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Week of Prayer and Sacrifice

By W. A. NELSON

IN the providence of God the early leadership of the Seventh-day Adventist church bequeathed to us the annual Week of Prayer—a time when the members of the church assemble in all parts of the world for earnest prayer and rededication of heart and life to God. What a blessing these seasons of prayer have been to the ministers and members of the churches! In these days of perplexity and foreboding among the nations of the world, we find renewed faith and courage as we gather for earnest study of our needs, and earnestly pray to our God for help to meet all our problems.

God gives us this assurance: "The lessons that God sends will always, if well learned, bring help in due time. Put your trust in God. Pray much, and believe. Trusting, hoping, believing, holding fast the hand of Infinite Power, you will be more than conquerors."—*Testimonies*, Vol. VII, p. 245.

The Week of Prayer should mean more to us this year than ever before. Let us humble our hearts and seek to gain the blessings which God is ready to bestow upon us as we respond to the readings prepared for our study.

The Week of Sacrifice Offering, or as more recently called, the Week of Prayer Offering, will be taken on Sabbath, November 20. This offering is for foreign missions. As we recall the blessings and the mercies of God in our own lives, let us give a liberal offering. God has blessed us so wonderfully that we can bring to Him with thanksgiving a real sacrifice offering.

The needs in the world field are greater than ever before. Now is our opportunity to work for God. We can see the doors already closing in many lands. This is called to our attention in a letter just received from Mrs. Wilbur Rick, who with

her husband, is working in Assam, India. She writes: "The work is going forward with surprising speed in these hills and we are glad, for we know that our time here is short. The general feeling is not one of great desire to have the missionary here and we must work as our strength permits for soon I feel sure we will not be allowed to stay in these hills. The papers are full of anti-missionary propaganda. So far we have been treated very nicely and officials have been very kind to my husband in granting him the privileges for which he has asked in connection with his work among the hill

people. Other denominations have not been so fortunate."

The Lord is waiting for us to do our part for "the Lord God of heaven will not send upon the world His judgments for disobedience and transgression until He has sent His watchmen to give the warning. He will not close up the period of probation until the message shall be more distinctly proclaimed. . . . Yet the work will be cut short in righteousness. The message of Christ's righteousness is to sound from one end of the earth to the other to prepare the way of the Lord. This is the glory of God, which closes the work of the third angel."—*Testimonies*, Vol. VI, p. 19.

May the Lord inspire all to bring an offering of sacrifice and thanksgiving on Sabbath, November 20.



Elder W. B. Ochs

Union Committee Meets at Oshawa

ELDER W. B. Ochs, president of the North American Division, met with the Executive Committee of the Canadian Union Conference which was held at Oshawa, October 31 to November 3. In addition to the workers at the Union headquarters, the Committee consists of the presidents of the local conferences and the heads of our four institutions. In connection with the Union Committee meeting, Board meetings were held for Oshawa Missionary College, Canadian Union College, Rest Haven Sanitarium and Hospital, and Kingsway Publishing Association.

Elder Ochs led out in the morning devotional studies. The presidents of the local conferences told encouraging experiences in evangelism and growth in church membership. The secretaries of the various departments of the Union reported active participation by the members of the churches in their respective activities.

A programme of remodelling and im-

proving Rest Haven Sanitarium was approved. This together with modern equipment will enable Rest Haven to render service comparable to that offered by any hospital.

Oshawa Missionary College has an enrollment larger than a year ago. While the enrollment is lower at Canadian Union College than last year due to crop conditions, yet the prospects are good for a successful year. The secretaries of these boards said that we have every reason to be grateful for the high standards of our colleges and the education they are able to offer the young people of Canada. Canadian Union College is developing new industries. Bookbinding and furniture-making both have encouraging prospects.

A note of courage was sounded throughout the Committee sessions. Plans were laid which with God's help will result in greater victories for the cause of God in the coming months.

W. A. NELSON, *President,*
Canadian Union Conference

Administrative Changes at the College of Medical Evangelists

At the time of the Fall Council held recently in Washington, D. C., the denomination's medical education centre advanced another step in its continual dedication to the cause of the church.

The scope of educational activities at the College of Medical Evangelists is constantly expanding to take care of new needs.

These numerous educational avenues made it advisable to appoint as president one who is a general educator rather than one with a medical education background. Dr. G. T. Anderson, president of La Sierra College, accepted the appointment to the presidency of CME. Dr. W. E. Macpherson, who has served CME for many years and most recently as president, accepted the deanship of the School of Medicine. He thus heads the school within CME that has the largest enrollment and includes a major share of the academic activities.

The Board of Trustees also announced that Dr. Keld Reynolds, associate secretary of the General Conference Educational Department, will become Dean of the Faculties. He will be charged with the responsibility of co-ordinating the various academic pursuits of the respective schools.

The College of Medical Evangelists has over 700 students enrolled in this, its 49th school year. Within the next few months the College will begin celebrating the 50th Anniversary year.

Every Twenty Seconds

The avalanche of subscription orders that have poured into the *Signs* office during recent weeks registered a total weekly circulation averaging 300,000 copies. This means that during the coming months of the normal subscription year a copy of the *Signs* will be winging its flight over a hungry world every twenty seconds. In fact, the addition of 50,000 unfulfilled Canadian subscriptions necessitated printing orders for several weeks totaling a third of a million—the largest printing orders in eighty-one years.

With regular weekly frequency the *Signs* thus continues to occupy a major position in the field of our denominational missionary literature. Through these many years it has demonstrated its soul-winning potential, not only in the North American territory, but also in practically every sector of our far-flung mission operations. To literally thousands who seldom hear the living preacher behind the desk, it has served most admirably and efficiently as a great "silent evangelist." To many more thousands, who long for a clearer understanding of the Word of God, it has become the weekly Bible worker, bringing comfort and enlightenment.

Almost every day letters come to our desks featuring the *Signs of the Times* as the mystic spark that kindles the fires of

inquiry in human hearts. A few days ago the following letter came to us from one of our ministers in a western city: "We have witnessed a marvelous conversion in our church. A lady who had been a Catholic became dissatisfied a few years ago. This spring her neighbour sent her the *Signs*. Early in June our colporteur in this area sold her a set of books for her boys. Later he returned and sold her *Great Controversy*. She was a chain smoker, so when she arrived at page 474 she became angry at the book and threw it aside. After an uneasy night she heard herself saying out loud, 'Well, I guess you win.' She read that page again and kept on reading. In two months she read thirteen of our books."

"Her jewelry and lipstick dropped off as suddenly as the cigarettes. She is a counsellor at a large junior high school. Now she is lending books and making personal visits. Our message was exactly what she had been longing for, but she did not know where to look."

We would urge every reader of this report to unite with us in earnest intercessory prayer that the Spirit of God will brood over the hearts of thousands to whom the *Signs* will make its weekly visits, and that many will join hands and hearts with us in the triumphant march to the kingdom.

H. K. CHRISTMAN,
Circulation Manager

FAITHFUL UNDER TEST

By E. L. LONGWAY

*Acting President, South China Island
Union Mission*

WAY up in the mountains of Central Taiwan is a little settlement called "Freedom Village," or Tzu Yiu Tsun. The village people are not Chinese, but belong to one of the eight aboriginal tribes that lived on the Island before the advent of the Chinese conquerors. These people were never fully subjugated, even during the time of the Japanese occupation of the Island, from 1895 to 1945. Since the close of the last world war the Chinese government has opened the way for mission work to prosper among these mountain folk.

Less than a year ago the Taiwan Mission sent a young Chinese brother into this area. Brother Tseng is a faithful, earnest, and tactful worker. He won the goodwill and confidence of the mountain people, and at the same time was respected by the Chinese police authorities who control the area.

Brother D. M. Barnett, in charge of the Central Taiwan district, invited Mrs. Longway and me to visit Freedom Village

and help examine some candidates for baptism. We reached there late one Friday evening. Because a bridge had been washed out, we had to walk the last four or five miles of the journey. Among the candidates for baptism were several young men just the right age to be called up for duty with the police in maintaining the telephone lines.

Brother Tseng said to us, "We have a little problem. The local police official is calling some of our youth for work tomorrow. Let's see if he will excuse them, and promise him that they will serve at any other time."

So we called on this young police official and found him friendly enough, but not at all of the opinion that he should release these men from duty. His viewpoint was that he had called these men for service along with others who were bound to come. He did it before he knew about their desire to keep the Sabbath. He would try to be careful not to call them again on a Sabbath day, but this time he

would have to insist on their working, otherwise his authority would be slighted. We urged him as best we could, and then returned to the little quarters where we were staying.

The young men asked, "What shall we do about working on the Sabbath?" They were told that it was a matter that each must decide for himself, and that neither the Chinese evangelist nor the foreign missionary could be conscience for them.

In the morning, as we started to examine candidates for baptism word came that the police had taken three of our young men to the police office. We waited for an hour or so, and then Brother Barnett, Dr. J. Alfred Scharffenberg, Brother Tseng, and the writer walked up to the police office. We found the three boys standing before the police desk, charged with disobedience to orders. The officer in charge was very stern in his attitude. It was a good opportunity to remind this officer of the principles of religious freedom that China has guaranteed to her people. Dr. Scharffenberg was in military uniform, and pointed out that he was able to be free from military duties on the Sabbath day. One of us also took the opportunity to remind him that he was head of the police in "Freedom Village," a good place to practice freedom of soul as well as of body. He thought about that for a short moment, and then called the three young men over in front of him.

After a few stern words of rebuke, he said, "You are excused for the day." Another victory was won by these simple mountain lads who just a few months before this had never heard of the seventh-day Sabbath, and God's command to keep it holy.

On that beautiful Sabbath morning thirteen of these Tai Er tribal people were baptized in a little pool that had been made by damming up the rushing mountain stream. Among those baptized were these three young men who had so loyally stood for the Sabbath. Five young men from the village are scheduled to join the special training class at Taiwan Theological Seminary to prepare to carry the truth to their own people who are scattered over all the hills and mountains of beautiful Formosa.

These are the people that the faithful evangelists, who are paid from the offerings you have given, are winning to the truth. There are many more still waiting. We need your prayers and your continued offerings that soon hundreds of these youth can be trained and sent over the whole Island, and the work thus be speedily finished. Remember the needs and opportunities in Taiwan as you plan for your Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, December 25.



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News Notes

★ Elder J. G. Corban reports a full house on the opening night of his evangelistic meetings in Chilliwack. The attendance has been excellent throughout the entire week. Two or three families of German folks who do not understand the English language attend regularly and enjoy the pictures. As many as forty and fifty non-Adventists are signing the cards for literature and Bible studies. Elder and Mrs.

Corban are greatly encouraged and are looking for good results.

★ Elder R. Knauff, educational superintendent, is visiting the schools in the north country. This includes the schools at Burns Lake, Prince George, Terrace and Lac La Hache. The Burns Lake and Lac La Hache schools were just opened this year.

★ Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Suiter and family are moving to Mission City from Prince George this week. Brother Suiter has already taken over his duties as Publishing Secretary of the British Columbia Conference.

★ Elder A. W. Bauer is visiting with Brother and Sister Frank Johnson and the Gildersleeve-McGill logging camp at Margaret Bay. Sister Johnson is teaching at the Indian school there. Elder Bauer will hold meetings with the natives there every evening during his visit.

East Kelowna Church Dedication

By W. A. NELSON

The East Kelowna church is located in the beautiful Okanagan Valley. Some years ago members from across the border in the United States moved to a section east of Kelowna, which they felt was well adapted to the bringing up and training of their children. Soon other members followed. They were most active in missionary endeavour and built up a membership which at the present time numbers about fifty. This is quite an achievement, for we have three other large churches within a few miles.

Through the years the members of the Lemky family and the others who have joined them have worked untiringly, look-

ing forward to the day when the church would be dedicated. Brother D. D. Buhler, the local elder, is giving strong leadership to the programme of the church.

The faithful work of the church members over a period of many years reached a climax on October 9, for that day the East Kelowna church was dedicated to the service of God. In addition to the local brethren, Elders R. A. Smithwick, A. W. Bauer, S. G. Joyce, and the writer took part in the dedicatory service. The members rejoiced in what God has enabled them to do in the past, and pledged themselves to do greater exploits for Him in the future.

Sabbath, October 9, the East Kelowna church, was dedicated free of debt. Elder S. G. Joyce gave a brief history of the early struggles of our members there. Elder W. A. Nelson gave the dedicatory address. The writer led in the act of dedication and offered the dedicatory prayer. Other conference workers present were J. C. Neithercut, R. A. Hubley and A. W. Bauer. For the occasion Brother D. D. Buhler, the local elder, and his members had cleaned and decorated the church inside and out. It was a very happy occasion and the Conference was glad to supply some needed song books to honour the event.

R. ALLEN SMITHWICK



LAYMEN ON THE MARCH

October 9 was a high day for the members in the Okanagan Valley. The laymen were on the march from Oliver, from Silver Creek and from Malakwa. They were all bound for the High School Auditorium in the city of Kelowna where one of the largest rallies for our home missionary workers was held. Elder W. A. Nelson, president of the Union Conference was there! Elder R. Allen Smithwick, president of the British Columbia Conference was there! Besides these brethren Elder A. W. Bauer, home missionary secretary of the British Columbia Conference, was there! Assisting these brethren were Elders S. G. Joyce, R. A. Hubley, D. E. Tinkler and Dr. A. W. N. Druitt.

At the time the rally was scheduled to open the auditorium was almost crowded. Fully five hundred people were present. There was a spirit of optimism and good fellowship pervading the auditorium and surely not one person left the meeting that day without a new desire in his heart to be a "worker together with God."

The opening speech by Elder Nelson told what laymen can do, what laymen are doing and what *all* could do who would consecrate themselves to God for service. It was an enthusiastic and rousing appeal to modern Israel to "Arise and shine," for their "light is come."

Elder S. G. Joyce had charge of the next meeting which took the form of a symposium. Elder Smithwick led out in a challenging appeal. He urged those present to look upon the fields waiting to be harvested. The time for reaping has come. Many are waiting to be gathered

into the kingdom. We should double our membership in the next few years. It was a clarion call to the people of God.

Then Elder Tinkler told how to organize the church for service. Elder Bauer gave a demonstration of the "tools" that are available for use. He was assisted by Sister Hubley, Brother Thorpe, Brother Reimche and others. They showed how literature can be used in the colporteur work, and in lending library and tract distribution. Getting enrollees for the Bible school was stressed. The Dorcas welfare work was emphasized. A demonstration was given of the use that can be made of projectors and tape recorders. Elder Hubley brought a helpful message for those who are engaged in giving Bible studies.

The panel discussion under the chairmanship of Elder Nelson proved to be one of the most helpful parts of the programme. Elder Nelson was assisted in this part of the programme by Dr. Druitt, Miss Buck, Elder Joyce and Brother T. G. McMeekin. By careful direction and wise questioning of the members of the panel the chairman brought out many helpful thoughts for the encouragement of the warmly enthusiastic audience.

It was a good meeting. It was an inspiring meeting. The Spirit of God was there to convince those present that the time had come to let their light shine before men and to become in very truth "workers together with God."

J. C. NEITHERCUT,
Secretary-Treasurer,
B. C. Conference

Some Happy; Some Disappointed

"What's all the commotion down at the theatre?" called a man as he hurried past two of our juniors who were on their way to our opening evangelistic meeting last Sunday night in the Empress Theatre in Vernon.

"There's a good meeting there tonight," they called after him, "and you better hurry if you want a seat!"

Hurry, he did, but alas! he was too late, for when he arrived at the theatre every seat was filled. In fact, many seats accommodated two people who pressed together to make room for others as the crowds surged in and swelled the attendance to overflowing.

Many were disappointed who could not even get into the building. Parking space all over the downtown section was at a premium, for people drove from far and

near. It seemed the whole town was astir, and how our hearts rejoiced as we thanked the Lord for answering our prayers and sending the people to our meeting.

We are privileged to have Brother Frank Baker as chorister and his wife as pianist. The Winfield church choir, under the direction of Isaac Siebel, brought heart-touching music; as did also Brother Bill McCreery whom we were grateful to have with us for our opening meeting.

The following Friday and Saturday night meetings were scheduled for the Odd Fellows' Hall, which proved to be far too small to accommodate the crowd which came. Ushers carried in seats and benches, and every inch of space was occupied.

Back at the theatre again the second Sunday, a full house was experienced. As

Vernon Ladies' Trio, left to right: Miss Alice Jewkes, Mrs. John Falkonbridge, Mrs. Frank Baker. They assist the March of Truth Male Quartette in providing special music for the Vernon effort.



the meetings continue three nights a week, we are praying and working for the salvation of many priceless souls.

DESMOND E. TINKLER



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News Notes

★ Brother H. J. Eslinger has opened a series of meetings in the Winnipeg German church. He reports a full house for the opening lecture, and a very good response for literature on the subject.

★ The church in Fort William is being filled at each meeting held by the pastor, L. R. Ellison. The new evangelistic films are being used, showing some of the denomination's best evangelists giving lectures on various topics. Several are now studying this truth and plan to go forward in baptism on the last Sabbath of November.

★ Three cooking classes are now in progress in the Conference. Mrs. Winsome Eslinger was the first to start a class. She holds classes at her home in Winnipeg. In Tugaskie, Mrs. Grace Blix and Mrs. Mazel Foulston are conducting a course. Mrs. Deer in Canora is the third one to begin a class in nutrition and healthful cookery.

★ On October 3, Miss Jane Kshivda and Thomas Bell were united in marriage at the Baptist church in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

★ During the past few weeks, Brother and Sister E. J. Heisler have visited the churches at Waldheim, Regina, North Battleford, Beaver Creek, and Debden, visiting the church groups and auditing the treasurers' books.

Saskatoon Responds

S EVEN hundred people packed the Saskatoon Legion Hall to its fullest capacity to hear and see the dramatically illustrated lecture, "The Coming World Dictator for Fifteen Days." The audience sat spellbound as they watched the startling beasts of Daniel 7 rise out of a huge sea scene which completely filled the stage. One by one Evangelist C. A. Reeves showed the unerring lines of prophecy which pointed out the antichrist. Colourful charts and other visual aids were used to make crystal clear to everyone the tremendous import of the prophecies.

A great interest has been shown by the people of Saskatoon in the evangelistic meetings thus far. One radio station interviewed Elder Reeves for ten minutes about his work, especially among the cannibals of New Guinea, while the other radio station gave an unusually long news report several times Monday morning on his first lecture. The Thursday night meetings have been surprisingly well attended with close to four hundred people attending the second Thursday night, showing the intense interest people have in the subject, "Will Men Alive Today See Our Lord's Return?"

One of the most encouraging factors is that from the very first the meetings were advertised as sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist church and yet they are packing the hall to hear the Advent Truth presented. This is certainly a fine tribute to the representative lives our believers have lived in this city to make the Adventist name so highly respected.

The three Bible workers associated with Elder Reeves—Mrs. C. A. Reeves, D. J. Donesky, and L. O. Cummings—are very busy visiting over four hundred interested names already turned in of people desiring literature on the topics presented.

The whole Saskatoon church has been electrified into action in distributing 10,000 handbills each week, ushering, singing in the choir, inviting people by phone and many other activities. How much we appreciate the help of our faithful members.

We solicit your most earnest prayers that God may pour out His Spirit upon this city. We pray for a bountiful harvest.

L. O. CUMMINGS



Teachers in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference. Left to right: James Campbell, Winnipeg; Lois Kettner, Port Arthur; Mrs. R. E. Myers, Winnipeg; Harold Pearson, Regina; Mrs. John Rusk, Saskatoon; Agnes Zbaraschuk, Moose Jaw; W. G. Soloniuk, Educational Secretary.



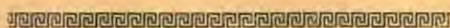
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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GOD

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Proverbs 3:9, 10.



Thrilling Experiences at the Exhibition

W E ARE the people who manned the Seventh-day Adventist booth at the Toronto Exhibition. There were many of us—enough to serve at the booth three shifts a day, with usually four on each shift. Elder Victor Collins served as personnel director.

It was one of the most thrilling missionary endeavours we have ever experienced! One time while discussing it we exclaimed, "Just think, here we can give away more literature in an hour than we could in weeks in our church!" Of those 103,700 pieces of literature placed in outstretched hands, 2,100 of them were given out in one hour's time on the final evening, stated Mrs. Irma Reynolds, whose responsibility it was to keep the booth well stocked with the literature.

Two men approached an attendant. "How do you explain the text 'Let no man judge you of the sabbath days?'" they asked her. She explained that the text referred to the ceremonial rather than the moral law. Further conversation revealed the visitors to be two ministers of another faith, and both enrolled for the Bible Correspondence Course.

Probably Mrs. Kuester's most thrilling experience was when three ladies approached the booth who obviously could not speak English very well. She enquired what language they spoke and on learning it was Spanish she said, "Momentico, tengo algo para Vds.," and stepped over to the foreign literature display and gave them a piece of literature and "El Camino a Cristo" (*Steps to Christ* in Spanish). When she asked what country they were from they replied, "Venezuela"—the very country in which she and her husband had served as missionaries! An excited conversation in Spanish ensued. Mrs. Kuester told the ladies who were leaving the next day for Venezuela, where our mission office there is located.

A lady told one of the attendants that years before, a Seventh-day Adventist had come to her home and nearly frightened her to death. "Why?" she was smilingly asked.

"Because he told me the seventh day is the Sabbath," was the reply.

"Well, you know the Bible does tell us that," said the attendant.

"I thought we observed Sunday because Christ rose on that day," said the visitor.

The attendant told her that thousands of dollars had been offered as a reward to anyone who would show one text author-

izing Sunday observance, and that no one had ever claimed that reward. Then she explained how the Sabbath had been changed. The lady signed for both the Bible and Health Correspondence Courses.

A lady asked the attendant if she had any cookbooks that did not call for the use of meat, as her husband could not eat it. The attendant not only told her of our variety of cookbooks with their meat-free protein and entree dishes, but was able to tell her of our vegetarian meats and the various seasonings that make meatless dishes delicious and appetizing.

An unusual coincidence took place one day. A lady had been given *Your Friends the Adventists* the evening before. She returned the next morning saying she had read the entire book and wanted more literature. Later another lady came and the experience was repeated; she also had received *Your Friends the Adventists* the evening before, had read the entire book and returned for more literature.

All these wonderful experiences are going to bear fruit for months to come. Already results have been felt. An Ingathering solicitor in Detroit was told by a man she contacted that he had visited the SDA booth at the Toronto Exhibition and had been given a *Signs of the Times*. He spoke very favourably of the experience and seemed happy to see the solicitor.

The final results of these contacts made and the literature distributed will never be known until we meet in Heaven the souls thus encouraged and saved. But we who helped at the booth do know now the thrilling encouragement and the spiritual strength that we ourselves received as a result of this great missionary endeavour.

MRS. W. E. KUESTER



Members of the Dorcas Society in Botwood, Newfoundland conducted a successful sale to raise funds for welfare work.



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Philip Moores

President

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Faith and Works

There were no funds; but in faith Botwood's few members organized their Dorcas Society in 1951 under the leadership of Mrs. Ford Gill. Personal scrap bags were raided to make pin cushions for sale. Thus funds were raised to make the first fruit baskets for hospital patients and the poor at the Christmas season.

The aim of this society is to win souls through helping the poor. 424 articles of clothing and seventy-five food baskets have been prepared and given away to

take care of the two hundred calls to which the society has responded.

The 1954 sale of thirty articles of clothing, homemade ice cream and baked goods netted \$52.00 with which to purchase a sewing machine and other materials to increase the welfare work in the future. God is blessing the efforts of the few members. A Christmas sale is the current project.

Weekly visits are made to the local cottage hospital where patients are found who need a word of encouragement. Almost all the patients gladly receive a copy of one of God's silent messengers, *The Signs of the Times*. 720 copies have already been distributed this year.

Humbly the Botwood Dorcas Society seeks to follow the Master's example in not forsaking the poor. The intake of used clothing is not enough to meet the demands. An invitation is given to any to help the Society in their work by sending boxes of garments for this missionary purpose to Mrs. Ford Gill, Botwood, Newfoundland.

CAROLYN KNUTSON

Mrs. Carolyn Knutson and Mrs. P. Moores Participate in Radio Programmes.



Children's Story Hour on Station VOAR.





Elder H. N. Williams,
Founder of VOAR.



Many Have Co-operated Through the Years.

25 Years of Broadcasting

VOAR, "The Voice of Adventist Radio" in St. John's, Newfoundland is celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary. Pastor H. N. Williams, the founder of the station, was invited to return to hold evangelistic services for ten days. This was made possible through the generosity of the Indiana Conference and our many friends in Newfoundland.

All services were broadcast and hundreds of old friends were happy to hear the pastor again. A number rededicated their lives to the Lord. Double sessions were held on Sunday evenings to take care of the large number who came to the church.

The first night Pastor Williams spoke on the Holy Spirit. He did not know that

a man was standing outside the door listening. Imagine the pastor's surprise when the man came in after the service and surrendered his cigarettes and lighter. This was a good start for a wonderful week. Sabbath was a day of decision and several decided to be baptized.

Radio listeners began to call for copies of sermons and for visits to their homes. Many requests came for Pastor Williams to sing. People remembered hearing him sing twenty-five years ago. The most popular request was for "My Mother's Old Bible is True."

Hundreds of people appreciated the way VOAR has begun its twenty-fifth year of broadcasting. **PHILIP MOORES,**
President



Elder Philip Moores, Radio Pastor

St. John's Church Members Take Part in Radio Broadcast.



George Robbitts, Radio Engineer, at the Transmitter.





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Wedding

On Sunday afternoon, July 11, 1954 the Fox Point church was filled to capacity at the first service held in the new church on the happy occasion when Miss Marie Faye Coolen became the bride of Mr. Donald Francis Soper. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers for the occasion. The bride was attended by Mrs. Violet Coolen, Mr. Soper's brother, Lloyd, was best man. The ushers were John and Sanford Coolen. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robie Coolen. The newly-wed couple will reside in Halifax.

J. ELMER WHELPLEY



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Senior Training Camp

THE hum of car motors, the hustle and bustle of people putting the last of their supplies into the cars, sent a current of excitement and anticipation through the air. What is all this excitement about? Haven't you heard! On the afternoon of September 3, seventy-two Edmonton young people left for a three-day Training Camp at Canmore, fourteen miles east of Banff. As they started out on this adventure the weather was wet and dreary, but it didn't dampen the spirits of these young people who were going—come rain or shine.

One by one the cars, thirteen in all, began to arrive at the camp. Like "Busy-Bees" those young folks were rushing here and there, preparing their cabins before the sun sank behind the distant mountains.

You could call our camp triangular for it had three sides to it: Spiritual, Educational and Recreational. Let's have a look at these sides one at a time.

Spiritual: As the words of our theme

song, "Everybody Ought to Know," rang out through the stillness of the night, each heart was determined to do his share in the furthering of the gospel. With many songs, talks and earnest prayers, God's presence was very near. Yes, we know that God is present with us at all times, but He seems even closer to us when we are out in His nature, looking up at those majestic mountains, and knowing that His love is greater than they, as they send their peaks up into the clouds. Worship time was one of the high-lights, for at that early hour, 6:30 A.M., one's mind is clear and alert. In a very orderly manner, nine units marched to the flag pole and formed a semicircle. Studying the lesson, singing a song, and offering a prayer for guidance through the day, the young people felt as if the day was off to a good start.

Educational: You may think that in three days one could not get much in the line of education, but there were four M.V. classes to choose from and they were as follows: Mineralogy, Photography, Music, and Christian Story telling. Each leader had something exciting and interesting for his class. For example, if you could have peeked around the corner of the dining hall, you would have seen a group of from fifteen to twenty, under the leadership of Arthur Cooper, standing under the trees. Listening closely, you could hear them singing hymns and then one by one they would take their turn in directing the group. Yes, I'm sure everyone who went, came back more enlightened.

When you think of the word "recreation," there are many angles to it. There is real pleasure in studying God's Word, in associating with young people of the same faith, in learning something new; but also there is much pleasure in having a good time. Those three days were packed with "good times."

With hiking clothes on and Elder Erickson as leader, sixty-eight of the group, bright and early Sunday morning, started at a brisk pace down the trail on a hike. Where they were going and how far, nobody knew; all they knew was that when they reached their destination, a huge box of lunch would be waiting—who wouldn't start out at a fast pace! Over bridges, through the trees, struggling up steep hills and resting on fallen logs, we finally reached the half-way mark. Pausing a few moments, we all gazed with awe at the sight before us. There, coming hundreds of feet down the mountain, was a waterfall. The drop was steep and rugged, but that didn't frighten our leader. Pointing to the very top, he said, "Forward march." Up the mountain, where little streams of water were trickling down, we struggled, groaned, sweated, and panted. Pulling ourselves up bit by bit holding on to shrubs and willing hands ahead of us, we at last reached the top, and to our surprise the most glorious sight of the hike. There, on the crest of the mountain, were two crystal-clear lakes, "Twin Lakes." The colour and clearness of the lakes made them look like two precious gems set in rock. Seeing the way we came up was

Hikers enjoying view of Bow River.





Work and recreation were combined at Senior Camp.

much too hard to try to descend, we were told that there was a trail going down which was much easier. It's a good thing we didn't know about this before we started up! After a hearty lunch, we started back, but at a much slower pace than we started out. You'd think that after a long hike of about ten to twelve miles, resting would be first on your mind; but not these young folk, who had come to enjoy every second of the three days, for as soon as they arrived on the campus, out came the bat and ball, volley ball and net. Their aches, pains and weary limbs were soon forgotten.

Monday, the last day of our camp, was a day many will never forget. To tell about all that we saw would take too long. To try and describe the panorama of Lake Louise, Moraine Lake, the Banff Rock Gardens and Johnston Canyon, is impossible. The perfect symmetry and beauty of Lake Louise; the tranquillity and gem-like depth of colour of Moraine Lake, with its ten peaks; the ruggedness and grandeur of Johnston Canyon, are just some of the outstanding features all will remember.

You never find two young people alike, but there is one point in which they are nearly all alike, that is when it comes to eating! At the sound of the trumpet the campers were seen running with dishes in hand, toward the dining hall. If you think it is hard to cook a large meal and have it taste as good as a small one, you need to take lessons from our

two cooks: Mrs. S. Schafer and Mrs. E. Edmonton. Whether it was 5:00 A.M. or 5:00 P.M., you could go into the kitchen and see them working away. Their untiring and faithful service was appreciated by all.

Not only do we have visitors when we are at home, but we had visitors up at camp too. Elder and Mrs. Taylor and Elder and Mrs. Erickson and son, attended our camp. Their contributions to the meetings were welcomed and enjoyed by all.

Yes, fellow young people all over Alberta, we had a wonderful time, and we are looking forward to next year when, with all of you, we can meet together and honour God in worship, work and play in the Conference Annual Senior Camp.

LORAIN PFANMULLER

"As the giver of every blessing, God claims a certain portion of all we possess. This is His provision to sustain the preaching of the gospel. And by making this return to God, we are to show our appreciation of His gifts. But if we withhold from Him that which is His own, how can we claim His blessing? If we are unfaithful stewards of earthly things, how can we expect Him to entrust us with the things of heaven? It may be that here is the secret of unanswered prayer."

Christ's Object Lessons, p. 144

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VELMA DRAKE

Wedding

Frances Lucille Pearson and Ashley Craig Robertson were united in marriage at the Burnt Lake church on the evening of October 11. Attending the bride and groom were Mrs. Roberta Maves, sister of the bride, and Arthur Spenst. Ethel Peterson and Lily Aab were candle bearers. Little Sharon Fisher was the flower girl. At the organ was Alice Fitch. Evelyn Schram was vocal soloist and Judy Crawford, violinist.

Many friends and relatives gathered at the reception to present their gifts and offer sincere wishes to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson will make their home in Calgary where Mrs. Robertson is a secretary in the Conference office. We feel sure that this new home will be a consecrated one and that it will be a real influence for good. May the Lord richly bless this home.

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JOHNSON—Mrs. Luella Mae Kropinske-Johnson was born February 29, 1908 in North Dakota and died October 21, 1954 at Burns Lake, British Columbia at the age of forty-six. At the age of six she came with her family to live near Consort, Alberta. She married Willard Johnson in 1930. To this union were born two sons, Kenneth and Ronald.

The family lived at Delacore, Mackay, and Rocky Mountain House, Alberta before moving to Lamming Mills, British Columbia at the time of the establishment of that company near McBride. In the spring of 1947 the Johnsons moved to Burns Lake where they have been operating a sawmill.

Sister Johnson joined the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1933 and has been a faithful member. She has taken an active part whenever and wherever duty called. She has taught the church school at different times besides carrying other positions of responsibility in the church. Her practical Christianity has been appreciated by all. The tragic and untimely death of Sister Johnson and her little grandson, Garry Kenneth Johnson as the result of a fire in the Johnson home has spoken to many of the uncertainty of life. Yet there are many who read the love and mercy of God even in this tragedy.

Sister Johnson leaves to mourn her loss five brothers and two sisters besides her beloved husband, two sons, one daughter-in-law, three grandchildren, and her father-in-law. Besides these near relatives a host of friends deeply mourn her passing.

Funeral services were held in the Burns Lake United Church. Sister Johnson and her grandson, Garry, were left to rest side by side in the Burns Lake Cemetery, there to await the call of the Life-Giver in that grand resurrection morning.

HUGH J. CAMPBELL

JOHNSON—Garry Kenneth Johnson was born January 2, 1952 in Burns Lake, British Columbia, and died October 20, 1954 in a tragic fire which also took the life of his grandmother, Mrs. Willard Johnson.

Garry leaves to mourn, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Johnson, two brothers and a baby sister who was born just two days before his death. Besides these loved ones, his grandfather, his great-grandfather and his uncle mourn his untimely death. Funeral services were held jointly with those of his grandmother, Mrs. Willard Johnson in the United Church at Burns Lake, British Columbia. He is resting beside her to await the coming of Jesus, the One who can give him life.

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LONGARD—Mrs. Fred Longard awaits the call of her Lord at His second coming. Mrs. Longard, formerly Miss Susan Boutilier, was born in Millcove in 1870. If she had lived until October, she would have been 84 years old. In 1887 she married the late Fred Longard. A few years later they joined the Remnant Church. Mrs. Longard, who was fondly known by many as Aunt Susie, was a faithful member of the church for sixty years. She was one of the charter members of the Tantallon church.

She leaves to mourn two sons: Ruel Longard of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Edward Longard of Tantallon, Nova Scotia; and four daughters: Mrs. Kitson of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Mrs. S. Coolen of Fox Point, Nova Scotia, Mrs. R. Coolen of Boston, Mass., and Mrs. M. Coolen of Fox Point, Nova Scotia. The service held in the Tantallon church was well attended by relatives and friends.

R. A. MATTHEWS

SCHAEFER—William Henry Schaefer was born on June 17, 1874 in Ontario and fell asleep in Jesus at his home in Hamilton on Friday, October 22, 1954. He joined the Remnant Church during a campaign conducted in this city a few years ago by Elder C. A. Reeves. Due to illness, Mr. Schaefer had been unable to attend church services for some time, but he was a faithful member of the church and looked forward with anxious hope for his Lord's return. He is survived by his ten children and a host of friends. He sleeps, but not for long. The Captain of our Salvation will soon call our brother to life anew in the city of gold.

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ing Association. Here is what they say: "Through an inadvertence in our art room, these volumes got into our advertising earlier than we had planned. This has caused some to write in and ask why the books are not ready. We have had some unforeseen delays on all three of the above volumes but all three will be ready in good time for holiday use. The exact status is this: *Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, by L. E. Froom, has been in the bindery for a number of days and we shall be receiving stock in sizable quantities in another ten days. *Bible Story*, Volume 3, is through the pressroom and the bindery will give us finished copies in about two weeks. The *Commentary* volume is now running on three presses and is being pushed around the clock. This is a larger volume than we had planned—1180 pages—which has required a little extra time. But it is now running on three presses and the factory promises delivery in less than thirty days."

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*He munched the green grass, and the flowers
so rare,
And gambled on hillsides where life seemed
so fair.*

*Alas! Night drew on, and the darkness grew
dense;
His fun turned to fear—he was lost—what
suspense!*

*Now weary and helpless, his steps seemed to
lag,
He fell down the cliff, but was caught on a
crag.*

*'Twas then the Good Shepherd, who'd
searched far and near,
Heard cries of the lamb that He loved so
dear.*

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