided for fifteen million patient visits.

Seventh-day Adventists operate 324 health facilities in fifty-eight countries of the world, all the way from the far north to down under; from the Skodsborg Sanitarium in Denmark, to the Warburton Sanitarium in Victoria, Australia.

In addition, the church operates eighteen medical launches and aeroplanes carrying emergency service to isolated islands, into steaming jungles, and across vast deserts.

Among ten undergraduate colleges in the United States having the highest proportion of male graduates later earning medical degrees during a ten year period, four were Seventh-day Adventist colleges.

Of Loma Linda's 13,000 graduates, 4,035 are M.Ds. Loma Linda has graduated more physicians than any other California medical school.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN DIVISION

Pastor O. Gmehling, president of the Central European Division, reported that almost two-thirds of the division's membership live in West



H. W. Miller, M.D., aged ninety-one, shows the plaque presented to him by Pastor R. H. Pierson to honour him for sixty-seven years' work in the mission field.

Germany and one third in East Germany. Between these two detached fields lies West Berlin Conference, with 1,507 members.

During the past four years, 4,177 persons accepted the Advent message in this division, but there was a loss of 5,295 members, almost 4,000 by death.

TRANS-AFRICA

Pastor M. L. Mills, president of the Trans-Africa Division, reported that membership had increased in his field by 62,596 during the quadrennium, giving a total membership of 307,699. Sabbath school membership rose to 438,235, an increase of 17,948.

At Tsicado, one of our mission stations, children aged from eight to fourteen are on fire with preaching the message. Recently they won seventy-eight people for Christ.

"I wish you could hear their ringing, earnest voices and see their appropriate gestures as they proclaim the message," he said.

The Trans-Africa Division now operates six aircraft. The latest addition will serve the colourful Masai, noted for their fearless independence and consumption of blood mixed with milk. On February 14, this year, the first fruits were garnered when three Masai women, one the wife of the headman Sekau, were baptized.

WORLD FOOD SERVICES

The secretary of the recently organized World Foods Service, Pastor E. W. Howse, said that we are far too close to the 1960s to realize fully how profoundly the events of the past decade have changed the civilized



The King's Heralds quartet of the Voice of Prophecy sing at the first session. They are, from left to right: Bob Edwards, Jim McClintock, Jerry Patton and Jack Veasey.

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world. We will look back in time and understand it marked the beginning of general acceptance of vegetable proteins as nutritious food for humans.

He said that for more than sixty years, Seventh-day Adventists' teachings of health and nutrition have been ahead of times. In fact, through inspiration, Mrs. White enunciated many of the sound principles of health as far back as 1863, long before scientists gave much thought to the importance of such matters.

Pastor Howse said that the function of his new department will be to coordinate research, production, and marketing and to promote the full development of this branch of our health message throughout the world in harmony with the comprehensive blue-print that the Lord has given to His church.

SOUTHERN EUROPE

President of the Southern European Division, Pastor W. E. Murray, reported that his division now had a total membership of 137,556.

The European portion of the field embraces twenty-seven countries and political divisions, while in the African section, the work extends over twenty-eight countries. Included in these are the tiny countries of Andorra (between France and Spain), Monaco,

Malta, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Gibraltar, San Marino and last, but not least, Vatican State.

Also included in the division's territory are France, Spain, Italy, Angola, Mozambique and Madagascar. Total population of the division is 335 million, or one tenth of the world population.

If there were 1,000 evangelists preaching in 1,000 halls seating 1,000 people it would take 335 nights for every person to hear just one Adventist sermon.

THE FAR EAST

Pastor P. H. Eldridge, president of the Far Eastern Division, paid tribute in his report to the life-long work of Dr. Harry Miller, the man famous as the China Doctor. Dr. Miller, who was taken to the U.S.A. especially for the General Conference, is now ninety-one years of age. He helped establish fourteen hospitals on the China mainland, and assisted in the establishment of others in the Far East. Pastor Eldridge said that, when first approached, Dr. Miller said he and his wife had declined the invitation to attend as a delegate, and instead gave what it would cost to a Hong Kong hospital project.

Pastor Eldridge said 26 per cent of all the literature evangelists in the



Former witch doctor, Mundahoi, of Borneo, who has won 140 to Christ and organized twenty companies, participates in the pageant.

world are in the Far Eastern division. In 1969 they sold more than \$US1,000,000 worth of literature, produced from the division's eight publishing houses.

STATISTICS

Statistical secretary, Pastor Jesse O. Gibson, reported that the growth of the Adventist Church since its formation as a church in 1863 had been slow for the first seventy-seven years, but had taken fantastic strides in the last twenty years.

His report showed that there were 3,500 members at the formation of the General Conference in 1863. In 1940, there were 504,725 members. The



growth by half-millions subsequent to that period have been: Second half-million (1941-55) 1,006,218; Third half million (1956-64) 1,508,056; Fourth half million (1965-70) 2,000,000 (predicted).

Pastor Gibson said there were many entered countries where there are vast areas untouched by the Advent message. There are still thirty-three countries not entered at all.

Another interesting statistic shows that the Australasian Division had the highest density of Adventists in the world. It leads with 473 Adventists per 100,000 population. (Trans-Africa Division is second with 330 per 100,000 population.)

However, Australasia is by no means the largest division numerically. This honour goes to North America, with 426,295 members, followed by Inter-America, with 261,615 members and South America, with 253,419 members. Australasia's membership as of December 31, 1969, was 90,720, representing only 4.6 per cent of the total world membership.

Since 1930 our world tithe has increased from 51.4 per cent to 59.2 per cent of our total contributions. World missions offerings have decreased from 33.2 per cent to 13.4 per cent. Home missions and local offerings have increased from 15.4 per cent to 27.4 per cent of our total contributions. Total tithe for the world field, 1969, amounted to \$US115,551,140, an aver-

age of \$67.40 per capita (\$213.41 in U.S.A.)

SABBATH SCHOOL

Sabbath School associate secretary, Pastor R. C. Barger, reported that in the last four years, 413,509 persons were baptized, in whose experience the Sabbath school had been a major influence in leading them to a decision for Christ.

In the last quadrennium, a total of \$US51,620,000 was given for missions through Sabbath school channels. In 1969, \$3,000,000 more was received than in 1965.

Pastor Barger said that there were now over 3,500 Vacation Bible Schools conducted each summer and 84,000 branch Sabbath schools each week.

"Ideally the Sabbath school is total stewardship. Mankind is hungry for the Word of God. Blue-prints for newly established work await action. Funds must be forthcoming if the church, like a ship of faith, is to move forward into new and often uncharted waters in the fulfilment of its appointed mission. The Sabbath school is all these things of which we have spoken. But most of all it is you!"

RADIO-TV

Radio-Television Department secretary, Pastor James J. Aitken, said that the tremendous strides in communications have changed our world, but a common lack of understanding has broadened the communications gap be-

tween generations, races, and even members of our own families.

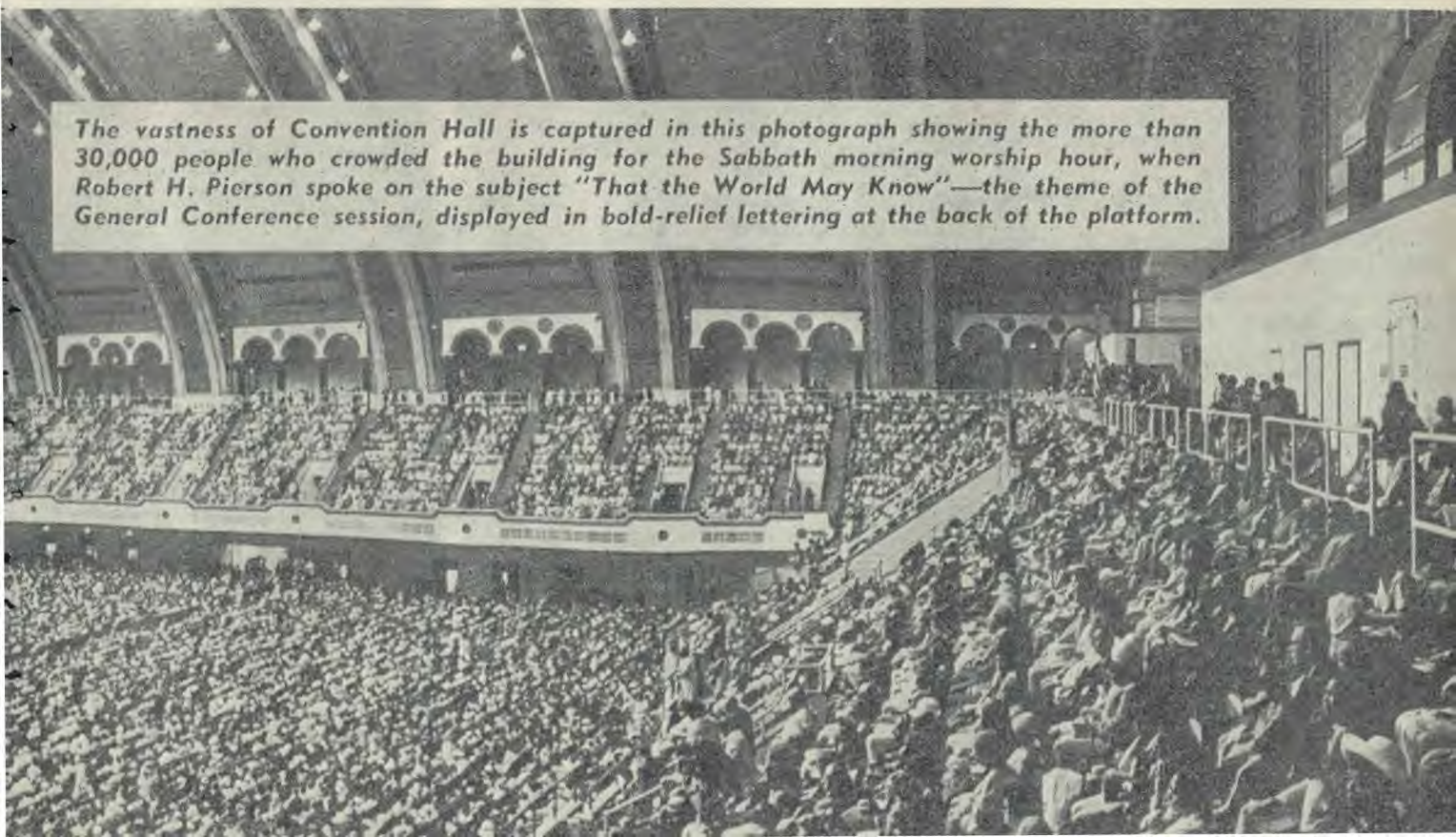
"Never before have we seen such a wide use of the communications media. . . . Man-made communications satellites, such as Telstar, hanging in the heavens, made this possible. Footprints on the moon are now a reality. These can be steppingstones for the children of God to learn to communicate fully to every nation, kindred, tongue and people."

Pastor Aitken said that it was through such men as H. M. S. Richards, William Fagal, and George Vandeman that the magic electronic fingers of radio and television have literally plucked the word from the air for the salvation and betterment of millions. This year, H. M. S. Richards celebrates forty years of continuous broadcasting. He now steps aside, and his son, Harold Richards, has been unanimously selected by the board as the new director and main speaker for the Voice of Prophecy.

The Faith for Today television programme conducted by Pastor and Mrs. Fagal recently brought the following comment from President Nixon: "For the past two decades, your family religious telecast has been a vital factor in the progress and growth of our nation."

Since the inception of radio and television programmes linked with Bible schools (Seventh-day Adventists pioneered this type of religious evan-

The vastness of Convention Hall is captured in this photograph showing the more than 30,000 people who crowded the building for the Sabbath morning worship hour, when Robert H. Pierson spoke on the subject "That the World May Know"—the theme of the General Conference session, displayed in bold-relief lettering at the back of the platform.





H. M. S. Richards and H. M. S. Richards Jr., Voice of Prophecy radio team, present the quadrennial Voice of Prophecy report on June 12.



Another family team, Lawrence and Arthur S. Maxwell, take notes for the "Review."

gelism) a known total of 28,482,000 people have requested the Bible correspondence courses around the world, in 146 Bible schools, in seventy languages. Nearly 3,000,000 have graduated.

"The greatest opportunity this movement has ever had is just now opening to us in Europe. With Trans-Europa Radio, negotiations are under way to use three powerful 25,000 watt short-wave transmitters broadcasting in multiple languages two hours every day. This has a potential of reaching all the countries of Western and Eastern Europe as well as the Middle East and parts of North Africa. . . . More than two people are born every second, 128 every minute, 7,704 every hour, and 184,896 every day. How shall we reach earth's exploding population?"

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

In the Department of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty report by Pastor

M. D. Loewen, it was stated that a number of crises had arisen around the world during the last quadrennium. In Korea, eight young men have been in prison because of their conscientious stand for principle. In the Philippine Islands there has been considerable controversy over the teaching of the Catholic religion in schools. In 1971 a constitutional convention will be assembled at which the separation of church and state will be a chief point in dispute. The publication of *Freedom* magazine by the three unions of the Philippines has had considerable influence.

In Ceylon, the Buddhist calendar has been adopted giving rise to difficulties to Sabbath worshippers. In Burma all schools and hospitals were nationalized, yet reports indicate that under Burmese leadership, more persons joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church last year than in any previous year. In many Moslem countries it is required that the Koran be taught by a Moslem in all schools. Laws in some of these countries against proselytization are rigidly enforced.

Reports of persecution continue to come from parts of South America. Colporteurs have been attacked and sometimes gaoled.

Pastor Loewen said it was encouraging to know that in some countries in Eastern Europe, literature for the church was being printed on government presses. As a result of Vatican II our church in Spain has been able to register churches and a school has been opened.

He said that, now more than ever before, the proponents of Sunday laws are trying to conceal the religious aspects of such legislation. This situation was clearly depicted by Ellen G. White. "The Sunday movement is now making its way in darkness. The leaders are concealing the true issue, and many who unite in the movement do not themselves see whither the undercurrent is tending."—*Testimonies*, Volume 5, page 452.

A conspicuous instance of such concealment is given by an action of the Lord's Day Alliance. In October, 1968, this organization held a national conference at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Because of the U.S. Supreme Court decision that a Sunday law with a religious motive is unconstitutional, one of the resolutions of the Alliance urged the member churches not to advocate Sunday laws on religious grounds, but to stay in the background and support the efforts of the labour unions to secure stronger Sunday closing legislation on a health-and-welfare basis.

This year, in Richmond, Virginia, a leading newspaper commented on the "unusual but staunch alliance" between management and labour against repeal of Virginia's statewide Sunday-closing law. Great stress was laid on the necessity of "law and order" by both management and labour. This is an echo of a prophecy written more than eighty years ago. "Those who honour the Bible Sabbath will be denounced as enemies of law and order."—*The Great Controversy*, page 592.

LAY ACTIVITIES

Lay Activities Department secretary, J. E. Edwards, said Adventist laymen, marching for Christ, had distributed 130,137 tracts for every day of the past four years; had given 20,400 Bible studies every day, helped 23,174 people and ingathered \$US26,282 every day for the past four years.

In the same four years, more than 40,000,000 volunteer hours of dedicated service were given around the world in Welfare centres and units, in inner city projects, in camps for deprived children, and in the homes of needy families.

Clothing and bedding distributed were in excess of 43,000,000 pieces, and cash and food amounted to more than \$59,000,000.

In 1971 the spotlight of our denomination will be focused for an entire year on the service activities of laymen. This coming year—1971—has been designated by the General Conference Committee as World-wide Laymen's Year. The challenge has been accepted—one million Bible studies a month—for the greatest harvest of souls through lay evangelism.

ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

In his report, the President of Andrews University said that the university was one of the agencies established by the church to train workers who will have the spiritual and intellectual qualifications needed to enable them to take men and women, boys and girls, from the quarry of this world and prepare them to take their places as living stones in the temple of God.

Approximately one fourth of the studies of the minister-in-training at the theological seminary is in the study of practical, spiritual ministry. Pastor Hammill said this included courses in preaching, church organization, personal and public evangelism, and practical laboratory work. During the school year more than 150 seminary men serve as student pastors in sixty-three congregations in Michigan, Illin-

ois, and Indiana. During the summers of the past quadrennium, 440 students assisted experienced evangelists in forty-five Field Schools of Evangelism. As a result of these Field Schools, 1,982 persons were baptized.

He said that during the past four years, 315 young ministers were granted the Bachelor of Divinity degree, and many others earned the Master of Arts degree. Of these, 443 entered our work as ministers, fifty-three of them as missionaries.

NORTH AMERICA

The president of the North American Division, Pastor Neal C. Wilson, reported that the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America was growing steadily toward one-half million members. On December 31, 1969, the membership was 426,295. "These people come from just about all the segments of the population, and speak many languages. They have one thing in common—they love this message and are looking forward to Jesus' soon return," he said.

Pastor Wilson said experience has proved that God has people in the most unusual places who are seriously searching for truth. The holding of evangelistic meetings by the living preacher, the wide-spread distribution of God's Word with effective follow-up, the finding of new interests by



Seated at the largest organ in the world is Don Vaughn, instructor in organ, Loma Linda University. Located in the main auditorium of the Convention Centre, and costing \$500,000, it is the only organ in history to have seven manuals.

means of radio, television and newspaper invitation, together with house-to-house contacts—all leading to enrolment in Bible correspondence schools or in Bible classes—have led to many thousands of baptisms annually.

He said that many committed laymen are giving thousands of hours in personal soul-winning evangelism. The youth also have experienced a

new surge of evangelistic fervour, and have carried out more than 10,000 soul-winning projects in the past four years, resulting in 17,363 baptisms.

The four publishing houses in North America, together with Chapel Records and the Christian Record Braille Foundation, and working through the fifty-nine Book and Bible houses and 1,300 literature evangelists, distributed \$45,332,238 worth of literature during the quadrennium.

Pastor Wilson said this excellent literature nurtures the spiritual life of church members and carries the witness of the message to surrounding neighbourhoods as well. He said, "Today this country is engulfed by a flood of vile, salacious literature. It is our purpose to hold up a high standard by producing only the best in literature for teaching, indoctrination, inspiration and recreation."

Tithes given in North America over the past four years amounted to \$306,175,000—an increase on the previous period of \$88,556,000. In addition, \$172,000,000 was given for the advancement of the work in North America through offerings.

Pastor Wilson added that the vision of the North American constituency of a world need and world responsibility has never wavered. They have ever believed that the old missionary call, "Come over into Macedonia, and help us," was for the church for all times, including the present.



Fred Griffin, of Silver Spring, Maryland, translates for the deaf in a special section of Convention Hall during the Sabbath services.

"I Remember . . ." (No. 12 in a series)

The Doctors Kress and the Establishment of our Medical Work

DR. M. M. FREEMAN

SOON AFTER THEIR graduation from the Battle Creek Medical College, the Doctors Kress were appointed to establish our medical work in England, but to their dismay on arrival, they learned that their diplomas were not registerable in the British Isles, so they were handicapped from the start.

Although Dr. D. H. Kress made quite a name for himself as a lecturer on temperance and vegetarianism, they could not accomplish the object for which they had been appointed, so soon returned to the U.S.A.

Drs. Kress Appointed to Australia

A sanitarium was being built some miles from Sydney, and the doctors were now appointed to take charge of it, and the medical work in Australia. As it would be several years before the sanitarium was completed, they felt there was no urgency for them to get to Australia, and they found many ways to interest themselves in U.S.A.

They were often in contact with Sister White, and she always put the same question, and gave the same advice. "When are you going off to Australia? I think you should go soon." They always gave her their good reasons for not going soon. The sanitarium was in the early stages of building, and it would be some time before it was ready for occupancy; there was no place for them to start medical practice; there was no place arranged for them to live, so nothing could be gained by getting to Australia so soon.

However, every time they met, Sister White had the same burden to get them off, but nothing she said seemed to stir them. Then she made a special visit and gave them a great shock by announcing: "I feel you should go to Australia without delay on the next boat." She seemed quite agitated about the matter, and very insistent, but she could not give any reason. On investigation they learned the next ship left in about a week and they had not made any preparation for getting away, but Sister White's attitude so impressed them that they hurried to book their passage with very mixed feelings.

Reason for Haste

On arrival in Australia they learned that a meeting of the New South Wales Medical Board was to be held in a few days, so they presented themselves with their diplomas, and were duly registered as medical practitioners in that state. A few days later a notice appeared in the New South Wales Government Gazette, stating that from that date no United States medical diplomas would be registered in the state, and immediately all the other Australian states followed suit.



Dr. M. M. Freeman, a recent photo.
(Courtesy R. K. Brown)

The Drs. Kress realized the reason for Sister White's urgency to get them here. Had they not arrived on that ship they would have been unable to register, and there would have been no one to establish the medical work at the new sanitarium.

The doctors soon found a very busy life awaited them, for as the Summer Hill Home of Health had several years to run before their lease was up, they needed all their staff, and none would be available for Wahroonga as the doctors expected. So they collected five young people as the first class of trainees, and some months later they were able to gather more young people for a second class.

With these two classes the doctors made a temporary home at the Avondale Health Retreat, Cooranbong, until the last month of 1902 when they all went to Wahroonga to get things in order for the official opening of the Sydney Sanitarium on January 1, 1903. While at Avondale Dr. Lauretta Kress gave lectures and practical classes in nursing to the Avondale students, as well as tending a private practice in the district.

A Timely Arrival

Dr. D. H. Kress was not well on arrival in Australia, but it was hoped that, with the change here, he would gradually improve; but instead he grew rapidly worse. He was an "extreme extremist" on health reform. Many tests were carried out and the trouble was diagnosed as pernicious anaemia, then a dreaded and an incurable disease.

Scientists had been hard at work searching for a cure, but had been baffled at every turn. One early treatment which they had hoped would prove successful, was most unpleasant to the patients, but they were willing to tackle anything that might prove a cure. The patient was to take an early morning drive between 6 and 7 o'clock to the nearest abattoir and drink a half to one pint of fresh warm blood, but the human stomach objected strongly to this indignity. So the next remedy was raw liver in a sandwich or made into various concoctions. But again the stomach rebelled even more violently. Many other indignities were tried which are better left unmentioned but human stomachs at last stood up for their rights. They cried, "We've had enough! NO MORE! Let us alone." Through the following years scientists turned their attention in many directions, but with no success.

Dr. Kress's condition had steadily worsened. He was anointed, but after this his condition deteriorated so rapidly that his death was hourly expected, and some preliminary arrangements were being made concerning his funeral. There was at that time one lone grave in the Avondale cemetery, that of the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Gates, and it was decided that the doctor's grave would be placed beside hers.

Heaven-sent Prescription

At this crisis the United States mail brought a letter from Sister White to Dr. Lauretta Kress in which she wrote: "Let him be given beaten up fresh eggs in grape juice, as much as can be got into him daily, and he will recover." "As much as can be got into him daily." It was with the greatest difficulty that a little water could be got past his lips.

Treatment was started immediately by force feeding him, not an easy matter



Dr. D. H. Kress (87) and Dr. Lauretta Kress (86) on the day of their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary in 1949. The history of the medical work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Australia is closely connected with these medical pioneers. (Photo, Dr. M. M. Freeman.)

The editor had received word that his death was hourly expected, and as there could be no further news for some weeks, he felt he was safe in publishing news of the doctor's death. The English mail to and from Australia in those days came at six weekly intervals by sea.

By the time the family was ready to go into residence at the sanitarium, Doctor Kress had quite recovered and was now equal to taking his share of the medical work.

During his convalescence Sister White had written reproving him for his extreme views, and the harm they would do.

"Vitamines"

Through the years scientists were still searching feverishly in many different lines for a cure for anæmia, but were baffled time and again. In the closing years of the last century, great interest was awakened in some new discoveries in connection with foods. They found that certain foods played an important part in nutrition, and they called them accessory food factors. Five different substances were isolated in 1913 and Cashmir Funk called them "Vitamines" and they were distinguished by the letters of the alphabet A, B, C, D, and E, and the name was later changed to VITAMINS.

With the discovery of these vitamins was found the cure for three intractable

diseases they had long been battling: Beri-beri, scurvy, and rickets. This discovery greatly stimulated further research into vitamins, and more and more were being gradually isolated through the years, until some time during the nineteen forties, one came to light which was distinguished as Vitamin B₁₂. To their surprise this new substance was found to be a cure for that unconquered disease which had so long baffled them.

The Mystery Solved

Now the mystery of Dr. Kress's cure was brought to light. This was the mysterious substance in that heaven-sent prescription in 1902 that led to his recovery!

We waited from 1902 to 1940 before science unravelled the secret: Vitamin B₁₂, in his egg-grape juice drinks.

At the present day there are many hundreds of people with this disease who are able to live normal, happy lives by regular treatment with Vitamin B₁₂.

In 1905 the Drs. Kress returned to America and there carried on a full medical programme, Dr. D. H. Kress living until he reached the age of ninety years.

There are still many other things of medical interest in the Spirit of Prophecy for which at present scientists cannot find a solution.

at this stage. The village folk helped by supplying fresh eggs and home made grape juice freely. At first the feedings were very small and were carried out regularly night and day for some weeks. Then the day came when Doctor Kress could take his drinks himself in increasing quantity, and he seemed to look forward to their arrival. After a couple of months everyone noticed the pallor of his skin was being replaced by a healthy appearance, and as time went on he began to show an interest in life, and an appetite for some solid food as well as his egg-grape juice nogs. Improvement was now so marked that it was realized he was well on the way to recovery. His case was the talk of the district, and curiosity brought many visitors "to see the man who should be in his grave, but wasn't."

The doctor was now taking a keen interest in every-day happenings, so when a number of our English papers arrived, he decided to see the news. He did notice they were addressed to his wife, and previously they had always been addressed to him, but he didn't give this another thought. He was completely unprepared for the shock he was about to receive. On the front page of the first paper in bold type he read, DEATH OF DR. D. H. KRESS IN AUSTRALIA. After recovering a little he read on, a full account of his life history written in detail. What an experience!

THE STORY OF MARY

A DORCAS WORKER

THE YEAR BEFORE last while ingathering in the street where I lived, I called on one house where I was impressed by an unusual attitude of the woman I called on. I knew she was of European origin by her speech, but there was something different, and not of a pleasing nature, which I could not place. However, it was not until nearly two years later that my life was to touch hers again.

We often travelled in the same train to the city, and during the winter months of 1969 I was troubled by the fact that she, apparently, had only one frock to wear, and that of a very poor quality.

This weighed very heavily on my mind so I told the Lord about it. Stronger and stronger came the impression: "Take her some clothing." At the end of October I finally plucked up sufficient courage to approach this stranger and give her some very nice clothing from our Dorcas supplies. On this occasion I ascertained that she and her husband were Polish, having come to Australia several years ago. They had three sons, aged twenty-three, twenty-one, eighteen, and twin daughters thirteen years old. One daughter was in a mental institution, while the other was in attendance at the local high school.

The following week I met Mary, the daughter, at the railway station with the parents. I enquired whether she needed any clothing and she shyly assented, so I arranged for her to come to my house after school, so that I could take her measurements. Having done so, I collected a large pile of clothing from our Dorcas rooms, fitted her, altered some,



MARY

and she was thrilled to receive a complete wardrobe. This was the beginning of a most wonderful relationship.

The next Sabbath I took Mary to church with me. She was a Roman Catholic. The only member of her family differing from that religion was her

HISTORIC PICTURE GALLERY



Our historic picture this week depicts the staff of the Melbourne cafe in 1911. The picture was taken in the gardens below Princes Bridge and is supplied by courtesy of Mrs. J. Forsyth (nee J. Gadsden). Those in the photograph are, from left to right: (Top row) E. Deverall, H. Osborne, B. Osborne, S. Dayhew, V. Neilson, R. Paine, L. Willmott. (Front row) J. Gadsden, L. Burgess, F. Harker, A. Jones, B. Kendall, L. Neilson, Mr. Hallam (cafe manager), V. Langdon. (Sitting) L. Wheatland.

father, who belonged to the Jehovah's Witnesses. He is a true lover of the Word of God, with whom my husband and I have formed a deep friendship. How can I tell of the impact of the truth on this lovely child?

Persecution

Mary developed a love of the truth and immediately severed her relationship with her former church. This brought a storm of persecution on her young head. She was unmoved by it. As I had left the same religion at a similar age, enduring identical treatment, a close bond drew us together. My husband and I became "Nanna and Pop" (her own grandparents having died in Poland) and speedily our humble home became her refuge where she learned the meaning of true love. The ideals of Seventh-day Adventism were quickly accepted, and her fidelity to those standards became our inspiration.

Both at school and at home she is constantly ridiculed. Her father, however, is so grateful that she is being taught the Bible. If it were not for him, she would not be allowed to attend any of our meetings.

When I tell you Mary's mother is an alcoholic, given to fits of melancholia and violent rages, you can better understand this child's unhappy environment. She flies to our home—sometimes with heart-breaking sobs—throws herself into my arms, and we often kneel in prayer together.

The Lord has impressed me that He has a special work for this child, and has entrusted to me the task of training her.

In all humility I accept this charge of my dear Mary, who like Mary of old "loves her Lord." She has joined the JMWs, delighting in all their activities, and already among her schoolmates is promulgating the Advent message. We are vegetarians, and she has taken to our diet like a duck to water. She took part in the Appeal work, and collected \$21. She politely refused a Catholic medallion the parish priest offered her. Her simple prayers would stir your soul. She is a forthright girl of strong character in whom I see tremendous potentialities.

"Why Did God Choose Me?"

Her naive question, "Nanna, why, when there are so many other Catholic children, did God choose me?" brought to my mind the words of Jesus, who said, "MANY are called but FEW are chosen." Each Sabbath morning her mother rages like a woman possessed, calling her "a Jew," but this dear girl, though saddened, is not moved from her resolution to be true to God.

Since hearing that tea, coffee and cola drinks contain drugs, she has eschewed all three. There are many other things I could tell you that would warm your heart, but that it all emanated from our Welfare work is, to me, the wonderful thing. Mary is anxious to be baptized, and her wish is to be fulfilled later in the year.

Only last week my Mary threw her arms around my neck, pressed her cheek against mine, and said, "Oh, Nanna, I wish you were my mother." Having borne ten children of my own and being grandmother to thirty-three others, I can truly

say Mary is as dear to me as any of them—even dearer.

Mary, just fourteen years old in June, brown-eyed and dimpled, would, if you could meet her, endear herself to your hearts as she has done to the members of my church. Will you not remember her in your prayers?



CRAWFORD—CRAIG. The Central Mackay church, Queensland, was filled to overflowing with relatives, friends and well-wishers on Sunday, May 24, 1970, at 3 p.m. for the exchanging of vows between Caroline Craig and David Crawford. All were charmed with the beauty of the dainty bride, who is the only daughter of Brother and Sister John Craig of Habana, via Mackay, Queensland, and who has served the church until recently as a secretary in the South Australian conference office. David is a field officer with the Agricultural Department in South Australia, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Crawford of Adelaide. Three hundred and sixty guests, including many non-Adventists, attended the reception, which was ably prepared and tastefully served by the ladies of the North Mackay church. The united dedication of Carol and David will undoubtedly bring blessings to the church and community in Mount Gambier, where they will witness and worship. Edwin I. Totenhofer.

MARTIN—BRAMWELL. On Monday afternoon of May 25, 1970, parents and many friends of Lynne Bramwell and Ian Martin witnessed the marriage of these two dedicated young people in the delightfully decorated Canberra church. Lynne is the daughter of Brother and Sister S. Bramwell of Canberra, and Ian the son of Brother and Sister L. Martin of Goulburn. As we wished these young people the blessing and favour of Heaven in their journey through life together, we could not help but feel that here will be another home that will demonstrate to the world what the love of God can do in human hearts. D. W. Croft.

MORTON—JARVINEN. May 28, 1970, was the date chosen by Terrence John Morton and Tuula Jarvinen to unite their lives in the sacred tie of matrimony in the Midland church, Western Australia. Terry is the son of Brother and Sister Charles Morton of Koongamia, and Tuula the daughter of Brother and Sister Kalle Jarvinen of Wilson. The tastefully decorated church, and many expressions of appreciation, reveal the high esteem in which this young couple are held. We are confident that the Christ of Cana will add His gracious blessing to this union and bring joy, peace and security as this bride and groom establish their home. K. E. Martin.

WALKER—BURTON. Brisbane Central church was the natural selection for the marriage of Barry Walker and Janice Burton on May 24, 1970, for this is the home church of the bride's family, and the sanctuary in which the bridegroom had been baptized just six months previously. Both parties were originally residents of Gympie, Queensland, from which centre many friends journeyed to honour the happy couple and the families to which they belong. It was a real joy for the writer to be invited into the establishment of the spiritual experience of these young people, so that their linkage as husband and wife could be secured on a sacred and sure foundation. We look forward to their united contribution to the happiness and advancement of our church family at Central. W. F. Taylor.



BREWER. On May 23, 1970, in her eighty-second year, Mary Dorothea Brewer passed to her rest. A pioneer of Dalby, Queensland, and district, and a charter member of the Dalby church, she will be remembered for good citizenship and devotion to the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She was predeceased by her husband

and an only child, but her faith in God will be rewarded with the restoration of loved ones in the glorious reunion day at the second coming of Christ. H. A. Grosse.

BURNETT. On May 14, 1970, in the hospital at Wanganui, New Zealand, Deryn Leigh was born to Brother and Sister Ward Burnett of Fordell, but cheered their hearts for only one brief day before being called to her rest. Brother and Sister Burnett were comforted in their great disappointment with the assurance that soon Deryn will be restored to them clothed in beauty and immortality when Jesus comes. We laid Deryn to rest in God's acre in Aramoho, waiting this blessed day. F. M. Slade.

CULLEN. Robert Anderson Cullen of Darra, Queensland, fell asleep in Jesus on May 23, 1970, at the Princess Alexandria Hospital, South Brisbane, having attained to the ripe old age of eighty-two years. Our brother was born at Hamilton, Scotland, but migrated to Australia while a young man. His first wife died in the year 1929. There were no children born to this union. Later, Robert was united in marriage to Nurse Myra Smith who was, at that time, training at the Sydney Sanitarium. After their marriage, they settled in Ipswich, where Robert was working as a clerk in the railway offices. Eight children were born to this marriage, seven of whom remain to mourn the loss of a loving father. Robert accepted present truth during the first mission conducted at Ipswich by the late Pastor F. G. Rampton and the late Pastor McFarlane, and remained faithful to the end. The funeral service was conducted by the writer at the Brisbane Central church and at the South Brisbane cemetery, when our brother sweetly sleeps, awaiting the glad day of reunion. M. S. Ball.

FISCHER. Another link with the early days of the church in Napier, New Zealand, was broken with the passing of Brother Arthur Paul Fischer on May 31, 1970. As a lad, along with his parents, he attended the first camp meeting in Australasia, in 1890, and again in 1893 when Mrs. E. G. White was present. As a loyal church member, and an engineer of note, he will be missed by the church and the community. Brother Fischer joined the St. John Ambulance in 1910, and in 1942 he was made a Life Officer of St. John. He leaves to mourn two daughters, Avis (Mrs. Alan McCutcheon of Palmerston North) and Ethne (Mrs. Ross Knight of Napier), nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild, besides a wide circle of friends. After a service in the Napier church, he was laid to rest beside his wife, who predeceased him by nine years. Pastor A. N. Duffy conducted the service, assisted by Brother D. Hale and the writer. L. I. Howell.

LINDEMAN. Rose Maud Lindeman, a member of the Thornleigh church, New South Wales, migrated from London to Australia in 1912 and passed to her rest on May 26, 1970, at the age of eighty-seven years, after many years of faithful service in the Adventist Church. She was introduced to the Advent message by members of the well-known Baldwin family of Sydney, two of whom were present at the funeral service at the Northern Suburbs crematorium. Left to be encouraged by her example is her only son and his wife who has admired her strong faith in God. "Her works do follow her." D. H. Watson.

MATHESON. Relief from suffering came to Ethel Matheson in her seventy-sixth year on April 7, 1970, as the last slender tie of life was broken. Baptized under the ministry of Pastor R. Moe, and a charter member of the Chinchilla, Queensland, company of Seventh-day Adventists, she maintained a strong faith in God despite her failing physical health. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." H. A. Grosse.

TESCHNER. Ernest Gustav Teschner passed away after a short illness on May 25, 1970, having the blessed hope uppermost in his heart. Born in the Highfields district, Queensland, in 1895, Brother Teschner accepted the Advent message late in life under the ministry of Pastor Low and Pastor Baines in Toowoomba, Queensland. Left to mourn are his wife, Emma, two sons, Colin and Ernie, three daughters, Mrs. Coral Lau, Mrs. Eva Peters, and Dorothy, and thirteen grandchildren. The message of Revelation 14:13, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord," brought comfort and hope to sorrowing loved ones and friends. We "sorrow not as others which have no hope." A. G. Byrne.

WHITFIELD. Sister Whitfield died at the public hospital, Cootamundra, New South Wales, on May 22, 1970, and was laid to rest beside her husband. She was a lady of great kindness. The town bestowed upon her the great honour of the "Woman of the Year" two years ago. She was a member of many working societies, loved and admired by all. She was also faithful to her church, where she served as

an active Dorcas member. Pastor E. G. Whitaker and Brother Mauder lit the fire of Christian love and truth in her heart many years ago. She has left to mourn her passing one daughter, four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, besides many other near relatives. Till the day dawn, we shall wait to meet her again. Brother Youlden assisted the writer. W. M. R. Scragg.

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The ground-breaking ceremony for the commencement of the new North Mackay church, Holack Street, North Mackay, Queensland, will be held the same day at 11 a.m.

Former members are especially invited to attend.

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✧ Doesn't a genuine word of appreciation really make your day? You will therefore understand how the manager of the Signs Publishing Company felt a few weeks ago when one of the evangelists in Greater Sydney, for whom our publishing house had printed handbills, wrote thus: "I appreciate the fine work the Signs did in printing all my mission advertising. An even more pleasing feature was the fact that when they were able to produce two of my handbills cheaper than their quotation, Brother Pengilley passed the saving of \$75 back to me. Private printers would have kept the extra money, happy in the knowledge of a greater profit for their own business. I am surprised that more evangelists don't get the Signs to do their printing, as most prices compare favourably with local printers, and their work is far superior." Brother Lawson, on behalf of the manager, we bow to a scholar and a gentleman.

✧ Is this a "first"? During the months of June and July, the South New South Wales Book and Bible House are sponsoring a half-hour programme of sacred music over Radio 2CA Canberra at 10 o'clock each Sunday night. All recordings used in the programme are supplied by the South New South Wales Book and Bible House, and various record catalogues are offered to all who phone in either during the programme or during business hours. The purpose of the programme is to attract people not of our faith to visit our showroom. Now that's what we call right progressive thinking! Indeed, such progressively-minded people could feel strangely out of place in Canberra.

✧ Pastor N. H. J. Smith, the Publishing Department secretary of the Greater Sydney Conference, has been elected to the Central Council of the Australian Institute of Sales and Marketing Executives in New South Wales. He was selected, we hear, from 2,000 members, and was also appointed to the Public Relations committee of the Institute.

✧ There has been a change in the complement of the office staff at the South New South Wales Conference headquarters. Miss Neroli Taylor has left the staff and returned to Mullumbimby, her home town, with plans for marriage as the reason for moving. Miss Taylor's place has been taken by Miss Beverly Blair of the Sanitarium at Warburton.

✧ Brother Barry Morris of the Lakemba (Sydney) church has recently passed his final examinations in architecture with distinction. We offer our congratulations to Brother Morris.

✧ Not everyone eligible is going to the Avondalians' Association annual get-together at Avondale; that much we take for granted. But we just can't take everything for granted, so if you are one of those who are planning to go, READ THIS CAREFULLY. Because of a bit of pawn-moving during the August vacation for the various sessions (division and T.T.U.C.), the date has had to be revised. The date has now been moved to AUGUST 30 (a Sunday), so will all kindly paste this date in their little black books? (There's more; read on.)

✧ Now that we have established that you are coming, you must understand that the organizers just cannot wave a wand and feed the multitude that may decide to attend on the spur of the moment. THEREFORE, if you are among those who wish to come, please notify the secretary (Miss V. M. Flanagan, Australasian Division of S.D.A., 148 Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga, N.S.W. 2076) by August 15 at the latest. Tours start at 10 a.m., and lunch, beautiful lunch, will be at 12.30. But PLEASE, TELL THE SECRETARY. Otherwise, foolish virgins. . . .

✧ It is always good to hear about successful missions, so settle back and drink in the tidings from the frozen south of New Zealand. In Oamaru ("a very difficult place" according to Pastor A. D. C. Currie, and we believe him) they hope to baptize fifteen people. Pastor Currie preaches there on Tuesday nights; Brother Harley Stanton is located there. The picture below shows a sample of the advertising method they used. The cars belong to the mission team: Lyell Heise, Harley Stanton, A. D. C. Currie and Alex Penman. In Balclutha, six more are moving toward baptism, and in Dunedin about twenty new folk are attending church.



✧ You will be wanting to know what is the latest on the re-building plans for the Sydney Sanitarium, and you couldn't have put your inquiry to a better place. Be among the first in your church to know that the local council (Kuringai Municipal Council) passed the plans of the complete sanitarium project on June 1, and this includes the extension of the nurses' home, the medical centre, the nursing school and the young people's hall (a combined complex) and the main hospital block. Will Dr. Clifford please try to control that beaming smile?

✧ More about the sanitarium programme? Certainly! The passing of the entire project by the council means that tenders can now be called. For the main hospital part, that is. Already a contractor has been engaged for the nurses' home, and the eighty-eight-room extension will commence within a few weeks. Tenders for the medical centre have already been called (June 9), and work on the nursing school and main hospital block will commence later in the year. Soon we'll be including an article on the entire programme. Appropriately, it will be in our Health Issue.

✧ "Finally, brethren . . ." The seven stages of ambition: To be like dad; to be a train driver; to be a jet pilot; to be famous; to be a millionaire; to make both ends meet; to hang on long enough to draw the pension.