

CENTRAL UNION

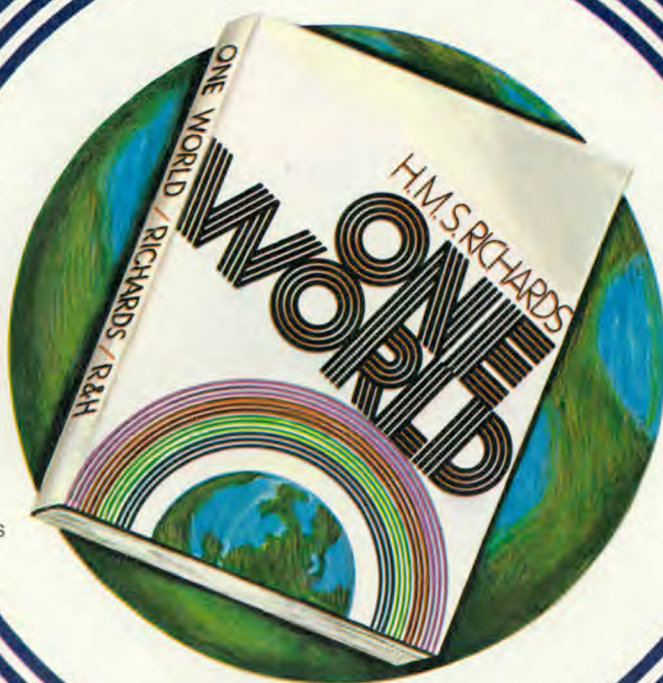
# REAPER

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To many people the world is a confused mass of conflicting forces, circumstances, and opinions. To them nothing seems to make sense; they find themselves on a treadmill of existence, trying to keep their heads above the flood of uncertainty. The past is irrelevant, the present unfocused, the future unknown. From a deep wellspring of Bible study, Christian experience, and active ministry, H.M.S. Richards has written "One World,"



the 1973 Missionary Book of The Year. Doubts, fears, and uncertainties flee as Dr. Richards, founder of the Voice of Prophecy, brings refreshingly new thought to bear on life's most important questions. "Every Seventh-day Adventist, and every friend of every Seventh-day Adventist, will be able to face the challenges of 1973 with greater confidence after having read this unusually helpful book."

## Elder Mason Joins Central Union Staff

John T. Mason has been called to the Central Union Conference as publishing secretary. He takes the place of Elder J. N. Hunt, who at the time of the Annual Conference in Mexico City was invited to join the staff of the publishing department of the General Conference.

Elder Mason comes to us from the Trans-Africa Division where he served as publishing secretary. Previous to that Elder Mason gave six years of service in the Far Eastern Division. Before going to the mission field, Elder Mason served as publishing department secretary in the Florida, Texas, and Arkansas-Louisiana Conferences.

Elder Mason, and his wife, Iris, and family, have already arrived in Lincoln, Nebraska, and he has entered upon his duties. Elder Mason's previous service qualifies him well for this position.

A daughter, Mrs. Cheryl Williams, lives in Florida and two children, Tom and Cindy, attend school here in Lincoln.

With Elder Mason's rich background of experience the work of the literature ministry should go forward with increasing success.

R. H. Nightingale, *President*



Elder J. T. Mason

### THIS WEEK'S CHAMPIONS

"God will accept the wholehearted service, and will Himself make up the deficiencies."

"To everyone who offers himself to the Lord for service, withholding nothing, is given power for the attainment of measureless results." Colporteur Ministry, p. 109.

The following champions have seen this promise fulfilled in their lives. How about you, dear reader? Please attend the New Literature Evangelists' Training School to be held at the new Paxton Hotel, 14th and Farnam, Omaha, Nebraska, starting 7:30 p.m., Friday, March 30 and ending Tuesday noon, April 3, 1973.

Gene Richardson	MO	\$1,048.65	Eugene Ryan	MO	589.25
Robert E. Lee	CO	690.35	A. R. Wagner	KS	577.20
Volly Helm	CO	688.76	Douglas Larsen	MO	550.40
Ed Lynn	MO	655.75	Harry Sparks	NE	549.00
James Black	MO	650.70	Howard Savage	KS	525.25
Mitchell Gulka	CO	637.30	David Tucker	MO	514.20
Ronnie Dawes	MO	635.20	Shirley Van Sickle	KS	506.50
G. R. Ernest	NE	600.50			

R. C. Thomas, Manager  
Central Credit Association

## NAD College Programs of Occupational Education

Throughout their history Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities have emphasized the professions, and they have compiled a commendable record of graduating professional workers such as ministers, doctors, nurses, teachers, secretaries and accountants. As the need for such workers continues, degree curriculums continue to be offered to prepare them.

During recent years, recognizing both the dignity of

labor and the increasing demand for preparation for other vocations, our colleges have offered more occupational courses. Most of these job-oriented courses range in length from ten weeks to two years. Students not wishing to pursue degrees can receive technical training and develop numerous vocational skills in the setting of an Adventist college campus. This diversity of programs adds a new dimension of opportunity for many Seventh-day Adventist youth.

Some institutions offer industrial courses with degree credit. For example, most of the colleges now offer either two- or four-year nursing courses; some colleges offer short courses for secretaries; one college has associate degree programs in building construction and home economics; six institutions offer the bachelor's degree in industrial education; Kettering College of Medical Arts and Loma Linda University have a wide range of credit offerings in paramedical areas.

In addition to such credit courses, the following non-degree occupational training is currently available:

### ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Agriculture—dairy,  
field crops, horticulture  
Auto mechanics  
Aviation—flying or  
aviation mechanics  
Carpentry  
Clerical training  
Commercial sign painting  
Computer—operator,  
programmer, systems  
analyst

Cosmetology  
Electrician  
Food preparation  
Masonry  
Plumbing  
Printing—camera, offset,  
stripping and plate  
making  
Radiator repair  
Upholstery (summer only)  
Welding

Write: Director, Center for Occupational Education, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan 49104

### LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY

Institutional Food  
Production  
Baking for Institutions

Write: Dean, University Extension, Loma Linda University, Riverside, California 92505

### UNION COLLEGE

Auto Body and Fender  
Repair  
Automotive Technology  
Building Trades  
Electronics

Food Technology  
Industrial Supervision  
Office Services  
Welding Technology

Write: Director of Occupational Education, Union College, Lincoln, Nebraska 68506

Interested persons should write the respective schools for bulletins and more information. With a wider range of courses our colleges are prepared to serve more Seventh-day Adventist young people.

—General Conference Office of Education

## PORTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

### Patient Feed-Back

"The care and food were excellent. Your staff is to be complimented! I hope it is not necessary for me to be hospitalized again soon, but should it be, I would hope for a vacancy at Porter!"

—A patient from Kiowa, CO.

"I was treated as a guest in every respect while at Porter."

—A patient from Delta, CO.

"Your employees . . . from cleaning people to administrative to professionals . . . reflect your Christian foundation. Although I am not of the same faith, and disagree with your doctrines some times, all your employees and volunteers are a great credit in their love for fellow humans."

A patient from Littleton, CO.

"I had excellent care and attention. All the people in the Intensive Care Department were very dedicated and at-

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tentive to my personal situation. I'm sure Porter had a great deal to do with my present improvement."

—Donald S. Stevenson

"A very well-run facility—efficient but with a happy atmosphere."

—Leo Finally

"Everyone was just wonderful to me from the Admitting Clerk all the way through my stay to the morning I left when a nice nurse took us to the front door and said 'Good-bye.' The food was delicious. And a nice lady came in and gave me some pamphlets with the nicest verses."

—Alyce L. Krieger

E. Jane Weber, *Secretary*  
Public Relations Department

## SHAWNEE MISSION HOSPITAL

### Hospital Receives Special Equipment from Gill Foundation

The Shawnee Mission Medical Center has received several very specialized pieces of equipment, donated by the Forest P. Gill Foundation. Mr. Gill is president of the Gill Studios in Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

Two of the units will be used in the Cardio-pulmonary department. A treadmill will be used for stress testing and evaluation of the cardiovascular system as it responds to exercise. The vector cardiogram is a machine used to evaluate specific heart problems and as such may be used to determine if a person has had a heart attack.



These units will be used in conjunction with an additional hospital "Crash Cart" that contains heart monitors, a defibrillator, drugs and medications. Several other such carts are currently in use at the hospital.

The Gill Foundation also donated two special items to the department, a Laprascope, a telescope-like unit used in surgical procedures and an auto-suture unit.

Mr. Gill's son, Bruce Gill, M.D., is a member of the Shawnee Mission Medical Center's medical-surgical staff in the OB-GYN department.

Pictured from front to back are: Mr. Forest P. Gill, Robert Harris, assistant executive director of the Shawnee Mission Medical Center, and John Sandquist, manager of the hospital inhalation therapy department.

## UNION COLLEGE

### Creation and Science Workshop

The Life Origins Foundation, an organization of Seventh-day Adventist scientists dedicated to the study and advancement of the theory of special creation, held its annual meeting on the campus of Union College, March 23 through 24. They featured presentations on the subject of evolution versus special creation, a topic of growing interest and concern in our modern, scientifically orientated society. Through these lectures the members of this organization

hoped to stimulate new interest in the facts supporting the Biblical account of earth's origin.

Beginning the series of programs was an illustrated lecture in the college gymnasium at 11 o'clock Friday morning entitled "Galapagos Revisited." This story of an expedition to the islands of Charles Darwin fame was presented by Dr. Ernest Booth of Anacordas, Washington, and Dr. Lester Harris of Takoma Park, Maryland. Dr. Booth is president of Outdoor Pictures, Inc., as well as an author, and Dr. Harris is chairman of the Biology Department of Columbia Union College. On the evening of March 23, these men presented an additional program on the same topic at 7:30 in the College View Seventh-day Adventist church, located just across the street from the campus. Dr. Harold Coffin of the Geoscience Research Institute, Berrien Springs, Michigan, author of the book, *Creation—Accident or Design?*, dealt with creation and its relation to Bible prophecy during the College View church services on Sabbath.

A Sabbath afternoon symposium was held by the Life Origins Foundation in the student center and the discussion at this time was centered on such topics as fossil man, radio isotope dating fossil human footprints, and the origin of species.

Dr. Harold Clark of Calistoga, California, and current president of the Life Origins Foundation spoke on the subject, "Fundamental Creationism," during the sunset vespers.

In what was a lively and provocative series of presentations the members of the Life Origins Foundations attempted to show during these two days that science and religion can be reconciled and that they are, in fact, inseparable.

### UNION COLLEGE ALUMNI HOMECOMING

Plan now to attend the Annual Homecoming Weekend April 12-14, 1973, at Union College. The Alumni will be honoring the classes of 1923, 1948 and 1963. All former students, graduates and staff are encouraged to attend.

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

##### Thursday, April 12

Homecoming Banquet ..... 7:00 p.m.

##### Friday, April 13

Honors Convocation ..... 10:15 a.m.

**GROUND-BREAKING** ..... 11:30 a.m.

Hanging of the Golden Cords ..... 8:00 p.m.

##### Sabbath, April 14

Sabbath School ..... 9:30 a.m.

Church Services ..... 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

All Alumni Potluck Dinner ..... 1:00 p.m.

Alumni Review ..... 2:30 p.m.

Vespers ..... 6:30 p.m.

Band Concert ..... 8:00 p.m.

## CENTRAL STATES

### News Items from Northside

#### Northside Presents Books at White House

Recently, Clarence Hodges of the Northside church in St. Louis was the guest of Mr. Stanley S. Scott, special assistant to President Richard M. Nixon. Included in the wide range of topics was a special briefing for Mr. Scott and his assistant, Mr. John Calhoun on the work of Seventh-day Adventists. Elder Lorenzo Grant, formerly of St. Louis, and now the MV



Top, left to right: Presidential assistant, S. S. Scott (center) is shown receiving books presented by C. E. Hodges, left, as Elder L. Grant, MV secretary for the Columbia Union looks on. Central States colporteurs gather at Northside to wish Brother William Morris a fond farewell—left to right: Sisters Mattie Robinson, Leola Allen, Eunice Foley, Brother E. Bullock, Elder R. L. LaGrone, Brothers William Morris, and Ernest Gay. Elder S. T. Lewis looks on from the pulpit. Kinloch joined in well wishes for the Morris. District Pastor James White presents token of love to Brother William Morris. Lower, left to

right: The Kinloch youth choir sang "Good-by." Brother Morris, literature leader gives farewell sermon on last Sabbath at Northside prior to leaving to take over responsibilities in a new field. Brother Medford Brown, principal of the Lexington-Union SDA school in St. Louis. Brother and Sister Tommie Jacobs, new believers at Northside pictured with Brother R. Lawrence (center) who is the church lay activities leader. Marlene Horton, left, second place temperance oratorical participant congratulates Jean Ross who was awarded first place.

secretary for the Columbia Union Conference, gave the two a capsule course that should equal three college semester credit hours on Adventism. The visit was most profitable. The books presented were *One World* by H.M.S. Richards and *Come Unto Me* by E. E. Cleveland.

#### Big Send-off for Literature Leader W. Morris

William Morris, an associate literature leader for the Central States Conference and local elder of the Northside church, has accepted a similar call to the Northeastern Conference. He recently received a big farewell from Northside and the literature workers throughout the area. Brother and Sister Morris received many gifts. A fellowship dinner was served at the church under the direction of Sister Philoecus Clark.

#### The Preaching Teacher

Medford Brown, principal of the Lexington-Union SDA School, recently exercised his preaching skills at Northside with the challenges for the development of the total person—mentally, physically, and spiritually—by the cooperation of the home, the school, and the church. Brother Brown is known widely for his skills as an orator, his knowledge as an educator, and his dedication as a Christian. His words always bear fruit.

#### The Example of the Jacobs

Recently, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Jacobs decided Northside was where their church home should be. While they were still receiving studies from lay activities leader, Rozel Lawrence, they decided further that they should be sharing what they have learned with others. They are now giving and receiving weekly Bible studies. This is an example others would do well to follow.

#### Central Sings for Northside

Recently, the youth choir of the Central SDA church brought an afternoon of music to Northside. The thrilling testimonies of the youth, combined with their joyous singing, made an impression on all that will long be remembered. This group travels throughout the area and should be sought by all.

#### Jean Ross Wins Temperance Trophies

Recently, Jean Ross was declared the most outstanding

in the Northside Temperance Oratorical Run-off, after which she proceeded to claim first place in the conference finals held in Des Moines, on March 3. After giving her oration at the union temperance oratorical rally on March 17, at Campion Academy she again came away in first place.

C. E. Hodges, Church Press Secretary

### Central States Conference MV Summer Camp Sessions

Pre-teen (Ages 9-12)

July 8-15

Teen (Ages 13-16)

July 15-22

Pre-teens and teens begin planning NOW to attend. Two great weeks are being planned.

#### ADULT LEADERS NEEDED! WILL YOU HELP?

Write to: S. H. Cox, Youth Director, P.O. Box 1527, Kansas City, MO 64141, indicating the camp session you would be willing to serve.

### Candlelight Musical

On March 3, the young adult choir of the Claremont SDA church in Pueblo, Colorado, presented a candlelight musical at the church. The theme of the musical was "Let Your Light Shine Before Men." Solos, duets, musical numbers, and local talents added to an enjoyable evening of music.

Mrs. Lisa Young, wife of the pastor, Elder Theus Young, and Vaai Papu Siofele, Mrs. Young's sister, sang a duet in their native Samoan language.

The purpose of the musical was to help raise funds to further the choir's missionary work and to plan wholesome activities for the young people of the church. They plan to make more visits to nursing homes, bring comfort to the shut-ins, visit hospitals, and give a helping hand where needed. You will find that their love for witnessing is beyond that of singing.

We were happy to have as our guests the president of the



Top left: Seated left to right, Mrs. D. L. Crowder and Elder Crowder, president of the Central States Conference. Top right: Mrs. Lisa Young, mistress of ceremonies. Lower left: The Claremont Trio—left to right: Delores Smith, Vaai Siofele, and Jan Dickerson. Lower right: The Young Adult Choir.

Central States Conference, Elder D. L. Crowder and his wife, Elder James Edgecombe, pastor of the Denver Park Hill church, and Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Lucas of Kansas City, Missouri.

The closing song entitled, "Meet Me in Heaven" was written and composed by Vaai Siofele, president and pianist of the choir. Other officers are Jan Dickerson, pianist; Delores Smith, directress; Mrs. Lisa Young and Mrs. Willie Dickerson, sponsors. These young people are dedicated to the task of being a part of the finishing work of the church today.

Bob Franklin, Church Press Secretary

## COLORADO



Don't you wish you knew what the next few years hold for you in detail? Health, children, education, money, apostasy, investments—and most of all security, not only in old age, but in your spiritual relationship with God's kingdom—these future questions intrigue and interest all of us. All these and every other question hinges on the finishing of God's work in the earth and then the coming of the Lord.

Churches are needed everywhere to help finish this work. We seldom hear of the work of a church from the groundbreaking ceremony until the dedication services are held. But there is much labor of love, sacrifice and prayer between the two publicized events.

One such church under construction is the church near Rye, Colorado. Situated in a beautiful country mountain-valley setting; backed up by Greenhorn Mountain; near the

little city of Rye, and five miles west of Colorado City is one of the most unique of all church-building projects. Its builders (all the members of the church), have undertaken to construct with their own hands a magnificent, yet modest house of worship for about 150 people. Its plans show it to be a beautiful and commodious building. The land development, the footings, foundations, water, heating and sewage systems, walls and pilasters, plus the gathering of materials, the construction of laminated arches, and even the pews and their coverings, all have been designed and built without labor costs, by the members of this church. W. F. Field, the Gardners, the Halseys, the Browns, the Cottams, the Zieglers, and the Lamberts, plus the pastors at the district and many other unnamed persons—all have had their hands and hearts in the work.

Most astonishing of all, this congregation has asked for no money whatsoever from the conference for the construction of this building, and they promise the dedication of the church soon, free of debt!

Now we must begin to evangelize the surrounding territory, stretching north to Pueblo, and Colorado Springs and west to Florence and Canon City where we have other churches reaching out with the saving gospel. Many more families are needed. Retirees have bought homesights here. Ministers will be moving to retirement sites they have purchased there. Many other workers and helpers are needed to help finish God's work here as well as at Trinidad, Springfield, Wray, and Yuma where new churches are springing up too.

The future holds promise bright with hope that God's people will arise and finish His work in His own way with their own hands. Many will be needed. Won't many of you who read these lines consider the advantage to yourselves of country living during the approaching Time of Trouble when cities are becoming more crowded, crime-ridden and polluted—to move to "outpost" places from which centers God's work can be carried on? Think and pray about it. God will open the way.

H. V. Reed, President

## H.M.S. Richards Home and School Program

A past wildlife photographer with the Walt Disney Studios and for Lassie showed films on the Golden Eagle Sunday evening, February 18, at the regular meeting of the Home and School Association for the H.M.S. Richards Elementary School.

Kent Durham and his father received permission from the government to take a young eagle, train it and study its habits. They had the eagle for 16 years.

Mrs. Arthur Cushing, leader of the Home and School Association, introduced the program, and J. W. Bassham, pastor of the Loveland church, offered the opening prayer. Patti Jo Wysong directed a group of first and second graders as they played several songs on their recorders.

Mrs. Harold Staddon directed several songs which the first and second grade students sang as a group: "Do-Re-Mi," "George Washington," "Young Abe Lincoln," "Good-bye, Old Paint," and "Skip to My Lou."

Students from the third and fourth grade room, under the direction of Mrs. Staddon sang two numbers: "Kentucky Babe," and "Arkansas Traveler." They also whistled the number "Cheerio."

Mavis Beckner, Church Press Secretary

## Inter-Mountain Academy Reunion

The Cedaredge Seventh-day Adventist church was the setting for a get-together on February 24, of 24 graduates and former students of Inter-Mountain Academy. It was an especially memorable occasion for those who had not seen each other since school days over 40 years ago.



Inter-Mountain Academy alumni attending the get-together at the Cedaredge Seventh-day Adventist church on February 24—left to right, back row: Charles Johnston, Oma Robertson Biggs, Howard Sperry, John Brackett, Delbert Brown, and John Schumann. Second row: Iva Byerrum, Vivian Arnold Dean, Bernice Arnold Porter, Inas Byerrum Meier, Ruth Runk Beck, Nina May Oliver Page, Mina Downing Case, Roy (Pete) Schumann. Front row: Hazel Baker Austin, Opal Dickerson Northrup, Alice Studt Palazzi, Ruby Adams, Zella Oosterhouse Seabourn, Wesley Jennings, Helen Case Jennings, Maxine Saturley Patton, and Lester Patton.

The morning worship speaker, Pastor Ward Scriven of Denver, emphasized that home, church and school are the three most important forces in the life of a young person. A Christian education gives them the opportunity to grow into men and women, fit subjects for the kingdom of heaven.

The afternoon session was held in the church basement as a round-table discussion. All joined in singing the school song, "Of the Schools There Are a Host" to the tune of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp." The moderators were Elder Scriven, Vern Thompson of Grand Junction and Hazel Baker Austin. Mrs. Austin traced the history of the school, read letters from former students and everyone present joined in with memories.

Delbert Brown brought out that a day academy, called Inter-Mountain Academy, was conducted at Palisade in the early teens, when the church had a membership of over 400. It closed with the opening of the boarding school, Inter-Mountain Academy, in 1918 on a 220-acre farm two miles south of Rulison, Colorado. The school continued to bring Christian education to young people in the Inter-Mountain Conference until 1932 when it was closed because of financial reverses and the depression.

The only faculty member present was Ruby Adams of Delta, who was matron and preceptress the first three years. She was presented a carnation corsage. A member of the first graduating class of 1922, Alice Studt Palazzi, was also present. Nearly every year of the school was represented by person or letter.

The afternoon program was taped, and it with all other information available is expected to be compiled into a paperback history of Inter-Mountain Academy with human interest features. Tentative plans are being made to have it nearly completed by early August when a reunion of all alumni is expected to be held on part of the old school farm at Rulison, now owned by John Schumann.

Former students of the academy have served as missionaries, teachers, doctors and nurses, as well as local church officers in different parts of the world.

Hazel Austin, *Church Press Secretary*

## Supplies to La Vida Mission

Approximately three tons of food, clothes, and toys were recently delivered to La Vida Mission by laymen from the Grand Junction, Colorado, church. Included with the food was: 1000 loaves of bread, 60 cases of cookies, 800 pounds of grain (corn, wheat and rice) and 1000 pounds of produce

(carrots, potatoes, lettuce, cabbage and onions). There were also 600 pounds of canned goods (juices, fruits and vegetables), 600 pounds of dry food (macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, and dry milk), and 100 pounds of dry beans. There were also 30 cases of clothing and shoes and a few games and toys.

La Vida has other needs—they could use a walk-in freezer and baking equipment, like a bread mixer and a bakery oven. Donated carpentry work would be greatly appreciated for the interior of the boys' dormitory so that they could be warm inside. The girls are in their dormitory, but the boys are still waiting.

Those who made the trip are: John Welker, Dale Luke, Dan Welker, Gene Kisinger, and D. J. Welker.

Del Jeanne Hill



Top: Produce for La Vida Mission is organized for shipment by laymen from the Grand Junction, Colorado, church. Lower: Loading the truck with the produce for the mission are left to right: Gene Kisinger, Ralph Landing, Dan Welker, John Welker, Dale Luke, John Wood, and D. J. Welker.

# KANSAS

## Kansas Triennial Session

It's session time again and all 300 delegates and workers of the Kansas Conference crowded into the Wichita church to conduct the business of the conference.

Elder Willis J. Hackett, vice-president of the General Conference, gave the devotional and instructions to the delegates. Elder R. H. Nightingale, Central Union president, was chairman of the session. The customary committees were chosen and did their work with a prayerful attitude.

The presence of the Holy Spirit could be felt as groups of delegates met in different parts of the church complex to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit during the session. Many questions from the floor were asked by the delegates and were answered to their satisfaction.



Top, left to right: Delegates registering. Delegates enjoying the lunch. Lower, left to right: Elder A. K. Phillips presents to Elder S. S. Will and the delegates the Horton and Marysville churches. Pastor

Corbin Pitman presents to Elder Will and the delegates the Sedan church. Mrs. Mary Anderson is honored as Mrs. Will pins on a corsage. Mr. A. R. Carrick receives his boutonniere and gift.

A special lunch was prepared for the delegates by the ladies of the Wichita church, and how delightful it was. Thank you again.

Perhaps the greatest highlight of the session was the acceptance by the delegates of the three new churches formed during the last triennium to the Kansas Conference Sisterhood of Churches. The three churches were Horton, Marysville and Sedan. Elder Phillips presented the churches of Horton and Marysville and Pastor Corbin Pitman presented the Sedan church. The delegation accepted unanimously the new churches and the delegates were seated as regular delegates.

At the close of the day, the delegates voted to re-elect the entire office personnel and formed a new conference committee and Enterprise Academy board. The Kansas Session made history by electing the first woman representative on the conference committee, Mrs. Lois Pounds.

Elder S. S. Will, in his report, stopped to pay honor to those who had done much to support the conference program. He honored Mrs. Mary Anderson and Mr. A. R. Carrick. A flower was given to each with a book to remember the occasion.

God has blessed in Kansas during the past and we are sure He will in the future. Pray for the leaders of our conference that God will use them to lead many souls into the kingdom.

PR Department

## Enterprise Academy Youth Witnessing

One of the thrills of working with academy-age youth is when they decide to share their faith with others. Such was the experience which the "Reflectors of God's Love," a singing witness group, have given to the Kansas Conference constituency as they sang at the four youth rallies held in Enterprise, LaCrosse, Wichita, and New Haven.

A second group, "The New Disciples of Christ," also a

singing witness group, have spread their faith in several parts of the conference. Both groups have taken church services and spread rays of God's love.

With the conclusion of the Spring Week of Prayer held by Elder Don Holland, the youth at E.A. asked for a witnessing seminar. They said, "We want to know more about witnessing and how to do it."

Arrangements were made and Elders James H. Harris and Charles C. Case, Central Union and Kansas Conference Youth Directors, held a witnessing seminar on the E.A. campus and about half of the student body attended. When it was over the youth said, "Now we can get busy and work for Jesus."

They had asked for a seminar in the fall. Surely God is leading His youth even today in this old dark world of sin.

Youth Department

## WICHITA JUNIOR ACADEMY

The Wichita Junior Academy is now a full ten-grade school. The Central Union Board of Education authorized this last year and upon authorization, the school hired another teacher to help out in the upper grades.

At present W.J.A. has 66 students and 5 teachers, John Beck, principal; Aaron and Evelyn Moon, Neal Kelley and Ruth Archer. W.J.A. is having a good school year and the youth are now involved in a Voice of Youth Crusade.

Pray for our youth in Kansas and at W.J.A.

Department of Education



# MISSOURI

## LEGAL NOTICES

### MISSOURI CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the regular triennial session of the Missouri Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Sunnysdale Academy, Centralia, Missouri, on April 29, 1973. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing officers, departmental secretaries, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each fifteen members or major fraction thereof.

The meeting of the conference is called to convene at 10 a.m., Sunday, April 29, 1973. All regularly elected delegates from the various churches should be seated at the meeting.

A. V. McClure, President  
D. E. Latham, Secretary

### THE MISSOURI CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the Missouri Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet at Sunnysdale Academy, Centralia, Missouri, on Sunday, April 29, 1973, at 2 p.m., in connection with the regular triennial session of the Missouri Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing a board of trustees, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the association. All regularly elected delegates to the Missouri Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are also delegates to this session of the Missouri Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

A. V. McClure, President  
D. E. Latham, Secretary

## It Is Written in Missouri

Elder George Vandeman, speaker and originator of the IT IS WRITTEN evangelistic telecast, spoke to members of the Kansas City area churches on Sabbath afternoon, January 17. Seven hundred people gathered on a snowy afternoon in the Central church to hear Elder Vandeman explain the operation of the program and tell of its successes in other areas. He spoke of the ingathering of souls as laymen and ministers work together following up the interest of those who call or write to request the free book offers. Those present also pledged several thousand dollars to help support the telecast.

The first regular telecast was viewed on channel five at 8 a.m. the following morning. At the close of the program 150 phone calls were received. Five operators, working the phones installed for this purpose in the Central church, were kept busy constantly for approximately 30 minutes. Calling gradually slowed over the next hour. Since the first telecast the Sunday morning calls have averaged more than 80. Other calls come in during the week.



Five lady volunteers serve as operators each Sunday morning to take the requests that come in for the It Is Written telecast.

The follow-up of the IT IS WRITTEN telecast consists of a heavy visitation program by pastor and laymen. Those requesting "Drumbeat," which is offered in every book, also receive the first two "Viewfinder" Bible reading guides. The remaining ten Viewfinder guides are then delivered by a visitor on a weekly basis. This provides opportunity for Bible study together by the viewer and the visitor-evangelist.

IT IS WRITTEN in the Kansas City area is a jointly sponsored project of the local churches of both the Missouri and Kansas Conferences.

In Cape Girardeau, in southeast Missouri, the Missouri and Illinois Conferences are sponsoring the telecast. And in Kirksville the churches in Missouri are working with Iowa churches to provide the program in the north and east areas of Missouri as well as southern Iowa.

This now makes IT IS WRITTEN available in three large areas of the Missouri Conference. The viewing area from Kansas City is also enlarged by several cable systems that reach into Clinton, Nevada, Sedalia, Kirksville and other cities. MISSION '73 will be greatly enhanced through this evangelism thrust. Your prayers are much needed and the personal labor of many will be required to see a large number of souls accept Christ and His last day message through the electronic media.

G. F. Cherry, Department of Communications

## Pastor Visits Biblical Sites

Many Americans these days would think twice before boarding a jet for a tour of Israel and the Middle East. However, for Pastor Jim Hoehn, of the Columbia church, and his wife, the only "incident" connected to their recent trip occurred in an airport in Bangor, Maine, on the way back.

"We were in the airplane and ready to go when all of a sudden, we felt the plane shaking and heard a bang." It was no bomb however—the plane had been struck by an airline truck whose driver apparently thought the vehicle had clearance under the plane's wing and shaved off the bottom of it.

The resulting six-hour delay was the only flaw in the Hoehns otherwise good trip. The Missouri Conference, in 1972, selected one pastor for an overseas trip and Elder Hoehn was chosen.

Although they could have traveled anywhere, the Hoehns chose a tour from December 25 to January 3, of Israel, Cyprus, Turkey, Lebanon and Syria. Pastor Hoehn said, "On this tour we could get more for our money and it would be more beneficial for our ministries."

In 10 days, by traveling from country to country while they slept aboard a Mediterranean cruiser—they saw the remnants of thousands of years of Biblical history.

In Syria, they visited Damascus and saw the street called Straight which the New Testament cites as the place where the Apostle Paul was taken after he was struck blind. Today, Pastor Hoehn says the street is lined with many tiny shops and bazaars along its less than one mile length.



Pastor and Mrs. Jim Hoehn are pictured midway through their Middle East tour on the steps of Bacchus Temple ruins at Baalbek, Lebanon. The temple was constructed to honor the wine god and as a last ditch effort to curb the rising tide of Christianity.

Some of the best-preserved Roman ruins in existence, located at Baalbek, Lebanon, were also on the itinerary. Pastor Hoehn says the city was built in elaborate style during the fourth century A.D., as a means of attracting people back to the Roman way of life during the spread of Christianity. Tarsus, Turkey, was also of interest to the group as the birthplace of the Apostle Paul.

"The countries there are so close," Pastor Hoehn said, "that it wasn't difficult to see everything we wanted to see." The Hoehns found interesting the fact of the geographic proximity of many of the ancient sites. Bethlehem is only a five to ten-minute drive from Jerusalem and Nazareth is just over the hill from Cana. The Sea of Galilee is actually so small (about 6 by 13 miles) that you can see several cities at once on its banks.

The tour's emphasis was on Israel where the group spent four days visiting various shrines and Biblical cities including Jericho, Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethany, Caesarea and Shechem, the site of Jacob's Well.

"We didn't miss any of the major places we wanted to see," says Pastor Hoehn. "The tour was very complete. By the second my wife and I felt it was worth the time and money."

As Texas natives, they found that the weather in that area of the world was much like the weather in their home state with some parts of the country getting snow. While the tour group was there the temperature during the daytime was in the 50's and below freezing at night. They felt the land was comparable to Arizona or Nevada.

"The only places we in the United States would bother to farm would be the Jordan Valley, the area around the Mediterranean Sea called the Plains of Sharon, and the area around Haifa," Pastor Hoehn said. "But they farm it all. They've rebuilt the land through irrigation and cleaned up the swamps."

Amidst the sightseeing, the tour group ran into several reminders that an uneasy situation exists between Israel and her neighboring states. In Syria, Pastor and Mrs. Hoehn says they saw soldiers along the way to Damascus and were warned not to take any pictures until they arrived in the city. They also had to detour around Israel to enter and leave Syria through Lebanon.

In Israel, they were searched every day before they began sightseeing, generally by women in military uniforms. The Hoehns felt the precautions were necessary and conducted unoffensively. He pointed out that the strictest inspections they underwent were in airports in the United States.

In spite of the hostilities among the Middle East countries, Pastor Hoehn noted one peculiar thing the people had in common. "In every country we visited they all tried to make us think they were pro-American. They talked about their friendship with America, even the Syrians."

The Hoehns returned home early in January, already making plans to visit the Middle East again.

PR Department

## Item of Interest from the Conference

For the week ending March 15 top honors among Missouri colporteurs go to:

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Russell Willig—for 62 Correspondence School enrollments, Gene Richardson—for \$1,013.35 in sales, Dorothy McGee—for 51 hours.

# WYOMING

## The Seeds Have Been Planted

It never was a really big church—in size that is. The whole building plus grounds could fit in just about anyone's living room, but oh what love radiated from that little building! To a young minister and his new bride it truly contained the well of living water.

When we pulled into Dixon, Wyoming, that day, we noted the population was 100. Things are looking up, I thought; our membership is 10 percent of the population. As we entered, the Sabbath school lesson was in progress. Though the lesson continued we were greeted by smiles on every hand.

What a church! Each one became so dear—Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Criswell, the Roubideaux family and the Forshee family from Craig, Colorado. The group was small but what unity—everyone pulling together in the same direction.

The evangelistic thrust was Vacation Bible School. Where the children came from, I do not know, but two years running we had between 50 and 60 children. And everyone turned out to help; they had to—and it was great.

Now the little church stands silent. Mrs. Montgomery, the dearest of the dear, has died. All the others have moved

Top, right to left: Some of the closing exercises during the Friday afternoon picnic. The children are singing "Zacchaeus." Pastor and Mrs. Walter Nuessle in front of the Dixon or Snake River church. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Forshee, Karen Nuessle, Barbara Allen, and Grace Montgomery—Some of the VBS children with their crafts—1967. Karen Nuessle with one of the groups of the VBS children at play time. Last row, left to right: Junior Class having "sword drill" under the direction of Pastor Nuessle. Grace Montgomery and Barbara Allen having games with their group of VBS children.



Pastor Jim Hoehn of the Columbia church showing a menorah, a Jewish festival candleholder; and a statue—both souvenirs from his tour of the Middle East.



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away. But the Seventh-day Adventist Church on the Snake River will never be forgotten. Its imprint was stamped in the hearts of the children. The zeal in the lives of its members is still cherished.

How do I know? Because of the dedication of each one to Jesus. After the others were gone, and Mrs. Montgomery was the only remaining member, she wrote to me—"please come and have a Vacation Bible School for us. Our children so need it; please come. You and I will manage somehow. I have crafts all worked out. Between the Lord, you and I the rest will fall into place." That's dedication!

The Episcopal minister's son will never forget the Seventh-day Adventist pastor. While swimming one day during VBS, he would have drowned but for our pastor. Who could look at the Snake River and ever forget?

The church is silent, the members are gone, but seeds of truth have been planted. One day the harvest will come. Won't those dear folk who are no longer there be jubilant to recognize some of those VBS children in heaven?

Karen Nuessle

## NEBRASKA

### Our Country Is Becoming A Nation of Drunks

The American Hospital Association recently declared that, "25 to 30 percent of all adult medical-surgical patients in metropolitan hospitals were found to be suffering from alcoholism." The National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse on Thursday, March 22, 1973, named ALCOHOLISM as America's number one drug problem. The commission emphasized that the public must do even more than government if America's drug problems are to diminish.

An estimated nine million members of our society are alcoholics. They are involved in approximately 50 percent of our highway and home accidents. Further, a recent study at the Mount Zion Hospital reveals that 50 percent of all fracture cases resulted from drunkenness.

It is a significantly important fact that the National Commission on Drug Abuse has emphasized the public must do even more than government if America's drug problems are to diminish. This is where you and I enter the scene as American citizens and children of God. One of the best ways that we can help is in a strong support of the LISTEN Magazine subscription plan. Won't you double your LISTEN subscriptions for this year? If you have already sponsored a number of subscriptions, then with the help of God sponsor that many more. Or, if you have not yet given your list to your church lay activities secretary, do it this Sabbath before another week goes by.

The servant of the Lord tells us in *Counsels on Health*, page 462, "The temperance question is to receive decided support from God's people. The note of warning against the great evil of intemperance should be sounded. Every Sabbathkeeper should make earnest efforts to circulate these publications (health periodicals) among their neighbors." Let's do our part to cause the world to LISTEN.

E. Romaine Chinnock, Director  
Health Service Department

SUNSET CALENDAR	April 6	April 13	April 20
Denver, Colorado	6:29	6:36	6:43
Grand Junction, Colorado	6:42	6:49	6:56
Topeka, Kansas	6:51	6:58	7:05
Kansas City, Missouri	6:46	6:53	7:00
St. Louis, Missouri	6:29	6:36	6:43
Lincoln, Nebraska	6:57	7:04	7:12
Casper, Wyoming	6:38	6:46	6:54

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### YOUR SPEAKER

DR. FLOYD BRESEE — Pastor,  
Evangelist and Chairman, Department of Religion at Union College—  
talks about Life and Death, God and Man, You and Me.



### STUDENT ASSOCIATES



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# Report of Nebraska Triennium Session



Elder R. H. Nightingale, Central Union President, gives a warm handshake and greeting to G. W. Morgan, President of the Nebraska Conference.

The Nebraska Conference Triennium Session was held Sunday, March 11, at Platte Valley Academy. G. W. Morgan, who had served most of the previous three-year period, was elected conference president. Not only were a good number of delegates present, representing most of the churches in the conference, there was also representation from the Central Union Conference as well as Elder C. O. Franz from the General Conference, who gave the devotional message.

Elder Morgan, in his report, gave the delegates some fine and encouraging information which indicates the blessing of God on His work in Nebraska. During this triennium 651 precious souls were baptized, 242 during 1972 which is the highest in 12 years. This brings the total membership to 5,293.

Also during this period \$3,400,000 tithe was paid, and Nebraska led the Central Union Conferences in Sabbath school offerings with a per capita of 57 cents per week per member.

A number of the churches have made improvements in their buildings and Kearney constructed a new brick and stone structure. Three elementary school buildings have been erected—Gordon, Hemingford and Shelton. Concerning the facilities at PVA, Elder Morgan reported, "A large silo, two single-dwellings, one duplex, a vocational building, an addition to the new maintenance building, and a boys' new dormitory have been added."

The session also re-elected the following who will carry the work as indicated below:

Lee Allen	Secretary-Treasurer
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G. W. Morgan	Public Affairs, Religious Liberty, Medical

Elder G. W. Morgan concludes with these words:

"The strength of the work of God in Nebraska for the future, as in the past, lies in the character of the members and their leaders. It is Christ within the hearts of His people through the agency of the Holy Spirit that gives power to their work. Truth that is not lived, that is not imparted to others, loses its life-giving power. I call upon the entire church in Nebraska to act as one, blending in perfect union in the fulfillment of its Heaven-appointed destiny—to be a living, active missionary agency, moved and controlled by the Holy Spirit. With confidence in the onward progress of God's work and its ultimate triumph, let us renew our dedication to the finishing of our task and the hastening of the glorious second coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

R. H. Nightingale,  
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