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Atlantic City, N. J., June 21-25, 1960

North American Youth Congress Scheduled

THE high event in Missionary Volunteering in 1960 will be the North American Youth Congress. This great meeting of our young people will be held in Atlantic City, N. J., June 21-25. Authorized at the 1958 Autumn



Council, it is to be sponsored by the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference. [Of special interest to Visitor readers is the fact that it will be held in the Columbia

Union Conference.]

Since that time the work of undergirding has been constantly progressing. Twelve cities and their facilities were visited and studied carefully before the decision of location was made. Since the first two congresses of the MV Department were on the West Coast, we thought it well to have this North American Youth Congress in the East. With this in mind, the General Conference Committee voted in favor of the Atlantic City location.

The theme of the congress is to be "Festival of the Holy Scriptures." The intent of the planners of this unusual assembly of Adventist youth is to magnify God's Word and to enter into a deeper consecration resulting in more zealous and earnest service for the Lord.

Speakers who have demonstrated their love for God and youth are being chosen. There must come from these periods of meditation great spiritual enlightenment. Beginning with the opening ceremonies Tuesday night, June 21, there will be a constant building up of a spiritual platform that will come to a climax

By T. E. Lucas

MV Secretary, General Conference

on Friday evening and Sabbath when our worship reaches its highest peak. The closing commitment of Saturday night promises to be unusual.

We solicit the prayers and hearty cooperation of our church members as we look forward together to this occasion. Surely it is time for Missionary Volunteers everywhere to awaken to a great realization of the part they are to play in the finishing of the work. As the program is built and the details of this North American Youth Congress are filled in, we shall need your support every step of the way.

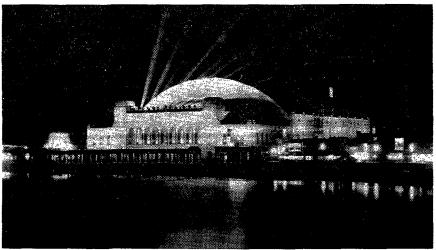
During the months preceding this appointment we shall keep you up to date with progress reports. In the meantime we know that you will do all you can to encourage the fullest possible attendance from your section of the field.

Attention, All World War II And Korean War Veterans

A search is underway for the names of all Seventh-day Adventist men who received decorations during World War II or the Korean conflict. We want the names and addresses of all those who received the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Silver Star or any of the many other decorations.

Also, we should like to know of those who gave their lives for their country. Relatives of these deceased are requested to supply this information along with any information regarding posthumous decorations.

Pastors, church members, and others are requested to send any information to: Chaplain Davis A. Thomas, Second Medical Battalion, Second Marine Division, FMF, Camp Lejune, N. C.



Atlantic City Convention Bureau Photo

CONGRESS SITE. This is a night view of Convention Hall in Atlantic City, N. J., the site of the 1960 North American Youth Congress.

Systematic Giving—the Three-Per-Cent Plan

"This matter of giving is not to be left to impulse. God has given us definite instruction in regard to it. He has specified tithes and offerings as the measure of our obligation. And He desires us to give regularly



and systematically . . . After the tithe is set apart, let gifts and offerings be apportioned, 'as God hath prospered' you."—Counsels on Stewardship, pp. 80, 81.

God, through His chosen messenger,

is here very definitely telling us that we are to plan our offerings in advance on a systematic basis. God has laid down a policy for tithe. No matter what our personal desires may be or how pressing our needs we are commanded, by the Giver of all, to return our 10 per cent in tithe. The same scripture that mentions tithe also mentions offerings. Here no percentage is mentioned but the Biblical rule is "as God hath prospered" you (1 Corinthians 16:2).

Faithfulness in tithes and offerings brings upon the believer one of the richest blessings of all, the Bible; whereas unfaithfulness in either, or both, brings the curse mentioned in Malachi 3:8-10. Surely no true Seventh-day Adventist desires to see the cause of God suffer, or personally wishes to receive the curse of God. But because of leaving their giving to impulse, some are guilty of robbing God in offerings. God expects us to be as systematic in the giving of offerings as we are in our tithes.

"The plan of systematic benevolence will prove a safeguard to every family against temptations to spend means for needless things, and especially will it prove a blessing to the rich by guarding them from indulging in extravagances."—Testimonies, Vol. 3, p. 412.

This means that we should budget our offerings to missions, just as we budget our income to care for our family needs. A Christian budget which leaves out the tithes and offerings is surely an unbalanced budget, even if all other items are taken care of in a businesslike manner. Yet it is a fact that some Sabbath school members, because of having no definite system of offerings, are actually robbing God. It might be enlightening to take a pencil and do a little figuring just now. What percentage

By G. R. Nash

Secretary, Sabbath School Department, General Conference

of your total income are you giving to the Sabbath school?

"God's requirements come first. We are not doing His will if we consecrate to Him what is left of our income after all our imaginary wants have been supplied. Before any part of our earnings is consumed, we should take out and present to Him that portion which He claims. . . . When that which God claims is rendered to Him, the remainder will be sanctified and blessed to our own use. But when a man robs God by withholding that which He requires, His curse rests upon the whole."—Testimonies, Vol. 4, p. 477.

What percentage of the income shall be allocated for Sabbath school offerings? Since this is a matter of personal conscience, one that each individual must decide between himself and God, no man or organization should attempt to set the percentage for another to give. Surely we should give freely and cheerfully. Furthermore, we should give in proportion to our income, or "as God hath prospered."

It is this portion which reflects our sacrificial spirit and true liberality. "God has made men His stewards. The property which He has placed in their hands is the means that He has provided for the spread of the gospel. To those who prove themselves faithful stewards He will commit greater trusts. Saith the Lord, "Them that honor me, I will honor" (1 Samuel 2:30)."—Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 529.

Many are systematically returning three per cent of their income to the Lord as Sabbath school offerings. This plan has the General Conference Sabbath School Department's approval and is one which we believe will bring a blessing to the giver and also the cause of missions.

Is this too much for us to give for Sabbath school offerings? My heart says, No! No! We are not nearly reaching the record of Israel, who gave from one-fourth to one-third of their income to religious and benevolent causes. To answer the question more specifically, let me say that in North America for a period of eight years—1924 to 1932—we averaged more than three per cent (Continued on page 9)

Vote!

SEVENTH-DAY Adventists have been accused of shirking their responsibilities as neighbors and citizens. Part of this accusation comes from our neglect of our duty at the polls. We are citizens of this country, and should discharge our duty by voting at election time.



Recently a music teacher told of one of her pupils, a 12-year-old boy, who explained to her that since that day was election day he had gone with his mother to the polling place. It devel-

oped that on the previous evening the entire family had gathered around the sample ballot printed in the newspaper and had gone over the issues one by one, talking them over and deciding what a Christian should do in each case.

The lad looked up at his teacher and asked, "Have you voted today?" She replied that she had been too busy so he said, "You ought to vote. Every American ought to vote; it is our duty to know what is going on in our government and do our part in helping."

In a survey conducted recently by a group from Princeton University it was discovered that 30 per cent of those who do vote neglect to mark their ballots on the issues that are listed below the candidates for referendum. This is owing to the fact that they do not understand the issues involved and are afraid to vote on the unknown.

Seventh-day Adventists should be well-informed citizens and should vote. Now that Sunday legislation is becoming an issue in so many places, every Adventist should be willing to stand up and be counted.

Study has proved that in every case where Sunday laws were voted in by popular referendum it was because those opposed to Sunday laws were apathetic, and did not bother to register their convictions.

In the elections this fall let every Adventist be informed on the issues involved and then stand up and be counted as an active citizen, interested in keeping the freedoms enjoyed in the United States.

M. E. LOEWEN Secretary, Religious Liberty Department, Columbia Union Conference

CONFERENCE NEWS

est Pennsylvania

New Pastor Appointed

WE are glad to introduce to the members of West Pennsylvania the newest member of our working staff, Elder E. A. Roberts. Elder and Mrs. Roberts and their little daughter are now living in Johnstown where he



E. A. Roberts

has charge of the work in Johnstown, Indiana, and Somerset, taking the place of Elder R. E. Knox who moved to Aurora, Ill.

The Robertses moved to Johnstown just before camp meeting so

many of the members became acquainted with them then. They came to our conference from West Virginia where Elder Roberts began his ministry several years ago. We wish them the Lord's blessings as they labor in West Pennsylvania.

F. W. WERNICK

President

Coudersport Church Cornerstone Laid

THE cornerstone for the new church building at Coudersport, Pa., was laid Sunday, September 20, at 10:00 A.M. This was one more impor-



WARREN, PA., NOVEMBER 14, 1959

GUEST SPEAKER: Elder E. M. Peterson, Columbia Union Conference. His first visit to this section of our conference.

SPECIAL MUSICAL PROGRAM: Blue Mountain Academy, plus local talent.

 $\label{first} \textbf{FIRESIDE EVANGELISM---find out what it is all about and how you, too, can have a part.}$

SPECIAL EVENING SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT
BIG BOOK DISPLAY WITH HOLIDAY DISCOUNTS
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To include all churches in the northern half of the Conference. Plan to come and stay all day. Bring your dinner and supper. Eating space will be provided.

tant step in the progress of the construction of a new house of worship for Coudersport.

The Burgess of Coudersport, Mortimer W. Levinson, assisted in the laying of the cornerstone and spoke to the members assembled for the service. Elder George Gainer, Pastor, directed the service. Others honored and participating were Clarence Guenther, Chairman of the Building Committee; Royd Price; Keith Bickford; Donald Mason; and Albert Schnell, the architect.

The Coudersport Church will be a beautiful structure when completed. The church now uses the basement for church services and school. The upper part of the building is nearly completed on the exterior and it is planned to proceed as fast as possible in finishing the interior. May the Lord bless this congregation as they move forward!



"Black Out" of Activities Recommended for Week Of Prayer

"BLACK-OUT" carries three definitions based on its usage. In aviation it pertains to a physical blindness or even unconsciousness caused by outside pressures. In radio it is the silencing or jamming of transmissions. In general usage it refers to the extinguishing of all lights as a protective measure. It would seem that there is an application of the term "black out" that is most fitting to the present warfare of every child of God, and is uniquely in harmony with all the three previously noted.

Yes, it has to do with the hearing and seeing, first the physical, then the unseen spiritual. Oh, how many things we would be better off not seeing at all. Satan knows so well the power of sight. One has only to be in the presence of a deaf and blind person for a time to understand full well why Satan works so hard to appeal to the eye and ear.

The close of probation's door is just as steady and certain today as it was in Noah's day. Satan's forces are organized for the final struggle.



PARTICIPANTS IN COUDERSPORT CORNERSTONE LAYING. Left to right: George Gainer, Pastor; Clarence Guenther, Chairman, Building Committee; F. W. Wernick, Conference President and speaker; Royd Price; and Mortimer W. Levinson, Burgess of Coudersport.

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Is not this the time for God's people to be organized more than ever? Do you feel that just now we must all shut out every light from our souls, lest some of Satan's "light" (2 Corinthians 11:14) lead us astray? Shall we not deafen our ears to all voices but the "still, small voice" that speaks in the quiet of heart-searching meditation?

November 7-14 is the Week of Prayer. Let us plan now to make it BLACK-OUT WEEK. Television blackout, radio blackout, complete blackout of every attraction and sound and sight and activity; and meet together in small groups every day to seek and to hear God speaking to our hearts.

A. B. BUTLER

Baltimore Station Broadcasts Voice of Prophecy Programs

WE are happy to announce that Station WWIN, Baltimore, is now broadcasting each Sunday morning the programs, "Time for Singing" at 8:00 and the Voice of Prophecy at 9:30. Since Station WBAL, Baltimore, terminated its contract with the Voice of Prophecy, the new station replacing it will no doubt give the program a broad coverage.

"Time for Singing" is a new series of 15-minute devotional programs sponsored by the Voice of Prophecy and supplied free to all stations desiring them. The program consists of songs by the King's Heralds Quartet along with a brief devotional study by Elder H. M. S. Richards.

Early this year Station WKEN, Dover, began broadcasting the Voice of Prophecy. How it started and what has kept it going seems to be a matter of Providence. When this station joined the ABC network, January 1, three days later the Voice of Prophecy was aired in the area for the first time. Elder David Miller, Pastor of the Dover Church, urged his members to write the station expressing their appreciation of the program.

Later, when Elder Miller had occasion to visit the station, the manager stated that it was a surprise to him that the Voice of Prophecy ever started on WKEN. "But," he said, "there were so many letters and cards mailed in that we have continued the broadcasts."

Generally this station does not cater to religious programs. In fact, the manager stated that the time allotted the Voice of Prophecy on Sunday is equal to the combined time of religious programming on the other six days of the week. When Elder Miller presented a radio log stating that WKEN was carrying the

program, the manager said, "We'll have to keep it on now." The Dover experience is a case where Providence was working and the church cooperated.

Stations carrying the Sunday broadcast in the Chesapeake Conference and the surrounding area

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MIDA	Salisbury	8:30 A.M.
WKEN	Dover	9:30 A.M.
WWIN	Baltimore	8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M
WRC	Washington	9;30 A.M.
WTBO	Cumberland	10:30 A.M.

We trust that our members will listen to the broadcast and encourage their neighbors to tune in also. Many persons are being won to Christ through this great program.

A. M. Karolyi

Welcome to Chesapeake!

WE bid a hearty welcome to two new men and their families as they take up their duties in Chesapeake.

Glenn L. Shafer, a Canadian by birth and a son of California and Texas, comes to us with a good background of hard work and successes gained through his experiences as a teacher and a builder. He is a graduate of Pacific Union College and Mrs. Shafer is a graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College.

Henry W. Kenaston was born in the cradle of religious liberty, Rhode Island. His experience embraces two years of military service, four years in hospital work, church school teaching, and graduation from Atlantic Union College. Mrs. Kenaston has an R.N., a bachelor's degree, and the degree of Master of Educa-



Glenn L. Shafer and family.



Henry W. Kenaston and family.

Sam Campbell

Will Present an Illustrated Lecture at the Spencerville Junior Academy Auditorium Spencerville, Md. Saturday Night October 31 at 8:00 o'Clock

This is a new lecture with his beautiful color motion pictures of animals and northwood scenery. The subject this year is "The Grand Canyon and the Utah Parks." The title itself should encourage you to come. We are sure you will enjoy the entertaining presentation by Mr. Campbell. Price, \$1 for adults and 50 cents for church-school-age children. Tickets are available at offices of the Washington Sanitarium, Review and Herald, General Conference, and Chesapeake Conference.

tion granted her by Worcester State Teachers College in Massachusetts.

Both of these young men have been granted the Master of Arts degree by Potomac University, our Seventh-day Adventist graduate school.

Brother Shafer is working with Elder D. T. Burke in the Annapolis and Grasonville Churches. Brother Kenaston has joined hands with Elder S. M. Young, working with the rapidly developing interests of the Philadelphia It Is Written series that are springing up in the Blythedale, Rising Sun, Port Deposit, and Hayre de Grace areas.

Let us hold up these men before God daily for His holy unction to be upon them.

A. B. BUTLER

President



Washington Youth View Southern Rhodesia Pictures

This reporter had the opportunity of sitting in an audience and listening to one of our brethren from Southern Rhodesia. Mr. Solomons, the vice-principal of a high school in Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, showed slides of his country to the MV Society of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Washington,

Inasmuch as Africa is a subject of great concern today because of its nationalistic uprisings and its desire to be independently ruled, our MV Society felt it a privilege to be able to have one of our own Advent-

ist brethren tell us something about his country.

We had the privilege of seeing the great Victoria Falls, which seemed to resemble our Niagara Falls. Beautiful color slides of camp-meeting sites and other places of interest were shown. Before baptisms can take place copper sulfate must be placed in the water because of a parasitic worm which breeds in the kidneys of human beings.

Our hearts were a bit saddened when we learned that one hospital must serve an area as large as three of our states and that many people in parts of Rhodesia are very unhealthy. The African workers are paid very little money-both those who work in the cause of God and those who work for their government and in the industries. Often tithes and Ingathering offerings are given in the form of products. One slide showed many melons which had been brought as offerings to God. The African is a skilled craftsman. They make many curios and do much in the line of basket weaving.

Mr. Solomons will be in the United States for approximately six months studying about high-school education. He is the recipient of a U. S. State Department grant.

Mrs. Hester Cantrell is the MV leader of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church.

DAVID WRICE

Reporter, First Church
Washington, D. C.

Going Away to School

FOURTEEN youth members of the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church, Columbus, Ohio, are attending academies and colleges this year. Ten made their departure recently for Oakwood College, Huntsville, Ala., and four more left later, two of whom are enrolled at Pine Forge Institute, Pottstown, Pa.

Going to Oakwood College are: Eteen Lumsden, Brenda Birden, Otis Bolldock, Billy Sutton, Theresa Roberts, Stanley Byles, Freddie Williams, and Charles Coleman. Also returning for the winter quarter is Nancy Robinson, who is now working very hard for a scholarship in nursing. Mr. Byles is a recent new member to join our church with its very large number of Christian youth of whom we are extremely proud. He shows great promise for the future, as he wishes to become a dedicated Christian worker in the world vineyard.

Those who are attending the Ad-

ventist academy are: Ann Berrien and Beverly DeShay. Freddie Williams of the above group has finished the academy at Oakwood and will be entering his freshman year at Oakwood College.

Seventh-day Adventists operate the third largest parochial school in this country and the Ephesus Church helps support the school system through special offerings in addition to encouraging its young people to attend.

VIOLA V. BOYER Press Secretary, Ephesus Church Columbus, Ohio

Weddings

MARTHA WIDEMAN and David Rand were united in marriage in the First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Washington, D. C., on June 7. Elder W. M. Fordham of Philadelphia performed the ceremony.

Miss Wideman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyddie Wideman of Washington. The couple now reside in Gary, Ind., where Mr. Rand is serving as Principal of the Gary Church school.

On June 14 Barbara Jean Moseley, the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Calvin Moseley, was given in marriage by her father who also performed the ceremony. Elder Paul Cantrell, Pastor of the First Seventh-day Adventist Church, offered the prayer. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are residing in Takoma Park, Md.

ON July 26 Zolia Bidelia and Pedro T. Gomez were united in marriage in the First Seventh-day Adventist Church in Washington, D. C., by Elder Walter Lask of the Takoma Park Spanish Church. Miss Bidelia was given away by Dr. Henry Wolf of Hyattsville, Md.

DAVID WRICE, JR.



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Spot News

- ELDER M. E. Foll spoke to a well-filled church at Walker as he began his fall evangelism.
- Under the direction of Dr. Marion Brown, Parkersburg has again launched a membership canvass to raise \$15,000 needed to complete the junior academy and erect a storage building at the school. The drive is receiving good support.
 - After nine months of freedom

from Conference Ingathering promotion, Charleston, Wheeling, and Cumberland have voluntarily started the 1960 Ingathering. Ingathering will officially begin the middle of November in West Virginia.

• Elder W. C. Moffett visited a number of churches and individuals

"Let those who have become careless and indifferent, and are withholding their tithes and offerings, remember that they are blocking the way, so that the truth cannot go forth to the regions beyond. I am bidden to call upon the people of God to redeem their honor by rendering to God a faithful tithe." — "Counsels on Stewardship," p. 96.



We introduce to the "Visitor" readers the Schwerin family. F. W. Schwerin recently arrived with his family in Parkersburg to become the Business Manager of the Camden-Clark Hospital. The children are as follows: Bonnie Jean, Donald, Nancy, and Karyl.

recently with Elder A. J. Patzer, relative to wills and legacies, for the Conference.

Wedding

ON June 27 in the Wheeling, W. Va., Church Nina Wilson of Pughtown, W. Va., was married to David Minesinger of Georgetown, Pa. Elder D. W. Schiffbauer, Pastor of the Wheeling district, officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Herbert Wilson, of Pughtown, W. Va., and was attended by Mrs. Charles Lockhart, sister of the groom, as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were her sister, Sandra Wilson and Esther Minesinger, a sister of the groom. Sheila Ray Mc-Croskey of Wheeling was the flower girl. The best man was Charles Lockhart. Calvin Minesinger and Robert Mott were ushers.

Preceding the ceremony, William Messerly of Steubenville, Ohio, sang "Because," accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Jean Montani. Later in the service he sang "The Lord's Prayer."

Following the reception in the church recreation room, the happy couple left for a wedding trip through the East, visiting Atlantic City, New York City, and Niagara Falls, N. Y. We wish them God's richest blessing in their new life together.

D. W. SCHIFFBAUER



New Jersey Bible School Grows

The Bible Correspondence School, operated through the Home Missionary Department of the New Jersey

Conference, registered some very important gains during the second quarter of 1959. Six hundred and eighty-four applications were received by the Bible school, which represent a growth of 132 over the preceding quarter. The enrollments received showed a corresponding gain in which 231 enrollments were received, and this represented a growth of 44 over the preceding quarter.

The Bible School is producing results. Many precious souls are being won to the cause of God through the Bible School. Nine were baptized in the second quarter who were students of the Twentieth-Century Bible School. During the second quarter the income showed a very nice gain, with a total of \$329.23, or a gain of \$120 over the preceding quarter. During this time the Bible Correspondence School distributed 6,133 pieces of literature, which indicates something of the volume of gospel literature that is going into the homes in New Jersey. Through the Bible-Correspondence-School plan of Bible study people can study the Scriptures in the privacy of their own home and discover the truth for themselves.

Space will not permit the quoting of many letters, but just one example will suffice. The following is a portion of a letter received from one of our students who is a Roman Catholic. This is what she says:

"I want to thank you for the loan of *Desire* of *Ages*. It is the best and simply written book on our beloved Lord that I have ever read. On page 203 something Ellen White wrote brought much light to me. She states: 'When the reformers preached the Word of God, they had no thought of separating themselves from the established church; but the religious leaders would not tolerate the light, and those that bore it were forced

Find the strength for your life... Risen is sectionally form WORSHIP TOGETHER THIS WEEK

to seek another class, who were longing for the truth."

Then our student continues by saying: "Mrs. White goes on to say: 'Often those who follow in the steps of the Reformers are forced to turn away from the churches they love, in order to declare the plain teaching of the Word of God. And many times those who are seeking for light are by the same teaching obliged to leave the church of their fathers, that they may render obedience.'

"I feel that this applies to me, for only last night I read this, and the next page, page 204, refers to Lesson 9. The religion I have been taught since birth advocates the end of the world, judgment, Christ's second coming, but they do not tell you or teach you these prophecies. Ellen White had made Lesson 9 so clear to me that it wasn't difficult to tackle this lesson. I don't mean to down Catholic teachings, but why don't they give us these Bible truths? They just seem to give what they want you to know, and forbid you by saying a sin has been committed if you read or study another teaching held by a Protestant denomination. How could it be wrong, or why would it be wrong for me to want to know?"

Thus the precious rays of truth are going into the homes and hearts of wonderful men and women here in New Jersey. Pray for our Bible Correspondence School. Your support will mean much to the continued progress of this phase of our work.

Your efforts in behalf of the Bible School will mean much in a rich harvest of souls. Every enrollment that is secured is just one more precious soul brought one step nearer to the knowledge of God's saving truth. We urge our people to scatter "like the leaves of autumn" our Bible School enrollment cards. Use your personal influence to help get people enrolled in the Bible School.

J. A. Toop

Pride of New Jersey-Elementary-School Students



Photo by Too

NEW SCHOOL. Here are the boys and girls who attend a new school in New Jersey. The Lake Nelson school serves the Plainfield and the New Brunswick Churches. The group is pictured in front of three school busses which provide transportation for the boys and girls who attend from far and near. This is another in a series of photo stories depicting the educational progress in the New Jersey Conference.



Stanley Schleenbaker Joins Faith for Today Quartet

STANLEY SCHLEENBAKER of Lancaster, Pa., has accepted an invitation to sing tenor in the male quartet of the Faith for Today television program.

He began his work with the quar-



tet on September 1 and his first appearance with the quartet will be in October. He was formerly employed by the Michigan Conference and has been serving the East Pennsylvania

Conference as a substitute minister and guest speaker for local churches since returning to Lancaster three years ago to assist in his father's business. He has been active in the choir of St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church and Secretary of the County Chapter of the Religious Liberty Association.

He already has moved to New York City where he and his wife, Eileen, and their two children will live in Roslyn, a suburb of New York.

Spot News

• A Philadelphia-area youth rally is scheduled at the Boulevard Seventh-day Adventist Church on October 30 and 31. Elder E. M. Peterson, and Dr. C. B. Hirsch are guest speakers.

Meet a Successful Literature Evangelist

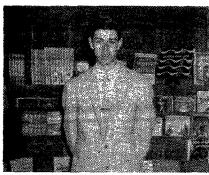


Photo by Morgan

Above is Harold Whitesel, a literature evangelist in the East Pennsylvania Conference. Although this is his first full year in the literature ministry, he already has delivered over \$10,000 worth of Adventist literature and has enrolled more than 200 in the Bible course so far this year.—John Bernet, Publishing Secretary, East Pennsylvania Conference.

"Philadelphia Youth Emphasis"

Philadelphia-Area Churches Invited
A Rally Meeting at the Boulevard Seventh-day Adventist Church
8437 Roosevelt Boulevard
Friday Night and Sabbath
OCTOBER 30-31
8:00 P.M.

PROGRAM
Spiritual Youth Emphasis
Music
Concert
Testimonies
Leadership



E. M. Peterson

MV Sec'y, Columbia

Union Conference

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I. N. Morgan

D. D. Baldwin

C. B. Hirsch President, W.M.C.



B.M.A. Choir W.M.C. Musical Group Local Youth Talent

PERSONNEL

Philadelphia Pastors

G. C. Dart

J. N. Morgan MV Sec'y, E. Pa Conference

- Ernest Booth, naturalist from the West Coast, will present his program of nature and beautiful color films at Blue Mountain Academy, October 23
- WNEP-TV, Channel 16 of Scranton Wilkes Barre reports a change in time for the It Is Written program, previously heard at one o'clock. The time is scheduled for 1:30 P.M.
- One hundred and sixty-five people have received the rite of baptism in the East Pennsylvania Conference in the past eight months. We anticipate many more additions to the church during the four closing months of 1959.

Hatboro String Ensemble To Present Program

An evening of music will be presented in the Chestnut Hill Seventhday Adventist Church, Rex and Germantown Avenues, in Philadelphia on Saturday night, October 24, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. Members of the Hatboro String Ensemble, with Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Nuse and their daughter, Anne, Alfred Aastrup, Carl Bauer, Frederick Reichle, Margaret Hodgkin, Wallace Stephen, and Janice Zarska make up the group that will present this very fine program. Hans Bos will be the tenor soloist and will also conduct the musical numbers.

This promises to be a very fine program, and we know many of our

people will want to reserve October 24 to attend this music program.



New Worker Comes to Ohio

HAROLD LEE HEATH recently responded to the call of the Ohio Conference to become assistant pastor in the Marion-Bucyrus-Galion-Upper Sandusky district where he will be working with F. E. Phelps, district pastor.

He comes to Ohio direct from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary in Washington, D. C., where he recently received his M.A. degree in theology.

A native of Portsmouth, Ohio, he spent seven years in service in the U. S. Navy from 1947 to 1954. He attended Union College from 1954 to 1958 and holds a B.A. degree from that school.

During the summer months he spent his time in literature ministry, delivering nearly \$50,000 worth of books. He set a record for student literature evangelists when he delivered \$12,000 worth of books and magazines during the summer of 1958.

June Heath names Florida as her home state. She became Mrs. Heath in September, 1948. Two children, Vickie, seven, and Connie, three, complete the family. We welcome this energetic young family to the Ohio Conference corps of workers.

MARVIN H. REEDER

Public Relations Secretary

Wedding

Frances Mae Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beryl R. Gibson of New London, Ohio, was united in marriage to Richard Lee Rieser, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rieser of Dudley, Mass., Sunday afternoon, August 30. The ceremony took place in the Clarksfield Methodist Church, Clarksfield, Ohio.

Mrs. Marjorie Gaede was matron of honor, and the bridesmaids were Carol Gibson and Evelyn Gibson, cousins of the bride. Allen Rieser was his brother's best man and Russell and Fred Gibson, brothers of the bride, were ushers. The reception was held in the Clarksfield Community Hall.

The bride was graduated from the Washington Missionary College School of Nursing in June, while the groom has worked as a laboratory technician at the Bethesda Research Laboratories. After a wedding trip to Vermont, they established their home in Dudley, Mass.

VERNON HARRIS



Elder H. M. S. Richards to Visit Takoma Park Area Churches

ELDER H. M. S. Richards, speaker for the Voice of Prophecy radio program from Glendale, Calif., will appear in three churches in the Potomac Conference this week end.



The following is his schedule of appearances: Friday, October 23, 8:00 P.M., Washington Sanitarium MV Society; Sabbath, October 24, 11:00 A.M., Silver Spring, Md., Church, service of worship; Sabbath,

October 24, 6:00 P.M., vespers, Adelphi, Md., Church.

Members of these churches are especially invited to attend these special services. Elder Richards will be in Takoma Park for the annual Autumn Council of the General Conference and has consented to speak at these three special meetings.

Spot News

- ELDER H. J. Capman, Conference President, preached in the Pennsylvania Avenue Church on Sabbath, September 12.
- Three series of evangelistic meetings were held during the week of September 20-27 by the following ministers: Elder John W. McGraw in Suffolk, Elder Lester Carney in Radford, and Elder R. F. Frey in both Marion and Konnarock.
- The Conference Committee announced recently its policy on the VISITOR, for clarification. The VISITOR is freely presented to all Conference members. When members move away the VISITOR will be sent to them for six months, free of charge. Others desiring the VISITOR, who are not members of our conference, will be asked to pay the usual two dollars for the subscription.
- Elders D. S. Weinberg and John W. McGraw have reported very successful exhibits in fairs in their districts.
- The Conference found, as a result of a survey of our publishing work taken on September 18, that as many books and periodicals had been sold up to August 11 of this year as were sold during all of last year.
- Elder W. E. Carpenter, Sabbath School and Public Relations Secretary, preached at the Takoma Park German Church, September 5.
- Elder I. W. Young, Publishing Secretary of the Conference, announces a very successful beginner's institute which was held at the Review and Herald Publishing Association September 13-16.
- Elder R. G. Burchfield, Conference Treasurer, visited the Staunton Missionary Volunteer Society on Friday evening, September 18. He presented a series of beautiful colored slides taken in Bermuda when he visited our mission there some time ago.
- Mrs. Lilah L. Lilley, new educational supervisor, has already visited the following schools: Petersburg, Richmond, Fredericksburg, Waynesboro, Strasburg, Winchester, Damascus, Portsmouth, Norfolk, and Kilmarnock.
- Elder I. W. Young, Publishing Secretary, had the preaching service in the Takoma Park Church September 5.
- Elder E. A. Robertson, Columbia Union Conference Educational Secretary, and Elder E. J. Barnes, Conference Educational Secretary, visited the new Echo Valley Academy, September 23.

- Elder William E. Carpenter, new Sabbath School and Public Relations Secretary, has visited a number of our Vacation Bible Schools and also the following churches since he came to office August 1: Lynchburg, Yellow Branch, Appomattox, Norfolk, Princess Anne, Takoma Park German, Alexandria, Ilda, and Vienna.
- Elder Jerry Lastine of the New York Conference recently visited Elder G. R. Burchfield, Conference Treasurer. Jerry is currently working on his M.A. degree at the Theological Seminary.
- We have received word that Station WINC in Winchester, Va., has discontinued the Voice of Prophecy program as of September 27. We regret this, although the area is covered by the Washington, D. C., and Harrisonburg, Va., stations.

WILLIAM E. CARPENTER
Director of Public Relations

Roanoke Area "It Is Written" Coordinator Appointed

ELDER Raymond Hans Broderson, returned Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary of the Southern Asia Division, has been appointed by the Potomac Conference as coordinator for the current It Is Written program in the Roanoke area.

He and his family—Mrs. Broderson, Raymond, James, and Judith—are living at 1718 Oxford Street, Roanoke. Elder Broderson will be associated with Elder O. A. Canada, Pastor of the Roanoke district.

The new coordinator was ordained in 1943 at Jamestown, N. D. He has served the denomination as district leader in the North Dakota Conference from 1940 to 1946; as pastor and mission president in the Southern Asia Division in Madras, India, from 1957 to 1952; and as Union Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary for the same division in Bangalore and Karmatar, India, from 1953 to 1959.

Elder Broderson received his B.A. degree at Emmanuel Missionary College in 1939. He married in 1940 and his wife, Emma Jean, has assisted him through the years in her profession as teacher.

The Brodersons will be a real asset to the missionary prowess of It Is Written in the months that lie ahead. They are most welcome as they join with the great force of workers in the Potomac Conference.

WILLIAM E. CARPENTER

Wedding

MRS. Thelma Louise Abelson of Birmingham, Alabama and Pastor Reed Franklin Frey of Scranton, Pennsylvania, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Frey, were united in marriage on May 17 in Richmond, Virginia. The ceremony was performed by Elder Howard J. Capman, assisted by Elder Stuart R. Jayne, pastor of the Richmond First Church. The bride had been Bible instructor in Richmond prior to the time of the wedding. Elder Frey was pastor of the Yale and Emporia Churches.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Spann of Richmond. Mrs. Eugene Hawn of Marion, Illinois, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Edward Harver was the Bible boy. Dr. Joseph Koliadko of Yale, Va., served as best man. Head usher was R. L. Goff assisted by Milton Reynolds, John Hubbard and Thomas Donachy, all of Richmond. Mrs. Lillian Terreta, church organist, played the "Wedding March" and special music was sung by Mrs. Vera Shanko, sister of the organist. The selections were "O Perfect Love" and "The Wedding Prayer."

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Richmond Junior Academy. The bride and groom spent their two-week honeymoon touring the middle West. Elder and Mrs. Frey now reside in Marion, Virginia, where he serves as district pastor of the Marion and Konnarock Churches.

H. J. CAPMAN



Campus News

FIEMPERANCE teams of the College A.T.S. chapter have begun a year of appointments. Charles Fryling of Bellefontaine, Ohio, and Robert Delafield, Carl Seek, Noel Shanko, and Ken Wilson, all of Takoma Park, are team speakers. Mr. Seek and Mr. Shanko, ministerial students, are officers of the organization which has sponsored programs on the campus and in the Takoma Park and Sanitarium Churches.

▶ Mrs. Mercedes Dyer, Dean of Students, and Mrs. Elizabeth Bentley, Dean of Women, attended the annual Mental Health Institute last week at Worthington, Ohio.

▶ Dr. C. B. Hirsch, President, attended a conference on higher education, October 14, held on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

▶ The Fall Week of Prayer closes this week. Elder M. K. Eckenroth has conducted two services daily during the week, while student-led prayer bands have met each morning.

✓ Carl Seek, Takoma Park junior, attended the National Convention of the American Temperance Society recently in Denver. He is President of the College A.T.S. chapter.

Students Enroll for Fall Term



Some of the 810 students are pictured here registering for classes which began September 17. The enrollment figure as of October 1 is a record for the 56-year-old college.

Systematic Giving . . .

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of the income dollar for Sabbath school offerings. The peak was 3.7 per cent. In other words, for the above-mentioned years our Sabbath school offerings amounted to over 30 per cent of the church tithe.

"In the last extremity, before this work shall close, thousands will be cheerfully laid upon the altar. Men and women will feel it a blessed privilege to share in the work of preparing souls to stand in the great day of God, and they will give hundreds as readily as dollars are given now.

"If the love of Christ were burning in the hearts of His professed people, we would see the same spirit manifested today. Did they but realize how near is the end of all work for the salvation of souls, they would sacrifice their possessions as freely as did the members of the early church. They would work for the advancement of God's cause as earnestly as worldly men labor to acquire riches. Tact and skill would be exercised, and earnest and unselfish labor put forth to acquire means, not to hoard, but to pour into the treasury of the Lord."-Counsels on Stewardship, pp. 40, 41.

Some can and should give \$5 or \$10 as readily as some others can give 50 cents. The three-per-cent plan is for both the rich and the poor. However, if all would follow the plan it would greatly swell our mission offerings. If you find that you are exceeding three per cent, then by all means continue to do so. The three-per-cent plan should be our minimum goal. In the North American Division since 1944 our per-capita Sabbath school offerings have changed very little; however, our tithe has increased 158.6 per cent. During 1957 our Sabbath school offerings represented only approximately one and a half per cent of our denominational income dollarsbased on tithe income. In other words, the three-per-cent plan would have increased our total income for North America by approximately 50 per cent,

There is no conflict between the Biblical goal of "as God hath prospered" and the suggested three-percent plan. The Lord instituted the plan of systematic benevolence to combat the trait of selfishness which is present in every human heart.

"Men are not naturally inclined to be benevolent, but to be sordid and avaricious, and to live for self. And Satan is ever ready to present

the advantages to be gained by using all their means for selfish, worldly purposes; he is glad when he can influence them to shirk duty and rob God in tithes and offerings. But not one is excused in this matter. Let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.' The poor and the rich, the young men and the young women who earn wages-all are to lay by a portion; for God claims it. The spiritual prosperity of every member of the church depends on personal effort and strict fidelity to God."-Testimonies, Vol. 5, p. 382.

"The liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he stand" (Isaiah 32:8). Also, remember the words of the Apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 9:6, 7: "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

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Cleveland, Ohio	. 5:	35	5:25
Columbus, Ohio	. 5:	42	5:32
Jersey City, N. J	. 5:	04	4:55
Norfolk, Va	. 5:	18	5:10
Parkersburg, W. Va	. 5:	37	5:28
Philadelphia, Pa	. 5:	11	5:01
Pittsburgh, Pa	. 5:	29	5:20
Reading, Pa.	. 5:	12	5:02
Richmond, Va	. 5:	22	5:13
Scranton, Pa	. 5:	11	5:01
Toledo, Ohio	. 5:	41	5:32
Trenton, N. J	. 5:	07	4:58
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Evangelism in Ohio and West Virginia

This week on the evangelism page we are presenting three reports from different areas of the Union Conference. We are happy to share these with the readers of the VISITOR.

Evangelism at Medina

The Medina Church members have looked forward to evangelism in Medina to harvest some of the interest created during the past few years. Recognizing the need, the members united with the writer in planning for an effective program. The Medina Junior High School auditorium was available for 16 consecutive Sunday nights. We felt the keen interest in space travel merited the use of "Space Travel Lectures" as previously used. Russia cooperated in landing a rocket on the moon just before the evening meeting began.

After much prayer and considerable advertising, the meetings opened on September 13. Jay Suddleson, Mayor of Medina, offered the invocation and introduced the program committee. Under the direction of Ted Metcalf, the audience enjoyed singing favorite gospel songs. An organ-piano duet by Florence Behnner and Betty Ahnberg added greatly to the song service and evening program. Thelma Jeffreys sang "The Love of God" for our special music.

A printed Bible quiz of 10 questions was an important part of the program. Nearly three times as many people participated in the quiz as signed the literature-offering envelopes. Many visitors did not participate in either, but we would have lost the names of two-thirds of those present had we not used the Bible quiz. Undoubtedly the challenge of the questions and the hope of receiving a valuable award produced the good response.

Others assisting in the Medina effort are Ray and Lucie Hausted; Russell, Della, Sherry, and Carole

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Morrison; Jake and Freda Althans; Tom and Verna Edwards; Earl, Lois, and Elaine Williams; Sue Gideon, Margaret Goronzy, Ralph Ahnberg, Forrest Draper, Herb Goronzy, and Jim Hess. We greatly appreciate the faithful support of the Medina Church members.

"Christ for Today" Evangelistic Team Reports on Campaigns

EVANGELISM pays dividends in souls. Since the beginning of 1959 the "Christ for Today" evangelistic team has conducted campaigns in eight cities in the state of Ohio. With the blessing of heaven and the whole-hearted cooperation of local pastors, approximately 125 persons have been baptized as a result of the meetings held in the cities of Defiance, Lima, Portsmouth, Newark, Zanesville, Bucyrus, Warren, and Akron.

The Holley-Stewart team has just concluded a campaign in Akron which opened August 30 in the Adventist church. Many evenings were very warm, but the faithful folk continued to come out to hear the gospel of salvation presented in word by Pastor Holley and in song by Pastor Stewart

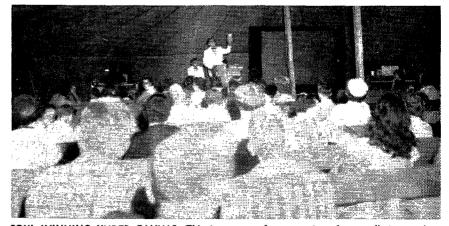
In a beautiful service on Friday evening, September 18, 21 persons were buried with their Lord in baptism, with Pastor F. E. Vessels officiating. Twenty more were baptized on September 26. These 41 souls are but the firstfruits of the Akron campaign. Pastor Vessels is continuing with meetings twice a week for those who wish to study further.

The evangelistic team has moved to the great city of Columbus where a series opened October 11 in the Hartman Theater, Third and State Streets.

We solicit the prayers of our fellow believers throughout the field that the Holy Spirit may work upon the honest in heart of this city.

> ROGER HOLLEY EDWIN STEWART

Tent Evangelism in West Virginia



SOUL-WINNING UNDER CANVAS. This is a scene from a series of evangelistic meetings held this summer by Elder G. B. Smith, Pastor of the Clarksburg, W. Va., district. Many interests were developed as a result of the meetings.