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THE 144,000

by LYNDON DEWITT, Coordinator of Evangelism, West Virginia Conference

"Then I looked again and before my eyes the Lamb was standing on Mount Sion, and with him were a hundred and forty-four thousand who had his name and his Father's name written upon their foreheads. Then I heard a sound coming from Heaven like the roar of a great waterfall and the heavy rolling of thunder. Yet the sound which I heard was also like the music of harpists sweeping their strings. And now they are singing a new song of praise before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn that song except the one hundred and forty-four thousand who had been redeemed from the earth.

There are a lot of speculators, and much speculation, about this great assembly that have an experience that no others of God's universe have had. Although there are a lot of things we do not know about this group, we find a fairly accurate picture

of their characteristics.

It is obvious that they are saved, redeemed. They were once sinners. They were once on the earth. Furthermore, they are sealed with the seal of God. "I heard the number of those who were thus sealed and it was 144,000."

This company are Sabbathkeepers, God's seal is in His law. As we examine the law of God we find that God's seal of authority as the Creator of heaven and earth is the fourth commandment. This commandment alone contains the name, the authority, and the jurisdiction of the Creator of the universe. And the 144,000 have this seal.

The 144,000 Are Faultless

This group are faultless, declared so by God. "These are the men who follow the Lamb wherever He may go; these men have been redeemed from among mankind as first fruits to God and to the Lamb. They have never been guilty of any falsehood; they are beyond reproach." ^a

The K.J.V. gives the following: "In their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God." Their language is pure—they are not gossiping, critical, faultfinding, idle, or vain in their conversation. James says, "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the

whole body."

They apparently are those living at the very end of time, saved as brands from the burning. God's plan is held up in the final stages of the world's history, until they are sealed with the seal of the living God. They "had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark." The mark of the beast has not yet been placed on the impenitent, but will be given just before the close of probation and the falling of the seven last plagues.

The 144,000 come from every station, nation, and walk of life. They no doubt are taken from every country on earth, represented by the 12 tribes of the children of Jacob. These have come out of a time of great tribulation. Daniel describes this time as a "time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation." $^{\prime\prime}$ Because they have stood for the truth in time of universal apostasy, they have been persecuted, and condemned to die. But in spite of the death decree, they have followed the Lamb carefully and fully, and in His most precious blood they have washed their robes.

Passed Through Time of Plagues

These have passed through the time of the seven plagues. They have been hungry, they have felt to some extent the scorching heat as those who receive the mark of the beast have been burned by the sun. But now they are free from suffering forever. Where they have hungered before and have been thirsty, "they will never again know hunger or thirst. The sun shall not beat upon them, neither shall there be any scorching heat, for the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will be their

shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water." ⁸
Next, John sees the same group on the sea of glass. They are in a perfect square. Having gained the victory over the mark of the beast, and having kept the Sabbath,

even in face of the decree of death, they are honored by heaven.

They have proved to the universe that character is not dependent upon circumstances. Theirs is no situation ethics. Down in the end of time, from the very dregs of humanity, God has brought forth a spotless group, absolutely perfect. They are a special group, and they sing a special song. "No one could learn that song except the one hundred and forty-four thousand who had been redeemed from the earth." 10

This is a song of their experience. They have gone through a time of trouble such as had never been known before. No one else can so appreciate the contrast between the glory they now experience and the intense suffering through which they have passed. They have seen the judgments of God on the earth. Now they see His glory. With reverence they sing, "Great and wonderful are thy works, O Lord God, the Almighty! Just and true are thy ways, thou king of the nations!" 11

I would like to know more about this 144,000, wouldn't you? Beyond what has been revealed in God's Word, it would be useless for us to speculate. But wouldn't it be wonderful to be among that group? Possibly, you, dear reader, will be. Perhaps I will be. It is obvious that they will not be the only redeemed ones, but rather they

are a special group with a special experience.

Whether or not we may be exalted to this group, only our Saviour knows. But just now let us decide to share with them the glory of the wonderful and exalted privilege of being in the new earth with our Lord—following the Lamb wheresoever

¹ Rev. 14:1-3, Phillips. The texts credited to Phillips in this article are from *The New Testament in Modern English*, © J. B. Phillips 1958. Used by permission of The Macmillan Company.
² Chap. 7:4, Phillips; ² Chap. 14:4, 5, Phillips; ² Verse 5; ² Dan. 3:2; ² Rev. 15:2; ² Dan. 12:1; ² Rev. 7:16, 17, Phillips; ² Early Writings, p. 16; ¹ ° Chap. 14:3, Phillips; ¹¹ Chap. 15:3.



THE cliché of the day is "Let's not get involved." This applies to the silent majority who stand idly by while crimes are performed and even murder committed. But it is not so with the forces of evil. Satan's battle cry is involvement, hatred, concern with self-gratifications, and "How much is there in this for me?"

The danger from without the church is our least concern. It is from within ourselves that the greatest and most decisive battles will come. The church's very foundation is being shaken, not because of want, hunger, affliction, or persecution, but because of affluence, wealth, and material blessings. It is a struggle that may cost us eternal life.

Since 1899 the Christian Record Braille Foundation has been involved in bringing the third angel's message to those without sight. The task is almost overwhelming. From 5 million blind people in the world a few decades ago to eighteen million today, the list grows continually. In the United States alone 40,000 lose their sight annually,

which means one person steps behind the veil of darkness every fifteen minutes, day and night.

One of the Foundation's newest involvements is camps for blind children. In 1969 one was held in Michigan and two in Florida. These were made possible through the cooperative efforts of the Foundation and the local conferences. Is this involvement worth while?

Let's consider Shurlene Rivers, who attended the camp for blind children at Camp Kulaqua in Florida. She heard of the camp through her piano teacher, who is blind, who heard about it on the Talking Magazine, which is sponsored by the Foundation. Shurlene was impressed with the sincere devotion of all the counselors at the camp. Bill Alford, our district representative in Georgia, had his heart tuned to subjects for the kingdom of God. He took C. M. Malcolm to visit with the family. They later attended an effort held by Elder Fordyce Detamore. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rivers, Shurlene, and her sister, Geraldine, were baptized October 18, 1969. All members of the family except Geraldine are blind.

The cost to the Foundation per camp was \$3,000. Recently requests from other conferences to hold these camps in their fields had to be set aside not because we desire to do so, but because financially speaking, the dollar just stretches so far.

The Christian Record Braille Foundation offering on May 16 will determine the evangelistic out-thrust to the many millions who live in darkness. The offering, voted by the General Conference, will be used to develop and produce doctrinal services. The urgent need is \$200,000 to continue the ten Braille and recorded Bible courses and to develop new ways of reaching blind people. Involvement is a word church members should consider carefully. Nothing stands still. Spiritually we are either moving and climbing or we are descending and backsliding. If we are not involved in church actvities. Satan will see to it that we are involved otherwise.

- I. Each morning and evening at the camps for blind children worship is conducted by the counselors.
- 2. Another high light of the summer camps for blind children is Amateur Night.
- 3. After the Braille magazines come off the press they must be gathered by hand. The complete magazine is folded on a specially designed "impact" folder, then stitched and wrapped in plastic with the address automatically attached.
- 4. Christian Record Braille Foundation has served the church as an evangelistic agent for the blind for 71 years.
- 5. Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rivers, on the right, and their two daughters, Geraldine and Shurlene were boptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church as a result of contact with literature from the Christian Record Braille Foundation.
- 6. Al Macy, 40-year veteran blind employee and now retired, is shown making the master matrix for embossing Braille.
- COVER PHOTO: For blind parents of normally sighted children the Christian Record Braille Foundation produces fullvision books. A child can look at the full-color pictures as the parent reads him a story from the Braille.













Reports of Constituency Meetings

Allegheny West

IF ONE word could be used to indicate the trend in the Allegheny West Conference during the past two years, that word would be growth.

Delegates to the second biennial session of the conference heard the conference president, Elder Donald B. Simons, report that 865 people had been baptized during the past two years. This marked the Allegheny West Conference as one of the fastest growing conferences in the North Amer-

ican Division.

The emphasis on evangelism resulted in the addition of two new churches. A tent effort in the Hilltop section of Columbus, Ohio, by Elder James A. Washington resulted in the organization of a new congregation. Stewardship Secretary Nelson Bliss held meetings in Charlottesville, Virginia, and raised up a new church.

During the biennium an office building was purchased in Columbus.

The rapid growth of the conference has brought about a critical lack of space in many churches. This has forced the conference into a heavy building program. The churches are under construction at Danville and Martinsville, Virginia, and Canton, Ohio.

A church was purchased by the Roanoke, Virginia, congregation, and land has been purchased by the Akron and Columbus Hilltop congregations. Extensive remodeling has taken place in Oberlin, Ohio.

Conference growth has also been felt in the schools. A new six-classroom addition is in use at Ramah Junior Academy in Cleveland. In Columbus a new structure with three new classrooms and other facilities has been completed. A three-room school has been constructed in Dayton also.

As might be expected in a conference with rapid growth, tithe income has increased. In 1969 the tithe total was \$654,761, nearly \$100,000 gain over the previous year.

Delegates re-elected Elder Simons as president and Elder Aaron Brogden as secretary-treasurer. The complete departmental staff was returned to office. Some adjustments were made in the make-up of the conference executive committee. Delegates also voted to continue the two-year term of office.

Ohio

The major undertaking of the Ohio Conference during the past biennial period was the launching of the It Is Written program. Delegates to the twenty-seventh biennial constituency meetings heard reports on the success of the enterprise.

With a coverage that blankets most of the State, the returns have been excellent. Since the beginning in September, 1969, 700 persons each week have requested materials. Just prior to the constituency meeting, request number 20,000 was received.

At a special constituency meeting in June, 1968, delegates voted to inaugurate an Educational Development Fund. President Philip Follett told delegates of the success of the undertaking.

He noted that \$76,333 was received from Ohio churches for the fund in 1969. This made possible the installation of heating and lighting facilities in the camp meeting pavilion. In addition, major repairs were completed on Linden Hall on the campus of Mount Vernon Academy.

Another major project of the conference during the biennium was opening of Spring Valley Academy at Centerville. This new 12-grade school has 370 students, including the lower grades, and will graduate its first class this spring.

Two other church schools, at Lima and Springfield, were opened during the past two years.

The presence of a sound financial structure was evidence in the treasurer's report given by Arthur E. Harms. The statistics showed a tithe gain of almost \$600,000 during the past two-year period.

In addition to supporting the conference program, local churches have also marked progress. Dedication services signifying the liquidation of any debt were observed at Ashtabula, Cleveland Yugoslavian, Canton, Lima, Delaware, and Lancaster. New churches were built in Findlay and Columbus. Major construction was also completed at the Mount Vernon church school.

Gains were noted in almost every phase of the conference operation, signifying the balanced program of the conference.

West Virginia

Two years ago, at their fifty-fifth biennial conference session, West Virginia delegates took a painful step and voted dissolution of their conference. This was a step forced by dwindling funds and a perpetual financial crisis.

This critical step was never carried to completion, because at a later meeting delegates voted to rescind their action. It was decided then to give the conference two more years of life and to review the situation this year.

This review never took place. As Columbia Union president Cree Sandefur told the delegates recently, "There is no need to review the future of the West Virginia Conference—it has never looked better."

Much of the credit for the dramatic change goes to a laymen's committee headed by Dr. Marian Brown, of Parkersburg. In two short years the trend of the conference has been completely reversed.

One of the first moves of the group was to raise money for evangelism. Elder Lyndon DeWitt was called as conference evangelist.

In his report to the delegates at the fifty-sixth biennial session, Elder Richard D. Fearing, conference president, told how the downward trend of the conference had been halted.

First of all, he noted, there was an increase in membership, with 265 persons being baptized. In turn, the tithe income of the conference showed an increase of \$60,000 during the biennium.

Another dramatic development took place in the eastern section of the conference at Oakland, Maryland. Lay evangelism and a campaign by Elder DeWitt resulted in the establishment of the Mountaintop church, which is now nearing the close of construction.

In addition, the Brooke Grove Foundation, Carl Howe, president, decided to build a nursing home at Charleston. This is now under construction and will be the forerunner of other similar extended-care facil-

Continued growth was in evidence in many areas. A new church was established at Parsons. Construction is nearly completed on a new church in Grafton.

The Wheeling congregation is completely remodeling its church, while extensive work has been done in the Charleston and Parkersburg churches. The delegates re-elected the entire staff for a three-year period.

west virginia

Huntington Youth Rush With Amazing Facts

"MAN, this is fun!" "Can we do it again?" "I hope we can do this same thing some more!" These and many more were the comments of the day as the young people from the Huntington church in the West Virginia Conference went out on

program Rush!

What is program Rush? It is a group of young people riding around town in the pastor's car. What are they doing? They are rushing up to people at various places and giving them Amazing Facts, with the name of the young person and his telephone number on it, in hopes that the individual contacted would like to have some of the other pieces of literature available.

The young people rush up to persons in telephone booths, walking along the streets, standing in doorways, and even working on their cars.

The responses have been everything from a forced smile, a look of bewilderment, to the throwing up of hands in midair. Some have shaken their heads and wondered what this is all about.

One young man with long hair, wearing a red crash helmet, who was just getting ready to take off on his motorcycle, leaned over the handlebars of his bike and shook his head in utter disbelief as he received an Amazing Facts folder with the caption: "It's Headed Straight for You, You Can't Outrun It.'

All in all it was an afternoon of real fun and the young people are anxious to go out again.

But the young people of Huntington do more than rush around. They visit regularly in the homes of some of the church members who have not been to church for some time or who are unable to come because of age or ill health. A local nursing home where one of our elderly members lives is on their schedule. One young woman visits the children's hospital every Sabbath afternoon spreading sunshine.

May God bless our young people! E. J. FIALHO

Pastor, Huntington Church West Virginia Conference

Meetings to Feature Hackett-Hancock Team

W. J. HACKETT and John Hancock, world leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, will be featured speakers at the summer regional meetings of the West Virginia Conference. The weekend sessions will be held in Charleston, July 3-4, and in Morgantown, July 10-11.

Also featured in Charleston will be H. M. S. Richards, Jr., and the Voice of Prophecy quartet. Our international radio group continues to be a favorite of members and nonmembers alike nearly thirty years after the radio program first became known nationwide.

Opening meeting will be Friday evening, July 3, at 7:30, in the Charleston church, 622 Kanawha Boulevard (West). All services will continue through Saturday night in the church.

The Morgantown program begins on Friday evening, July 10, at 7:30, in our sanctuary located at 437 Drummond Street. The Sabbath day services will convene in the Drummond Chapel Methodist church, a spacious air-conditioned sanctuary located just one block east of the Seventh-day Adventist church. Both Morgantown meeting places are very close to the new West Virginia Medical Center.

Pastor Hackett will also present his unusual series titled "Recharging Life's Vital Forces" in the Parkersburg church nightly at 7:30, July 5-9. Many will be making arrangements for accommodations with Parkersburg friends or public facilities in order to attend this series which deals with those natural and supernatural energies which affect the destiny of man.

Pastor Hackett served as youth leader in the Far East and president of the Atlantic and North Pacific unions before accepting his present work as a vice-president of the General Conference. Pastor Hancock has served as youth leader in California, the Great Lakes and the Pacific Northwest. For six years he has served as a world youth leader of the church. He is an accomplished accordionist and will be bringing his accordion with him for the services. Both men are exceptional speakers and will bring a rich blessing to those in attendance. R. D. FEARING

President West Virginia Conference

Washington Sanitarium and Hospital

High-Powered Room Added for Best Patient Care

It's a high-powered room! That's the special procedures room in the Xray department of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland. More than three times the intensity of electric current in conventional equipment is now available for getting an "inside view" of the human anatomy.

Examinations that require the sophisticated X-ray equipment in the special procedures room studies of heart, brain, liver, and kidneys as well as other abdominal organs and the lower extremities. These examinations are more complicated than routine chest and bone X-rays. Sometimes a dye must be injected into a patient's circulatory system via an artery or vein so the vessels will show clearer on the X-ray film.

This power dye injector is wired to a seriograph machine that supplies X-ray film as fast as six frames per second. By this procedure an entire series of films may be made showing the progress of the dye as it enters the vascular system. Movie film and a closed-circuit television monitor allow physicians to watch the injection of the dye or to observe the insertion of a catheter into selected vessels or into the heart.

In order that special procedure films may be processed, developed, and viewed in minimal time, the room has a fully-equipped darkroom, including a 90-second processor and 35mm film projector. Actually, "this room is a complete X-ray department in itself," states Robert Blom, chief X-ray technologist.

Although some of these procedures may be performed while a patient is under anesthesia, patient comfort

and convenience were of utmost concern in selecting the equipment for the special procedures room. For example, the head unit, which is used for skull, sinus, nose, mandible, eye, and internal ear examinations, may be moved to various angles to fit the patient, regardless of his physical condition. Even the examining table is a special one, for it may be moved in four horizontal directions, thus avoiding any excess movement of patients who are under anesthesia or who have multiple fractures.

"Naturally the X-ray department has become increasingly busy," states Dr. James Nelson, chief radiologist. "We are now able to provide physicians with more diagnoses and more accurate information on their patients."

This special procedures room is another step toward our goal of giving the best medical care to Washington Sanitarium and Hospital patients.

JANE ALLEN

Public Relations Department Washington Sanitarium and Hospital

Health Service Added for Hospital Employees

IN ORDER to provide the best health care for Washington Sanitarium and Hospital patients, our employees must be in good health also. Therefore, the Employees Health Services Department has been established to promote good health among the hospital employees.

This new department, under the direction of Mrs. Ione Brown, R.N., is now providing pre-employment physicals for prospective employees. Besides several laboratory tests, a chest X-ray, and a tine test for sensitivity to tuberculosis, all new employees will receive a full examination and history from the attending physician in the department. The employee will be cleared for employment if all tests and the examination are acceptable.

In the future, the Health Service Department plans to provide all employees with annual chest X-rays and routine laboratory tests. Employees will also be able to receive medical attention in this department should they become ill while on duty.

L. H. PITTON

Public Relations Director Washington Sanitarium and Hospital



The new Siemens Gigantos Tube in the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital X-ray department is demonstrated by X-ray technologists Martha Stein and Robert Blum, chief technologist.



Two Washington Sanitarium and Hospital X-ray employees demonstrate how the head unit in the Special Procedures Room is used for skull and other X-rays.



The first employee to receive a pre-employment physical at Washington Sanitarium and Hospital was Mrs. Ruth Miller (left), new coordinator of gift-shop services. Mrs. Ione Brown, R.N., is director of the new Employees Health Services Department.

Irey Elected Medical Staff President for 1970

Hugh Irey, M.D., a practicing physician in the D.C. area for nearly 25 years, is the new president of the Wash-



Hugh Irey, M.D.

ington Sanitarium and Hospital Medical Staff for 1970. Doctor Irey is a graduate of George Washington University Medical School, Class of '39. He took his internship at St. Luke's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, and a residency at Gal-

lenger Hospital in D.C. Following four and a half years in the armed services, Dr. Irey began his private practice in 1946. He has been a member of the hospital staff for the past 15 years.

HOSPITAL NEWS NOTES

Washington Sanitarium and Hospital hosted a banquet for members of the American Protestant Hospital Association recently in the hospital dining room. The association was holding its annual meeting in Washington, D.C., at the time.

Pro Musica, from Columbia Union College, under the direction of Paul Hill, provided the musical entertainment. Associate Secretary H. E. Rice of the Department of Health of the General Conference showed color slides of his recent trip to Ethiopia and the Far East.

- An all-day educational seminar for the Maryland Medical Record Association was held at Washington Sanitarium and Hospital. Some 50 medical record librarians from all over the State were able to take part in the workshops, discussion period for problem solving, and a question-and-answer period.
- A new emergency communications system now links Washington Sanitarium and Hospital with eight other hospitals in the metropolitan area. The \$7,000 unit, called HEAR (Hospital Emergency Administrative Radio), will enable the nine hospitals to have direct communications in times of national disasters, riots, wars, local large-scale accidents, and certain medical emergencies. In the future all of the hospitals will use the emergency system for blood inventories.

pennsylvania

God's Wonders Bless Evangelism in Pottstown

ELEVEN were baptized as a result of the reaping revival meetings held in the Pottstown Charlotte St. church by the then conference evangelist, Robert Taylor, late in 1969. One young couple who surrendered their lives and hearts requested to be baptized out-of-doors in a flowing river. They felt this would be following most closely the example of their Lord. Some weeks earlier they had seen their new friend, Gebhard Wunderlich, baptized in the Manatawney Creek on the Pine Forge Academy property. Victor and Dolores Scalzo felt that this was what they wanted, also.

The autumn sun was still warm when the Scalzos and their minister, Pastor Watson, entered the coolness of this swift-flowing stream. There they sealed with their vows of baptism and the sacred rite their allegiance to Christ. The members of the congregation stood on the banks and sang hymns during this inspiring service. Their friend, Gebhard, was there also with his Volkswagen camper to assist them in dressing. It was a wonderful experience. Now Gebhard and Victor are serving together as deacons in the congregation and Dolores is the chairman of the church's social committee.

Others baptized from studies and these meetings were: Paul Ott, William Reed, Mr. and Mrs. John Kanach, Ursula Bogart, Danny Blakely, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baker, and Mrs. Phyllis Bechtel. Mr. Baker came to the baptismal pool in a wheel chair. He had suffered a severe stroke over a year and a half before, but God had blessed him with sufficient recovery to come to the baptism.

Mr. Reed married the Dorcas and Community Services director of the Pottstown church, Mrs. Helen Dana, on Christmas Day following his December baptism.

God's wonders move on as the evangelism of the church progresses.

We are looking forward to working with these new members in our endeavor to win others.

W. RONALD WATSON

Pastor Pottstown Church

Watson Gives Adventist View of Child in Home

RECENTLY W. Ronald Watson, minister of the Pottstown SDA church, was invited to serve on a panel discussion regarding "The Role of the Child in the Home." The invitation came from the Lower Pottsgrove PTA which serves the township in which Pastor Watson lives. The panel included a business executive, a psychologist, a lawyer, and a clergyman. The panel was moderated by a psychologist from the local mental health center. A good response came from the presentation of the Adventist view of rearing and educating children in the home environment.

W. RONALD WATSON

Pastor Pottstown Church

Initial Thrust to Be in Secondary Education

THE Pennsylvania Conference recently appointed a five-man Education Commission to study in depth the total scope of Christian education in the Pennsylvania Conference.

An outgrowth of the Commission's first meeting was a recommendation that the initial thrust of a three-pronged education plan, elementary, secondary, and college, be directed to the secondary level of education.

Forms and other materials have been developed and sent to the entire ministerial force in an effort to ascertain the real student potential in Pennsylvania.

A special workers' meeting dealing exclusively with Christian education has been called for May 7, 1970, at Blue Mountain Academy, at which time a careful analysis will be made of needs and difficulties which we face in our educational program.

It is our purpose to make Christian education available to all our youth. It is our hope that the members of the Pennsylvania Conference will put forth a concerted effort to help our youth have the advantage of a Christian education.

Louis Canosa

Public Relations Secretary Pennsylvania Conference

Jail Band Wins Inmate and Inmate Witnesses

A JAIL BAND was formed approximately five years ago in the Erie, Pennsylvania, church by Fred Morgan, Lake Erie Junior Academy principal. This group visits the Erie County Jail each third Sabbath of the month during which time they sing hymns, give a short prayer and a talk, and distribute literature.

About one and one-half years ago an inmate received a magazine on which was the address of Thomas Taylor, an Erie church member. It impressed the man so much that he wrote to Mr. Taylor asking for more information regarding the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Mr. Taylor has been visiting the man weekly since.

In the meantime this inmate has made several contacts in the jail and is giving other inmates Bible studies. He is to be discharged in the near future and has expressed a desire to join the church.

Each month we are greeted at the jail by the attendants who have the microphone set up and everything in readiness for the program which can be heard throughout the prison.

On Christmas each inmate receives a bag containing literature, cookies, candy, and fruit.

We are praying that we will contact more inmates and make them better citizens as well as Christians.

MARY TAYLOR

PR Secretary Erie Church

A missionary band from the Erie, Pennsylvania, church visits the county jail once a month. Pictured are Fred Morgan (left) and Thomas Taylor as they leave the Erie County jail.



Reading Youth Are Church Leaders for a Day

On SABBATH, March 21, the Reading Kenhorst Boulevard church realized a "first" as the youth department of the church took over the reins and conducted both the Sabbath school and church services. Under the leadership of Fred Morgan and Lee Schappell, the youth performed the duties of pastor, Sabbath school superintendent, organist, et cetera while the regular church officers sat in the congregation. Using the popular slogans of contemporary young people, our youth presented their slogans: WE SHALL OVERCOME . . . sin. LOVE . . . God, prayer . . . POWER. An original poem was written for the occasion by Cheryl Keller entitled "God Has a Better Idea."

Members of the youth department who participated are: Tom Scalzi, Sarah Enevoldson, Cheryl Keller, Jane Tolley, Marilyn Perry, Randy Ulrich, Don Briedegam, Bonnie Welker, Cheryl Welker, Cathy Rothenberger, Carol Kasmar, David Woodruff, Terry Long, Wayne Long, Jeff Rinker, and Tony Gibson.

Many members expressed the hope that this "first" will not be the "last." A generous offering for the new youth magazine, Insight, was received. DORIS KOPKO

PR Secretary Reading Kenhorst Blvd. Church

GIVE TO

Worthy Student Fund MAY 16

On Sabbath, May 16, throughout the Pennsylvania Conference a most important offering will be received. We are appealing for a very liberal offering that can be used by the conference in a matching fund where the conference, church, and Blue Mountain Academy would assist worthy students in attending the academy. There is a great need for funds for this purpose. We sincerely hope that all will respond most liberally. We need gifts of \$500, \$250, \$100, \$50, \$25, \$10, as well as lesser amounts. Let us all give sacrificially.

> O. D. WRIGHT President



Thomas Scalzi, Sabbath school superintendent, displays one of several slogans developed by the youth department.

Faith for Today SCHEDULE FOR PENNSYLVANIA

City	Channel	Day	Time
Altoona Erie Harrisburg	24	Sun. Sun. Sun. veek)	9:30 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 9:00 A.M.
Lancaster Wilkes-Barre York	28	Sun. Fri. Sun.	7:00 A.M. 6:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M.
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	Shamokin, Sab. 6:30		

Red Cross Honors Falcon With Lifesaving Award

Because of his heroic efforts in saving the life of Gary Ebbess, Jack Falcon, 16, was voted the Red Cross Lifesaving Award.

Last December when Ervin Truitt and Gary Ebbess went through thin ice

on a Blue Mountain Academy pond, Falcon went into the icy water and helped Ebbess to shore. He then tried unsuccessfully to rescue Tru-Truitt drowned and his funeral was held at the



Jack Falcon

academy. Falcon, from Col-

legedale, Tennessee, was invited to Washington, D.C., to receive the award. He declined to go because he was unable to save his best friend, Ervin Truitt. He simply said, "I'm not a hero."

DARWIN HEISEY

PR Secretary Blue Mountain Academy



The youth who participated in the church services at the Reading Kenhorst Boulevard church, Sabbath, March 21, 1970.

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Serves Church 50 Years

Mrs. Ora Chapman, of the Steubenville, Ohio, church, 92 years of age, has been an active member for more than 50 years. She has held a number of church offices and was active in the dorcas work and faithful in church attendance until about two years ago. She was recently hospitalized with a broken hip.

Academy and University Enjoy Exchange Situation

"It's a blast," replied a student at Spring Valley Academy when asked how he liked his four new art teachers.

The teachers, Dick Fulwiler, Rosie Brewer, Laura Davango, and Lisa Patterson, are not really teachers at all but art students from the University of Dayton, a Catholic institution. They are filling the shoes of the regular instructor who had to move to another city.

"They have such good rapport," says Mrs. Evelyn Zytkoskee, associate principal. "The students enjoy young and new ideas."

Some of these ideas have the kids zealously snipping from magazines, tearing tissue paper, and sloshing glue for assemblage, using ordinary household items in a three-dimensional arrangement. Next on the agenda is print making. A display entitled "The Year 2000" showed pupil imaginings of the future with space ships, robots, and moonscapes. There was a monochromatic gray, spotted by three small white spaces saying, "Cough, cough, cough," Pollution!

"We set up these things and try to pull creativity out of them," explained Dick Fulwiler. "We kind of sneak in the theory of art—things like quality of design and texture."

Another UD enrollee, a senior in

Another UD enrollee, a senior in education, Mary Lous Brinch, is a familiar face in Spring Valley's halls. She is doing her student teaching in home economics under the supervision of department head, Mrs. Janice Hamel. Pleasure here, too, seems to be a two-way thing.

Turn about being fair, UD's audio-visual aids course has been the locale for practical demonstrations of overhead projector frames, video-tapes, and single concept films by Mrs. Hamel. These are teaching tools that she has produced in her department at the academy. In addition, she has conducted a seminar for student teachers.

T. JOHNSON

Ohio Literature Workers Hold Annual Big Week

The second week in March was the annual Big Week for the literature evangelists of the Ohio Conference. Thirty workers put in a total of 1,103 hours and delivered a total of \$10,853.89 worth of books and magazines.

Five Ohio literature evangelists are members of the \$1,000 Club—that is they have reached sometime this year a \$1,000 week. Two have made it for three different weeks, and Gerald Scull had one over \$1,000.

Elder George Rogers is the secretary of the Ohio Conference publishing department. His assistants are Danny Adels, Dana Burt, and Robert Colgain.

Chain of Influences Is Successful Evangelism

Insomnia plagued Mrs. Helen K. Harmon, of Dayton, Ohio. Trying to break the spell, she turned on the radio. The powerful all-night signal of WBAP, Fort Worth, Texas, caught her attention as she turned the dial. The Nite Owl Voice of Prophecy program, blanketing one-third of the United States daily in the early morning hours, was the answer to her soul's desire.

Not long afterward a young man called at her door and invited her to contribute to the Seventh-day Adventist World Service Appeal. Recognizing the relationship between the Voice of Prophecy and the Adventist Church, Mrs. Harmon said, "Please send someone to my home to tell me about your church."

Mrs. Ruth Spangler, Bible instructor of the Dayton Far Hills church, visited her. She found Mrs. Harmon, a Roman Catholic nurse in her sixties, to be hungering for Bible truth. Mrs. Harmon responded to an invitation to attend church. She wanted to see what Adventists are like.

The visit turned into a habit, and she became a member of Pastor W. C. Hinton's Bible class. She enrolled in the Bible-in-the-Hand study program and received personal guidance in learning the truths of the Adventist message.

Step by step the chain-reaction evangelism led this inquirer into her new experience. The climax was the It is Written crusade conducted in the Far Hills church by the Ohio Conference evangelistic team, Arnold Kraner and Roy Lemon. Mrs. Harmon attended every meeting and responded, along with 350 others, to the invitation to accept the truths presented. She was baptized recently and is enthusiastically witnessing among her friends.

It has been found that an earlier link in the evangelism chain that won Mrs. Harmon was the influence of an Adventist acquaintance through a number of years past. Many soul-winning influences blend together to enhance the great surge of evangelism spearheaded in 1970 by the It is Written telecast and its follow-up program.

CHARLES R. BEELER

Public Relations Secretary Ohio Conference

OHIO BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE Invites

All teachers and leaders of Sabbath school divisions from cradle roll through junior to attend

A PRESENTATION OF SABBATH SCHOOL MATERIALS

at the

Mt. Vernon church SUNDAY, MAY 3, 10:00 A.M. TO NOON

New felt materials for the secondquarter lessons will be shown.



Church Gives First Aid

Instruction in the Red Cross standard and advanced first aid was given at the Cincinnati First church. Mrs. Louise Parks was the instructor for the class of 21 persons. Certificates were presented by Elder Clayton R. Jepson at the conclusion of a Sabbath church service.

Interest Is High in Ohio for It Is Written

An experiment with a new use of television in connection with the It Is Written program brought 500 telephone and mail requests for Elder George Vandeman's book, *Happiness Wall to Wall*.

Since the regular program release in Cleveland could not be placed on one of the more popular stations, the response at the beginning was lighter than in some other areas. To boost the results, it was decided to use a series of six spot commercials on a better station during prime evening time, with Elder Vandeman briefly appealing for adherence to the principles that make for happy homes, and then offering the book to those who would respond.

Those responses helped to record the largest week in the history of the program—a total of 1,327 first requests for one of the books offered.

The first major effort in public evangelism to follow up the It Is Written program began in Akron on March 27, with Elder Vandeman preaching on "Hell and High Water." After Elder Vandeman's personal appearance for the opening of the campaign, Elders L. A. Kraner and Roy E. Lemon, of the Ohio Conference evangelistic team, will continue the series with the assistance of Elder Marlo Fralick, Akron pestor, and other workers.

Another innovation was used in launching the Akron campaign. A full hour It Is Written special telecast, prepared as an invitation to attend the public campaign, was aired on WAK-R TV on the night prior to the opening meeting.

Enthusiasm for the It Is Written program is high throughout Ohio.

Hour of Prayer

Gratitude and Praise

"Nothing tends more to promote health of body and of soul than does a spirit of gratitude and praise. It is a positive duty to resist melancholy, discontented thoughts and feelings—as much a duty as it is to pray. If we are heaven-bound, how can we go as a band of mourners, groaning and complaining all along the way to our Father's house?"—The Ministry of Healing, p. 251.

Maryland

A mother asks prayer for her daughter and family. The daughter and her husband have just had hepatitis and they are very weak. She also requests prayer for a son and for her son-in-law.

Ohio

"I know God hears and answers prayers, for He has answered many of mine." This reader asks prayer for healing for herself and also for her husband, her teen-age boys, and her daughter, and also for her father who is in ill health.

New Jersey

A lady who has been an Adventist for 50 years is having extreme difficulty with her hearing. She requests prayer that her hearing can be restored in order that she can understand the sermons in church and prayer meeting.

Ohio

Prayer is requested for "conversion of all my loved ones and for strength to be a better witness." This reader also asks prayer for her husband who has emphysema and is fighting a losing battle with tobacco. She also wants prayer for a neighbor who is reading *Planet in Rebellion* and says it is the most wonderful book she has ever read.

New Jersey

Prayer is requested for a sister in Miami who has cancer. Also prayer for her family.

Maryland

"Please pray for my six children, especially my oldest son. Also pray that I may better understand my children."

Ohio

"Would you please pray for my daughter who was reared in the faith but married an unbeliever and left the message." Prayer is also requested for a brother, two sisters, and a brother-in-law, and for physical healing. This reader concludes, "I do have much to be thankful for, for I have a wonderful husband in the faith."

New Jersey

A reader asks healing for his bronchial asthma.

Ohio

A woman requests prayer for her husband that he may be converted. She also writes, "Please pray also for the precious souls I take to the Bible study. Pray also that my health will be better and I will be able to do more for God's work."

Ohio

"Please pray for my husband and that the Lord will soften his heart. He used to attend church and was once the local elder."

New Jersey

"My husband and I join you in special prayer. We plan to help with Bible studies in this area. Pray for us to be able to accomplish something for God. Pray also for my health, that I may be able to do more work for God."

D.C

A reader asks healing so she will be able to attend church on Sabbath. She also requests prayer for her son, two brothers, and also loved ones. She also has some unwritten requests. This reader also suggested a prayer promise, which appears below.

Prayer Promise

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not" (Jer. 33:3).

Address all prayer requests to:

Hour of Prayer, 7710 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland 20012

potomac

Three New Ministers Join Potomac Working Force

It is always a joy to welcome new friends to the Potomac Conference family.

We are delighted that Elder C. M. Philpott and his family have come to us from Nebraska to pastor the Wayneboro, Virginia, church, and that Mr. and Mrs. Irwin McCormick have joined us in the corporation department of the Potomac Conference. Here we have a pastor, a painter, and a secretary-accountant who are going to bring us great blessings.

Pastor Philpott is a native of Clarksburg, West Virginia, and a son of Elder L. L. Philpott of the La Vida Mission, Farmington, New Mexico. He attended Columbia Union College and Union College. After graduating from Union College, he attended the Theological Seminary at Andrews University.

His ministerial experience began in the Chesapeake Conference in 1961. He interned in the Hagerstown and the Baltimore First churches. His first pastorate was the Waldorf, Maryland, church. In 1965 Elder Philpott accepted a call to the Nebraska Conference. He pastored the Norfolk and Beatrice districts.

Mrs. Philpott is the former Alma Lou Harlan. Her parents live in Luray, Virginia. The Philpotts have two boys, Daniel and Edward.

The McCormicks come from the Greater Washington, D.C. area. Mr. McCormick was employed by the Hadley Memorial Hospital. Mrs. McCormick was a secretary at the General Conference.

Natives of Texas, the McCormicks began their employ with the denomination in the Texas Conference. She worked as bookkeeper and secretary and he as conference mover.

From Texas they moved to Atlanta, Georgia. He worked in the conference maintenance department, and she in the same capacity as formerly in Texas.

The McCormicks have three married children, a son and two daughters. A daughter, Mrs. Emil Constantine, is a nurse at the Kettering Memorial Hospital in Kettering, Ohio.

The McCormicks are residing in Staunton, Virginia.



Mr. and Mrs. Irwin McCormick

We believe that their contribution to the over-all program is going to be immeasurable.

The man Saul, who later became the great apostle Paul, went to Damascus. Today our conference committee has called a man, not a Paul but Kermit I. Foss, to be the new pastor of our church in Damascus, Maryland.

It is with joy that we welcome the Foss family—wife Phillis, daughters Carol and Marilyn, and son Paul.

Elder Foss is a native of Fridley, Minnesota. He attended Southern Missionary College and Atlantic Union College. He graduated from the latter in 1944.

After graduation he began his work as an assistant Book and Bible House manager in Northern New England Conference. In 1948 he was elected Book and Bible House manager of the Minnesota Conference. He was appointed district pastor and assistant treasurer of the conference in 1961.



Elder and Mrs. C. M. Philpott, Daniel and Edward.



Elder and Mrs. Kermit I. Foss

Following this he was pastor in Markato and Bernidji churches in the same conference.

The Foss family moved to West Virginia in 1967. He pastored the Buckhannon district for one year. From 1968-1970 he served as secretary-treasurer of the West Virginia Conference.

Mrs. Foss is the former Phillis Jackson, of Minneapolis, Minnesota. A daughter, Carol, is a student at Columbia Union College, Marilyn and Paul attend Takoma Academy.

Elder Foss is a soul winner. He is dedicated and filled with the spirit of Christ. Already the church mem-

New Camp Meeting Schedule

Potomac Conference will not have a full ten-day camp meeting in 1970. They have cancelled their plans for the August 13-22 meetings, as previously announced, and are now planning the following weekend meetings:

June 27 July 4

July 11

July 18

New Market

Roanoke

Takoma Park (Takoma Academy)

Richmond

bers are responding, and we believe the greatest days for soul winning and advance for the church in Damascus are just ahead.

FENTON E. FROOM, SR.

President Potomac Conference

Potomac Soul-winning Goal Is 1,000 in 1970

SEVEN Go Tell meetings were held in the Potomac Conference from January 24 through March 8. Reports of soul winning in 1969 were brought through interviews. Plans for 1970 soul winning were projected.

The Shenandoah Valley Academy Shentones under the direction of Victor Hilbert, and the Five Brass Men, directed by Jack Boyson, presented musical programs at the rallys.

Fenton E. Froom Sr., president of the Potomac Conference, challenged the Potomac members and pastors to win 1,000 souls in 1970. Meetings were held in Wytheville, New Market, Tidewater Jr. Academy, Richmond, Lynchburg, Vienna, and Takoma Park.

Dedicated Laity Is Key to Church Doubling Goal

MERLE MORRIS, the lay activities leader of the Bladensburg Seventh-day Adventist church, announced recently that the church raised a total of \$7,000.06, a double Vanguard plus.

Mr. Morris, who is also the Pathfinder director, stated that out of the 35 Jasper Wayne awards earned, 24 of them were earned by the Bladensburg Pathfinders.

The Bladensburg church doubles its goal not by chance, but by dedicated laity. There were young and old, even a mother with a babe in arms, who came out to participate in this missionary activity. They all had the same goals—seeking God's lost sheep and raising funds to help serve mankind.

On January 31 the church celebrated this happy occasion by holding their Ingathering banquet at the Old Mill. The men of the church planned, prepared and served a spaghetti dinner thus honoring the ladies of the church for their faithfulness in the Ingathering program. After dinner a delightful



Mr. and Mrs. Merle Morris, of Lanham, Maryland, members of the Bladensburg Seventh-day Adventist church, are good examples of dedicated and enthusiastic workers for the Lord in the Ingathering program. Mrs. Morris raised \$363.52. In addition, Mrs. Morris worked with 8 to 10 youngsters each night. The children raised \$1,175.97.

music program was enjoyed by all.

We are thankful the Lord blessed this project and for the way the public has contributed to the Ingathering program.

ANN DUBBS

Associate Press Secretary Bladensburg Church



R. A. Bata (left), lay activities secretary of the Potomac Conference, and George Fainer (right), pastor of the Hampton church interview a family at the GO TELL Rally at Tidewater Junior Academy.



Jack Boyson (right) directed the "Five Brass Men" from Shenandoah Valley Academy.

Thirty-five members of the Bladensburg church reached Jasper Wayne goals. Pastor Don Rima is in the front row at the right.



The Douglas De Silva family raised \$1,400. Three of the children reached double Jasper Wayne goals.







COLUMBIA UNION COLLEGE



A trio of presidents—past, present, and future—survey the buffet meal at CUC's Alumni Homecoming '70 banquet. Elder Jesse Gibson is the immediate past president of the CUC Alumni Association. In the middle is the president-elect of Columbia Union College, Dr. George Akers. Dr. Winton Beaven, present president, leads the line.

Akers Believes Student Commitment Is Very Deep

A RECORD-SHATTERING number of Columbia Union College alumni participated in the events of Homecoming 70 in early April.

Nearly 250 persons attended the traditional banquet, held for the first time in the dining room of CUC's new campus center. There the alumni met Dr. George Akers, '47, president-elect of the college.

Recalling his years as a student, Dr. Akers said, "I found out what God wanted me to do with my life at CUC. On this campus I was turned on for God."

The president-elect asserted that students are still being turned on for God at CUC "even though they may use a different vocabulary or dress differently. Their commitment to the church is just as deep as ours."

Dr. Akers, vice-president for academic affairs at Walla Walla College, will become CUC's thirteenth chief executive sometime in July when Dr. Winton H. Beaven moves to Kettering, Ohio, as dean of Kettering College of Medical Arts.

Potomac Conference secretary of education Wayne Foster, '45, presented the principal address at the banquet. His class marked its twenty-fifth anniversary during Homecoming '70.

Several members of the Golden Anniversary Class of 1920 attended the weekend festivities. Active participants in various programs from this honored group included William H. Spicer, Merle Silloway, Nicholas Lessner, and Harry House, Sr.

Homecoming '70 opened with a Friday evening program in Sligo church produced by Dr. Lloyd Mauldin, '45, chairman, CUC department of education. A panel of alumni considered the question, "Is CUC static or dynamic?"

Dean Gordon Balharrie, '45, from Walla Walla College's school of theology, delivered the homecoming sermon on Sabbath.

Alumni jammed H.M.S. Richards chapel for the annual business session of the CUC Alumni Association. Completing their two-year terms, President Jesse O. Gibson, '36, General Conference statistical secretary, and Treasurer Emily Cowling, '60, an office secretary at the GC, presented their final reports.

Named by the association as honorary alumni of CUC were:

* Aubrey Kinzer, director of general services at CUC, who, according to Dr. Beaven, "is more necessary to the efficient running of this institution than the president."

* Dr. William Loveless, pastor of the Sligo church, who has been spiritual big brother to hundreds of CUC students during the past twelve years.

* Katie Farney, an office secretary at the GC, who has faithfully supported alumni-sponsored scholarship and building fund-raising programs even though she is not a graduate of CUC.

As the business session concluded, President Gibson called for an election-results report from Alumni Association executive secretary Eunice Rozema.

New treasurer: Richard Harper, '52, accountant for the International Temperance Association.

New president: Elder Albert B. Butler, '41, secretary-treasurer, Columbia Union Conference.



Fifty years ago these people were members of the senior class of 1920 at Columbia Union College. Here they meet to eat at the traditional banquet concluding the festivities of Homecoming '70.

PHOTOS BY DAN IFES

Columbia Union College Advancement

Following are some recent actions in capsule form relating to the advancement office of Columbia Union College.

- Follow-through letters to each conference president regarding need to share facts of fire and board action for building future of CUC at constituency meetings.
- 2. College advancement committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. Walter Dorn, met and, among other things, authorized the establishment of faculty-student Summer Representation Task Force to recommend coordinated summer program for field, with special emphasis on planning for opportunities presented by the General Conference session this year.
- Student groups working with advancement office on local church visitations, matching gift corporation fund-raising in the Columbia Union Conference, and provision of student volunteers to staff advancement projects.
- Alumni Association raised more than \$11,000 cash for Fire Emergency Fund to date.
- Alumni Association executive committee has taken favorable action on proposal to involve association in national recruitment effort and to participate in Career Counseling Day, perhaps jointly with Student Association next fall.
- A new Steinway grand piano has been anonymously donated to the music department and a donor has been found to assist in the purchase of a new college bus on terms highly favorable to the college.

Director for Advancement Columbia Union College RON WYLIE

chesapeake

Hagerstown-Mount Aetna Has Assistant Pastor

The Hagerstown-Mount Aetna, Maryland, churches are fortunate to have secured the services of Kevin Howse as assistant pastor. Kevin was born in Australia, at the Sidney Sanitarium, in 1947 and received his edu-



Kevin Howse

cation in Australia, where he graduated from Avondale College with a B.A. degree in theology.

He spent seven years in Fiji while his father was treasurer of the Central Pacific Union Mission. Pastor Howse spent two summers

as a student colporteur evangelist while attending Avondale College. This fine young man will be a great strength to the work in our churches. May God's blessing attend his ministry.

> J. A. JARRY Secretary

Public Relations Secretary Chesapeake Conference

Vocational Class Uses Adventist Cookbook

BETTY MAE HARTMAN, of Salisbury, faced with the necessity of earning a living for her four children, decided to learn to cook for some Adventist institution. Because she is a recent widow, county officials gave her free tuition in the cooking department of the district vocational school.

Starting with the January class, Betty took with her, *Dining Delight*fully. She explained that she would have to be able to prepare dishes described in its pages.

The instructor, as she examined its 450 recipes, was amazed to find the many good protein dishes that could be prepared at a low cost. Other members of the class asked to have for assignments such appetite teasers as cottage cheese loaf, walnut roast, garbanzo and nut relish, and tamale olive pie.

Betty Mae found that there are other kinds of books besides those on doctrines that advertise the desirability of the Adventist way of life. Harold Hartman, Betty's husband, had been ill much of the time since their baptism. Sometimes he thought that he had been in the hospital as much as out of it. Finally, before the end of 1969 he felt well enough to work. He found a job in the poultry industry on a Friday afternoon. The employer asked him to come to work the next morning. Harold replied, "I'm sorry, but I do not work on the seventh day, Sabbath. I'll come on Sunday if you want me to."

Sunday was his first day at work for two weary years, but it became his last day on earth. Before the day was ended he was killed in an accident.

Betty tells her children, "We must be loyal to our faith, and meet daddy in the kingdom when Jesus comes."

JEANNETTE T. WORTH Allen, Maryland

Farewell Sermon Stresses Satan's Battle for Minds

PASTOR Bruce A. Hinckley recently preached his farewell sermon as pastor of the Patuxent Seventhday Adventist church on the subject "Battle for the Mind," stressing Satan's efforts to capture our thinking.

Pastor Hinckley has accepted an appointment to the Clinton, Maryland, district, where he assumed his duties on March 21. The new district includes the Waldorf and Clinton, Maryland, churches.

Pastor Hinckley has been pastor of the Patuxent, Waldorf, and Prince Frederick, Maryland, churches since January I, 1968, when he and his family came here from Andrews University in Michigan.

Pastor Hinckley has been a faithful worker and the work has advanced under his leadership.

Under his leadership the Patuxent church doubled its membership. Pastor Hinckley has led out in the erection of the new Prince Frederick church and has set up a district church school.

The members of the Patuxent church will greatly miss the able leadership of this minister of God. We wish the best of success to Pastor Hinckley and his family in their new location.

ALLEN BUCKLER

Patuxent Church

Gary Deem Is Prince Frederick's New Pastor

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT W. R. May recently installed Gary Deem as the new pastor of the Prince Frederick, Maryland, church.

Pastor Deem is a graduate of Columbia Union College. He has served as



Gary Deem

pastor-teacher in the West Virginia Conference for two years. Beginning in 1968, he served as principal of the Blythedale, Maryland, elementary school and assistant pastor of the Blythedale-Rising Sun, Maryland, district

until he received a call to serve as assistant pastor of our Hagerstown-Mount Aetna, Maryland, churches in early 1970.

Pastor and Mrs. Deem have three lovely children: Mike, 6 years; Karla, 4 years; and Mark, 2 years.

It is felt that the Prince Frederick church is destined to surge forward in soul winning. May the Lord greatly bless Pastor Deem's ministry.

J. A. JARRY

Public Relations Secretary Chesapeake Conference

Gifford Is New Head of Chesapeake Departments

Our office family recently joined in welcoming Pastor Steve Gifford to our working force. Pastor Gifford began his work as a ministerial intern in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, where he served for two years. In 1967 he was



Steve Gifford

called to teach Bible in our Greater Baltimore Academy.

Pastor Gifford was

appointed as district leader of the Laurel-Reisterstown churches in January, 1968. Under his able leadership the Laurel church has increased its member-

ship from 105 to 230.

It is felt that our Sabbath school and lay activities work will greatly benefit as Pastor Gifford leads our membership into active soul-winning work.

We welcome Steve and Beverly Gifford, and their two sons.

J. A. JARRY

Public Relations Secretary



Mr. and Mrs. Don R. Keele, with children. Standing in back are Pam and Donnie. Oneyear-old Michelle is beside her mother with Rusty behind her.

New Principal Selected for Highland View Academy

REJOICE with us! Don Keele, now principal of Madison Academy, has accepted our call to become principal of Highland View Academy for the coming school year. Don is a real sparkler with unusual ability and drive. He is a graduate of Southern Missionary College and is finishing his M.A. at Middle Tennessee State University. Don has served as dean of men in two academies, as principal of several elementary and intermediate schools, as well as principal of Madison Academy.

His wife, Della, and he have four children: Pam, 12 years; Donnie, 11 years; Rusty, 8 years; and Michelle, 1 year. The Keeles are excited about coming to HVA, and so are we. Don has many excellent ideas that will affect the growth and development of the school. He believes attendance will reach 300 in the next three or four years.

We believe that God has led in a most unusual manner in bringing the Keeles to the academy.

W. R. MAY

President Chesapeake Conference

Remember

World Concern Offering

MAY 23

Coming to the Chesapeake Conference



JAN DOWARD



Author of Battle Ground and his latest best-seller, The Seventh Escape, telling the thrilling story of his conversion

EASTERN SHORE AREA

Friday, May 8, 7:00 P.M. Caesar Rodney High School Camden-Wyoming, Delaware, Just out of Dover

WASHINGTON AREA CHURCHES AND SOUTHERN MARYLAND

Sabbath, May 9, 3:30 P.M.

Spencerville Junior Academy gymnasium Spencerville, Maryland

GREATER BALTIMORE AREA

Saturday, May 9, 7:00 P.M.
Greater Baltimore Junior Academy gymnasium
100 S. Rock Glen, Baltimore, Maryland

WESTERN MARYLAND AREA

Sunday, May 10, 7:00 P.M. Highland View Academy gymnasium Hagerstown, Maryland

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THIS HEART-WARMING PROGRAM

new jersey



Elder Ron Rodgers, director of education, MV, and temperance departments in New Jersey, demonstrating the evils of smoking, with the help of Smoking Sam.

Rodgers and Smoking Sam Lecture at High School

"I THOUGHT the first part of the film was O.K., but a little corny. The second part I thought was cool. I've never seen a real operation before. When they showed that guy's chest, I never thought that they would let us see him being cut open. This film has sure taught me something. I don't smoke now and I don't plan on starting. I'm sure going to try and get my parents to try and stop. Thanks. K. Preston."

"I think that your program was very effective for the cigarette smokers. I had no idea that cigarettes were that vicious. It would be great to put a special program like this on television. Thanks. Bill Meyer."

"I don't smoke now and I hadn't planned to smoke either. And after seeing the film and hearing the lecture you gave, I know that I will never start. And I plan on trying to stop my parents and boyfriend and friends. Thanks a lot for the advice. Cheryl. McGuire."

These are some of the notes that Elder Ron Rodgers received after holding a Stop Smoking Clinic at North Burlington County Regional Junior and Senior High School, just south of Trenton. He has spent five full days at the school, lecturing and using Smoking Sam to demonstrate the harmful effects of tobacco. He also used the film, Count Down.

His first visit was arranged by a student after he had seen Smoking Sam. Since that time the other four days' meetings have been at the invitation of teachers.

One of the teachers confided in Elder Rodgers that in the past she had lacked a motive to quit smoking but after attending one of these sessions and viewing Count Down she had plenty of motive. She quit some time ago and hasn't smoked since. The principal, assistant principal, and teachers know of several young people that have also quit.

One 8th-grade boy during the course of the program took his pack of cigarettes and twisted and destroyed the pack before the whole class. Mr. Rodgers has since checked with the teachers and this student is still not smoking.

There are five Action Units in New Jersey working with schools and Home and School Associations, alerting as many as they can to the harmful effects of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs.

Broeckel and Family Take up Duties in New Jersey

HERBERT H. BROECKEL is the new stewardship, public relations, and religious liberty secretary of the New Jersey Conference. Elder Broeckel comes to Trenton from Nashville, Tennessee, where he has been pastor of the Bordeaux church, where many of the Southern Publishing Association workers worship.

Our new departmental secretary is returning to New Jersey after an absence of 18 years. Born in Plainfield, he attended church school in Paterson and Hackensack, was baptized in the Paterson German church and attended Plainfield Academy one year. After graduation from Shenandoah Valley Academy, he received a B.A. from Columbia Union College in 1959 and an M.A. in applied and systematic theology from Andrews University in 1960. Prior to his working in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, he pastored in Waynesboro, Staunton, Harrisburg, Elkton, and Fredericksburg, Virginia, in the Potomac Conference.

Mrs. Broeckel, the former Carolyn Jean Rauch, of Norristown, Pennsylvania, is a registered nurse and received her B.S. degree from Columbia Union College in 1959. She has worked in a number of hospitals and is now a full time housewife raising their two



Elder and Mrs. Herbert Broeckel, Gail and Greg.

children, Gail Kathryn, age 6, and Greg Douglas, age 3. We welcome these folk to our conference family.

New Jersey Welcomes New Secretary and Family

CHERYL TAYLOR is the new office secretary in the New Jersey Trenton office. Since graduation in 1966 from Pacific Union College, where she also attended grade school and academy, she has worked as a secretary at Loma Linda University. She comes to New Jersey from the university Department of Personnel where she was head secretary.

She has lived in California most of her life, but has traveled in 46 States and Canada and spent one summer in Mexico. She lived one year each in Michigan and in Virginia, where she was born at Farmville.

Her hobbies are playing the piano, singing, sewing, and working, which is a good thing, as she will be secretary to Elder Ron Rodgers and Elder Herb Broeckel.

Miss Taylor has two sisters, one brother, and a father who has recently moved to Waldwick, New Jersey, and so we really welcome all the family to the Garden State.

Cheryl Taylor





GARDEN STATE ACADEMY CHOIR singing at the evangelism weekend in the Trenton church.



Elder George Woodruff Interviewing David Azzolina. Seated left to right: S. R. LaRosa, pastor, Burlington-Mt. Holly district; W. B. Quigley, president, New Jersey Conference; Gordon Dalrymple, of Faith for Today; William Rorick, pastor of New Shrewsbury and Toms River churches; and A. J. Stewart, pastor of the Trenton church.

New Jersey Plans Solidly for Successful Crusade

EvangeLism weekend in Trenton highlighted the advanced planning that makes modern evangelism successful. The New Jersey Conference is promoting evangelism in 1970 with three major campaigns and scores of meetings by district pastors and departmental men in key cities throughout the State.

The most massive will be the Faith for Today Crusade with Elder Gordon Dalrymple for three weeks, beginning September 25, 1970. Big success takes big plans and Trenton has them. The Amazing Facts Broadcast was begun seven months ago, a joint church and conference venture. It is heard Monday through Saturday at 7:05 A.M. and Sundays at 6:45 P.M. on WTTM. Elder George Woodruff, conference evangelism coordinator, says this program will also help build up other meetings in nearby districts.

The March 13-16 weekend evangelism rally featured two choirs, films, personal instructions, and interviews. There was an excellent attendance.

The Friday night spiritual feast included a concert by the Columbia Union College Choir, directed by Paul Hill, and a message from the up-coming crusade director, Gordon Dalrymple, sandwiched between two enjoyable Faith for Today films. The Sabbath services were enriched by special music from Garden State Academy students and the morning message was presented by Elder Dalrymple. Members from surrounding churches attended the afternoon rally which featured a well-received concert by the Garden State Academy choir directed by Elbert Anderson.

Young David Azzolina told of how he got started taking AMAZING FACTS and of his search to find the



David Azzolina showing Elder Gordon Dalrymple, of Faith for Today, how he found the conference office telephone number in the telephone book.

church responsible for this literature. He finished the course, was baptized, and is now attending the New Shrewsbury church.

Trenton pastor, A. J. Stewart, is looking for laymen to help him contact and visit the 1,200 names in the church interest file. How many others like David are thinking about spiritual things? How many church members in Trenton and elsewhere will help find out?

We'll soon know in Trenton. On March 28 Elder Stewart began Saturday night evangelistic meetings, which will continue until the Faith for Today Crusade opens. On September 25 Faith for Today's public relations director, Elder Gordon Dalrymple, comes to Trenton for three weeks of meetings and several weekends of follow-up. Take the enthusiasm of rally weekend, add much hard work

and fervent prayer, visiting laymen, preaching ministers, radio programs—all the advanced planning that makes modern evangelism successful—and with the Holy Spirit's blessing you get revival fire in Trenton.

HERBERT BROECKEL

Public Relations Secretary New Jersey Conference

Five-Day Plan Creates Interest in Bridgeton

The recent Bridgeton church Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking was preceded by a week of spot announcements on the local radio station and was covered by the Bridgeton News.

A talk by Dr. David Messinger, Wilmington physician, on opening night was greatly appreciated. Other featured personalities helping in the Plan included a local non-Adventist cardiologist, Violet Jones and Edith Linder, both health nurses connected with the Cumberland County Board of Health. Additional talks and films were shown by Bridgeton Pastor G. B. Lindquist. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harvey, of Salem, demonstrated SMOKING SAM, the mechanized manikin who continues to survive in spite of inhalations of nicotine.

At the close of the session, the 26 members who had registered greatly benefited and expressed a genuine, warm thanks. Follow-up meetings were held one night each for two successive weeks in the homes of Plan participants who exhibited a curiosity regarding our health message.

The Plan reached many searching for an out from this habit and created a real interest and established a climate for further community relations.

EBBA M. LINDQUIST

Press Secretary Bridgeton Church

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Personal Contacts Win Four at Akron-Bethel

Pastor James W. Thomas baptized nine people in the Akron-Bethel church on a recent Sabbath. Four of these people were won to Christ through personal contacts. In 1964 Mrs. Rudolph Rice was a visitor in the home where Mrs. Jessie Wheeler, a Bible worker, and Mrs. Rena Lawrence and Mrs. Jessie Partlow were conducting a Bible study. She became interested and asked Mrs. Wheeler to give Bible studies to her and her husband.

After completing the Bible studies, Mrs. Wheeler invited the couple to attend Sabbath services at the church. They did attend occasionally. They also went to some of Elder C. D. Brook's evangelistic meetings during his ministry at the Cleveland-Glenville, Ohio, church.

Recently Mr. Rice gave his heart to the Lord and was baptized.

VESTORIA COLEMAN

Press Secretary Akron-Bethel Church

Allegheny West News Notes

- Pastor Carl R. Rogers, a recent graduate of Andrews University Seminary, is the new pastor of the Erie, Pennsylvania, and Ashtabula, Ohio, churches.
- There was great rejoicing at the Mount Zion SDA church on the sixth of September when the members learned that they were the first church in the conference to sing the Ingathering victory song. When the Ingathering program was launched, several members of the church were absent, due to illness and other reasons, thus leaving about half the church to raise the goal. These few dedicated members rallied together and worked hard, making it possible to "let Mount Zion rejoice" and sing the victory song in one week. Elder Samuel Thomas, conference lay activities secretary, was the inspiring speaker when the Ashtabula, Ohio, and Erie, Pennsylvania, churches, the first victory district, had a joint meeting to celebrate the Ingathering victory for both churches and to praise God for the great things He had done.



Eddie Means instructing candidates before Akron-Bethel baptism.

On that Sabbath, although the church had already reached its goal, Robert Tate and family fanned the flames that were already burning when they presented to the Erie lay activities leader a large Ingathering can containing \$197.97 in change and dollar bills. Not stopping there, the next Sabbath, he returned with \$38.77 in his can, making a total of \$236.74. Other individuals raising outstanding goals were Mrs. Bertha Beard, \$105.87; Mrs. Jettie B. Knight, \$80.75; and Juanita Wilson, a teen-ager, \$58.40.

• In October, Pastor Rogers introduced two Heaven-inspired programs to the church. The first called "A Quarter and a Can." The church

took the vision and made it a reality. Each Sabbath, as the members came to church, they brought not only their Bibles and hymnals under their arms, but also a can of food in one hand and a quarter in the other. Even the sildren came with their quarters and cans. During the lay activities period, to the sound of marching music, the members marched to the front of the church, placed the cans to the side and the quarters in a basket on the table. During December, cans were also solicited from friends and neighbors to bolster what they personally sacrificed.

The success of the program was evident in the results. The total amount of money given in quarters by Christmas was \$100. This small church of only 22 members presented 15 beautiful boxes of food, each box containing, in addition to the cans, fresh and frozen foods and candy for the children. Once again the Star of Bethlehem shone brightly for the needy families helped during the Christmas season.

The church plans to continue this program throughout the year with hopes of starting a Health and Welfare Center.

Mount Zion, "the church where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord of all," aims to carry the message to all the world of Erie, Pennsylvania, in the year of 1970. Watch for more inspiring news from the top of the conference.

Mrs. Tecora Rogers

Press Secretary Erie, Pennsylvania, Church

As a result of the Quarter and a Can project, 15 baskets are here being prepared to be distributed to the needy at Christmas time. Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Knight; Mrs. Beard, Health and Welfare leader; and Head Deacon McCollum.





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Stations in the network are WGTS, Washington; WSMC, Collegedale; KUCV, Lincoln; WAUR, Berrien Springs; KGTS, Walla Walla; KANG, Angwin; KLLU, La Sierra; KEMR, Loma Linda; and VOAR, St. Johns.

Arrangements are available whereby local conferences or churches may have another station link into the telephone net for the release of the broadcasts either on paid time or public service. Conference radio-television secretaries have details of this service.

Director of the releases is Dr. Don Dick, head of the communications department at Southern Missionary College. Coordination of the programs is under the supervision of the General Conference Radio-Television Department.

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Orlo Gilbert

Southern Missionary College Collegedale, Tennessee 37315

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SUNSET CALENDAR

Daylight Saving Time May May May

	May	May	May	May
City	1	8	15	22
Baltimore, Md.	7:59	8:06	8:13	8:19
Cincinnati, Ohio	8:31	8:37	8:44	8:50
Cleveland, Ohio	8:24	8:31	8:38	8:45
Columbus, Ohio	8:26	8:33	8:40	8:47
ersey City, N.J.	7:52	7:59	8:06	8:12
Norfolk, Va.	7:54	8:00	8:06	8:12
arkersburg, W. Va.	8:19	8:26	8:33	8:39
hiladelphia, Pa.	7:55	8:02	8:09	8:15
Pittsburgh, Pa	7:15	8:22	8:29	8:36
Reading, Pa.	7;59	8:06	8:13	8:19
Richmond, Va	7:59	8:05	8:11	8:17
Roanoke, Va.	8:10	8:16	8:22	8:28
cranton, Pa.	8:00	8:07	8:14	8:21
oledo, Ohio	8:33	8:40	8:47	8:54
renton, N.J.	7:54	8:01	8:08	8:14
Washington, D.C.	8:00	8:08	8:14	8:20

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Religious Liberty Department, Columbia Union Conference Elvin Benton, Secretary

MARYLAND REJECTS PAROCHIAID

For a wide variety of reasons, not all of them religious, Maryland's General Assembly has adjourned without granting public money for private schools.

In a 72-64 vote in the House of Delegates, defeat came for a bill which would have provided State money for salaries of teachers of secular classes

in nonpublic (mostly parochial) schools.

Opponents of the highly controversial measure, while hailing the defeat as a significant victory, admit that the proposal is not dead. No doubt a similar bill will face the 1971 legislature, since many of those voting Nay this year are known to be awaiting the report of a study commission appointed last fall by Gov. Marvin Mandel. Much will depend on whether or not the commission gives State aid to religious schools a favorable nod. Governor Mandel was known to be opposed to the passage of any aid bill before the commission, headed by prominent Maryland educator Otto Kraushaar, renders its report expected late this year.

The aid bill was opposed by Jewish groups, civil liberties advocates, churchstate separationist organizations, parent-teacher councils, and even committees of Catholic laymen. Maryland superintendent of schools James Sensenbaugh expressed open opposition, asserting that the granting of tax money for private schools would weaken the State's public schools.

AND PRAYERS, TOO

Maryland's legistlature followed up its religious school tax support ban with a stinging defeat for advocates of prayers in public schools.

Introduced despite Supreme Court prohibitions, bills introduced late in the legislative session would have provided for Bible reading and prayer during daily opening classroom exercises.

Debate on the measures made it clear that resistance arose from opposition to publicly conducted religious exercises. No desire was expressed to stifle individual students' silent devotions, quiet scripture reading, or even making reference to a belief in God.

We can't help wondering whether Christian citizens who advocate teacherconducted prayer and Bible reading would want their children publicly taught from the Koran if they lived in a country, with purported religious freedom, with a majority of Mohammedans. Would they? Would you?

personality profile

Biologist, Writer, Professor

by RICHARD LEE FENN

Assistant to the President Columbia Union College

To the professional world of biology in which he moves, he is Prof. Lester E. Harris; but to the students of Columbia Union College he's just "Prof." A campus institution for 20 years, Harris easily wins the confidence of his pupils and the respect of his colleagues for his work as chairman of the college's department of biology.

A native of Takoma Park, Lester Harris began his career as a carpenter and auto mechanic. After four years' service in the South Pacific with the Army Medical Corps (which gained him a two-star unit citation), he returned to Columbia Union College in 1946 to earn his Bachelor's degree. Further studies took him to the University of Maryland for a Master's in zoology, and postgraduate work at Cornell in vertebrate zoology. Harris' teaching career began at Columbia Union College when he worked as a graduate assistant in the biology department in 1949. Since then he has served as instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and chairman of that same department.

Lester Harris' work in the field of herpetology (reptiles) has gained him the attention of many scholars. His articles have appeared in numerous academic journals; he is presently assistant editor of *Outdoor World*, covering the biological side of nature.

His love for snakes is probably Harris' most renowned characteristic. He maintains a well-stocked snake lab near his office in the science building, where he conducts much of his research. His *Brief Guide to Snake Bite* is a classic document on a subject with which he is all too painfully familiar.

Professor Harris' classes are among the



Prof. Lester E. Harris, chairman of department of biology, Columbia Union College.

most popular offered at CUC, as the students enjoy his kind and humorous approach to teaching. His personality shines through best when he is at the college biological field station near Headwaters, Virginia. He teaches there during the summer trimester with several others from the department. Harris is the founder and director of the station, now in its thirteenth year of operation. Twenty-seven students are scheduled to attend this year's session.

One of the more interesting projects he hopes to realize at the station this summer concerns turtles. Harris and his assistants will mount radio transmitters on the back of several box turtles to chart their migration habits. The new space-age system will replace an older method where spools of white thread were attached to the shells; apparently other animals were tampering with the string.

Another event (since 1960) in Lester Harris' life is the annual excursion to Florida. He and 35 students will travel the State during the April break, visiting the Florida Seaquarium and Serpentarium, the Everglades National Park, and Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary.

Lester Harris has his finger in many pies. In addition to teaching his regular class load at CUC, he is conducting a class in science and religion for ministers in the Ohio Conference at Worthington. He will travel to New Mexico this month to develop a series of films on science and religion. In March he will chair a symposium on environmental pollution at American University.

Professor Harris manages to be just about everything to everybody.