

# THE CENTRAL UNION REAPER

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## Help for Navajos



Navajo children waiting for attention at the La Vida Mission clinic.

## From Out of the Sky

A Cessna airplane circles over the desert and lands on a dirt airstrip. W. D. Williams of Farmington, New Mexico, pilot, physician, and missionary, steps down from the plane, quickly anchors it, and goes up the hill to the clinic building of La Vida Mission.

Several families of Navajo people have already gathered at the clinic in anticipation of the doctor's arrival for the weekly clinic. Others have waited at their desert homes to see the plane, and then quickly make their way to the mission.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## Christian Education Prepares for Heaven\*

Central Union parents are now deciding where their children will be in school. And so much depends upon this decision. "By his subtle workings in these last days, [Satan] is linking the human mind with his own, imbuing it with his thoughts."—*Medical Ministry*, p. 111.

How shall parents counteract Satan's efforts to control? "In planning for the education of their children outside the home, parents should realize that it is no longer safe to send them to the public school, and should endeavor to send them to schools where they will obtain an education based on a scriptural foundation."—*Counsels to Teachers*, p. 205.

What, really, is true education?

"True education means more than the pursuit of a certain course of study. . . . It is the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers."—*Education*, p. 13.

"The work of education and the work of redemption are one."—*Ibid.*, p. 39.

Satan is out to deceive and destroy the youth. He is trying to take over the minds of humanity. But the Lord is working to save the youth, and one of His instruments is Christian education.

During the past five years, 1296 young people in church schools of the Central Union were baptized. The church school program is geared to help bring this to pass.

Let us place our children in Christian schools where the image of God can be restored in them and the gates of eternity opened to them.

L. G. Barker, Secretary  
Department of Education  
Central Union

Why do not *all* children and youth of Seventh-day Adventist families attend church schools?

Those parents who do not send their children to church schools doubtless have reasons in their minds for their action—the cost of Christian education; the distance to church school; the size and quality of public school facilities.

An analysis of these reasons could be profitable, but singly or collectively, they would not really answer our question. Financial inability and geography may truly keep some students out of church school. But the great difference between those who patronize and support church schools and those who do not is mainly a difference of conviction and belief. If one thoroughly believes in the value of Christian education and knows the danger in secular education, he will most likely find some way to overcome the obstacles that seem to block the way to church school.

The crucial difference between Christian education and secular education is in the philosophy by which each operates. Secular education exalts humanity and cultivates self-exaltation. Christian education exalts Christ and Christian principles, and cultivates self-sacrifice in the service of God and man. The results are generally in keeping with their aims. Which result do you want?

Charles R. Beeler,  
Editor, Central Union REAPER

\*W. O. Coe asked that the above articles be used in this issue in place of his usual President's Message.

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On this day two planes arrive, because Ernie Strohmeyer, a dentist, is flying in from Aztec, New Mexico.

Both men work constantly, attending their patients until noon. They are assisted by mission personnel who register the patients, dispense medicines, and collect the very small fees that are charged. Two Navajo Indians help with some of these

chores, and are especially useful when language translation is needed.

La Vida Mission, located over 50 miles from Farmington, is very isolated from urban civilization, but is located in an area in which about 1500 Navajo families are sparsely scattered over the desert. It started several years ago as an occasional excursion of the Dorcas Society in Farmington to distribute clothing. Then the clinical work was added. And finally, a group of laymen were organized as a mission board,

property was purchased, and a permanent mission establishment was begun. Dr. Williams is chairman of the board. A. L. Moore, who has worked in denominational/mission service in Africa, is the mission director. Although La Vida Mission is an independent enterprise of faith, a close liaison is maintained with the Colorado Conference for guidance and counsel. The mission staff of more than 15 persons operates the clinic, a boarding school, a community services



Top: Dr. W. D. Williams examines a student for the mission school, while relatives look on.

Right: Marlinda Etcitty prepares medication for a patient.

Below: Since the mission has a good water supply, Navajos come to haul water to their homes.

Top: Mrs. A. L. Moore and Mrs. Minnie Green check patients' records in the clinic.

Left: Frank Hardy works on materials for a correspondence course in Navajo.

Below: Raymond White from Chicago and Barbara Starrett show some of the macrame and ceramics made at La Vida Mission.





center, a maintenance department, and a craft industry.

The school has about 50 pupils at the kindergarten and elementary levels. Although they may live only a few miles away, all are boarding students, partly because it is impractical for them to commute and partly because dormitory life is a part of their education.

The community services center provides clothing for many of the low-income population. It is well stocked with materials provided by Adventist churches in many places.

The craft industry is a relatively new, but ambitious project which, it is hoped, may provide both income for the mission, and a training in self-sufficiency for Navajo youth.

The permanent buildings at La Vida Mission are few, but have been carefully planned and well built. One building houses the dormitories and cafeteria. The school building accommodates the present enrollment, but allows little space for growth. The medical building is well equipped for medical, dental, and optical clinics.

Evangelistic work among the Navajos is extremely difficult. Both the language barrier and their cultural traditions are obstacles. Frank Hardy of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and a graduate of Union College, is doing graduate study at the University of New Mexico in linguistics. He works part time at La Vida Mission to be in contact with the Navajo people, and is writing a correspondence course in

Navajo based on *Steps to Christ*. Beyond this project, he hopes to develop a course on Bible doctrines.

The great needs of the mission are for an industrial building and a chapel. The former will house the craft program, and the teaching of practical arts, including home economics, all adapted to the Navajo needs. The chapel is needed for religious services of the school, and for a more effective evangelistic outreach to the Navajo community.

To provide funds that may be used for these projects, September 4 has been designated by the Central Union Conference for a special offering for La Vida Mission in all of the churches. Let us be generous in helping this mission within our own borders.

## KANSAS

### Friendliness Promotes Church Attendance

"You are the nicest thing that has happened to us in a long time," declared a non-Adventist family brought to church by Dick Hooker.

"Our little boy enjoys Sabbath school, and we enjoy the church and the fellowship. We are thinking of making this church our church home."

This experience demonstrates the value of a program being conducted in the Topeka Church, called The Friendly Neighbor, or I Care program. Church members contact other members frequently, letting them know that they are appreciated and cared for by their church brethren.

Hooker, one of the members involved in the program, has had wonderful success with it, even using it with interested nonmembers, as indicated above. He reports that it helps promote a greater regularity in church attendance.

The church is also conducting the ABC's of Prayer program each Wednesday evening. This is aimed at giving the church members a deeper insight into what the simple, yet mighty challenges of prayer can mean in the Christian life.

Helen Mayer, *Communication Secretary*



### They Enjoyed Camp Meeting

Being in a wheelchair didn't deter Mrs. Eunice Sturba, or her friend, Mrs. Elizabeth Draper, from enjoying the camp meeting at Enterprise. Their friendly smiles and cheerful spirit were a real inspiration to everyone, and they expressed a desire to return to next year's camp meeting. Mrs. Sturba, a retired school teacher, and Mrs. Draper are members at Emporia.

### THE VOICE OF PROPHECY

*Reaching people*

### Voice of Prophecy Crusade Comes to Overland Park

The Russian is coming! He is Voice of Prophecy Evangelist Joe Melashenko and he is coming to Overland Park, Kansas.

Evangelist Melashenko will open a four-week Voice of Prophecy Bible crusade beginning Sabbath, September 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Prophecy Auditorium located at 88th and Glenwood (near corner of 87th & Metcalf). He will hold meetings nightly except Monday and Thursdays through October 9.

Opening crusade subject is "Russia's Race for Time." Evangelist Melashenko includes a special Saturday night program featuring music throughout the crusade.

Those having names of persons who should receive an invitation to attend the crusade meetings should send them to the crusade coordinator, Thomas Flynn, 12221 W. 99th Street, Lenexa, KS 66215.

As the time for this crusade nears, please pray that the Holy Spirit will prepare the way for a great harvest of souls being won to Christ.





**New church at Eureka, Kansas, officially opened on Sabbath, July 24, and located on busy US 54 on the east side of the city.**

## **New Church Opened In Eureka**

Just when the activities of Seventh-day Adventists first began in eastern Kansas is not known. It appears that the first tent meetings in Kansas were held by John Matteson during the fall of 1869 near Mound City in Linn County. The following spring he was back again, holding meetings in Mapleton, Centerville, and Farlinville. In October, 1870, the first camp meeting in Kansas was held at Pleasanton. At that time the Missouri-Kansas Conference was organized. At a camp meeting at Mound City in 1875, the Kansas Conference was organized and separated from the Missouri Conference, with about a dozen churches and approximately 300 members.

From that time the work in Kansas began to grow and expand. By 1888 the

Kansas Conference was the second largest in the denomination with a membership of 2000. By 1896 there were 3000 members.

With these background thoughts in our minds, it was a real thrill on Sabbath morning, July 24, to participate in the opening services of a new Seventh-day Adventist sanctuary in the city of Eureka. According to the pastor, Harold Yates, it is not known exactly when the first church in Eureka was organized. Early records indicate that in the 1880's and 90's there were churches at Moline and Howard with Moline being the largest in the state. It is known that active work in Greenwood County was carried on over a long period of time by the Yates family. John P. Yates was instrumental in the early beginnings of Greenwood County Adventist work. Before him, his father and great-grandfather of Harold Yates, was an active lay preacher.



**Pastor and Mrs. Harold Yates, retirees from Loma Linda, California, standing in front of the new church in Eureka, Kansas, his boyhood home.**

In 1899 a permanent church home was purchased in Eureka from the First Baptist congregation and served the church for 48 years. In 1947 it was torn down and replaced with a schoolhouse moved in from east of town. There the services have been held until the present. During the past year the 40 members of the Eureka congregation have been planning, working and cooperating with their pastor, Harold Yates, and with the conference builder, Don Clemons.

Some months ago Yates and his wife came out of a ten-year retirement in California to accept the challenge of building a new church in his home town of Eureka. "I have retired four times," he says, "but the Lord keeps calling me back."

Not only did Elder and Mrs. Yates work and sacrifice side-by-side with their church members, but they also recruited and solicited funds from far and wide to help make the new building a reality.

Opening day services included the worship hour message by Harry Haas, Central Union treasurer. S. S. Will, Kansas Conference president, led in the Act of Gratitude, a responsive reading on the part of the congregation, expressing total gratitude to God for His blessings.

The church complex includes a sanctuary with a seating capacity of 175, two large Sabbath school rooms, kitchen, glass-enclosed mothers' room, a baptistry, ministers' rooms and rest rooms. It is located on main highway US 54 on the east side of town. The facility is totally complete in every detail except for planting of grass and landscaping.

In his welcome, Elder Will paid tribute, not only to the members and their hard work and sacrifice, but also to Don Clemons, who went far beyond the call of duty in his personal contribution of work and supervision.

On Tuesday morning, July 27, Elder and Mrs. Yates, with their daughter and family, headed their cars westward back to California and again into retirement. Assuming the responsibility as pastor of Eureka and the district is Jerry Moon and his wife, Sue, who have been doing evangelistic work in Emporia during the past year. May God bless abundantly their efforts and the activities of the faithful members of the Eureka, Emporia, Fredonia, and Sedan churches.

*Teddric Mohr, Director,  
Communication Department*



# COLORADO

Announcing . . .

## OPENING SERVICES - SEPT. 3 & 4

### New Gunnison S.D.A. Church



Elder Hatch

7:30 pm Friday  
Candlelight Communion

9:30 am Sabbath  
Sabbath School

11:00 am Sabbath  
Church speaker Elder  
Wm. C. Hatch, followed  
by fellowship dinner

6:30 pm Saturday  
Vesper program  
by Colorado  
Concert Chorale

### Workers Transfer

The following worker transfers are a continuation of the list that was begun in the previous issue of the REAPER. — Editor.



Elder and Mrs. Ronald Wham

Elder and Mrs. Ronald Wham, who have served the Aurora Church for the past three years, will now be serving as a singing evangelist team for the evangelists in the Colorado Conference. Their years of experience in the pastoral ministry and musical talents, which they have dedicated to the Lord, will be a great asset in the soul-winning program of our field. The Whams have two children, Bryan and Lisa.

Dennis W. Sellers has been called from the Northern New England Conference to serve as an evangelist, increasing the number of evangelists in

the conference to three.

He is a graduate of Walla Walla College and has served in pastoral evangelism in the Montana and Nevada-Utah conferences. He and his wife Judy have assisted as a singing team in evangelistic crusades. Mrs. Sellers is completing her degree in elementary education at Atlantic Union College. The Sellers have two children, Kevin Douglas and Amy Dawn.



Elder and Mrs. Dennis W. Sellers, and their children Kevin and Amy.

The new associate pastor of the Boulder Church is David S. Bottroff. Pastor and Mrs. Bottroff have been serving the Limon, Burlington, and Stratton churches on the eastern plains of Colorado. The Bottroffs have two daughters, Jennifer 3, and Brooke 1.



David Bottroff

Many of you have already met the new principal of Campion Academy and his wife, Elder and Mrs. Wayne McNutt. We feel that the McNutts will be a tremendous asset to the educational program at Campion Academy. The McNutts come to us from Highland Academy, where they have been leading out in a strong program of Christian education. Both are graduates of Highland Academy and Southern Missionary College. Elder McNutt received his master's degree from Andrews University. He has served as a pastor and evangelist and has been an aggressive leader of young people. The McNutts have two children.



Wayne McNutt

Walter Sparks has been called to serve as church auditor and assistant treasurer of the Colorado Conference. Sparks graduated from Campion Academy before attending Union College, where he received a B.S. degree in business administration. His experience includes a year in accounting work at Kettering Medical Center in Ohio and five years at Campion Academy, first as accountant and then as assistant business manager and treasurer. He also served as treasurer of Sunnydale Academy and has most recently been engaged in the construction industry in the Denver area.



Walter Sparks

Elder John W. Fowler, Central Union Ministerial Secretary, will conduct a six-week Prophecy Seminar series in the Denver South Church, 2675 S. Downing, beginning Sabbath evening, September 25 at 7:15. He will be assisted in this crusade by the well known Heritage Singers.

Please send names of interested persons to Pastor R. R. Widmer, 4196 S. Sidney Court, Denver, Colorado 80237, or phone 771-5857.



# HIGHLIGHTS

## Newly Designed Quarterlies For Fourth Quarter, 1976

"God Wants Me to Grow" and "Let's Talk About Worship" are the titles of the new fourth quarter study guides for junior, earliteen and youth divisions. Their new look and improved layout offer just the right appeal for your child in his spiritual growth experience. The information and format of these new quarterlies can aid our youth in their daily Bible study as well as their total growth in Christ.

Order your child's quarterly today through your local Adventist Book Center! Costs are 65¢ for junior and earliteen quarterlies, and 70¢ for the TODAY'S YOUTH quarterly.



Beginning with the next issue the Central Union REAPER will come out every two weeks instead of twice a month. By this change readers will receive the REAPER on approximately the same day of the week, every other week. The next issue will be dated September 9, and should reach most subscribers on or before that date.

— The editors

## Amateur Radio Operators Organize

Amateur radio operators in the Central Union have organized the Midwest Amateur Radio Net and are currently involved in public service and witness activities.

The organization met in July at Platte Valley Academy with more than a dozen delegates from seven midwestern states to elect officers and lay plans for the year.

Elected president was Phil Young WBØJDP, pastor of the Thief River Falls, Minnesota, church and secretary treasurer, Carole Sue Bowes WNØRTQ of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Other officers include Bible net director, Orb Wiggle WA7JTG of Moab, Utah; disaster co-ordinator, Mel

Baker WØKGC of Lincoln, Nebraska; and Norm Wilson WBØKWR of Englewood, Colorado, co-ordinator for the 1977 Ham Fest.

Midwest Adventist hams currently operate a Bible study net on 39.74 kc daily at 7 a.m. CST (6 a.m. MST) reports director, Orb Wiggle WA7JTG. Currently 10 to 14 hams check in each morning. The net is open to all operators and more hams are encouraged to join.

Plans for the coming year include strengthening the role that amateur radio operators can play in assisting the church disaster/relief efforts, enlarging Midwest AARN membership and promoting amateur radio as a worthwhile hobby among Adventist church members.

All licensed amateur radio operators, novice through extra class, are encouraged to join the Midwest Adventist Amateur Radio Net. Annual dues are \$2.00.

For more information write:  
Midwest AARN  
c/o Union College Amateur  
Radio Club  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68506

## Adventist Book Centers Will Be Open Sept. 12

The Adventist Book Centers in the six conferences of the Central Union are having open house on Sunday, September 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You are invited to visit the one near you.

Of course they are always open during their regular business hours. But this open house is a special occasion. They want you to come in and get acquainted. The invitation is given with special urgency to those who have never been there.

In the Church's program to carry its witness to the world, 1976 has been designated as Literature Emphasis Year. The ABC's open house is a part of this emphasis, and Adventist publications that should be widely distributed in our personal and public evangelism will be featured. In addition you will discover many other items offered by the Centers that will be of interest to you.

In all our history Seventh-day Adventists have been known as people who read much in the Bible and about the Bible, and also as people who always have some literature to give away wherever they go. The ABC people are prepared to help you live up to that tradition. Be their guest on September 12, and see what exciting things they offer.

W. O. Coe

SEPTEMBER 12, 1976,  
10 AM—4 PM

ADVENTIST  
BOOK  
CENTER

As a part of 1976 Literature Emphasis Year, all of the Adventist Book Centers in North America chose Sunday, September 12, as a special day to feature our Adventist publications. Plan now to visit your Adventist Book Center Sunday, September 12, 1976, 10 AM—4 PM.



# CENTRAL STATES

## James Marshall Ordained



The prayer of dedication at the ordination service was offered by G. R. Earle.

W. W. Fordham, director of the office of Regional Affairs of the General Conference, delivered the message at the ordination service of James Marshall, Jr., Sabbath afternoon at the Central States camp meeting.

Elder Marshall accepted the message and was baptized in August, 1954. In November he began working in the literature ministry in the South Central Conference.

As a result of his ministry in that area, he saw souls baptized. One of the souls baptized had the joy of her desire fulfilled by having a church built on her property.

He was called to the South Atlantic Conference in May, 1968, as an associate publishing secretary. In 1971, he was impressed to canvass in a small town 35 miles east of Atlanta. Books were sold to two sisters-in-law. Bible studies followed. From these studies eight people were baptized.

He was called to the Central States Conference in May, 1973, to serve as publishing director. This year, under his leadership, the Family Health Education Service was established in the conference.

He is married to the former Carrie J. Green of Dayton, Alabama. She is a full-time credentialed literature evangelist.

## Camp Meeting

The workers of Central States prepared Camp Shady Hill for the comfort of the constituents and friends who were in attendance at camp meeting. It was indeed a time of reconsecration and spiritual refreshing.

Included among the guest speakers were W. W. Fordham, director of the office of Regional Affairs; G. J. Millet, associate Education director; and A. V. Pinkney, associate Temperance director, of the General Conference. George R. Earle, president of North-eastern Conference, delivered the message during the divine worship hour the first Sabbath, and E. E. Rogers

of the department of Religion, Oakwood College, brought the message on the last Sabbath.

New workers in the field were introduced to the constituency. We are grateful to W. O. Coe and the Central Union Conference for its financial support of our new evangelistic team, H. L. Thompson and Gilbert Preston. We welcome to our Bible working staff Josephine Williams who is working with our Denver Park Hill Church, and Phyllis Meador who is laboring in the Kansas City, Missouri, area.

Thirty persons received certificates upon completion of a course in Stewardship which was conducted during the encampment by E. F. Carter.

E. F. Carter,

*Communication Director*



Main Pavilion at Central States camp meeting.



## Student Missionaries

Central States Conference is proud of its two student missionaries who have just recently left the country to serve for one year in foreign missions. S. D. Meyers, conference president, and S. H. Cox, MV director, wished God's blessing on Jean Ross, of St. Louis, who will be serving in Africa and Alexander Bryant, also of St. Louis, will be going to Japan. They are each students of Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama.



## Commencement Exercises Held

The Lexington Avenue School held its annual commencement exercises, May 23, 1976, at the Berean Church, St. Louis, Missouri. Eleven students received their eighth grade diplomas.

The students chose red and blue for their class colors, "Step Forward to Success," as their aim and "Let the Mind of the Master Be the Master of Your Mind," for their motto.

Remarks of gratitude and appreciation to parents, guardians and friends of the school were given by Principal Ardella Barrett.



Class of 30 graduates of Stewardship Course. W. O. Coe, president of Central Union Conference, was graduation speaker.



E. E. Rogers, professor of religion at Oakwood College, preaching on last Sabbath of Central States camp meeting.



Ted T. Jones, returned missionary and associate editor of The Message Magazine, teaches Sabbath school lesson at Central States camp meeting.



Outside of main pavilion at Camp Shady Hill.



Mrs. Juanita Gregory, camp nurse, stands near Community Services van which was used for high blood pressure testing and screening during Central States camp meeting.



G. R. Earle, president of Northeastern Conference, delivering message at Central States camp meeting.

## Investiture

Members of the Leavenworth Pathfinder Club, under the leadership of Miss Karen Schaefer (far right), were recently invested at Camp Shady Hill. Lonnie Webber and his Pathfinder Club from the Denver Park Hill Church and the St. Louis Berean Pathfinders shared in the service conducted by S. H. Cox, MV director.





# WYOMING

## Conference Evangelist Has Meetings in Evanston

Eighty percent of Evanston's population of 5000 consider themselves Mormon which doesn't make our evangelistic efforts easier. Actually, only about 50 percent are active Latter Day Saints church goers. The Daniel and Revelation Lectures conducted by Wyoming evangelist, Leighton Holley, began in Evanston on July 17 and will close on August 21. Twelve to fifteen non-Adventists are attending each evening. This represents a two-to-one ratio of non-Adventists to Adventists.

Most of these interests had been originally contacted by Leif Hansen, pastor-colporteur, in his literature



Cards with indications of decisions were collected at the time the offering was taken up.

evangelism work. Bible studies were started and now these people are attending the meetings. Some have attended because of the influence of our church members. Some of the children from Evanston that went to the Friendship Camp are attending the meetings along with their parents.

One report came out that the Satan worshipers had come to town, apparently a misconstruction of the advertising about devil worship, and the occult. The forces of evil do not want God's beautiful message of deliverance to accomplish its task in Evanston. Please pray for the success of the meetings.

R. L. Johnson,  
*Department of Communication*



Elder Leighton Holley, Wyoming Conference evangelist.

## Convert Baptized At Worland

Sue Allen was baptized by John B. Oddie, pastor of the Worland Church, at the conclusion of the Daniel and Revelation Lectures by Leighton Holley, Wyoming Conference evangelist.



Sue Allen

## Over One Hundred Attended Camp in Conference

The one main purpose for which the Wyoming Conference camp program exists is to help young people learn about Christ while having fun learning the various arts and crafts. Wyoming's Mills Spring Camp is located on Casper Mountain about 13 miles south of Casper. Seventy-eight young people attended the Junior Camp and 25 attended the Friendship Camp.

R. L. Johnson,  
*Department of Communication*



Horseback riding at camp was a favorite with most campers.

## Rock Springs Church Shows Progress



This trailer house served as the schoolhouse during the past school year.

The Rock Springs Church has made progress in many ways during the past year.

The church building was renovated with new curtains, lights, and a fresh coat of paint both inside and out. Then shortly after the first of the year, the church was able to install a wall to wall carpet.

The Rock Springs Church also

combined efforts, faith, and much prayer to start a church school for the first time, under the leadership of Mrs. Thelma Tillman. The school began with an enrollment of 12 students and completed the year with 15 students. Next year, in anticipation of an increase in the present enrollment, they have added a half-time teacher and are making plans to either move to a larger building or add to the present school house.

The children gave three programs for the church. The first one was given during the missionary period. They told why they liked church school and presented the school's needs. The second program was their Christmas program which was performed before a packed church. Later, they gave parts of the same program at the nursing home for the aged. The final program was the Investiture Service in which 17 pins and many honors were given.

Jeannette Williams  
*Communication Secretary*



Learning archery was fun.



# MISSOURI



Youth director, Allan Williamson, meets with the campers each morning for announcements.



Camp pastor, Mel Eisele, talked to the teens daily about the reality of God.



Volleyball always brings action.



Two skiers return to the dock after an exciting trip around the ski area.



The swimming area was busy with the various groups several hours each day.

## Youth Had Summer Fun at Camps

Two hundred two campers enjoyed the fellowship and facilities of Camp Heritage during July, according to Allan Williamson, Missouri youth director. Sixty of these were in attendance at the teen camp and the remaining 142 were participants in the two junior camps. As a part of these groups there were 20 Friendship campers, sponsored by the churches.

The most important consideration of the Camp Heritage program is the spiritual growth of the campers. This

was emphasized strongly in the staff meetings where basic soul-winning techniques were studied. Each group also has a camp pastor. This summer Melvin Eisele of the Bourbon-Sullivan district was the spiritual guide for the teen campers. J. W. Fisk, of Rolla, was pastor for the first group of juniors and Michael Burton of the St. Louis South and St. Charles churches was shepherd for the second week of juniors. The pastors made several calls inviting the young people to consider baptism and 30 campers responded. Two of these were baptized while at the camp.



Water skiing and boating is a big attraction both to the campers and the counselors.

Pastors of the home churches will follow through with these youth and juniors.

Elder Williamson said one of the strong attractions of the camp was the excellent food served again this year. Mrs. Nina Rogers is food service director and makes a point of serving attractive food to the campers that is also tasty and nutritious. There are several who work with Mrs. Rogers to make this possible three times each day. The teen campers enjoyed a special banquet prepared by the kitchen experts.



## MISSOURI *continued*

Watching over the health of the campers was Dr. Robert Crawford of Sullivan. He volunteered to be camp physician for the entire three weeks of camp.

The camp now has two new boats which add greatly to the waterfront scene. Dr. Crawford also made his boat available for the use of the campers. The water front offers boating, skiing, swimming, and canoeing. A new boathouse has just been constructed. The top of the boathouse has been developed as an observation deck overlooking Lake of the Ozarks.

"This has been a busy summer," Williamson observed, "we had a back-packing trip in the Rockies before camps, and now that camp season is over we are going to take a large group to the Union Camporee in the Black Hills." The church makes every effort to provide the good things for its children and youth.

G. F. Cherry,  
*Communication Director*

### Medical Building Erected at Camp Heritage



Sunday, July 18, was a special day at Camp Heritage. A good beginning was made on the new medical building. This building is a special project of MAMS, the Missouri Adventist Medical Society. Under the coordination of Carl James, a dentist of Rolla, one phase of the project was accomplished. Physicians, dentists, ministers, and several others united their efforts. When completed the building will serve as a clinic and also offer additional housing.

Central Union Conference evangelist Wayne Coulter along with musicians Henry and Bunny Reid will conduct *The Arrow of Prophecy Crusade* in the Kansas City, Missouri, Central Church, 8929 Holmes Road, beginning Sabbath evening, September 11, at 7:30. The meetings are scheduled for a five-week period, to conclude on October 16. Please send names of interested individuals to Earl W. Snow, 10301 E. 95th Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri 64134, or phone 765-3535.

## NEBRASKA

### Nature Center Progresses

Construction is progressing beautifully on Camp Arrowhead's new nature center. Conference office personnel and some pastors, under the direction of Lee Allen, conference treasurer, have spent several days working on the structure. The camp's summer staff also have worked hard to bring this dream to reality.

The nature center is composed of a central octagon and three wings. The octagon area will serve as a nature museum. The wings will house a classroom, nature library, work area, and some live animals. The building is situated among the trees, a short

distance from the camp's main area. Thus it will maintain as natural a setting as possible.

The building is roofed and shingled. Between camps the staff has been nailing on the siding.

Nebraska Pathfinders have been working for the past two years to raise money for this nature center through bike-a-thons and other projects.

When completed, the nature center will be a tremendous addition to Camp Arrowhead's facilities. Campers will then have a special area dedicated solely to the study of God's second book—nature.

Lloyd Erickson, *Director Youth Department*



The nature center, newest building at Camp Arrowhead, nears completion.

### Publishing Departments Share Summer Rally

A recent high point for the publishing departments of the Nebraska and Wyoming conferences was a joint summer rally at Yellowstone National Park June 30 through July 3. The convocation for the publishing families was conducted by the conference publishing directors, Dick Norman of Nebraska and Jerry Higgs of Wyoming.

The association and Christian fellowship were most rewarding, as was the high spiritual experience gathered from the speakers during the four days of the rally.

The speaker for the opening service was A. C. McClure, president of the Wyoming Conference. Next day the literature evangelists traveled through Yellowstone and Teton National Park and enjoyed floating down the Snake River and shooting the rapids on large rafts.

Friday was a day of learning. Bob Belmont and Vern Vonheeder of Home





Preparing for Sabbath service: H. H. Voss, G. S. Culpepper, A. C. McClure, Joe Hunt, Dick Norman, John Mason.

Health Education Service in Lincoln talked on policies. Instruction in salesmanship was given by Joe Hunt, associate publishing director of the General Conference; G. S. Culpepper, publishing director of the Central Union; and Glenn Yurth, associate publishing director of the Central Union.



Joe Hunt (right) talks with literature evangelists Joe Martin (left) of Wyoming and Chuck Smutzer of Nebraska.

On Sabbath morning the group met at Old Faithful Lodge for worship services. Bill Miller, then an associate publishing director in Nebraska, served as Sabbath school superintendent. The mission story was related by John Mason, manager of the Omaha Branch of Pacific Press. H. H. Voss, Nebraska Conference president, taught the Sabbath school lesson. The sermon was presented by Joe Hunt. Elder and Mrs. Jerry Higgs and Elder and Mrs. A. C. McClure had special music for Sabbath school and church, respectively.



H. H. Voss teaching Sabbath school lesson.



John Mason relating mission story.

## Four Teachers Join Lincoln Schools

New teachers and curriculum have created added interest in the Lincoln Adventist Schools.

James Stephan, eighth-grade teacher in the Helen Hyatt Elementary School, comes to the system with 20 years of teaching and administrative experience. He has a B.A. degree from Andrews University, M.A. from the University of Michigan, and has completed his doctoral course work at the University of Michigan in general educational administration. Eighth-grade students will find his class exciting and filled with many and various learning experiences.



James Stephan

The Stephan family include Mrs. Patricia Stephan; daughter Melody, a freshman at Union College; Jim and Bill, academy senior and freshman at College View Academy.

Reaves Belin, graduate of Walla Walla College will open new courses in industrial arts and driver education as well as teach biology. An eighth-grade class in woods and a ninth-grade class in electricity and electronics will be offered this year. As the program develops the school anticipates additional courses in industrial arts including construction of a home. Driver education classes will be offered during the summer of 1977. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Belin to our community.



Reaves Belin

Mrs. Sherrie Vartija, with a bachelor's degree in keyboard and a master's in vocal music, will teach private lessons for elementary and academy students and will conduct the choral music groups for both the junior and senior high in the Lincoln Adventist Schools. She comes to us from Loma Linda Academy where she has been teaching for Gerry Thompson, former principal of our system. Private lessons in keyboard



Sherrie Vartija

and vocal may be taken on campus and during school hours. See Mrs. Vartija early for the best scheduled times. Her husband, Seppo, is business manager at Union College.

John Ratzlaff graduated this spring with honors from Andrews University. He has a major in chemistry, and minors in physics and mathematics. Refusing employment with Upjohn Chemical Company, he accepted a teaching position at College View Academy because he loves to work with and for young people. He comes to us from Battle Creek, Michigan. He will teach chemistry and mathematics, including the advanced courses.

Registration for Helen Hyatt Elementary has been changed to August 15. College View Academy registration is scheduled for August 22.

G. Glenn Davenport,  
Chief Administrative Officer

## Conference Offers Camp Meeting Tapes

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# UNION COLLEGE



## School Year Opens With New Look

Union College will open its doors for the 1976-77 school year with freshman orientation set for Sunday, August 22 and general registration for Tuesday, August 24.

Returning students will see a new campus—the final details of landscaping, the new \$1.8 million administration building nearly complete, new paint and renovations in Engel Hall, Jorgensen Hall and the college dormitories.

## Take Three Trio To Perform at Union

"Take Three," a highly successful Adventist trio will open the Union College calendar with a vesper and Sabbath afternoon program on Friday evening, August 27 and Sabbath, August 28. The public is invited to both programs.

The group, former students of Pacific Union College, have recorded two albums on the Bridge label of Chapel Records.

"Take Three" originated in the early 1970's and quickly became an important part of the Pacific Union

College Witness Team. The group toured widely on the West Coast until school work and other responsibilities separated the members.

The Union College appearance will be a reunion concert with trio members coming from various parts of the country. Alto, Bonnie Letcher Casey will come from Andrews University; tenor, Steve Wallace from Portland, Oregon; and baritone, Lauren Smith from Angwin, California.

The Vespers will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the College View Church, on August 27. The Sabbath afternoon concert on August 28 will be held at 3 p.m. in the college auditorium. An offering will be taken.

New teachers in several departments and new administrators in Business Management, Admissions, and the Academic Dean's office future accent the new aspects of the college campus. Seven new teachers will be on campus. A full report on the new teachers will follow in an upcoming issue of the REAPER.

Several new teaching programs will be instituted including one in aviation. A two-hour course in private ground school will be offered by the college. Private pilot flight training, commercial pilot flight training, instrument flight training and flight instructor training will also be awarded credit upon flight check review by a Federal Aviation Administration inspector.

The department of history and social work has prepared a new expanded curriculum for social work. The department of education and psychology will inaugurate an Associate of Science program in family life education and the department of fine arts will be expanding its offers in art education.

The associated students will provide new social programs and the Concert-Artist Committee is planning a full calendar of concerts and films.

Union College is dedicated to providing the best possible environment for young people to prepare for service in this life and for the life to come.

## Calendar of Events Union College

### AUGUST

- August 22 ..... 7 p.m.  
Freshman Convocation
- August 23-24  
Freshman Orientation
- August 24 ..... 8:30 a.m.  
General Registration,  
Denver Campus
- August 24 ..... 1:30 p.m.  
General Registration  
Lincoln Campus
- August 25 ..... 8:30 a.m.  
General Registration  
continues
- August 25  
Instruction Begins,  
Denver Campus
- August 26  
Instruction Begins,  
Lincoln Campus



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## WEDDINGS

### Harris-Maize

Pamela Lou Maize and Allen Dortch Harris were married May 30, 1976 in Wightman Chapel on the campus of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee. The bride is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Oliver Maize of Madison, Tennessee. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Corrine Burns of Bridgeport, Texas, and Dr. Merle Harris, Jr., of Indianapolis, Indiana. Uncles of the bride, Elders J. R. Bailey and D. L. Weatherall, and the bride's father officiated. After a trip to Texas they are living in Madison, Tennessee, where Pamela teaches at Madison Academy and Allen is employed by Southern Publishing Association.

### Schultz-Valentine

In a beautiful June afternoon wedding, Joan Valentine and Fred Schultz, Jr., were united in marriage in the Littleton Church. The service was performed jointly by the fathers, Elder George Valentine, of Beltsville, Maryland, and Elder Fred Schultz, of Arvada, Colorado. After a wedding trip to the Virgin Islands the young couple will reside in Englewood, Colorado, where both work in the medical service field.

Fred Schultz

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## THE VOICE OF PROPHECY

### SUNSET CALENDAR

	Aug. 20	Aug. 27	Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17
Denver, CO	7:50	7:39	7:29	7:17	7:06
Grand Junc., CO	8:03	7:53	7:42	7:31	7:20
Topeka, KS	8:11	8:01	7:50	7:39	7:28
Kansas City, MO	8:07	7:57	7:46	7:35	7:24
St. Louis, MO	7:49	7:39	7:28	7:17	7:06
Lincoln, NE	8:18	8:08	7:56	7:45	7:33
Casper, WY	8:01	7:49	7:38	7:25	7:13

## OBITUARIES

**AMES, Florence Travis,** was born July 27, 1889, in Cawker City, KS, to Cornelius and Retze Fenton Travis. In 1908 she married Raymond Ames, of Salina, KS. Five children were born to this union. Her husband, and son, Donald, preceded her in death. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell of Orlando, FL; a son, Clifton of Denver, a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Welbourn of Englewood, and daughter, Mrs. Naomi Peterson of Littleton; 10 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild.

**CHRISTENSEN, Agnes,** daughter of Lars and Anina Leivson, was born on March 19, 1887, near Viborg, SD. She died July 10, 1976, at Lincoln, NE. On May 27, 1908, she was married to Adolph Christensen, and to this union were born 3 children: Harold, now deceased; Mrs. Lowell (Viola) Welch of Lincoln, NE; and Donald of Franktown, CO. She is also survived by a sister, Maybel Porter of Waverly, OH; 6 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; nephews and nieces. Funeral services were conducted in the College View Church by Elder Richard Warner and Elder Dale Culbertson. She was buried at Pipestone, MI.

**COLEMAN, Benjamin Franklin,** was born in Manhattan, KS, Oct. 6, 1884, to Henry and Missouri Coleman, and died June 13, 1976. On Dec. 25, 1906, he married Janie E. Baker in Cripple Creek, CO. Survivors include his widow; Janie; a son, Dr. Everett Coleman, of Yakima, WA; daughter, Mrs. Henry E. Preston (Luella) of College Place, WA; 5 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. A son, Cloyd, preceded him in death. Services were conducted by Elwood Boyd and Henry Preston. He was laid to rest in the Mt. Hope Cemetery.

**GARDNER, Elva Martha Babcock,** born Sept. 12, 1898, was raised by her grandmother in Minnesota. She graduated from Union College, Lincoln, NE, where she met and married Earl Gardner. She spent 14 years as a missionary in India and several years in Jamaica. She had two grandchildren: Robin and Renee, the daughters of her daughter—Gwen and husband—Randall Fox of Florida. She taught in Southern Missionary College while living in Collegedale, TN, and was asked to write a book on the history of the college, which she did under the pen name of Elva B. Gardner. She also authored other books. She was a relief missionary to Africa for one year during the furlough of the missionary there. She was called to rest June 24, 1976, in the Pine Forest Hospital in Chunky, MS, and is awaiting the glorious coming of the Lord in the Pine Forest Cemetery in Chunky.

**GONZALES, Juan Pineda,** was born Nov. 24, 1906, to Pedro and Paula Pineda Gonzales, and passed away July 2, 1976, at Greeley, CO. He was reared in Texas, and in 1928 he married Guadalupe Fuentes. After her death he married Pauline Sedgwick. She preceded him in death in 1967. He is survived by 4 daughters: Juanita Gonzales Jaramillo of Commerce City, CO; Mercedes Gonzales Herrera of Ft. Worth, TX; Virginia G. Cortez of Ft. Worth, TX; and 1 son, Pedro Gonzales of Greeley, CO; 2 brothers, Leonardo Gonzales and Gerónimo Gonzales, both of San Antonio, TX; 22 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

**MUGRAGE, Ina Kepple,** was born the daughter of William and Esther Kepple, Nov. 8, 1899, at Clarinda, IA, and passed to her rest June 13, 1976, at Watkins, CO. On Sept. 23, 1923, she was united in marriage with Alfred Mugrage. To this union 1 daughter was born. She leaves to mourn her husband; daughter, Leona Piper; 2 brothers, Ernest of Napa, CA, and Clarence of Pocatello, ID; 2 sisters, Marie Dalrymple of San Gabriel, CA, and Leone Porto of Portland, OR; 2 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Interment was in Crown Hill Cemetery in Denver.



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