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Christian on the Battlefield

(See story inside)

CHRISTIAN

On the Battlefield

The air is hot and heavy. A candle flame flickers in the darkness and casts a gross shadow against hastily thrown-up boards. The shadow moves and the soft sound of a page turning contradicts the heavy bursts of shell-fire punctuating the night.

One mile away is hell. But here—here in a man's hands is heaven and hope.

Gently the soldier closes the small gilt-edged Book and slips it into his breast pocket. He shuffles through the packet of magazines and old letters, and comes up with a scrap of paper, a pencil. He begins to write:

"Dear Mom and Dad: It's Sabbath now, and I just finished reading my Bible . . . Although I sometimes hate Vietnam—and the army—nothing in the world would make me trade now! I think I've found myself here, along with my God. . . . This also has helped me realize how much you as parents are worth and everything you've done. . . ."

The black night whistles and on that stretch a mile away men wait tense with uncertainty. They are surrounded by enemy and they know it—now. Suddenly the night chatters and PFC John Williams buckles, his legs hot agony. In the noise of battle his voice is small. No one hears him. Fear lends strength to his lungs and the next shout for Medic brings a corpsman through the hail of lead.

"Where are you hit?" he asks, not wasting words.

"In the legs—both legs. I can't stand up." The soldier's moans are nearly lost in the hellish sounds of war, but the medic hears.

"Easy now, let's have a look."

And in the storm of lead and death the medic works, administering morphine to ease the pain, bandaging tightly to stop the rush of blood. The bandages turn crimson in the darkness.

In minutes Williams finds himself aboard a hastily called chopper. En route to the hospital medics change his field dressings and make the wounded man comfortable. On the earth beneath the whirling blades his nameless friend in the darkness searches for other men to help. He walks with fear. But he walks with God too.

What a fine thread holds these young men to their homeland and their church! Surrounded continually by death, by moral, mental and spiritual catastrophe, they look to home and sane, familiar things for something solid and good to cling to.

And it comes—booklets, papers, lesson quarterlies, the Bible—supplied by the Adventists' National Service Organization.

"I don't know what I would have done on this tour overseas if it hadn't been for reading the church papers from NSO." These carefully scrawled words could be repeated over and over again from scores of Adventist servicemen.

But the NSO-to-serviceman connection has still another function. The Christian literature does not stop with the Adventist reader.

"I've thoroughly appreciated the prompt mailing of the many periodicals," writes a serviceman overseas, "especially *These Times* and the *Health* magazines. I finish reading them and then put them in the magazine rack in our waiting room at the dispensary. They never stay there very long, as patients keep taking them."

The men themselves find their military assignment is two-sided: Not only are they saving lives but they are making their God real to the men with whom they serve.

SP4 Silas H. Porter, Jr., is an example. He expresses his gratitude for that Christian witness in these words: "I would like to tell you that on the day I was baptized in a clear lake in Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam, I truly felt that I had at last found the faith that God meant for every person to obtain."

The Seventh-day Adventist serviceman is a Christian at home, a Christian on the military base, a Christian on the battlefield. He has in every sense of the word a very special mission field.

M. CAROL HETZELL

U.S. Army Photo
Amid the debris of war, men know a need for God and find He is near through His Word, and the comfort of the holy promises lend strength and courage to survive.



U.S. Army Photo
COVER PHOTO: PFC Michael Baldinger of New Haven, Connecticut, treats a wounded Viet Cong captured by a reconnaissance patrol during a search and destroy mission in Phuoc Long Province near the Cambodian border.

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STAMP OUT REALITY

How we would like to be able to follow the advice of the bumper sticker seen lately with the glib words exclaiming, "Stamp Out Reality!" Sin is reality. War is reality. How we as Christians wish we could live in a place of complete peace and forget sin and war. That day is coming, but in the meantime we must face the realities of this world of sin.

We are all looking forward to the day when our young men can come home from Korea, Vietnam, Europe and other areas. However, today we have thousands of our men in military service away from home. This is reality. It cannot be stamped out. But we can make the best of it. Our men deserve everything we can do for them. They need to be remembered.

The National Service Organization is in contact with over 2,000 Adventists in service. Most of them receive, free of charge, five church papers, missionary material, the servicemen's newspaper, *For God and Country*, and other supplies. Do you wonder how they feel about these? Listen to what they say:

"It has really been a pleasure to receive all the heart-warming material you have graciously sent to me during the past year and a half. . . . I am very thankful that as an Adventist serviceman I have had such good support as you have given me. I try to pass on all the material you send to me in hopes that more souls can be saved through them." C.E.M.

"Thank you for the information and material which you sent. . . . No matter where one goes, we're only a letter away from any help or information we may need, through your fine work. Many thanks." R.E.S.

"I remember all the fine literature I received when I was in the service and I can't begin to tell you what a comfort it was. Now that I am out of

the service I'd like to help you in your work. Enclosed is a contribution for your wonderful work." J.M.

These are only a few, but they express the feelings of hundreds of men who appreciate being remembered. When our men cannot be in their home churches we must



U.S. Army Photo
Medical corpsmen working with medivac helicopters make possible swift medical aid for the wounded. Here members of the 4th Battalion load casualties aboard for evacuation to a field hospital at Dak To.

take the church to them. This we are endeavoring to do.

We must face reality. This program takes money. Every two years an offering for this purpose is taken across the nation. May 9 IS THE SERVICEMEN'S OFFERING FOR 1970. PLEASE GIVE LIBERALLY FOR OUR MEN IN UNIFORM. C. D. MARTIN, Associate Director
National Service Organization

Someone Has Cared! Will We Care Today?

Beginning with the front cover and continuing throughout this week's issue of the REAPER, the spotlight is on the Seventh-day Adventist serviceman. A special spotlight, in a sense, because we want to call attention to his needs.

Once every two years a Servicemen's Offering is taken, making possible a closer contact between church and soldier, sailor, marine, or airman. The funds provided through the offering make possible church papers, books, tracts, missionary literature, sermon tapes, Sabbath school quarterlies, and other needful items. In this manner even the most isolated serviceman is kept in contact with his church.

Today approximately 500 Adventist servicemen are in Vietnam. Thousands more are scattered throughout the United States and Europe. Some 200 are regularly at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, for basic training. The military forces estimate we have 12,000 to 15,000 in service at any given time who claim affiliation with the Seventh-day Adventist Church. To fund our vast program of contact with our servicemen requires more than \$100,000 each two-year period. Fortunately, our people in the past have cared

enough to keep the contact active and to meet most requests on the part of the servicemen for the services requested.

In 1968 the Central Union Conference members really cared and provided a total of \$8,154.92 for the Servicemen's Fund. Our Central Union boys were well cared for as a result. Many thanks from servicemen are continually expressed for what the Central Union did.

Now 1970 is here and the time has come to replenish the exhausted Servicemen's Fund. May 9 has been designated by the General Conference as the date for the offering. Won't you join us in giving liberally on May 9 so that our servicemen will know that we care once again?

A special offering envelope has been provided for the Servicemen's Offering, and we hopefully trust every Central Union family will share in helping to exceed our 1968 offering by placing at least \$1.00 in the envelope. Yes, many have cared in the past. Do we care as much today?

J. H. HARRIS, Director
Central Union Conference
National Service Organization

PORTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Feed-back from Patients

"I especially appreciated the nurses and staff opening the morning with praise in song to my Lord. It thrilled me to know the testimony this gives to others."—Patient in Room 594.

"We enjoy using your hospital. It has a friendly atmosphere full of God's love. This alone is a benefit in healing."—Patient in Room 206.

"Excellent care. Loved the food. Everyone was extremely pleasant and considerate."—A patient.

"I will never forget Porter Hospital and especially the nurses on OB. They were very nice to me when I needed it most."—Patient in Room 375.

"There are still a few of 'our' sweet Adventist nurses who take time to pay attention to other needs than just, 'are you comfortable,' for her patients. I refer to little Miss Sutton—what a comfort and blessing she is—for every night she was my nurse, she always had time to come in and offer prayer at bedtime."—Patient in Room 380.

A. W. VANDEMAN, *Director Community Relations*

UNION COLLEGE

Committee from Chamber of Commerce Visits Campus

Union College was recently the host of a meeting of the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Education Committee. Committee members attended a luncheon and were taken on a tour of the Vocational-Technical division and the college industries.

President R. W. Fowler explained the college's educational philosophy, the student work program, and anticipated building plans to the committee. Dr. G. Glenn Davenport, director of College Relations at Union, is a member of the committee made up of Lincoln businessmen and educators.

The Chamber of Commerce Education Committee was formed to develop programs to provide for a better understanding of and a mutual concern for each other's problems by businessmen and educators. Its other objectives are a broader understanding of the free enterprise system by teachers, students, and the community as a whole, and support for the best possible educational facilities for Lincoln at all educational levels.

The committee serves the Chamber as a fact-finding body in the educational needs and the utilization of federal aid by Lincoln schools. Other activities include reviewing legislative proposals concerning education and making recommendations to the Board of Directors.

Incoming Faculty

The names of two teachers who will be joining the Union College faculty next year were released last week by the office of the academic dean. Other replacements for faculty leaving this year are still to be finalized.

Mr. Ellis Olson will take the position of Instructor in Brass in the Department of Fine Arts. Both Mr. Olson and his wife graduated from Union in 1955 with degrees in nursing. The Olsons spent three years at Wisconsin Academy where Mr. Olson was a music instructor. He then continued to study music at the Vandercook School of Music in Chicago where he obtained his master's degree.

He is presently completing the coursework for the Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Southern California. The Olsons have four children.

Elder R. M. Hillier, presently the Bible instructor and pastor at College View Academy, will join the education faculty this fall. He will serve as assistant professor of education and will also teach some religion courses. Elder Hillier is currently completing his doctorate in the history and philosophy of education at the University of Nebraska.

He received both his B.A. in religion and M.A. in religion education at Andrews University. Previous to his position at CVA, Elder Hillier served as a church pastor in North Dakota and Tennessee and as Bible instructor and pastor at Mt. Pisgah Academy in Virginia and Highland Academy in Tennessee. He and his wife, Mildred, have five children.

Observance of Earth Day on Campus

Class discussion and a morning rally marked the observance of Earth Day on the Union College campus. April 22 was the day set aside on campuses across the nation for emphasis on education and action to clean up the environment. An 11:00 a.m. rally was held at which several of the 130 leaders from all of the colleges in North America meeting at Union for a joint ASB-MV workshop told about projects on their campuses relating to environmental problems.

The observance of Earth Day at Union College was planned as a "beginning, not as an end in itself," remarked Mr. Douglas Eddleman, chairman of the Department of Biology. "We tried to plan activities that would attract students who are vitally concerned with the environment they will inherit and not just those who are looking for a 'cause' to join."

NEBRASKA

Servicemen's Offering — May 9, 1970

As you hear of the many who are dying in the battles of the world in the cause of freedom, have you ever wondered how many of our Seventh-day Adventist boys have been lost? According to our records, 73 of our men have given their lives for the country they love. Little do we in the homeland realize the sacrifice our men are willing to make that we might live here in peace. Not only should we pay tribute to our youth in uniform, but let us pay tribute to all the parents who have lost sons in service.

Once a year we of the Seventh-day Adventist Church are asked to give an offering for our men (some 500 are now in Vietnam) so that they might receive our literature and be encouraged through this means. They are doing so much for us; let's do something special for them on May 9. Let's all be liberal and show them how much we appreciate them and what they are doing for us.

Don't forget the words of Jesus, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Thank you for the part you

W. E. JAMERSON,
National Service Organization

New Oshkosh Church

Sabbath, April 11, was a high day for the Oshkosh group and a day for which they have long prepared. Several years ago a small company was organized in Oshkosh and through the years they have been faithfully witnessing in their community. During 1969 evangelistic meetings



Top: Pastor R. D. Stauffer greets Elmer Riter, the newly elected elder of the Oshkosh church. Lower: A partial group of the Oshkosh membership with Elder F. O. Sanders and Pastor Stauffer.



were held in Oshkosh by Elder C. H. Buursma, the conference evangelist, and some were added to the group.

Recently the conference committee gave study to the group and voted that they be organized into a church. The morning service was given by Elder F. O. Sanders, the conference president, who emphasized the need of reflecting the image of Christ fully in our daily witnessing for Him. In the afternoon the church was organized with 17 members. A group of officers was elected, with Elmer Riter named as the church elder.

We hope that this group will be a faithful witness for the truth in west central Nebraska and that it will continue to grow.

F. O. SANDERS, *President*

PLATTE VALLEY ACADEMY VISITATION DAY

Monday, May 4

All prospective PVA students plan now to attend this special Academy Day.

Contact your district pastor for transportation.

Oshkosh Penny Fund

A million pennies! The newly organized Oshkosh church really takes the million-penny campaign seriously. Although there are only 17 members in the newly organized church, they already have more than 5,000 pennies in the jar that is being held by Pam and Brinda Riter shown here with Pastor R. D. Stauffer.

The young people of Oshkosh are looking forward to a completed camp at Camp Arrowhead. We hope others are also having a part in the one million pennies needed to complete this part of the camp.



F. O. SANDERS

CENTRAL STATES

A Golden Opportunity to Give

Letters are received frequently from our brothers in the United States uniforms with requests for the *Review and Herald* and other church literature to be sent to them. Many request missionary literature to have available for distribution to their friends who know not Christ. The Servicemen's Offering on May 9, will provide funds for this important service and for the servicemen's personal reading.

Many times our servicemen are forgotten by those of us here at home. The Servicemen's May 9 Offering will let them know how much we really care. I am asking each member of the Central Union and the Central States Conference to help us assist our servicemen by giving a very liberal offering. Young men who have not known Christ will come to know Him and be baptized as a result of your liberal giving on May 9. Do not miss this golden opportunity!

S. H. Cox, *Secretary*

National Service Organization

Takes on New Duties

A reception for Elder James D. Parker, departing minister of the Beacon Light Seventh-day Adventist Church in Kansas City, Missouri, and his family, was held in the beautiful new community church of St. Mark. The reception was planned under the leadership of Mrs. Fannie Wright.

Elder and Sr. Parker, their two sons, David and Emil, and daughter, Angela, were called for at their home by Elder and Sr. J. E. Merideth, and they were escorted by Elder and Sr. M. A. Burgess to their table of honor at the reception. The tables were gaily decorated with white tablecloths and holly candle centerpieces. Cake and punch were served while the celebrities and guests enjoyed a well-planned program of talented musical renditions. Pastor W. A. Hayes, business manager and one of the pastors at St. Mark, delivered an impressive speech in appreciation of the community work rendered by Elder Parker.

Notice

To all graduates and former students of Union College Academy and College View Academy

Alumni Association Meeting

May 1, 1970

6:30 - 7:30 CDT

Academy Chapel
5240 Calvert

You may tour the building
beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Visitors' Day

On Sabbath, March 21, the Seward Sabbath School conducted a special Visitors' Day. It was held at the Seward Civic Center downtown, and the public was invited. The entire program was under the direction of Mrs. William Wilson, general Sabbath school superintendent. The total attendance for Sabbath school was 28 and 10 were non-Adventist guests.

A potluck was served for the noon meal at the center.

A musical program followed in the afternoon. About 50 members from the Northside church in Lincoln were present for this. MRS. RICHARD WILSON, *Secretary*

Girls' Phi Veta Alpha
PLATTE VALLEY ACADEMY
(Girls' Club)

Extends an invitation to you to attend
this benefit

"RAINDROPS ARE FALLING"

Admission
Charge

Time 9:15 p.m.
May 16, 1970



Top left: Elder Parker and Brother Aquila Crawford. Top right: The Parker family at banquet table. Lower left: Elder Parker displaying painting, a gift by Ron Garnett, art student. Lower right: Elder Parker delivering farewell address.

The Parkers were recipients of eulogies and gifts presented by the church at large and by the various departments. A gift that was highly prized by them was a painting bestowed by art student, Ron Garnett, who attends the Art Institute at Kansas City. Walter Fordham, Jr., acted as master of ceremonies.

Elder Parker leaves Beacon Light to begin his duties in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Among some of his accomplishments during his two-year, three-month stay in Kansas City were: (1) the stewardship program resulting in a church building fund, (2) the opening of a new Health and Welfare Center, and (3) evangelistic and personal services that contributed to the addition of a number of souls to the church.

EUNICE SHELLNER,
Church Press Secretary

The Live Wire Ladies' Club of Emmanuel

The Live Wire Ladies' Club of the Emmanuel Seventh-day Adventist Church in St. Joseph, Missouri, was organized with the advice of our pastor, Theus Young. The group of ladies were very enthusiastic about the idea from the first and have been very active ever since. The club consists of about 12 ladies, and was organized on September 28, 1969. We meet once a month and after our business meeting, a social hour follows. This draws us closer together socially as a church family.

In November, we ordered candy from one of our church fund-raising organizations, and in less than two weeks we had sold over \$200 worth of candy. At this time, we are investigating another fund-raising drive. There are many worthwhile projects that we plan to use our funds for within the church. But the one that stands out most in our minds is the one of helping our young people with a "Christian Education."

We are truly thankful to Pastor Young for giving us

Some of the Live Wire ladies at the December 27 meeting—front row, left to right: Mary Carriger, Lisa Young, Ethyl Gwynn, Maxine Wilkinson. Second row, left to right: Julia Broussard, Alice Leonard, Lora Franklin, and Doris Hupp.



such a wonderful idea. We pray that through our club meetings in our homes, we will climb on to higher heights and be a blessing to our church. As it has been said, "A church only climbs as high as our homes."

Club President—ETHYL GYNN
Press Secretary—MAXINE WILKINSON

COLORADO

Help Your Servicemen—May 9

Within the borders of the Colorado Conference we have a number of large military installations that remind us constantly of the war effort put forth by our nation.

Around the world, as well as in Colorado, we have many young Seventh-day Adventist servicemen stationed serving both God and country. These young men need contact with the church and the National Service Organization does just that. Each man is supplied a number of services from this organization, such as Morning Watch devotional book, five magazines, missionary book of the year, personal missionary literature up to \$10 for each request, and tape recorded sermons for those in isolated areas.

The above mentioned services of the NSO are only a few of the many helps given our servicemen. Won't you assist our chaplains and the NSO to help our young men by a large offering on Sabbath, May 9, 1970?

RON M. WISBEY, Youth Director

Colorado Pathfinder Fair 1970

Adams County Fairgrounds
Sunday, May 10



The "Westernaires" will be back again!

- New Events — Drum and Bugle Corps — Pathfinder Bands
- Outdoor Food Booths
- Indoor Display Booths

Fun for the whole family and the Big Show and Parade begins promptly at 10:30, Sunday, May 10.

Attend the DENVER AREA YOUTH RALLY

MAY 8 - 9

Friday Evening - 7:30 . . . Sabbath Afternoon - 3:30

SPECIAL GUESTS — MR. AND MRS. RUDOLPH HIRSCHMANN



- HEAR RUDOLPH HIRSCHMANN'S EXPERIENCE AS A U-BOAT COMMANDER
- MARIA ANNE HIRSCHMANN TRAINED AS A HITLER YOUTH
- CAPTURE BY THE RUSSIAN ARMY
- HER FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL
- GOD'S MIRACULOUS CARE

DENVER SOUTH CHURCH

2675 S. DOWNING ST.

DENVER, COLORADO

PICTORIAL REPORT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE FEDERATION BANQUET HELD AT PORTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL



Rose Gates, State Federation president, giving a report of the Denver Health and Welfare Center.

Elder Carl E. Guenther, World Director of Health and Welfare activities, giving the main after dinner speech. Also in the picture is Mrs. Bob Buller, Central Federation president.

Elder P. F. Pedersen, Central Union Lay Activities secretary.

The Littleton church choir under the direction of Jim Blackburn sang at the banquet.

Elder E. E. Christian, chaplain of Porter Memorial Hospital, serves as Board Chairman of the Welfare Center. Over 200 guests attended the banquet held in the cafeteria of Porter Memorial Hospital.



MISSOURI

Can Missouri Servicemen Count on You?

What a wonderful group of young men we have in our church! Unless you have recently had the opportunity of working with them, or having one in your own home, you might not fully realize this. Today these Seventh-day Adventist young men are not only serving their country around the world, but they are also serving their church and their God.

Uncle Sam has been good to our church in an unusual way. Our young men who are called into military service are sent all over the world. Many of them have been missionaries for the Lord in these various places as they spread the message of a soon-coming Saviour.

Many of our church youth have distinguished themselves for bravery today in Vietnam, and we are very proud of them. However, army life can be lonely for those who desire to live this truth. These young men need our good literature to read, and we need to keep in touch with them constantly as these papers go to them week by week.

Our Servicemen's Offering is a very important one. As you give on May 9 you will help provide the literature that will help our young men keep in touch with their church.

In 1968 our Servicemen's Offering went well over the \$100,000 mark, which was our goal, but today the need is just as great. We have 16 young men from the Missouri Conference now in the service. Let us show them we care for them by giving a special offering on May 9.

Can our Missouri servicemen count on you?

JACK NAIL, Secretary
National Service Organization

Items of Interest from the Conference

✓ Area Ministerial Councils were held April 13, 15, and 16, in various parts of the conference. These are informal meetings of the pastors and men from the office. The basic agenda is always seeking more and better soul-winning methods.

✓ Elder Lee Hadley and Associate Pastor Richard Hallock are holding a week-long evangelistic series in the Kansas City Central church.

✓ Elder Harry Curl is beginning an evangelistic series in the Kansas City Park Memorial church.

✓ Elder Marvin Reeder of the General Conference conducted workshops April 15-17, for the church press secretaries and pastors. Working with him were Elder L. G. Barker of the Central Union and Elder G. F. Cherry of the Missouri Conference.

✓ For the week ending April 9, 1970, the top honors among the Missouri colporteurs go to:

W. Richardson—for 51 hours.

Zanovia Pendergras—for \$1,108.40 in sales.

Walter Richardson—for 83 Bible Correspondence School enrollments.

Sunnydale SDA Church News Briefs

Building site—Directly across the highway from the boys' dorm at Sunnydale is the site chosen for a new church structure. The plans, formulated in an April 5 business meeting, call for the church to be completed in three years. The congregation currently meets in the Administration Building chapel as it has since that structure was erected.

Ordination—Three academy staff members and a uni-

versity student were ordained on April 4. Dana Ulloth, who is working on his doctor's degree in communications at the University of Missouri in Columbia, and Bill Edwards, business manager, were ordained as elders. Troy Lovell, cafeteria director, and Jack Jensen, boys' dean, were ordained as deacons.

Hands that Talk—Can you translate Matthew 24 into sign language for the deaf? Sunnydale Pathfinders can. Under the leadership of Melvin Greenwood, 10 young people recently mastered "speaking" with one hand.

Countdown—Joining others across the country, Sunnydale's church has begun study of the Spirit of Prophecy in Testimony Countdown. Elder Larry Boshell, pastor, is leading approximately 30 people through these lessons.

PENNY SHELL

Trailblazers Blaze Victory Trail

After winning the Kansas City Olympics, the Grandview Pathfinder Club "Trailblazers" set out to win again. They traveled to Sunnydale Academy where the State Olympics were held on March 8, in cars provided by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Van Scoy, Irene Cowgill, Helen McGinnis, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bragaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Rod Canine. To provide fuel for their bursting energy they stopped enroute at a lovely park in Columbia and ate their sack lunches.

There were 11 clubs gathered to compete in the contests of the day. In the 60-second jump-rope contest, Cathy Cowgill won third place; in the boys' 30-second basketball contest Keith Nickels won second place; in the girls' shuttle run, Jolene Criswell won first place; in the boys' standing broad jump, Pat Mack placed second; in the girls' basketball throw, Connie McGinnis tied for third place.

In the team events the Trailblazers fared better. Jolene Criswell, Tim Bragaw, Susette Cowgill and David Sorenson won first place in the 660 yard relay. In the basketball dribble relay, Kathy Cowgill, Terry Sue Canine, Dean Mack, and Mark Canine won first place. Larry Tillie and Connie McGinnis placed second in the obstacle race. Team events for the larger athletes were tug-of-war and cage ball. Members of the Trailblazers competing in these were Sandy Hughes, Debby Slaven, Cindy Slaven, Connie McGinnis, Melody Weir, David Latham, Gary Brownfield, Sam Bucher, and David Sorenson. With firsts in these two events they received a total of 20 points which placed them the top club of Missouri.

The Grandview church is proud of their boys and girls and sponsored a banquet on April 12, as an expression of their appreciation of the hard work, the practice, and the cooperation shown by the youngsters and the faithfulness of the leaders in giving of their time and energy. Corsages and boutonnieres were presented to the following adults who work with these Pathfinders: Mr. and Mrs. Rod Canine, Than Brundage, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bragaw, and Mable Criswell.

It is going to take endurance, sound bodies, high

Grandview Pathfinder Trailblazers during cage ball contest held at Sunnydale Academy March 8, for all Missouri Pathfinder clubs. The object of the game is to hit the backstop with this oversize ball. It is not heavy but awkward.



ideals such as the Pathfinders foster in order to stand the test and trials that lie ahead in proclaiming God's final message. May God bless Rod Canine and his assistants for their devotion and leadership, and our boys and girls as they develop their abilities.

KANSAS

Remember the Youth Who Serve Our Country

The offering to be received in all our churches on Sabbath, May 9, 1970, is designated for Servicemen's Literature. This offering, received every other year, is to help provide Seventh-day Adventist servicemen with our official church paper, the *Review and Herald*, a youth paper, Sabbath school quarterly and other books and papers.

While our young men are serving their country during a time of conflict, please help the church provide the necessary equipment for a successful encounter in a far more important conflict—the war between Christ and Satan. Remember Our Youth By Giving a Liberal Offering for Servicemen's Literature, May 9, 1970.

N. K. HARVEY, *Treasurer*

Is Your List In??



Pictured is Mrs. Davis Thomas, Book and Bible House secretary, checking over the *Signs of the Times* lists that have come to her desk. Several thousand names will be passing over her desk on their way to the Pacific Press Periodical Department. Later God's precious, last-day message will enter the homes of Kansans and thus prepare the groundwork for extended evangelism in our State. Is your list in? Be sure to have your list

in before the end of May. The sooner you get your subscriptions to us, the sooner your relatives and friends will receive the *Signs of the Times*.

LAY ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT

Stop Smoking Clinic at Shawnee Mission

Another in the series of Stop Smoking Clinics sponsored as a public service by the Shawnee Mission Hospital was held April 19 through April 23.

The clinic consisted of sessions that began each evening at 7:30, with the exception of the first session on Sunday evening, which began at 6:30 so that those enrolling would have an opportunity to take a lung capacity test given by the Inhalation Therapy department of the Shawnee Mission Hospital.

Conducting the sessions was A. A. Ambruster, M.D., a surgeon and member of the hospital medical staff, and Elder Hugh Campbell, hospital chaplain.

A fee of \$5.00 covered all the materials used, as well as the lung capacity test. Sessions were held in the auditorium of the Health Center building, adjacent to the hospital at 74th and Grandview in Overland Park.

Thirteenth Sabbath at Palco

One of the projects of the Sabbath school that can bring an atmosphere of pleasant inspiration is the Thirteenth Sabbath School Program. It gives opportunity for our young people and children to receive training in public speaking and program participation. Most important, however, it helps the Sabbath school members to realize two



Top, left to right: Ruthie Marshall, Marie Beaman, Kathy Legere, and Julie Marcotte singing with use of visual aids. Second row: In addition, the girls present an oral dialogue. Third row, left to right: Connie Beaman, Ruth Marshall, Marie Beaman provide special music. Lower, left to right: Linda Beaman, Theresa Marcotte, Pam Marcotte, and Rita Marcotte assisting with the program.

things: The value of spiritual training received by the children during each quarter of the year, and the importance of systematic foreign mission giving.

The Thirteenth Sabbath Program is not limited to large Sabbath schools. In a recent visit to the Palco church, the conference Sabbath school secretary enjoyed a very inspiring Thirteenth Sabbath Program by the young people of the church. We hope that all of the superintendents will plan well in advance to provide this soul-enriching experience for each of the local Sabbath schools in Kansas.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

WYOMING

Another Opportunity

Exactly two years ago, on the second Sabbath in May, Wyoming Seventh-day Adventists, along with church members throughout the United States, gave a special offering for SDA servicemen. On May 9, 1970, we will be given another opportunity to contribute to the Servicemen's Offering. This money will be used to supply SDA servicemen with the following: New Youth Paper, *Insight*,

All aboard for good eating!

A young child with blonde hair, wearing a blue and white checkered shirt and sandals, sits on a large red suitcase. The suitcase is overflowing with various Loma Linda Foods products, including boxes of Ruskets (Oven-Cooked Wheat, Rusket Flakes), cans of Dinner Cuts, Tender Bits, Tasted Cuts, and a bottle of Fig Juice. A white tag is attached to the suitcase with the text: "Loma Linda Foods, 411 S. 1st St., Okla. City, Okla. 73102". In the background, there is a yellow ticket booth with a sign that says "TICKETS" and a cartoon character. The scene is set against a backdrop of railroad tracks and a "CROSSING" sign.

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**Schedule of
Evangelistic Meetings for May**

BUFFALO, WYOMING MAY 2-23

Evangelist — Richard D. Necker
Pastor — Merle Landis

UPTON, WYOMING MAY 9-30

Evangelist — Ray Wyatt
Pastor — Willis M. Adams

TORRINGTON, WYOMING MAY 2-30

Evangelist — John W. Fowler
Pastor — LaVoy Garner

Please send names of all interested persons to the respective pastor!

John W. Fowler
Ministerial Secretary

Signs of the Times, Review and Herald, Message Magazine, Listen, Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly, For God and Country (Servicemen's paper), The Morning Watch devotional book of the year, Personal missionary literature up to \$10 for each request, and Tape recorded sermons for those in isolated areas.

Fellow believers, my conviction is that this is a moral and sacred responsibility to furnish SDA men in the military service with literature of their church.

Families who have had or presently have a son in military duty know the tremendous concern and urgency for every SDA man to have literature for his spiritual strengthening, as well as to let him know that his church cares. The very least we can do is give cheerfully and liberally, and to pray continually for the spiritual, mental, social, and physical stability, as well as for the safety of these Adventist youth in the service of our country.

DALE C. AALBORG, NSO Secretary

Ground-breaking Service for the Big Piney Church

On April 6, Elder Wm. C. Hatch and Elder John W. Fowler joined with the members of the Big Piney church and the Mayor of Big Piney in ground-breaking services for the new Big Piney Seventh-day Adventist church. The

Herman Genetti, who will direct the building of the Big Piney church, and Wm. C. Hatch, president of the Wyoming Conference, stand on the future site of the Big Piney Seventh-day Adventist church.

Members of the Big Piney church with Herman Genetti, who is serving as building contractor, the Mayor of Big Piney, and Wm. C. Hatch conducted a special ground-breaking service for the Big Piney Seventh-day Adventist church.



construction of the new church building commenced immediately following the ground-breaking service. It is hoped that the building will be completed to a stage where it can be used for church services by June 1.

The members of the Big Piney church, under the direction of Pastor Willis Adams and Pastor Myron Tait, have been raising money for several years to make this project a reality. The Wyoming Conference and the General Conference are also making liberal appropriations toward this building project. We look forward in joyful anticipation to the day when the Big Piney church will be completed and dedicated.

WM. C. HATCH

OBITUARY

DUNKIN, Mrs. Lucy Margaret, was born in McPaul, Iowa, Sept. 5, 1880, and passed away Feb. 18, 1970, at Lexington, Ky. In 1902 she was united in marriage to Frank Garfield Dunkin. Mr. Dunkin passed away Dec. 27, 1957, near Fort Collins, Colo. They farmed near Auburn for a few years and then moved to Lincoln, Neb., where Mr. Dunkin worked in the College View Boiler house for two years and then moved on a homestead near Yuma, Colo. While at Yuma he helped to organize the SDA church at Ford, Colo., known today as the Ford church. Mrs. Dunkin leaves to mourn 1 sister—Daisy Hubbard at Auburn, Neb.; 4 sons and 2 daughters—John Francis Dunkin, Boise, Idaho; Lawrence Lee Dunkin, Denver, Colo.; Harold H. Dunkin, Loveland, Colo.; Lloyd Wilson Dunkin, Fresno, Calif.; Thelma Gabbard, Dayton, Ohio, and Alice Graves, Hemet, Calif. Also 16 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

RAY DAVIDSON

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Sunset Calendar

	April 24	May 1
Denver, Colorado	6:47	6:54
Grand Junction, Colorado	7:00	7:06
Topeka, Kansas	7:09	7:15
Kansas City, Missouri	7:04	7:10
St. Louis, Missouri	6:47	6:53
Lincoln, Nebraska	7:16	7:23
Casper, Wyoming	6:58	7:06

(Add one hour for Daylight Saving Time.)

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Report of

COLORADO CONFERENCE SESSION

The Denver South church was the setting for the twenty-first Biennial Session of the Colorado Conference, April 12. Elder R. R. Bietz represented the General Conference at the session and presented the devotional message.

Elder H. V. Reed was reelected conference president and Elder H. L. Haas, secretary-treasurer.

Here are some of the outstanding facts from their reports. The baptisms for the biennium totaled just two short of 1,200, bringing the conference membership at the close of the period to 9,565. Last year, the annual baptisms reached an all time high of 682 with a net increase of 331. Sixty-four of the Colorado Conference congregations have their own church buildings. A number of the congregations have new church buildings. The Littleton church members dedicated their building the day before the session, Sabbath, April 11. The Thornton and Rye churches are under construction at the present time.

Tithe for the biennium was \$3,917,881.42 or a gain of \$531,456.46 over the previous two-year period.

The following were reelected together with the responsibilities they will carry:

L. D. Cleveland	Church Auditor
P. J. Roland	Book and Bible House Manager
Ed Kemena	Assistant Book and Bible House Manager
W. A. Scriven	Educational
Violet Archambeau	Elementary Supervisor
G. H. Nelson	Ministerial Secretary
C. V. Brauer	Lay Activities, Sabbath School, Radio-TV
R. M. Wisbey	Missionary Volunteer, Temperance
Paul W. Schmidt	Assistant MV and Temperance
A. L. Page	Publishing
Paul Clear	Assistant
William Miller	Assistant
Dale Thomas	Assistant
H. Preston Hoskin	Stewardship and Development—Trust Director
A. R. Lickey	Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, Bureau of Public Relations, ASI, Department of Health
J. A. Davis, M.D.	Advisor for Department of Health

Those selected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Conference are: H. V. Reed, Chairman; H. L. Haas, Secretary; C. E. Bishop, Pastor; J. L. Everett, Pastor; Virgil Friesen, Layman; Lee Gates, Layman; E. D. Hendrickson, D.D.S., Layman; L. J. Lastine, Pastor; E. E. Lutz, Pastor; O. T. Moline, Administrator, Porter Memorial Hospital; John Pelt, Pastor; W. A. Scriven, Departmental Secretary; and R. L. Underwood, O.D., Layman.

Elder Reed's report says:

"Public efforts have been definitely planned for 43 of the 67 churches of the conference for 1970. Thirty-five of our 36 districts and all of our pastors are to be involved in one or more public campaigns. Our goals must be to reach the 10,000 membership mark within the next biennial period. In this undertaking, all can, and need to have a part. Gift Bible Evangelism, Visitation Evangelism, Youth Evangelism, Radio and Television Evangelism, Publishing Evangelism, Medical Evangelism, and real old-fashioned prayer evangelism, with congregations and families on their knees before God, must bring the answer from Him to whom alone we look for deliverance and spiritual prosperity."

R. H. NIGHTINGALE, *President*
Central Union Conference



A. L. Page



H. Preston Hoskin



A. R. Lickey

