

Unauthorized Condensation of the "Great Controversy"

The attention of the General Conference has been called to a project presently being promoted in connection with the distribution of Ellen G. White's book, *The Great Controversy*. An unauthorized group proposes to issue a special newspaper format condensation of the last 20 chapters of this inspired writing, thereby calling attention to the special 75-cent edition of *The Great Controversy* published under the approval of the E. G. White Trustees. The group solicits contributions in the amount of \$300,000 to finance the project.

The General Conference Committee must raise a voice of protest against this unofficial, independent enterprise. Some statements made in the promotional material for this project are extravagant, and generally unrepresentative of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This group likewise appear unmindful of the instructions received from the Lord's messenger concerning the use of proper methods in the proclamation of God's last messages, particularly as regards independent publications and private solicitation of funds.

This proposed condensed presentation can lead to confusion at a time when the church is not remiss in its responsibility to circulate *The Great Controversy* and other truth-laden publications through properly established denominational plans and channels. Important efforts are being put forth right now, and with success, to place our publications, including *The Great Controversy*, before the people in such a way that they can recognize our true Christian motivation.

We would mention further, contrary to the unsupported allegation by this unauthorized group, that *The Great Con-*

troversy has never, to our knowledge, been classified as "subversive," nor rightly could it be. We must make sure that misuse of these inspired pages shall not be cause for such classification. Ellen G. White earnestly counselled against reckless expressions and methods which could bring prematurely a time of trouble and perplexity. This is true not only in America but even more so in other parts of the world. Unwise words and procedures could jeopardize the life and ministry of men and women who are now able to accomplish a marvelous work.

God's messenger wrote long ago:

"The time will come when unguarded expressions of a denunciatory character, that have been carelessly spoken or written by our brethren, will be used by our enemies to condemn us. These will not be used merely to condemn those who made the statements, but will be charged upon the whole body of Adventists. . . . Let all beware lest by reckless expressions they bring on a time of trouble before the great crisis which is to try men's souls."—*Counsels to Writers and Editors*, p. 69.

In the work of warning the world and preparing men and women to meet their Lord, we are to be guided by definite principles. Both the end and the means are to be considered. Such principles guided Ellen G. White in her work, and we believe that all, including those who have undertaken this unauthorized project, will want to know and follow these principles. In this number of the *Review and Herald*, Arthur L. White, secretary of the Ellen G. White Publications, begins a series of articles which will be not only helpful but timely. Read them carefully. We are sure that none will want to

have a part in any misuse of the Spirit of Prophecy writings and the funds that God has entrusted to us.

General Conference Committee
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CME Appreciates Offering Received

The attention which our union conference papers gave to the medical education needs of Loma Linda University was no doubt an important contributing factor to the fine offering which was received on April 11, 1964. We would like to take the same means to thank every one who contributed to this offering. The total reported to date was over one hundred thousand dollars, which exceeds by almost fifty per cent the offering taken a year ago.

With the ground broken for the new Medical Center and construction in progress to replace fire-damaged Risley Hall, this offering gives a fine boost to our program. We are anxious that the University shall offer the highest type of professional and graduate education to our own qualified young people, and we greatly appreciate the cooperation which the church members give in offerings, supportive attitudes, and in prayers for the advancement of the work here.

GODFREY T. ANDERSON, President
 Loma Linda University

Porter Memorial HOSPITAL

Certificate of Appreciation Presented to Hospital

The Englewood, Colorado, Chamber of Commerce presented a "Certificate of Appreciation" to Porter Memorial Hospital for its new \$2,500,000 wing that opened in May. The award was presented to Administrator Olof T. Moline at a Chamber meeting recently.

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Sunset Calendar

	July 24	July 31
Denver, Colorado	7:22	7:15
Grand Junction, Colo.	7:33	7:27
Topeka, Kansas	7:42	7:36
Kansas City, Missouri	7:37	7:31
St. Louis, Missouri	7:20	7:14
Lincoln, Nebraska	7:51	7:45
Casper, Wyoming	7:42	7:35



cated in Denver it is on the south city limits and next door is the city of Englewood. Englewood residents and doctors consider Porter their hospital even though Swedish Hospital, a smaller institution, is located in Englewood. Together the two hospitals serve the south suburban communities.

The management and staff of Porter is well accepted in the area from reports we receive almost daily. Dr. Floyd Scott, in charge of our department of physical medicine, and a newcomer to Denver considered his being on Porter's staff as a "status symbol" from the reception he has received from professional circles.

Four executives are officers of state or national hospital organizations. Olof T. Moline, administrator, is vice-president of Colorado Blue Cross and past president of the Denver Hospital Council. Norman Prusia, controller, is the treasurer of the Colorado-Wyoming chapter of the American Association of Hospital Ac-

I'll Be There With You!

Meetings are made up of people. That's one reason they can be so interesting. Of all God's creative work in the universe, people are the most interesting.

I look forward to meeting you in Kansas City. It will not be the first time for some. Remember the great Congress of 1955? The coming one, August 11-15, 1964, should be even greater, and better.



C. E. Guenther

Swift, climactic events have transpired in these nine years. We are nearer the grand climax of history. We are older. We have less time left. And there is a great task ahead. All of us need to pray, study, plan and work to meet the mind of God in this hour.

"Reaching the Soul Through Health and Welfare Ministry" is the theme for two workshop periods assigned to me. For these two hours at the Congress we have spent days, even weeks, in special study and in preparation of lesson sheets.

Why are many souls out of reach? Who erects barriers to close the avenues to

the soul? Are any souls hopeless? What tools are useless and useful in reaching souls? How did Jesus reach souls? What can laymen do to reach souls; for the misconceptions regarding Health and Welfare ministry; in the five-pronged key to multiplied soul harvest? These are some of the great questions we will study. They are vital for you, for me, for many other souls.

The Lord willing, we'll meet in Kansas City—a meeting to anticipate, a meeting to remember, a meeting to mark the beginning of a new adventure in service for our Lord.

See you in Kansas City!

C. E. GUENTHER



countants. Vincent Agnetta, personnel director, is president of the Colorado Hospital Personnel Society, and Mrs. Mollie Herbel, executive housekeeper, is the recording secretary of the Denver chapter of the National Association of Medical Housekeepers. This is good community relations and a fine example of additional service that our workers can give when called upon.

A. W. VANDEMAN,
Development Office

Boulder Memorial Hospital

Nursing Service Director Attends Convention

Yvette Nelson, R.N., director of nursing service at Boulder Memorial Hospital since June, 1963, was among the 10,000 nurses attending the American Nurses' Association biennial convention June 15 to 19, in Atlantic City, N.J.



Yvette Nelson, R.N.

Miss Nelson came to Boulder in March, 1963, from California, where she had been chief of nursing service at Fresno Veterans Administration Hospital and the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles.

Both her R.N. and M.A. degrees were earned at Loma Linda University, the masters degree being granted in 1960 in nursing service administration.

New Equipment Received at Hospital

On order for five months, the new 8-channel EEG (Electroencephalograph) was received and installed in June. The Electroencephalograph is a machine to detect and record brain waves in graph form. Replacing a used EEG purchased in 1959, this addition was made necessary by a steady gain in the use of this service by the doctors of the Boulder area.

Another addition to hospital equipment is a Burdick FM-1 Photomograph. This is an Achilles Tendon reflex test used to measure thyroid function.

At a recent meeting of the Boulder County Society for Crippled Children, Vernon Mulholland, chief physical therapist at Boulder Memorial Hospital, was voted a member of the board of directors

Oak Park Academy Alumni SPECIAL NOTICE

We are desirous of contacting all Alumni and former students of Oak Park Academy. Please send your name and address with the dates of attendance to: Oak Park Academy, Nevada, Iowa.

for a one-year term. The hospital is co-operating in this community project for the rehabilitation of retarded and underprivileged children. Alten A. Bringle,
Director Community Relations

Union College

Items of Interest History Tour

Union College New England history students returned from a tour of 29 states. Nine of these were from the Central Union. They were Clyde Borton, Ester Buck, Sarabel Cornell, Cynthia Green, Bonnie Lang, Ronald Richardson, Carol Rutan, Sharon Serikaku, and Donna Smith. For four weeks these 28 travelers combined sightseeing, traveling, and studying with a lot of fun and rolled down 5,878 miles.

The New York World's Fair was one of the main attractions for the group during their trip, plus a guided tour of the United Nations Building. Okefenokee Swamp in Georgia interested Mr. Harry Reile, former principal of Sheyenne River Academy in North Dakota and bus driver for the tour. "I really enjoyed watching those live alligators and other swamp animals," he said.

Ronnie Richardson showed appreciation for his Coney Island souvenir by flying his Confederate flag on the front of the bus. But he quickly added, "Only when I thought it was safe."

From their hotel windows the group viewed a civil rights demonstration in St. Augustine, Florida. At the end of the tour and classes, the group stopped at Jefferson, Texas, for two days of swimming and water skiing.

"I think that this year's tour was one of the best that we've ever had," stated Dr. Russell Nelson, Union College history teacher and director of the history tour. "There's always been a good student interest in this style of 'classes and homework.' Next year I hope that the summer trip will include Europe and

the Holy Land." This was the tenth summer history tour planned by the college. Last year the group went around the world in 70 (not 80) days.

MV Week End

Union College MV members camped out over the July 4 week end. Mr. Bob Leake, college MV leader, was in charge of the activities at Woodland Acres. Friday evening Beverly Stevens and Buell Fogg led out in a campfire singspiration and then the more adventurous ones took a hike around the lake.

The morning services were conducted by Elder Pogue. After a brief thunderstorm Dr. Neil Rowland, head of the U.C. biology department, discussed "The Creation Week" with many Sabbath afternoon guests. Elder P. C. James, religion instructor, followed suit with his topic "The Judgment." A short vesper program was given by Arthur Caviness.

After sunset games and a hike were scheduled; then the campers took time out to watch fireworks provided by the College View church. A program of secular music led by Jamie Pogue concluded the MV week-end activities.

Planning To Go To College

By this time of the summer, most decisions for college have been made. About one thousand students, new and old, have been accepted for Union College this fall. This is 130 more than on the same date last summer. In order to avoid disappointments among the 147 applications still pending, we urge that you answer the letter written to you asking for more information, either scholastic or financial, so that your application can be acted on before August 1.

On that date, all dormitory room assignments will be made for students who have sent in the first \$100 of their tuition. Incomplete applications, as well as new ones from August 1 on, will be handled on a first-come-first-served basis. The date of the original application will no longer be considered in making room assignments.

One of the suggestions made by the committee which studied the registration procedures was to send through the mail, to each student sending in his full \$200 advance deposit, his registration permit and work assignment—thus avoiding the first two stops in usual registration. This

Sing with Sunny Liu in the air-conditioned comfort of the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Missouri, August 11-15.

plan is voluntary, but we believe many students returning for the second or third year will wish to take advantage of it. You will help not only yourself but others by cutting down the lines at the accounting and business offices. You can pick up your registration materials at the registrar's office at any time during registration days.

Preparations for September 13 are progressing on campus. We trust that your preparations are also coming along nicely as we all work and plan and pray for a good school year in 1964-65.

GEORGE L. CAVINESS,

Chairman, Admissions Committee

Missouri

Welcome — Cantrells to Sunnydale Academy

We believe that Sunnydale Academy, the youth and entire constituency of Missouri are fortunate that God is supplying to our field Brother and Sister Donald Cantrell and their son, Wayne, 10 years of age. They come to us from Auburn Academy, Auburn, Washington. Brother Cantrell will serve as our new academy principal succeeding Brother Keith Wiseman, who served so well for the year 1963-64, but who, for health reasons, resigned.

Brother Cantrell is a graduate of Union College (1955). He and his wife (the former Miss Gaylah Long, Ketchum, Oklahoma) are graduates of Ozark Academy.

After graduating from Union College, Brother Cantrell was dean of boys at Plainview Academy, Redfield, South



Donald Cantrell and wife, Gaylah, with their son, Wayne. Mr. Cantrell is the new principal of Sunnydale Academy.

Announcing...

We have moved our office

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James E. Chase, **President**

E. L. Moore, **Secretary-Treasurer**

Watch for the dates of open house to be announced in the **Reaper**.

Dakota, from 1955-57; from 1957-60 he was registrar and teacher of science and mathematics at Maplewood Academy, Hutchinson, Minnesota; for the past four years he has served as vice-principal of Auburn Academy, Auburn, Washington.

He says he feels that Sunnydale Academy definitely has a bright future and that he is going to give the academy his best efforts and invites the entire constituency to pray for him and for the faculty and staff. He also indicates a burden for the establishment of additional industries at the academy which will provide more labor for students.

Already Brother Cantrell has started visiting students and parents in the state and is anticipating an increasing enrollment at the academy for this year.

Let us here in Missouri do everything we can to make the work of our new principal as pleasant and as successful as possible.

JAMES E. CHASE, *President*

Columbia District Reporting

The Columbia district lies midway between St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri. Most of our members are faithful and loyal to their church organization with their presence, offerings, and prayers in behalf of the work progressing locally and abroad.

The eighth grade graduation exercises were held in Columbia Thursday, May 28. The school auditorium was decorated in blue and yellow, making a beautiful setting as all of the young people com-

prising the various grades marched in and took their places. After the pastor gave the opening prayer, a program of various numbers by each of the youth was given, so that all had a part. "Little Things of Life" was the theme of the commencement address by Pastor Paul Curtis.

Presentation of the diplomas was made by our two church school teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Earl S. Gibb. Those graduating from the eighth grade were Frankie Putnam, Jimmie Rogers, and Miss Kathryn Spivey. Congratulations and best wishes were extended to each of the young people and these fine youth are looking forward to the blessings of Sunnydale Academy this fall.

A few of our ladies of the Columbia church, under the direction of Mrs. Bob Chaney, conducted the annual Vacation Bible School, June 8 to 12. Fifty-five were enrolled, one-third of whom were from non-Adventist homes. Closing exercises were held Friday night, June 12, during which the children recited their memory work and displayed their crafts. Instruction in amateur photography was taught by the pastor to the junior-age youth. Many expressed themselves, among the youth as well as the parents, to the effectiveness of the over-all program of Vacation Bible Schools.

Follow-up of the spring series of meetings continues and several of our laymen are faithful in giving Bible studies in their communities. God is mindful of the work among His people and is anxious to give everlasting rewards if all will continue their labors and faithfulness.

PAUL CURTIS, JR., *District Pastor*

Elder Bellah Passes Away

Elder Charles G. Bellah, born April 1, 1873, in Shawneetown, Illinois, passed away July 1, 1964, in Fredericktown, Missouri. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Elder E. W. Oliver. Elder and Mrs. A. C. McClure and Mrs. E. W. Oliver furnished the music.

Elder Bellah was a retired minister of the Seventh-day Adventist church, serving it for more than half a century. In addition to serving as pastor in St. Louis, Missouri; Topeka, Kansas; Omaha, Nebraska; and Covington, Kentucky, and other places, he was president of the Kansas Conference for a number of years.

Dr. Adlai A. Esteb's preaching has thrilled thousands. You will thrill to his instruction at the United Evangelism Congress, August 11-15.

Elder Bellah also was a well-known writer. Through the nine books he authored, his life touched uncounted thousands of people for Christ. The Voice of Prophecy used several of them as their free book-of-the-month.

Elder Bellah was a beloved pastor, an untiring worker, a source of inspiration to all who knew him. As a champion of the faith "once delivered unto the saints," he never flinched. He was one of God's stalwart mortals!

He was united in marriage on January 19, 1901, to Laura Azilee Lane, at Poplar Bluff, Missouri. She preceded him in death October 1, 1961. The one child born to this union died in infancy. Elder Bellah had two brothers and two sisters who preceded him in death. There are no known relatives surviving, except T. J. Lane and Attie E. Gerhart, a brother and sister to his wife.

Elder Bellah chose as the text he wished to be used at his funeral service: "As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness." Psalm 17:15.

JAMES E. CHASE, President

District #16 News

One of the little known services of the General Conference is to place a good selection of our denominational books in libraries in North America. The Riverside Regional Library of Jackson, Missouri, which serves many counties in southeast Missouri, expressed interest in receiving these volumes. It was my privilege to deliver a large number of our denominational books to the library. These volumes included many of the Spirit of Prophecy books such as: *Great Controversy*, *Steps to Christ*, *Desire of Ages*, *Mount of Blessings*, *Education*, *Patriarchs*



SUCCESSFUL EVANGELISM

Ten years of prayer and ten years of sending the Signs of the Times bore fruit June 13 when Sister Maesha Musgrove (left) watched her sister, Mrs. Sarah Rhea (center) baptized by Elder Warren Hewes in Kirksville, Missouri.

Sister Musgrove was a successful magazine worker during World War II days and this demonstration of how the Spirit of God works through our literature has encouraged her to once again become a full-time literature evangelist.

D. H. Sharpe, District Pastor

and *Prophets*, *Ministry of Healing*, *Christ's Object Lessons*, and others. There were other favorites such as: Elder Branson's classic, *Drama of the Ages*; Elder Froom's monumental work, *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* (4 volumes); Uriah Smith's *Daniel and the Revelation*; and other works which declare our stand on evolution and creation, the Sabbath, the sanctuary, and which answers criticisms against our beliefs. Also included was a beautiful baptismal booklet which clearly states our beliefs. The Jackson newspaper ran an article announcing the acquisition of these books.

After a good visit with the librarian I wandered through the stacks looking over their books. A visitor came in and from what I could hear in the back, remarked about the large number of new books on the nearby table. The librarian came out from his office and said, "These are Seventh-day Adventists books. If you read all these you will get to heaven." We hope and pray that many will read these books and thereby get to heaven.

This spring, during the late snow and heavy rains, a series of meetings was conducted in the Sikeston church. Although the attendance was not large, a few attended very faithfully. A number marked and received Bibles. As a result of these meetings and personal Bible work, two believers were baptized into the remnant church. We are praying for more harvest as a result of the seed sown in these meetings.

W. G. LOEWEN, District Pastor

Vacation time! What better way to spend it than to better fit yourself for use in the Master's service. Come to the United Evangelism Congress in Kansas City, August 11-15.

The Principles of Kindness

The greatest lever to move the hearts of men that the world has ever known (greater by far than anything we know of) is kindness. Kindness is the main-spring of success in life. Kindness is to the soul what a gentle shower is to the grass.

A person without kindness and courtesy is like a millionaire without money in his pockets. We are told that words of kindness are as welcome as the smiles of angels. We cannot do a kind deed too soon because we never know how soon it will be too late. If we could only see the other side of one another, how much kinder we would be toward our fellow men.

Had it not been for the friendly and sympathetic spirit, the kind looks and words, Christ would not have reached the people that He did. The principles of kindness are the supreme elements that have guided and governed individuals ever since creation. These principles were given by the Creator Himself to be the ruling policy for every human being. When these sacred principles are crowned with our character development, when we abide by and put into practice and live these outstanding superb qualities day by day in our homes, in our work, in our social relations; we become a person—purposeful, steadfast, dependable, trustworthy, kind and respected, with a character that will win many souls to the kingdom.

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Kansas

Wichita Daily Vacation Bible School—1964

Our 1964 Wichita Vacation Bible School was held June 8-17 with a total attendance of 130 children. Of this number 46 were from non-Adventist homes. The 53 staff members helped to provide a well-organized program throughout the session, and as a result of concentrated effort in the field of nature study and crafts, 15 primary children earned their MV honors in Moths and Butterflies; 29 juniors earned their MV honors in Trees and Shrubs, and many beautiful and use-



A few of the church members and pastor gather in front of the Sikeston church with the two new members who are seen holding the Bible they received at the close of the meetings held in the church. Sister Lucile Ward became interested in the truth as a result of Matthew 24:20 and was baptized, June 6. James Danny Joe Skinner, one of our Pathfinders, was baptized on May 30.



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Theodore Lucas

Nebraska

Omaha Flood

"Work, work, work!" was the response of Sister Ellen Moore, our Welfare director, when I asked her what the news was on our welfare relief efforts.

The morning after the high water hit Omaha, the Red Cross set up an emergency station in a Lutheran church near the flooded area. We took two truck loads of classified clothing there and our ladies worked all day with other volunteers, distributing clothes. We thought the needs were pretty well met, as many people were volunteering and clothing came in abundance to the church, once it was started.

However, a few days later, the Red Cross called in national relief directors and set up an emergency office. The new director soon called Elder C. R. French at our conference office and asked for a counseling session and for the use of the conference emergency van. The next morning, I met with director, and he asked if our organization would assume the collection and distribution of clothing for the flood victims. He estimated it would take three weeks to interview the affected families, determine their needs and rehabilitate them. We agreed to cooperate fully—what faith we pastors have in our church members!

The Red Cross director told me he had worked with Seventh-day Adventists in disasters in Michigan, and in Texas following "Carla," and also in Korea. He knew we had the "know-how" to collect and distribute clothing in an emergency.

The following morning Elder French arrived with the emergency van and an appropriation of welfare funds. How happy we were to have someone with experience in this kind of emergency tell us how to prepare and what to get. He counseled with our welfare director and soon determined what kind of clothing we were short of. We spent most of the day buying a stock of new clothing and bedding.

Our ladies were kept busy sorting and supplying clothes to those who began coming. We soon realized our welfare center would be too crowded for this size of project, so we moved all sorted and sized clothing to the lower level of our school which was only a few blocks from the Red Cross Emergency office.



Top: Pictured is the primary division displaying their butterfly study charts. Center: the kindergarten division sings one of the songs it had learned. Lower left: Mr. James Van Horn, quizmaster for the junior exercise of the program, asks questions of D. Stubblefield, Sandra Albert and Larry Rausch. Lower right: Rex Richey, Sandra Richey, Shirley Minick and Jay Morgan display some of the useful and colorful crafts.

ful articles were made to use in the home such as wall plaques, clothes brushes, and money savers.

For the closing program each division presented some song or activity they learned during the daily routine. Certificates were awarded each child who attended. We had a film, "The World We Live In," that showed the nature world of butterflies and trees to correlate the nature studies. The juniors showed colored slides to illustrate their poems. At the close of the program all the Vacation Bible School staff was called to the front and given Certificates of Appreciation for their hours of faithful service. Mrs.

Betty Parris, craft director, helped several children with a craft review.

Our pastor, Elder P. M. Maticio, taught the juniors and led the morning song service. Our assistant pastor, Larry Boshell, gave daily devotions for the staff members, told stories and helped with games in each division. Thus every child attending had an opportunity to meet the pastors and know them.

Mrs. Irene Cortez, Director VBS

Drive 500 miles to air-conditioned comfort in the Municipal Auditorium, United Evangelism Congress, August 11-15, Kansas City, Missouri.

Then the center was used for processing clothing and the school for distribution.

One lady came in whose husband had been killed in an accident just three years ago. She had a little girl of four. After the flood had washed her trailer away, she told us she went to her mother's home to clean up. Then she said, "You don't realize what an awful feeling it was when I was taking my bath and suddenly realized I had nothing to put on." Of course, her mother found something for the immediate need, but both were quite upset when they came to us. Soon their needs were plentifully supplied and she was smiling again.

The Red Cross sent one family with 15 children, 13 of them at home, with a simple note, "Can you supply sheets, blankets and clothing?" We did! Another lady described how she got in the bathtub to keep out of the water as it rose in her home. When she was rescued she was in a state of shock. She described how awful it is to watch prized possessions and those with precious memories attached float away and not be able to do a thing about it.

As the people get clothing, they often remark, "I'd better leave some for someone else." So far we have had plenty to supply every need, and we still have a good supply. Sister Moore and the ladies of our church have spent long hours for nearly three weeks now, and they are still working hard.

We are grateful for the generous and capable assistance from Elder French and the welfare funds which helped fill in some shortages so that we were able to meet the urgent needs of those who came to us. We think the job is nearly completed and are happy to report that we have kept the Adventist tradition of being ready to minister to our fellowmen when an emergency arises.

W. ARDEN CLARKE, *Pastor*

Junior Camp

One hundred and twenty Adventist junior youth came from the cities and plains of Nebraska to enjoy one of the best times of their lives! It was not uncommon to hear comments such as these:

"I wouldn't have missed camp for anything!"

"I like the horses best of all!"

"I thought the campfires were great!"

"It's all been a blast!"

The theme for our camp was "Vacation in Heaven." We followed the plan of having a different pastor each day. Our pastors included Elders Paul M. De Booy,



Top to bottom: Off to the races—everyone a winner! Mealtime—appreciated by everyone! J. L. Pogue, Indian chief, and B. E. Jacobs, conductor. When can I have my craft painted? Tether ball brought lots of fun and broken glasses!

F. O. Sanders, L. F. Webb, J. W. Bassham, C. R. French and B. E. Jacobs. Following the Sabbath morning service 59 youth gave their hearts to Christ and expressed a desire to be baptized. We feel that every boy and girl made a contribution to camp and that we benefited from each other. It would be nearly impossible to go to camp, take part in the morning watch, attend camp council, associate with Christian youth, be guided

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by consecrated counselors and listen to the day's-end message by the "pastor of the day" and not come home a better boy or girl. Our purpose of camping, to make Christ more meaningful, was never forgotten. Letters and personal conversations have confirmed our belief that God was very near to us at camp and truly blessed us.

Our crafts, directed by Elder and Mrs. C. R. French were beautiful. We know you were proud to have them brought home. Elder Perry Green brought six horses to camp that were appreciated by all. Cool weather caused many to choose horses over swimming. Our campfires were very interesting. Those who took part did a fine job. Elder J. L. Pogue, our Indian Chief, was accepted as a real friend of the campfire.

If you missed camp, plan now to come next year. We'll have a place just for you.

B. E. JACOBS *MV Secretary*

Haigler Vacation Bible School

The Haigler, Nebraska, church is heartily in favor of the annual Vacation Bible School. We held our first VBS in 1961. Each year the interest and attendance has increased. This year, from the town of Haigler, the surrounding farm country, and the Benkelman church, 54 children from various church denominations gathered to enjoy the singing, Bible lessons, stories, crafts and physical recreation.

Mrs. Floy Fisher was in charge of the school. Fifteen adults and youths from the Haigler and Benkelman churches served as division leaders, pianists, Bible and craft instructors, and playground supervisors. We especially appreciated



Five sets of twins attended the Haigler Vacation Bible School. All were from non-Adventist homes.



Left to right G. W. Frederick, Hubert Peckham, Doyle Stever, Bill Hanley, Ronald Bass, Eugene Hood; standing: Don Lair and B. E. Jacobs,

the loyal support of Pastor and Mrs. A. G. Beierle. Pastor Beierle directed the singing and was Bible teacher in the junior division. Mrs. Beierle was leader of the kindergarten division. We were permitted the use of the Pilgrim Holiness church. This gave us the much needed room for classes, craft exhibits and the closing program.

Parents and friends came Saturday night for the "graduation" program and to view the children's crafts and activity books. Pictures were taken of the children and instructors, also of the five sets of twins that helped make up the enrollment of about fifty.

Other years we have followed Vacation Bible School with a weekly story hour. This year we are inviting children of pathfinder age to join our Pathfinder Club.

EDITH M. BAUMFALK,
Press Secretary

Lariat Ranch has First Graduation

Lariat Ranch held its first graduation exercise this year, graduating four young men. The commencement exercise was held in the Ranch school with a number of friends attending. It was the pleasure of the writer to give the address for the evening and watch Mr. Don Lair, owner and operator, present the diplomas.

Mrs. G. W. Frederick has done a fine job as the teacher for the school. The graduation exercise was no exception. The schoolroom was beautifully decorated

and the program was well planned. Following the graduation exercise a reception was held in the school. We wish these young men success in their future and trust that they will always find "Success through Faithfulness!"

B. E. JACOBS,
Educational Superintendent

Last Day Delusions

As most of you know we are living in a time when there are all kinds of unscriptural teachings propagated among us. Satan is working harder than ever to deceive even the "very elect," if it were possible. It is becoming more and more important that we become familiar with some of the snares with which Satan is endeavoring to take men captive.

Just recently a book entitled *Last Day Delusions* by Allen Walker has been made available in a paper back binding so every Seventh-day Adventist family can afford to purchase it. This book has 128 pages in it and discusses the follow-

ing subjects: "Once Saved, Always Saved?" "The Second Coming and the Secret Rapture;" "The Millennium and the Second-Chance Theory;" "The Setting Up of Christ's Kingdom;" "Futurism and the Emergence of the Antichrist;" "The Seventieth Week of Daniel 9;" "Jehovah's Witnesses and the Testimony of Scripture."

Those of you who are giving Bible studies are encountering the above mentioned subjects. *Last Day Delusions* will be of special help to you. Then, of course, every Seventh-day Adventist should have this book which is only 50¢ plus 10¢ mailing.

Order through your church missionary secretary or directly from your Book and Bible House now before you forget it. Maybe you will want to include with your order several copies of *The Great Controversy* in the paper binding for only 75¢ per copy. Some of the Book and Bible Houses are running out of these. If you want a few copies at this special price, please order now.

REUBEN BECK, Manager
Nebraska Book and Bible House

Central States

Omaha Sets the Pace

The Sabbath school of the Omaha church held their Teacher Improvement Program on Sabbath, June 6, at which time a class of 30 had completed the new teacher's training course, *Teach*, by S. S. Will. The course was conducted by the pastor, J. D. Parker, and Omaha became the first Sabbath school in the Central States Conference to have a class completing the new course. The Sabbath



Part of the class that completed the Sabbath school teacher's training course, *TEACH*.

After you have listened to Elder J. E. Edwards, world leader of Adventist laymen, in the workshop sessions, you will go from the United Evangelism Congress blessed.

school is under the leadership of Brother N. A. Scarbrough who for years has been a veteran Sabbath school worker. His wife worked by his side for years in the children's department. Only recently she retired from her teaching and supervising activities.

We take our hats off to Omaha and hope err the year ends that all Sabbath schools in the Central States Conference will have at least one class finishing one of the three courses in the teaching training program.

M. A. BURGESS, *Secretary*
Sabbath School Department

"Good, Better, Best"

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"Give more in '64" is to be our slogan. The second suggestion is to enter into a special covenant relationship with God for the support of His work by having a definite investment project. There is something every one can do for Investment, if he will. Note on the graph how Investment has boomed in recent years. This, we believe, largely accounts for the high per capita average. This is the "miracle plan" for increasing the total resources available for world missions, for God marvelously multiplies slender funds of time, effort, or money invested for Him.

Heaven's abundant blessing and eternal reward awaits those who will consecrate themselves to the challenging task of ever making their better the best possible.

R. CURTIS BARGER, *Associate Secretary*
GC Sabbath School Department

Weddings

ZENONIANI-SMITH

Mildred Jane Zenoniani and Norman L. Smith were united in marriage June 21, at an afternoon ceremony in the Hutchinson, Kansas, Seventh-day Adventist church, Elder Alten A. Bringle officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith will make their home in Lincoln, Nebraska, where Norman is completing his education. May the Lord's blessing rest upon these young people as they establish their new home.

WALKER-PRYOR

Gloria Walker of Boulder became the bride of Mark Pryor of Boulder in the Sweetheart Chapel at Loveland, Colorado June 25, in the early evening. Elder Alten A. Bringle, read the marriage vows. Mr.

and Mrs. Mark Pryor will make their home in Denver. We wish the Lord's blessing on this new home established by two of like Christian faith.

HEDGECOCK-HOBBS

Miss Phyllis Elaine Hedgecock and Mr. Clem G. Hobbs were united in marriage at the Scottsbluff, Nebraska, church in a lovely wedding on June 7, Both Phyllis and Clem are graduates of Platte Valley Academy. Phyllis is now attending Union College. They will be making their home at College View, Lincoln, Nebraska, where they are employed by the College Furniture factory.

D. R. CASTONIA

FIELD-NEUHARTH

The marriage of Judy Field and Don Neuarth was solemnized June 21, in Pueblo, Colorado. The bride graduated from Campion Academy, Loveland, Colorado, and the groom graduated from Platte Valley Academy, Shelton, Nebraska. The couple will live in Lincoln, Nebraska, where the groom is attending Union College. May God bless this new Christian home that it may witness for His love and truth.

O. T. GARNER

CHANCE-MCFADDIN

Miss Patricia Chance of Overland Park, Kansas, became the bride of Dr. David McFaddin of Sumpter, South Carolina, on the evening of May 28, 1964. A simple, but impressive ceremony was held in the Central SDA church of Kansas City.

Dr. McFaddin has just graduated from the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery and will intern at the Osteopathic Hospital of Clinton, Missouri. We pray God's richest blessing on this new home.

A. H. LIEBELT

Obituaries

SMITH, Harvey Albert, was born Jan. 20, 1893 in Juniata, Neb., and passed away at his home in Haxtum, Colo., April 16, 1964. He was married to Mary Priebe in 1914 and to this union was born 1 daughter and 5 sons. Brother and Sister Smith united with the SDA Church about 1 year ago, and found great joy in their new-found faith.

Reuben G. Johnson

TERRY, Minnie Beshore, was born the daughter of Emma and Israel Beshore at Reddings, Pa., Jan. 6, 1878. She departed this life on May 22, 1964, at the Bates County Memorial Hospital in Butler, Mo. In 1902 she was united in marriage to Joseph Warren Terry and to this union 5 daughters and 3 sons were born. She was preceded in death by her husband and an infant daughter.

She is survived by 4 daughters: Emma Bartz, Geneva Cooper, and Irene Jones of Butler, Mo., and Florence Bell of Rich Hill, Mo.; 3 sons: Dwight, Butler; Enos, Houston, Texas; Lewis, Topeka, Kansas; 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; 3 brothers: Roy and Allie Beshore of Rich Hill, Mo., and Elmer Beshore of Englewood, Colo.

The memories of tender and loving care will always be cherished by her children. Many friends will also mourn her passing.

S. G. Sharpe

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Good, Better, Best

Good things have been happening in the Sabbath schools of the North American division; in fact, *better* than ever before. But the *best* things, we believe, are yet to take place in the future. In the words of the familiar lines, we must "never let it rest, till our good is better, and our better best."

It is good to note: that in the past 85 years the Sabbath schools of North America have given \$132,179,196.25 for missions, thus providing a substantial share of the total mission budget; that in 1963 two union conferences took in nearly three million dollars in Sabbath school offerings; that Sabbath schools of this great division contributed \$422,537.74 on the last thirteenth Sabbath of 1963, making possible a record overflow to help provide homes for South African workers. It is also very good to see a whole union, the North Pacific, reach an average of \$.678 per week per member, and the division as a whole reach an average per capita of \$.51.

The good is better than ever before, as far as total achievement is concerned. Surely the Lord has abundantly blessed. It is the abundance of blessing, however, which shows us we still must work to make our better, best. The following (or, accompanying) graph pictures the trend of tithe, total Sabbath school offerings, and Investment, as compared with the *average consumer price index* (cost of living) in the United States. (Canada statistics may differ slightly.) This standard economic gauge, prepared by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, is based on the average cost of consumer goods and services during a three-year period, 1947-1949.

What has been the pattern of Sabbath school mission giving during recent years? It appears we have tended to give essentially the same amount each week that we gave ten or fifteen years ago; the quarter, or the fifty cents, or the dollar. At the same time the income of the church members, as indicated by tithe returns almost tripled. We have sought to justify the status quo of our giving by the rise in the cost of living but the graph shows that the average consumer price index rose less than one-fifth as much as did the tithe in the same period.

True, there are some who have been consistent and systematic in proportionate

giving, and thus the average per capita rose to a new high by the close of 1963. Yet many must not have given according to income, for the percentage of offering in relation to tithe has continued to decline. While tithe almost tripled in amount, total Sabbath school offerings only doubled. Every member ought to recheck his pattern of giving.

When applied to Christian stewardship there is a false philosophy which ministers and laymen alike must combat. That is: "charity begins at home." The world is our field, and the Lord wants His people to have the broad view of responsibility. Through His messenger He has told us that "the prosperity of the home work depends largely, under God, upon the reflex influence of the evangelical

work done in countries afar."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 465. The church will be poorer spiritually and materially which allows its springs of Sabbath school mission giving to be dried up by a local building project, or any other local effort. It is a serious mistake to adopt the Sabbath School Birthday-Thank Offering to meet some current local need, or to discourage Investment projects while a local drive is on. This will certainly erect a barrier against heaven's rich blessings.

Let us pray for a Spirit-directed stewardship. Two things are suggested; first, the General Conference in autumn council session, charged with world-wide responsibility, and in view of world conditions, has appealed to Sabbath school members to *double* the amount they have been accustomed to giving for missions.

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VITAL SABBATH SCHOOL TRENDS

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION

COMPARISON:

(Based on average of years 1947 - 1949, plotted at 100 on the graph below.)

- Average Consumer Price Index (Cost of Living) —————
- Tithe —————
- All Sabbath School Offerings —————
- Sabbath School Investment - - - - -

