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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## Winning Adventure Plans Church Growth

The Central Union should now be off and running in The Winning Adventure. Remember — the object of this plan is to help get church leaders and members to thinking in terms of the central purpose of the church's existence: evangelism that involves the entire church in a specific plan of soul winning. It is easy to assume that if church members develop enough spirituality, love, hope, and dedication, souls will be won spontaneously. However, James says that "faith without works is dead."

The Winning Adventure is a unique plan designed to get every church involved in the exciting work of winning people to Christ.

This plan is unique in that it seeks to bring a corporate sense of responsibility for the growth of the church. Evangelism must become the work and responsibility of the entire church. The plan of a self-

study for each church coupled with clear-cut, measurable objectives and a well-planned program of soul winning will, if set in motion, bring about the realization of the desired objectives. Two booklets are provided each church for self-study, setting objectives, and future planning. They are the Master Plan and Winning Adventure Work Sheet.

A generally accepted rate of church growth is ten percent per year or 100 percent each decade. This could be a general guide in setting objectives for your evangelistic outreach. Short- and long-range objectives should be set. As we bend our God-given energies and gifts to realize those objectives, God will guide and we will be well on the way of The Winning Adventure.

By John W. Fowler Ministerial Secretary/Evangelist

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## LINCOLNITES TAKE PLANE TO PERU



Like the missionaries who have gone out from Union College, the plane to Peru was given a "golden cord." Myrl Manley, (right) college president, here gives a piece of the golden cord to Alberto Marine Rios, who represented the Peruvian mission field at the ceremony.

3y Charles R. Beeler, Editor

Two recent events mark the success of a bold, ambitious venture for missions on the part of a group of Lincoln, Nebraska, laymen. On December 10, a reconditioned Bellanca Scout 180 airplane was dedicated in preparation for sending it as a gift for mission service in Peru. Right after Christmas, the gift plane and another were flown to Peru, taking a group of eight people on a two-week volunteer mission project.

Several months ago, Clyde Peters, who formerly served as a mission pilot in Peru, and now lives in Lincoln, learned that the mission aviation service in the Peru Mission was facing a crisis. It was in danger of being closed down because of deterioration of equipment. Clyde knew by experience how dependent on the mission plane many isolated areas are for medical service. He shared his con-

cern with friends, some of whom are also aviators.

They learned of a plane that had been quite severely damaged in a storm in York, Nebraska, but which could be repaired. Its engine and main body structure were still sound. It could be bought for \$6,000.

Clyde and his friends wondered whether they could get this plane for the mission in Peru. The mission could not purchase it. They would have to find some way to buy it, repair it, and deliver it without any cost to the mission. As they discussed it, their interest and their faith grew. One person and another began to offer money. As they added up the prospects, they became hopeful.

So they began quietly notifying friends of their ambition. Students in the Union College aviation ground training class wrote to their parents and friends. The response was encouraging. Some non-Adventists

learned of their project and offered to help. Suppliers of materials and equipment offered special prices. Still, there was uncertainty. Various problems arose. A gift from outside Nebraska for \$1800 — the largest single contribution — turned the tide.

By this time the group organized themselves loosely into a working committee, and called themselves Friends of Peru. Howard Cash served as accountant. The funds were handled through the Nebraska Conference. His wife, Bernelda, was secretary.

The restoration work was done in spare time under the direction of

#### ... on the COVER

Standing under the wing during the dedication ceremonies are several of the people who participated in the project. From left: Chalmers Royal, Clyde Peters, J. J. Aitken, George Bogue, Ron Felton, Bernelda Cash, Howard Cash, John Wise, Ray Royal, and Alberto Marine Rios.

Clyde Peters. Others working on it were Eddie Bowes, Ron Epp, and Ray Royal, all qualified aircraft technicians. Many others helped in whatever ways they could. Little by little, the plane was completely rebuilt, and equipped with all of the gear that Peters knew would be essential for the jungle service.

The plane was dedicated in connection with a Friday evening vespers service at the College View Church, with James J. Aitken, field secretary of the General Conference, as guest speaker. Aitken, formerly president of the South American Division and a pilot himself, had played a leading role in the launching of the mission aviation program in that division. Among those participating in the ceremony was Alberto Marine Rios, a Peruvian who is studying aviation in the U.S. in preparation for service to his homeland.

Ron Felton and Gordon Wolf piloted the reconditioned Scout on its journey to the mission field, where it will be based at Pucallpa, Peru. The other plane, a Cessna 185 was piloted by Peters and George Bogue. Among the other passengers were Mrs. Winfield Scott, a registered nurse, and Shelly Peters, who went prepared with medicines and vaccines to conduct a clinic during the two-week mission. Another passenger was Flor



For the dedication ceremony the plane was decorated with small American and Peruvian



Clyde Peters telling experiences connected with project.



J. J. Aitken, speaking at the plane dedication service.

Navarra, a Peruvian girl who recently completed nurses' training at the mission hospital in Montemorelos, Mexico, and is returning to her homeland for service at Clinica Stahl in Iquitos, Peru. Bobby Opp, who went with the group, was to be joined by John and Lonnie Wise who went by commercial airline, to work on the project of rewiring and redecorating the hangar and houses at the mission air base.

The two planes also carried \$4,000 worth of airplane parts and equipment, unobtainable in Peru, to repair a Cessna 180 belonging to the mission, that recently crashed. Peters and Bogue will overhaul that plane while there. Felton and Wolf will repair the base's generator and electrical

system.

Many people besides the ones named in this article were intimately involved in the project. They gave sacrificially of their means. They gave uncounted hours of service. It was hard, tiring work, and there were times of great uncertainty about the outcome. It was all done by people who were at the same time carrying on their regular work to make a living. But they gave themselves in faith to this work of love with true missionary dedication. In a very real sense their hearts go along with that airplane and share in the missions of mercy that now it is making possible.

The harvest. Nothing brings greater joy to the hearts of God's people than when they see the gospel hope ripen in the life of a person to the point where he joins the fellowship of believers.

All across the country, young families like the one pictured are rejoicing in the truth due to Faith For Today's ministry to the unchurched. And due to your faithful support. When the Annual Faith For Today Offering is received in your church, Sabbath, February 12, remember that a continuing harvest depends on your continued support.



Rex and Diane Bradbury are representative of hundreds who are baptized annually through the Faith For Today ministry. Since 1950, 26,000 people have been baptized through the cooperative efforts of our pastors and Faith For Today.

## **EVANGELISTS MEET, AIM FOR 2,500 SOULS**

By Charles R. Beeler, Editor

The evangelists of the Central Union met in Lincoln, Nebraska, for a four-day council in December, studying methods, and making plans for a unified soul-winning thrust in 1977. John W. Fowler, union ministerial secretary directed the council.

In attendance were 36 evangelists, ministerial secretaries, and administrators from the six conferences, and many of their wives. The guest speakers included E. E. Cleveland of the General Conference Ministerial Association; Kenneth Cox, Southern Union evangelist; and Dale Brusett, newly appointed evangelist for the Central Union.

Cleveland presented a daily devotional message, and the Sabbath sermon. Cox and Brusett led several discussions of evangelistic methods, telling of their own experiences. Some of the topics studied were how to secure and hold an audience, how to obtain personal decisions, and how to establish new members in the church.

Two advertising agents, Barry Wheeler of Oklahoma City, and Terry Noah of Memphis, Tennessee, discussed advertising methods, and how the advertising agency can assist public evangelism through placement of



E. E. Cleveland, during his Sabbath sermon on righteousness by faith.

advertising in the various public media.

A highlight of the council was an informal candlelight communion service which accentuated a deep spirit of unity that prevailed throughout the council. Moving personal testimonies were expressed during the service.

One of the outstanding features



Ken Cox discussing advertising methods and how to obtain an audience.

was a two-part presentation by Brusett on helping the church understand and hold new members.

The climax was a challenge presented by Cleveland, and W. O. Coe, Central Union president. In response to a call to set objectives for the new year, the group set goals to win, with God's help and guidance, a total of more than 2,500 people to Christ and His church in 1977.



The evangelistic council in session.

## FFT SHOWS THE WORD TO THE WORLD

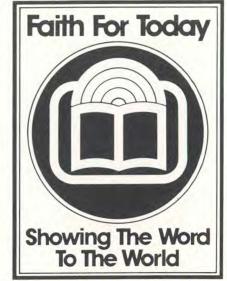
By Richard J. Barnett, Public Relations Director

A television ministry is expensive. Dollars are eaten up by production expense and time costs at a staggering rate. On a dollars-and-cents basis, a television ministry would be prohibitive, and no one would attempt it. Except for one thing. People who would never attend a church or an evangelistic meeting, and who would never hear the good news of a coming Savior, can be reached by the television screen in their homes. There is no medium that communicates more quickly and persuasively than television.

Yet, if the reason for going to the expense of a television ministry is to reach these vast millions who would otherwise not hear, then it is essential that the format utilized be sufficiently appealing so that they will watch. Otherwise, the money is wasted.

Faith For Today has been given the specific commission by the church to communicate the gospel to the unchurched of our land through the television medium — a commission to reach a potential audience of 26 million viewing homes with the message of Christ. It is an awesome challenge. The unchurched are those who pose the most difficulty for evangelism. They do not think in religious categories. Words and methods that ring true and persuasive to church people sound foreign to them. Nothing is taken for granted.

In attempting to meet the challenge of reaching the unchurched, Faith For Today has employed the same method Jesus used: telling stories. The true-to-life parable format allows the good news to be clothed in the language of the peo-



Special Offering Sabbath, February 12.

ple. It allows common human problems to be solved through access to spiritual resources — and all this on display in the homes of those who know little of God's power to bring peace and happiness! Families in crisis can see how God can create love and understanding. Men and women shaken by tragedy can see how others broke through to healing of the soul in situations similar to theirs. God can be presented as the Source of hope and life. And it can be accepted by the unchurched man or woman because he sees it without prejudice, in a context similar to the television programs he is accustomed to watching. One viewer wrote, for example, "I am not a religious person at all, but when I watched your show, I felt relaxed and at ease. When the program was over it made me feel like wanting to watch more. Not being a Christian I do not attend church at all, but now I would like to get to know Jesus better."

For over 26 years Paster and Mrs. W A. Fagal have given leadership to the Faith For Today television ministry Many changes and development have been implemented during those years, adjusting the specific characte of the program to the changing need of its audience. But always, the goal of high spiritual impact and efficien operation have remained central God has led, and the Faith For Today staff has followed.

The reaping ministry of Faith Fo Today was expanded in pace with the broadening appeal of the program New and attractive study material have been prepared, like the colorfu Living Faith Bible study series and the Today's Life magazine on contemporary applications of Daniel and Revelation. Response has been exceptional to this modern, up-to-date literature.

Faith For Today now conducts a wide program of evangelism, with a staff of evangelists who hold campaigns all across the land, reaping the interest created by the telecast Churches in communities from one coast to the other are blessed by members who trace their conversion to the Faith For Today ministry.

It is important to remember tha Faith For Today is the church's ministry. It exists because of the continuing support of individual church members like you. Faith For Today is your witness on television to the secular audience of North America.

Please make your gift a generous one when the offering plate passes to you Sabbath, February 12. Help Faith combine the method of Jesus with the medium of today's communication and reach the secular viewer with the good news. Your support makes al the difference.



Some 17 Faith For Today Evangelistic Crusades conducted during 1976 throughout North America helped lead hundreds to unite with the church through baptism. Representative are those above. Left to right, Pastor Howard Flynn, Ceferino Salazar, Floyd Downs, Billie and David Callahan, Elnora Tate, Billy Warren, Rex and Diane Bradbury.

## WYOMING

#### Dixon Is New Pastor At Buffalo

By Diane Larkin, Communication Secretary

After 35 years the Buffalo Church has its own pastor, Jess Dixon. Jess and Bonnie along with two of their children, Dori and Shawn, were welcomed as members of the Buffalo Church on Sabbath, October 30, 1976. The Dixon family were presented with corsages and boutonnieres while the members sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." Each one present extended the hand of fellowship to them. The sermon was presented by Wyoming Evangelist, Richard Halversen.



Elder and Mrs. Jess Dixon and their children — Shawn, Nicky, and Tonya. Dori is not pictured.



From left: Mary, Jennifer, and Evangelist Richard Halversen.

A covered dish dinner was held at the hospitality room at the Buffalo Federal Savings and Loan. A beautifully decorated cake with individual cakes for the Dixon and Halversen children, decorated by Mrs. Fred Metzger, was the centerpiece for the table. During and after lunch plans for the Buffalo meeting were completed. The many new members that have been added to the church recently are at work, together with long standing members, to hasten the coming of our Savior.



Back row from left: Lorna Anderson, wife of literature evangelist Don Anderson; Alma Stauffer, wife of Pastor Bob Stauffer; and Wyoming Evangelist David Rose. In the front row are the five children added to the church as a result of the children's crusade carried on in connection with the Lander evangelistic meetings. Lorna Anderson directed the primary group and Alma Stauffer was director of the junior division. In addition to the doctrinal stories, games, and nature talks, a craft period was presented by Julie Davis which greatly motivated attendance.

#### Eight Persons Baptized In Lander

By Dorothy Rose

A total of eight precious souls were added to the church because of the Lander Conquering Love Crusade. Two of the young people had been prepared by the Roses for baptism in Gillette, but after a fire in their home, the parents suddenly decided to move away. Contact was lost temporarily.

Now, after two years, they were known to be in the Lander area. After some searching the family was found 58 miles away in Jeffrey City where the father was working in a uranium mine. They still had the desire to join "Pastor Rose's church."

With full encouragement from their parents the two girls joined the church and the rest of the family are deeply interested and are studying further.

Several others are also studying with Pastor Stauffer that weren't quite ready during the meetings. This evangelistic crusade was held in the Lander Church, November 11 to December 11.

#### Farewell to Buffalo Church Member

By Diane Larkins, Communication Secretary

A farewell party honoring 75-year-old Mrs. Martha Lydy was given by the Buffalo Church on October 13, 1976 at the home of Laura Myhre. Mrs. Lydy has been a resident of Buffalo for 40 years, having moved here from So. Dakota in 1936 with her late husband, Roy Lydy. She became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1965. She will be living at 1250 Cedar, Apt. 414, Sturgis, South Dakota 57708.



Mrs. Martha Lydy appreciated the weekly lay activities sponsored project of taking the taped church services to shut-ins.

## **NEBRASKA**

#### Kershners Celebrate 50th Anniversary

By Mrs. Dale Fults Communication Secretary

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kershner celebrated their golden wedding anniversary October 31 at the Beaver City

Bank hospitality rooms.

Attending and hosting the occasion were their three children: Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kershner and Mrs. Geneva Wheeler of Norton, Kansas; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kershner of Billings, Montana. Also present were eight of their twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A short program was presented during which Pastor John Roeske and Mrs. Walter Kershner sang, accompanied by Mrs. John Roeske at the

piano.

Blanch and Ernest Kershner were married at Taloga, Oklahoma, on November 1, 1926. Oklahoma was their home until the early 1950s, when they moved to Creede, Colorado. In 1975



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kershner at their golden wedding anniversary celebration.

they moved to Beaver City. The Kershners have been active members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church for many years.

The Beaver City Church members consider it a real privilege to have Mr. and Mrs. Kershner in their midst and wish them many more happy years together.

#### Reiner Named Business Manager SMC

By William H. Taylor

Richard K. Reiner of Lincoln, NE, has been named business manager of Southern Missionary College, Chattanooga, to replace Robert C. Mills, who has accepted an invitation to become

tion to become Richard Reiner secretary-treasurer of the Ohio Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Reiner, presently Division Chief of Classification and Compensation for the Department of Personnel of the State of Nebraska, will assume his new position at SMC on February 1.

Mills served the college in various business-related positions for six years. Prior to coming to SMC he served the SDA church organization in various posts, domestic and overseas, for 32 years. He was ordained as a minister in 1953.

Reiner has been previously employed by the state of Nebraska as personnel officer for the Department of Revenue; as legislative fiscal analyst for the Legislative Council; as employment officer for the Department of Roads; and as accountant and fiscal officer for the Nebraska State Patrol.

He is a graduate of Union College, Lincoln, NE, with a degree in business administration. He is married to Lynnet, and has a son, Anthony. Mrs. Reiner is currently teaching English at Union College.

Reiner is a member of the American Management Association, International Personnel Management Association, and the Institute for Manpower Management.

He is presently chairman of the College View Seventh-day Adventist Church Finance Committee and a member of its church building and finance committees. He is also president of the Lincoln Seventh-day Adventist Credit Union.

#### Piedmont Park Holds Maranatha Rally

By Charles R. Beeler, Editor

Maranatha Flights International was featured recently at the Piedmont Park Church in Lincoln. The guest speakers were Caris H. Lauda of Loveland, Colorado, and John Freeman of Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Lauda, who spoke at the Sabbath morning service, is a retired minister, formerly executive secretary of the Association of Privately Owned Seventh-day Adventist Services and Industries, and now serving as chaplain of Maranatha Flights International.

Freeman, president of Maranatha, spoke in the afternoon, reporting on several recent projects of the organization, and telling of plans for church building projects in Guatemala and Mexico for the next several months. He interviewed Marlyn Schwartz of the Piedmont Church regarding two church-building projects in Mexico which are being carried out largely by Nebraska Adventist volunteers, many of whom are members of the Piedmont Park Church.



Caris H. Lauda, speaking at Maranatha Rally.



John Freeman (right) and Marlyn Schwartz, telling of Maranatha projects.

#### Omaha Church Receives 320-acre Gift

By Mike Preas, Assistant Pastor

The Omaha Memorial Church has become the recipient of a 320-acre wildlife sanctuary, according to Dr. Leonard Westphal, the pastor. The donor, Mrs. Mina Krimlofski, has been a member of the Omaha church for many years.

Since the early 1920s Mrs. Krimlof-ski and her husband had shared a dream of preserving their land in its primitive beauty as a wildlife sanctuary. Because of this dream and a desire to help the Omaha youth, she decided to donate the acreage to "the only ones" she knew "who would implement those objectives"—the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The acreage is located in Washington County, just north of Omaha and Douglas County. Of special interest on the property is a cottonwood tree which is supposedly the largest of its species in Nebraska. The land possesses over a mile of waterfront on the Missouri River. On this waterfront is Krim's Dock, considered an important one by the Army Corps of Engineers.

The land possesses a great deal of environmental and geological importance. Wayne Bennett, a naturalist and professor of nuclear medicine at the University of Nebraska, said that "This area offers nature lovers a unique combination of primitive natural beauty and a wildlife population which has been left 'untouched,' in its natural state. Over 30 species of trees are native to the area, from the Flowering Dogwood which welcomes spring, to the majestic cottonwood whose branches seem to reach out toward Heaven."

"To the sharp observer," Dr. Bennett continued, "the forest offers fragile flowers with delicate fragrances — such as the Dogtooth Violet and Dutchman's Breeches. White-tailed deer, bobcat, coyote, and many other 'creatures' can be observed and studied here. Over 150 birds either make their homes in or migrate through this unique environment. Finally, for the student of wilderness survival, there are poison ivy, chokecherry, wild grape, and mushrooms."

This gift is of inestimable value, particularly because of its potential for becoming a center for church and Pathfinder activities. Already envisioned is a large nature center, with cabins and camping facilities. Mrs. Krimlofski would like to have dedicated a memorial chapel specifically in honor of her husband, Richard Emil, and her son, Richard Herman, and generally to the Krimlofski and Madsen families. She will help financially to develop this land.



Mrs. Mina Krimlofski and Dr. Leonard Westphal in front of the cottonwood thought to be the largest in Nebraska. This tree is on the acreage Mrs. Krimlofski has given to the Omaha church.

Mrs. Krimlofski says that she has never been happier than since she made this gift to the church. She has proven the texts, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35) and "he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." (II Corinthians 9:6)

The Omaha church and the Nebraska Conference thank Mrs. Krimlofski for this wonderful gift. We pray that it will inspire many brothers and sisters to share their material blessings with God, thus helping to finish His work and prepare a special people for the coming of our Lord.



# Christmas Day, 1976, was a day of special significance for Jennifer Esau and Jolyn Anderson. On that day, in the presence of the members of the Albion Church, these Christian girls were baptized. Ray Roth performed the baptisms, his first since his ordination at

the June, 1976, Nebraska camp meeting.
Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Robert Esau, Sr., of Petersburg. Jolyn's
parents are Mr. and Mrs. Normen Anderson
of Albion.

### ATTENTION

All Nebraska MV, Sabbath School and Pathfinder Leaders!

February 18, 5 p.m. – noon Sunday, February 20, 1977 CAMP ARROWHEAD

#### LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Sabbath School Elder W. R. Lesher, Sabbath School Dept., General Conference

Junior Youth Elder Winston DeHaven, Youth Director, Northern California

Senior Youth Elder Don Schneider, Youth Director,

Central Union

Total Cost \$7.50 per person \$12 per couple

For additional information write to the Nebraska Conference Youth or Sabbath School Departments.

## **COLORADO**

#### Group Canvasses Estes Park, Colorado

By George Dronen Publishing Director

Surrounded by beautiful pine-studded mountains, the town of Estes Park lies at the edge of Rocky Mountain National Park in north-central Colorado. This quiet resort town has a population of about 3,000 people in the winter, which swells to 30,000 in the summer tourist season. These folks are seeking an answer to the world's dilemma in the beautiful mountains of this region.

During the week of November 15-19, literature evangelists Clay Grice, Ron Miller, Leonard Klein, Chris Nordloh and George Dronen converged on Estes Park with an answer to life's problem. Like the woman at the well, when people taste what God's people have to offer, they realize they have found the answer.



From left to right: Clay Grice, Leonard Klein, Chris Nordloh, Ron Miller and George Dronen.

Some did find the answer that week in the beautiful books that were placed in their homes. About \$1500 in Bible material was distributed, and many contacts were made that will be followed up by Elder Ben Trout.

Estes Park is a target town for Colorado evangelism. Our literature evangelists are sowing the seed that will spring up into a harvest.

#### **News Notes**

Merton Henry, pastor of the Montrose church, was elected to a second one-year term as president of the Montrose Ministerial Alliance.

The Cortez church reports many quality responses to a Bible study offer enclosed in a witnessing literature packet which was distributed to every home in the city.

Elder Archa O. Dart, family counselor, spent several weekends in November giving family life seminars at churches in the Denver area.

#### Longmont Church News Items

Every Seventh-day Adventist Church has its faithful few when it comes to Ingathering. The Longmont, Colorado Church is no exception. The program began on November 6 and concluded on December 4. The program was carried out only on weekends, but with a great deal of success. The goal of \$3160 was surpassed with a total of about \$4000 coming in — almost entirely done by house-to-house solicitation. There were six members who reached or surpassed the amount needed for a Jasper Wayne Award. Plans are being made for an Ingathering Victory celebration.

Several successful Five-Day Plans to Stop Smoking have been held in the Longmont area in the past year, with a total of 30 graduates from the program. The most recent clinic was held at the Frederick Junior High School, at which a Denver radio personality was among the graduates. The coordinators for the program in the Longmont area are Larry Asher, Bob Dellapina, and Jim Bock.

On December 4 a baby dedication was held during the worship service in Longmont. The theme for Pastor Gideon Haas's sermon for the day was "Are Your Children a Blessing?" A number of parents brought their children forward for dedication to the Lord. The new parents, as well as the entire congregation were reminded of the promise, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.



Bob Dellapina and Larry Asher prepare to begin another in their regularly scheduled Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking.

#### PATHFINDERS COLLECT FOOD



The Lone Tree Pathfinders display canned foods which they collected in the Campion area during the Halloween season.

 Eleanor Nelson, Communications Secretary, Campion Church



Lay activities leader Bob Hambridge and Pastor Gideon Haas lay plans for an evening of solicitation.



Keith Dellapina was the youngest Ingatherer.



Baby Dedication Sabbath brought a number of the "little ones" forward for the special service.

#### Twelve Souls Won In Limon

By Lola Mae Worth

Zenelda Jaques, of Arriba, Colorado, took a Voice of Prophecy course 16 years ago. She was convinced that all she studied was true, but did not know where to find others who shared her convictions. Through Harvey Dine, with whom they are now associated in agriculture, she and her husband Dale learned of a small Adventist church in Limon. Brother Dine invited them to a series of evangelistic meetings called "The Good Life Seminar," conducted by Pastor-Evangelist Uriah Worth, a recent graduate of Andrews University.

Delighted with the invitation, the Jaques family attended regularly, and before the end of the series the whole family decided they wanted to be united with the church. Father, Moth-

er, Susie, Ashley, Debbie and Dan were all baptized on December 18.

Harvey Dine and his wife Doris (a faithful member) also brought his sister Emma and cousin Roberta Cheatheam, of Flagler, to every meeting. Emma and Roberta made their decisions to accept the Third Angel's Message before the series was half over; but, considering the hazards of farming, Harvey hesitated until the last week, when his faith became strong enough.

Cindy, the pastor's daughter, decided on her own that it was time for her to make a profession publicly of her faith in Jesus, and joined the bap-

tismal group.

Grace Dow and Lois Malcolm had held the tiny church in Limon together for 14 and 8 years respectively. Grace makes weekly cheering visits at the Cottonwood Rest Home. There she found Mrs. Minnie Fortner and Fred Kissel to be interested listeners. She told Jim and Aurelia Daughtery and their son Allen, of Simla, about these interests. These devoted missionary workers, alternating with David Woodruff, brought Minnie in her wheel chair to every meeting, and Fred to most of them. These precious souls united with the church on profession of faith two weeks before the other candidates were baptized, making a total of 12 new members for the Limon church.

Linda and David Woodruff provided music throughout the evangelistic series, and also assisted with visitation. The pastor's wife illustrated each

lecture on the flannelgraph.

After the close of the evangelistic meetings a special fellowship dinner was held for the church family. At this happy occasion a corsage was presented to each new member by his or her spiritual guardian. A cassette recording of the baptismal service was presented to each new member.

## **CENTRAL STATES**

#### Temperance Team Busy At Grove Heights

By James McClain Community Secretary

The Grove Heights church in Wichita, Kansas has an energetic temperance team. Two of the members, Tammy Simms and Curtis Pates, were just baptized this summer.

At a recent temperance program posters were drawn by three of the members and presentations, taken from the Spirit of Prophecy on such subjects as dress, health and diet, conversation, money and recreation, were made by each team member.

The Annual Conference wide Temperance Oratorical Rally will be held at Grove Heights on February 26, 1977. Grove Heights hopes to be well represented in all areas.

Efforts have been made to enroll all church members in the Temperance Society and to encourage each family to subscribe to the *Listen* magazine. One of the projections for 1977 is to have a smoking clinic in one of the public schools.



J. McClain III, D. Rogers, C. Pates, T. Simms, temperance leader, J. Pearson, B. Waters.



#### Community Services In Wichita

By James McClain, Communication Secretary

The members at Grove Heights are looking forward with enthusiasm to the day when they can serve their community to the fullest extent. Last year the church raised \$1,000 toward a building to be used as a Community Service Center.

Despite many handicapped conditions, the Lord has blessed the work in a tremendous way. Several faithful ladies have sacrificed their time and energies to meet the demands of the emergency referrals that come about two or three times a week from other agencies. Clothing, food and bedding were also supplied to a family of thirteen who was completely burned out.

Mrs. Alean Fray was elected vicepresident of the Central Federation for this year.

Left: A. Martin, H. Maloney, E. Smith, S. Walls, A. Fray.

## **UNION COLLEGE**



Dr. Simmons and Sheila Bova, with Rocky Road Ranch pupils, are interested in the news clippings about their school.

#### Experimental School Cains National Attention

By Ronald W. Bowes, Director College Relations and Development

Rocky Road Ranch, a one-room, multi-grade school located on the campus of Union College and operated jointly with the Lincoln Adventist Schools, has been in the news headlines around the country. A story carried by the United Press appeared in Denver, Colorado, Los Angeles, California, Omaha, Nebraska, New Orleans, Louisiana, and other cities.

The news story emphasized the uniqueness of the experimental school, as the only such program among colleges and universities in the United States.

Since most Adventist schools are small and operated on a very slim budget, Union College's Department of Education felt that student teachers should be trained in the kind of multigrade situation in which many of them will be employed. Such a teaching environment was created in cooperation with Glenn Davenport, principal of Lincoln Adventist Schools, and Sam Gramlich, educa-

tional superintendent of the Nebraska Conference.

The school is conducted by Virginia Simmons of the college's Department of Education and Psychology, and Sheila Bova, instructor in education. The present enrollment is 21. There is no segregation by age.

"The older students help the younger ones, and the more advanced help the beginners, just as in real life," says Dr. Simmons.

At the Helen Hyatt Elementary School (part of the Lincoln Adventist Schools) a multi-grade room, now taught by Joanne Perrault, has been in successful operation for a number of years. In Elm Creek, Nebraska, Marianne Westermyer and Connie Jo Roeske use a learning-center approach for a one-room school.

Stan Carlson, Nebraska State elementary and early childhood development consultant, likes the idea of the one-room program and praises Adventist leadership in this field. He says, "The meeting and dealing with various ages is a real-life situation. It's only in schools that kids are segregated by ages."

Rocky Road Ranch serves as a teacher education center for Union

College elementary education majors. Every day sees several students on hand for practice teaching or observation.

Charles Felton, Education Department chairman, has felt very encouraged by the first year's operation of the program. Partly as a result of the national attention, Dr. Felton has received letters from educators in several states seeking counsel on how to operate one-room schools, or inquiring about employment in them.

Recognizing the need in this area, the Department of Education has applied for a grant to expand the work of the school by providing consulting services to others who are challenged by the small school.

Appropriately enough, Rocky Road Ranch is known officially as the George P. Stone elementary school and honors the name of an Adventist educational leader who chaired the department at Union College from 1965 until his death in 1973. During that time Union College became the first Seventh-day Adventist college or university to obtain accreditation for teacher education by a national accrediting association.

#### Ralph and Beatrice Neall Will Join College Staff

By Deena Wagner, News Editor

A husband-wife team will be joining the Union College Religion Department in August 1977. They are Ralph and Beatrice Neall.

Neall has served in numerous capacities in the Adventist Church. He has worked in the Bermuda Mission, Southeast Asian Union College, Cam bodia and Vietnam.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Atlantic Union College, a Master of Divinity from Andrews University and is currently a candidate for a Doctor of Theology at Andrews. He will hold the position of assistant professor of religion at Union.

Mrs. Neall has received her Bachelor of Arts from LaSierra College and her master's degree from Andrews University where she is currently teaching Bible.





Ralph Neall

**Beatrice Neall** 

Her work for the church has included Bible teacher for the School of Nursing in Saigon, Vietnam; the Ministerial Training School in Saigon; Southeast Asian Union College and was the editor of the Southeast Asian Union Messenger. She is well-known author of two books, articles in Signs of the Times, Review and Herald, Ministry magazine, and the Voice of Prophecy course on the life of Christ.

The Nealls have two children, Randolph and Cheryl.

#### Second Semester Enrollment Trends Continue

By Ron Bowes, Director, College Relations

Well over 60 new students will join Union College second semester keeping the total number of students attending Union College over the 900 mark, reports Richard Duerksen, Director of Admissions. This enrollment increase continues a trend which was set three years ago.

Union College students come from many parts of the United States and many countries of the world. New students from foreign countries include Tom and Evelyn Saget from East Malaysia; Lily Suherman from Indonesia; Keith Beach from the Bahamas; Ed Dawes from Jamaica; Pauline Yaw and Anghenio Ngirchoemei from Palau and Sheri Lien and George Sands from Canada.

## HOSPITALS

#### Porter Nursing School Now Taking Applications

By Greg Rumsey Public Relations Intern

The Program of Practical Nursing at Porter Memorial Hospital, Denver, Colorado, is now accepting applications for enrollment in the 1977-78 school year, advises Elvena Herbel, PPN coordinator.

Operated by the hospital for 16 years, the 10-month course is open to academy and high school graduates who pass aptitude and mental ability tests and meet other requirements. Graduates of the program, which is fully accredited by the Colorado Board of Licensed Practical Nurse Examiners, are eligible to sit for state board examinations for nursing licensure

All graduates in the program's history have passed the all-day, written exam, given each year in mid-October, says Mrs. Herbel. One of the two students with exceptionally high test scores in 1975 was a Porter graduate, she adds.

A physical examination and a per-

sonal interview are required for admission to the school. Out-of-state applicants may arrange for the interview and tests to be conducted near their home.

Next year's course, divided into three quarters, will begin September 1 and conclude with graduation July 1, 1978. Students will receive classroom and clinical training in nursing arts, obstetrics, pediatrics, diet and nutrition and other nursing-related skills. The clinical facilities provide students with experience in dealing with patients, physicians and other medical personnel in routine patient care procedures.

More than half of last year's 35 PPN graduates joined the hospital as employees, and some have gone on to enroll in registered nursing courses.

Enrolled in the current year's program are 35 students coming from three states, including two men and representing an age range from 17 to 41.

Applications for next fall should be directed to Coordinator, Program of Practical Nursing, Porter Memorial Hospital, 2525 South Downing Street, Denver, CO, 80210, phone (303) 778-1955. Early application increases the likelihood of enrollment, as 100 applications were processed last year, but only 40 can be accepted, says Mrs. Herbel.

#### Emergency Department Cares for Many Cases

By Duane Hallock Public Relations Assistant

The emergency department at Shawnee Mission Medical Center has been busy since it moved into its new facility, according to Charles Jones, chief emergency physician.

Averaging nearly 100 cases a day, the department has the busiest emergency room for private hospitals in Kansas City and the entire state of Kansas. In the overall category, Shawnee Mission Medical Center is second only to Kansas University Medical Center, a state-operated hospital.

More than 32,000 emergencies are treated each year by the department. In July the medical center handled a record 3,200 emergencies.

## HIGHLIGHTS

#### Leaders Counsel on Military Enlistment

By Clark Smith, Director, National Service Organization

The Seventh-day Adventist Church has always counseled its members not to voluntarily enter the Armed Forces because of many problems in Sabbath observance, noncombatancy and other areas. This is still the counsel of the church today.

Many Adventist youth think, because of the Civil Rights Act and the recent civilian court decisions prohibiting employers from discriminating against employees because of their Sabbath observance, that they are protected similarly in the military. However, the military is a different situation.

Since the military is charged with the awesome responsibility of maintaining the safety of the nation, the Supreme Court long ago decided that those in the military give up many of their constitutional rights. They must obey the lawful order given by a commanding officer lest the safety of the nation be endangered. The one disobeying such an order may be punished by court-martial.

Some units in the Armed Forces normally have a five-day work week, but should a heavy work load face the unit or a unit test be scheduled for the Sabbath, the commanding officer may lawfully order Sabbath observers to duty during the hours of their Sabbath even though it may be contrary to their deep religious convictions. Normally today those insisting on keeping their Sabbath during periods of training or on continuous type service as mentioned above, are routinely discharged as unsuitable for military service.

The local conference youth directors are provided with up-to-date information concerning Seventh-day Adventists in the military, and those contemplating entering the military are urged to counsel with their conference youth director before doing

#### 'Ten Talents' Cookbook Not Recommended

The cookbook "A Good Cook, Ten Talents" has been placed on the not recommended book list distributed by the General Conference Health Department. A review by dietitians, pharmacists and physicians has found the nutritional and medical information contained in the book to be generally unsound and in several instances actually dangerous.

Persons using this cookbook are advised to view with caution any nutritional statements or medical advice which it contains. Especially dangerous are the recommendations regarding formulas and foods for infants and small children, certain herbal remedies (some of which are poisonous), and listing of several plant foods as "valuable" sources of Vitamin B<sup>12</sup> or Vitamin D, and the recommendation that apricot kernels be added to soy milk to improve the flavor (apricot kernels are poisonous).

For further information, please contact: Ella Mae Stoneburner, R.N., M.S., Associate Director, Dept. of Health, General Conf. of Seventh-day Adventists, 6840 Eastern Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20012.

#### El Centinela Introduces New Format

By Jay Prall

El Centinela, the monthly Spanish journal begins 1977 with a completely new look and two new languages in an effort to widen its sphere of influence. To be published in Spanish, French, and English, circulation will increase to nearly 600,000 copies.

Production of the magazine will be handled by Pacific Press' new Harris M-100 web offset press. Costing just under a half a million dollars, the press will print and fold 14,000 copies

an hour. Changes in the number of pages and the use of color will allow the annual subscription rate to drop to \$1.50.

The English edition will be available throughout Inter-America while the Spanish and French editions will also serve North America.

"These languages are as different as the nearly 30 countries where this journal will be circulated. But the purpose of publication will be the same: to present the eternal, exalted truths of the Holy Scriptures in a modern context," Tulio N. Peverini, editor, explains.



From left: Benjamin Riffel, promotion director, and Tulio Peverini, editor, examine the first copies of the new El Centinela.

#### Oakwood Gets Research Contract

Dr. David Richardson, head of the Chemistry Department of Oakwood College has signed a research contract for \$60,759 with the U.S. Army Missile Command at the Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama. The research which is in the area of Proton Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy will deal specifically with alcoholic metal solvation, and will cover 13 months.

The department will acquire a Varian EM-390 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectrometer at a cost of \$43,000 for the research.

Contact for the contract was initiated by Wilbur Young, an employee at the arsenal and Mrs. Melva Quirante, both active members of the Oakwood Alumni Association. It was followed up by Harold Lee, Development Officer of Oakwood College and David Richardson.

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#### **OBITUARIES**

GALLAGHER, Jessie Madelline, was born to Henry and Sarah Maddin May 16, 1892, in Sioux City, IA. She died in Denver, CO, on Dec. 8, 1976. She married Herman Alan Gaulden in 1912. To this union a son, Ray W. was born. After moving to Denver she married Frank Gallagher who preceded her in death in 1973.

HILL, Allen Emmer, was born March 26, 1880, in Eagle Lake, MN, to William B. and Emma Towne Hill. He died in Lincoln, NE, on Dec. 21, 1976. On Feb. 7, 1907. Allen married Esther Cecelia Juhl, and they established their home in Lincoln. Eleven children were born to them. Brother Hill's survivors include 8 children — Viola Brieland, Weston, and William, all of Minneapolis, MN; Ellea Wiseman of Fremont, NE; lona Fellows of Lincoln, NE; Esther Bishop of Kennewick, WA; Betty O'Nele of Mitchell, NE; and Allen, Jr., of Scottsbluff, NE. Services were held at the College View Church, Lincoln, NE, on Dec. 24, with Elder George P. White officiating. Burial was at the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Lincoln.

HILL, Helen C., was born Nov. 26, 1905 in Colorado City, CO. She passed to her rest on Dec. 11, 1976, and was buried in Griswold, IA. She was a faithful member of the Denver First Church.

#### SUNSET CALENDAR

	Jan. 28	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	
Denver, CO	5:15	5:23	5:31	5:39	
Grand Junc., CO	5:30	5:38	5:46	5:54	
Topeka, KS	5/39	5:47	5:55	6:03	
Kansas City, MO	5:34	5:43	5:51	5:59	
St. Louis, MO	5:18	5:26	5:34	5:42	
Lincoln, NE	5:39	5:48	5:56	6:05	
Casper, WY	5:13	5:22	5:32	5:41	

HUFFMAN, Zelma L., was born Jan. 26, 1899 in Buck Grove, IA, and died Sept. 29, 1976, in Greeley, CO. She married Frank S. Huffman on May 29, 1922, at Sidney, NE. They moved to Greeley, CO in 1937. Mr. Huffman died in 1970. Zelma was baptized into the Adventist church March 23, 1972. Surviving her are a son — Jack of Long Beach, CA; a daughter — Mrs. George (Leita) Hamlet of Greeley; 1 sister and 1 brother.

KLEMENT, Catherine Kaubish Richey, was born Sept. 16, 1895, in Sturgis, SD. She passed away Oct. 23, 1976, in a Bakersfield, CA hospital. She married Clyde Richey July 1, 1914, who preceded her in death Nov. 15, 1918. To this union was born a daughter, Marian. On July 15, 1924, she married Harold Cash Klement. They devoted their lives to the Seventh-day Adventist ministry serving in the Colorado, Montana, Oregon, North Pacific Union and Southern Union Conferences. He was president of the Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas Conferences, retiring from the latter April 1, 1966 at which time they moved to St. Helena, CA. He preceded her in death Jan. 27, 1976, and since that time she made her home with her daughter in Bakersfield, CA.

Survivors are daugher and son-in-law, Dr. Ralph and Marian Burnett, 1 sister, Anna Ziegler of Sturgis, SD. Services and entombment in St. Helena, CA.

McMILLEN, David W., was born Dec. 17, 1931, at Billings, MT, and died Dec. 23, 1976, in Denver, CO. The United States Army drafted him in 1952. He married Irene on May 27, 1956. To this union 4 daughters were born. For the last 7 years he was an engineer for Porter Memorial Hospital power house. David and Irene were foster parents for the welfare department, caring for a number of children in the past 10 years. He was an active member of the Denver First Church. Surviving him are his wife and 4 daughters — Debbie, Mary, Beverly, and Jane Herbel with her husband Jim; his father — George, of Chowchilla, CA.

NIEMOTH, Mrs. Margaret, was born on June 24, 1890, in Merrick County, NE, and died on Dec. 10, 1976, at Grand Island, NE. Burial was in the Grand Island cemetery. Survivors include 2 sons, 2 daughters, 3 sisters, and 1 brother.

## WEDDINGS

#### Brass-McCumber

Cheryl Jean McCumber and Alan Brass were married December 19, 1976. The father of the bride officiated at the beautiful candlelight service conducted in the Littleton, Colorado, church. Cheryl is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Robert A. McCumber, of Denver, and Alan is the son of Elder and Mrs. W. D. Brass, of Shreveport, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Brass have established their Christian home in Berrien Springs, Michigan, where Alan is a theology student at Andrews University.

#### Tullio-Means

Jeanna Means became the bride of Richard Tullio in a lovely wedding service conducted in the Montrose church, Tuesday evening, December 21, 1976. Mr. and Mrs. Tullio plan to make their home in Montrose, where Richard is working with construction and Jeanna is a dental assistant.

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