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Deskside Chats



"There Shall be Signs . . . in the Moon"

MAN is on the moon!

As I sit at my desk in Singapore this afternoon of July 21, 1969, two intrepid American astronauts, Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin, are resting in their lunar module. It, in turn, is resting on the moon.

Since 12 hours ago, when the Space Control Center in Houston, Texas, told them they were cleared for lunar landing, they have been in continuous and strenuous activity. Their touchdown on the moon's surface was one of history's shining moments of high drama. Then, eagerly spurning their scheduled rest period, they began working through the items on their lunar program. Donning space suits, depressurizing the cabin, emerging through the narrow hatch, clambering down the ladder, learning to move about with the combined handicaps of clumsy space clothes and one-sixth gravity, collecting moon surface samples—all the time keeping up a careful commentary, aware that they were being heard and seen by an audience estimated at 500,000,000—they have earned these hours of rest.

Their unique spacecraft, appropriately named "Eagle," its spidery appearance belying its sophisticated mechanical and electronic wizardry, stands poised for the blast-off which will take it back to the moon-orbiting command module, its mother vehicle. And an admiring world, excitement tinged with apprehension, waits for welcome word that its latest heroes are once more safe on earth.

It is an incredible achievement. Our world will never be the same again. Man's restless quest to expand his frontiers has added a new dimension. Today's conquest brings reality to yesterday's science fiction.

What does it mean

- . . . to the ingenious inventors of space hardware?
- . . . to the astronomer?
- . . . to statesmen?

What does it mean to the Seventh-day Adventist Church?

- . . . to our prophetic interpretation?
- . . . to our plans for giving our message world wide?
- . . . to YOU?

"There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars." Luke 21:25. Some have been concerned because the events we have traditionally assigned as fulfillments of this prophecy occurred more than a hundred years ago. But God is serenely unworried. Today He updated the prophetic picture.

Our interpretation can now be just as modern as modules on the moon!

PS The next few hours after this was written saw the final dramatic success of the whole Apollo 11 mission. This gives added emphasis to the importance of "Signs . . . in the moon."

Cordially,

P. H. Eldridge

Paul H. Eldridge, President

Medical Missionary in Vietnam

"Tet" Offensive Emphasizes Medical Needs in War-Torn South Vietnam

By Jess Holm, M. D.
Medical Director, Saigon Adventist Hospital

Early every morning the small clinic waiting room is jammed with people. Our patients present a real challenge with gross evidences of war, epidemics, disease, and fear. We select patients carefully for admission to our too-small hospital with a pleading from many more for admission. We refuse more than we are able to admit.

The needs are great and the only thing that will solve the problem is a new hospital building. Our out-

THE medical needs of Saigon, South Vietnam were forcefully and tragically emphasized during the now-famous "Tet" Offensive. It was 1:30 in the morning when the first Claymore mine exploded just two blocks from our compound, taking the lives of 19 military police.

Within an hour we began five hectic days of concentrated attention to the wounded. Our inadequate facilities were glaringly evident.

Since we were closely surrounded by areas of fighting, pitiful remnants of families made their way to our busy corner, seeking not only treatment but a refuge as well. During the offensive Saigon alone had more than 200,000 refugees.

Even though a European influence has been in Vietnam for nearly 100 years, I was not personally prepared for the shock of extremely low health standards and superstition complicated by the pressure of war for many years.

Acupuncture, blood-letting, spot burns, dermal scrapings, and assorted remedies and uncontrolled medicinals are common for both adults and children. In this atmosphere Adventists started medical work in 1955 with seeds of local opposition, but it remains as a candle in this gross darkness.

At first a clinic was conducted in a house. When the house was finally purchased the small group of medical workers converted it into a small hospital.

The medical program grew and expanded. Vietnamese were trained to take major responsibilities in the hospital program. The war brought new complications.

Even today—day and night—mortars fall with fearful regularity, both inside and outside the city. Victims of the war come to the hospital every day. The hallways are always crowded with cots because we never have room to accommodate all of the patients.

patient department needs expansion. Our School of Practical Nursing needs more hospital beds for training purposes. Every department is crowded.

The eyes of the world are on Saigon, South Vietnam. The Seventh-day Adventist Church must improve its entering wedge in this war-torn land. Remember Vietnam when you are ready to present a gift for the 13th Sabbath Overflow Offering on Sabbath, September 27, 1969!

Division Sabbath School
Secretary,

R. S. Watts, Jr., Says . . .

EDUCATION in the Orient today is unquestionably a top priority matter. The "Brain Drain" is no joke to struggling developing nations coping with world competition and for economic survival.

Make no mistake about it, for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Far East this situation has reached critical proportions. Adequate advanced education for our national workers is a MUST.

The 13th Sabbath Overflow Offering for September 27, 1969 provides for this education in two different areas. The first is for a new school plant to provide education for the vast areas of the Pacific Ocean belonging to the territory of the Far Eastern Division—Micronesia. Our work in these islands is being hampered because of the lack of proper facilities to train young eager for a Christian education.

The second educational project is equally important. The Far Eastern Division desperately needs a college of advanced studies to provide graduate training for the young people of the entire Division.

A good start has been made on this program at Philippine Union College in Manila. Present plans

(Continued on page 12)

THIS MONTH'S COVER

This color cover photograph by Robert Sheldon shows the Saigon Adventist Hospital in South Vietnam. It is located on one of the busiest street corners in the entire nation. Military traffic combines with civilian automobiles, motorcycles, and pedicabs as helicopters whirl overhead and mortars can be heard in the background. The only "fire escape" at the hospital is the lofty palm tree at the left. Inadequate space and an unsatisfactory location make it necessary for the hospital to be rebuilt at some other location. Your 13th Sabbath offering on September 27 will help provide funds for a new building.



13th Sabbath Overflow Offering, Sabbath, September 27

Far East Calls for Major Projects in Overflow Offering

THE Far Eastern Division will benefit from the 13th Sabbath Overflow Offering on Sabbath, September 27, to be taken in all Seventh-day Adventist churches around the world.

The challenge of a land gripped in the horrors of war, the lure of exotic islands, and the demand for more national workers with graduate degrees to keep pace with rising standards of newly-developed countries are all factors in the choice of projects which the Far Eastern Division will use for the third quarter Overflow Offering of the Sabbath School.

**By Paul H. Eldridge
President, Far Eastern Division**

The Far Eastern Division is especially anxious about this offering for each of the three projects is born of an urgent need.

The most urgent need among the 21 hospitals of the Far Eastern Division is in Saigon, Vietnam, a city in the middle of a prolonged war. We have maintained medical work in this nation for a number of years.

However, it has centered in a small building on a busy street intersection where massive traffic jams provide exactly the opposite atmosphere our hospitals need.

Despite these problems it has done an outstanding job of taking care of the civilian population of Saigon. Many war victims come in almost daily.

It is planned that a new hospital will be constructed on a very fine piece of land not too far from the present site. Already a nursing school and dormitory are located there as well as a school and homes for overseas workers. The hospital

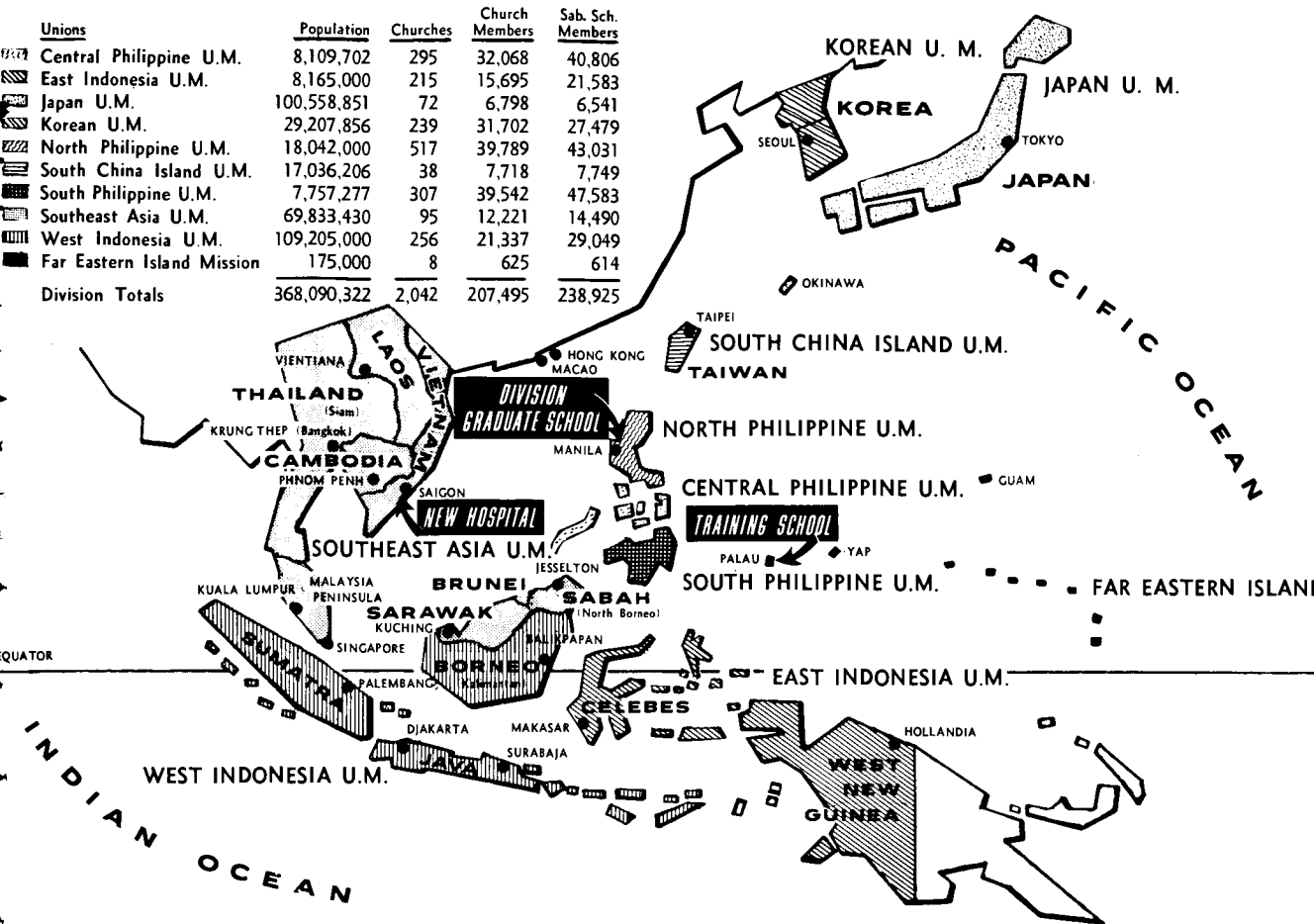
New School Needed in Palau to Replace This One

SWISHI A typhoon bore down on Palau and swept away the Seventh-day Adventist training school. This is what the school looked like after the storm subsided. Now a new school is under construction and is badly needed to train young men and women of Micronesia. Your 13th Sabbath offering of September 27 will help provide a new school for Palau.



FAR EASTERN DIVISION

Unions	Population	Churches	Church Members	Sab. Sch. Members
Central Philippine U.M.	8,109,702	295	32,068	40,806
East Indonesia U.M.	8,165,000	215	15,695	21,583
Japan U.M.	100,558,851	72	6,798	6,541
Korean U.M.	29,207,856	239	31,702	27,479
North Philippine U.M.	18,042,000	517	39,789	43,031
South China Island U.M.	17,036,206	38	7,718	7,749
South Philippine U.M.	7,757,277	307	39,542	47,583
Southeast Asia U.M.	69,833,430	95	12,221	14,490
West Indonesia U.M.	109,205,000	256	21,337	29,049
Far Eastern Island Mission	175,000	8	625	614
Division Totals	368,090,322	2,042	207,495	238,925



is always overcrowded and it is imperative that additional facilities be provided to take care of the expanding medical needs of this war-torn country.

The second project is a training school in the islands of Palau. Jungle-covered spots of land set in sparkling tropical waters within the framework of a surrounding coral reef, these islands are without exaggeration among the world's most beautiful scenic areas.

A school is currently being conducted on the island of Koror to train future workers for Micronesia, as this area is called. The need is urgent for a new school building. Some time ago a freak typhoon completely demolished the school's main building. However, much more is necessary than merely replacing this building. A large piece of land has been secured and the plan is to build an entirely new school plant which will prepare workers for the entire Trust Territories of the West Pacific.

The third and last project for this quarter in the Far East is also urgent—a graduate school for na-

tional workers. This is the most challenging project an overseas division has ever undertaken, a college of advanced studies to provide graduate training.

Work has already begun on the school and a careful development program has been outlined which will make this college a reality. The plan is for this school to be located

in the Philippines where nearly one-half of the membership of the Division is located. We already have Philippine Union College located in Manila, the Republic's largest city, with a very large enrollment. A portion of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering has been designated for the construction of an administration building.

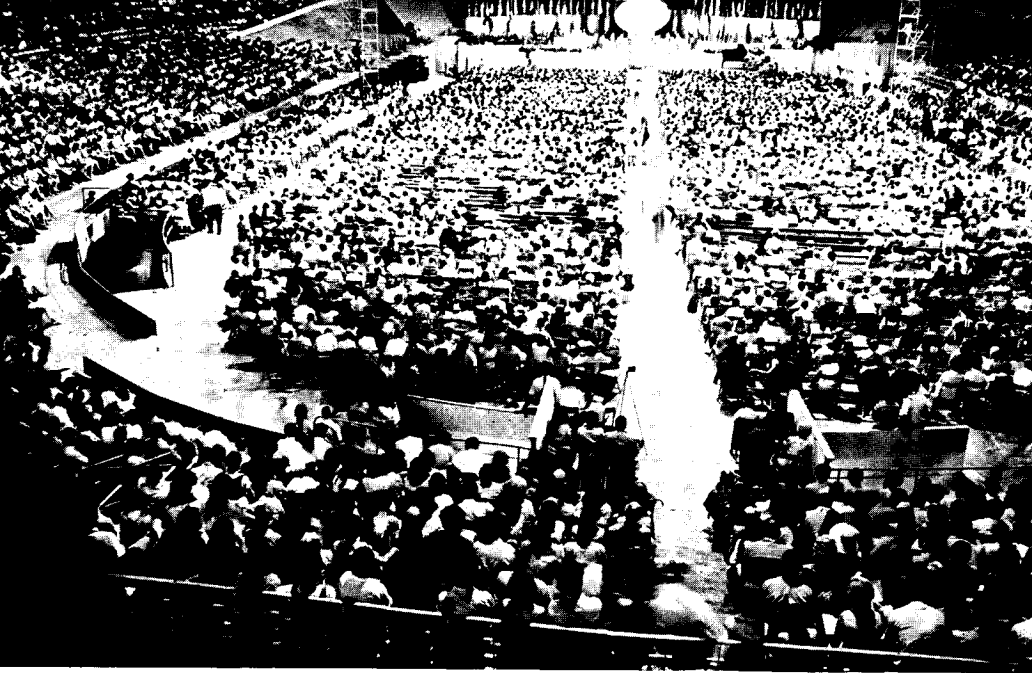
PROJECTS

13th Sabbath Overflow Offering

Far Eastern Division

September 27, 1969

- * A New Hospital in Saigon, South Vietnam
- * College of Advanced Studies, Administration Building, Manila, P. I.
- * Training School for Palau, South Pacific Islands



SESSION. More than 13,000 persons crowded into this huge stadium in Zurich, Switzerland to attend the international Youth Congress sponsored by the MV Department of the General Conference.



ZURICH. CPUM delegate, Fernando Hosillos, finds a

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111 BAGS. Division treasurer, H. D. Johnson, relaxes after counting all 111 pieces of baggage that went on the Youth Congress plane from Singapore to Zurich.



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GOOD-BYE. Miss Lavos, a youth from Johore Bahru, Malaya, waves goodbye to a group of delegates at the Singapore airport as they were ready to leave for Switzerland.

DEDICATION. Several youth congress delegates from the Far East are shown in this picture taken during a dedication prayer at





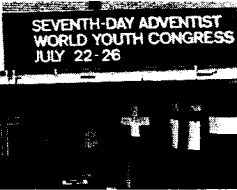
new friend at the Congress in Zurich.



RIDE. A hit of the Congress was the rickshaw, especially flown to Zurich by the Far Eastern Division to be used in the exhibit and also on the program. Taking a ride in the rickshaw is Pastor R. H. Pierson, world president of the Adventist denomination.

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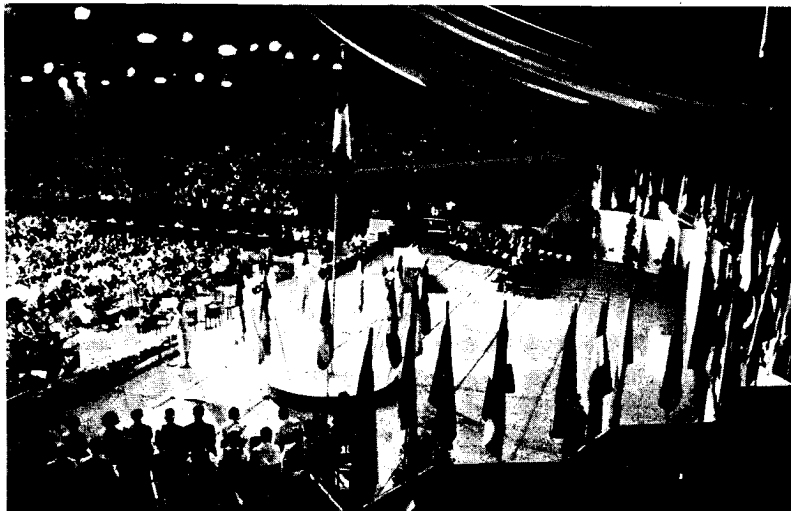


PRAYER. Just before the chartered plane left for Switzerland, Division president, Pastor Paul Eldridge, offered a special prayer to God for safety and success.

the Zurich meeting. Sixth from the left (partly hidden) is Pastor G. J. Bertochini, MV Secretary of the Far Eastern Division.



PLATFORM. This is a platform scene at the Zurich Youth Congress in Switzerland.



WELCOME ADVENTIST WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS DELEGATES FAR EASTERN DIVISION



DELEGATES. The Far Eastern Division delegation to the Zurich Youth Congress gathered on the steps of the Southeast Asia Union College prior to departure for Switzerland. Directing the group was Pastor G. J. Bertochini, second from left on the front row, next to Pastor H. W. Bedwell, Division Secretary. Pastor Paul Eldridge, Division president, is at the right.

AN AIRWAYS



GROUP. Here are some of the delegates from the Philippines ready to leave for Zurich. Photo taken at the Singapore International Airport.



SO-LONG. EIUW delegate, Hannah Limongan, has a last-minute chat with Doris Roth at the Singapore Airport before takeoff for Zurich.



DELEGATE. The youngest delegate, son of Pastor and Mrs. R. J. Aldridge, didn't seem to know what all the excitement was about as they were ready to leave for Switzerland.



TAIWAN. Taiwan delegates, Molly Chong, left, and Helen Liu, right, find some new friends in Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dressler, in Singapore. Mrs. Dressler did a magnificent job in helping to find beds and meals for the delegates while they were in Singapore.



PLEASED. MY Secretary of the Far East, Pastor G. J. Bertochini, is pleased that all delegates arrived in time to go to Zurich. He takes a rest in a rickshaw and beams as he looks over the delegation.



KOREA. These two girls from Korea were the last ones to arrive in Singapore, just in time to take the Youth Congress plane. They are Eune-e Hahn, left, and Kyung-hee Chung, right.

Nonagenarian Honored

Dr. H. W. Miller Honored on 90th Birthday

By Roger Lee, Secretary, Hong Kong-Macao Mission

THE Hong Kong-Macao Mission had the privilege of celebrating the ninetieth birthday of Dr. Harry Miller, the "China Doctor." On June 30 more than 200 workers and members of the church gathered at the Tai Fung Lau Restaurant for a banquet in honour of our beloved doctor who has done so much for the people of the Far East, especially for the Chinese. Clarence A. Miller, Assistant Medical Secretary of the Far Eastern Division and son of Dr. H. Miller, came especially for the occasion and joined with us in wishing his father many happy returns of the day.

Pastor E. L. Longway, an long-time missionary to China, related interesting incidents of Dr. Miller's faithful service in China. Highlights of the night were the cutting of the 11 lb. birthday cake and the presentation of a birthday gift to Dr. Miller. The gift was a 2½' by 5' framed embroidered picture of "Old Man Time," signifying longevity. We look forward to celebrating Dr. Miller's hundredth birthday and Dr.

Miller pointed to us life eternal when there will be no end to birthdays by singing the beautiful song, "No, Never Part Again."

HONORED. Dr. Harry W. Miller, center, is honored at his 90th birthday celebration in Hong Kong. His wife is beside him.

Two happy coincidences that night were the 53rd birthday of Warren Runyan, Manager of the Tsuen Wan Adventist Sanitarium and Hospital, and the 49th wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Milne who were also veteran missionaries to China. Dr. Miller, the chief character of the night, gave Mr. Runyan a lovely birthday cake and all who were present at the banquet joined together in wishing Pastor & Mrs. Milne a continual happy walk together along life's pathway.



XU HƯỚNG HUY THỨC



CROWDED every morning of the week, every Sabbath, the lobby of the General Hospital is full of people. The waiting room, as well as all other rooms in the hospital, is overflowing with a mass of the great suffering people of Saigon.



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FACES

HELP: Here are faces of Vietnamese children who are suffering because of the war. **TOP:** This little girl came into the Saigon Hospital after a raid by the enemy. Her parents were badly injured and she was more scared than hurt. **LEFT:** This girl was less fortunate. Her wounds were fatal.

BELOW: This little girl lost her mother and daddy and now she is an orphan. **BOTTOM:** This 11-year-old boy had leukemia and it affected his eyes. He died the day after this picture was taken. He was brought to the hospital too late to do him any good.

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No. 6 of a Series

Do You Want to Live?

“YOUR diet, what you eat, largely influences the rate at which your organism ages and consequently the duration of your life,” says Victor Heiser M.D., **“You’re the Doctor.”**

Dr. John R. Heller, Director of the National Cancer Institute, points to the Eskimos of East Greenland whose diet consists of more than 90% raw flesh. These Eskimos are apparently healthy until they reach 25 or so, but by the time they are 35 they have “lost their youthfulness, energy, and skill; are lazy, clumsy, look old, are seriously arteriosclerotic, and die from influenza or hunting accidents. Average life span is only 27½ years.” He contrasts these Eskimos with the Hunza people north of Kashmir who are unusually healthy until a great age — subsisting on a simple diet with extremely little animal or dairy protein.

“Studies in Greenland and in Denmark show that for Eskimos the death rate at the prime of life is for men four times, for women three times, higher than for the Danes. The Eskimos cannot therefore be used, or misused, as proof of the harmlessness of a meat diet. They may appear strong and healthy, but the internal organs are probably ruined at an early age.”

Animal experiments on both omnivorous and herbivorous animals have shown in all cases decided degenerative changes of the kidneys on high meat and high protein diets. Although the animals grew large and strong, they died suddenly and at an early age. Autopsy revealed evidence of arteriosclerosis and liver and kidney damage as the cause of death. Much of this damage is due to large amounts of uric acid in the body.

Meat is health destroying because it places an extra burden on the body. The waste products found in the tissues of slaughtered animals are called extractives, and are stimulating to the human body. When we receive these extractives, we are simply adding to the duties of our own kidneys. These extractives, too, are probably mild stimulants in the



University President Visits Far East

VISITOR. Dr. Richard Hammill, a former overseas worker of the Far Eastern Division, visited most sections of East Asia while enroute back to the United States from the Youth Congress in Zurich, Switzerland. He was accompanied on a visit to colleges and mission offices by Pastors Jay Lantry and Boyd Olson.

same sense in which coffee and tea can be called so.

Dr. E. V. McCollum says, “A liberal consumption of meat and eggs encourages putrefaction in the large intestine, and although some maintain that this is not detrimental to health, the preponderance of evidence is to the contrary.”

Meat is classed as an acid ash food. Dr. Bogert states: “Acid ash foods deplete the alkaline reserve. If there is a reserve store of base in the tissues they seem to be healthier and better able to resist disease germs than when acid-forming foods predominate.”

Meat is a carrier of diseases which are easily transmitted to man when the flesh is eaten. Tuberculosis is very common in cattle and swine. Undulant fever or brucellosis is another disease common in goats, cows, sheep and pigs. Trichinosis or worm infection is a disease which may be contracted from the eating of pork. Salmonellae can be contracted by using either meat products or eggs which have not been thoroughly sterilized. This requires a higher temperature and a longer period of cooking than is commonly used in the preparation of these foods for human consumption.

Diets are generally tested to find the least quantity of protein which will give the maximum of growth. A leading nutritionist, Dr. Keyes, says, “Longevity is infrequently considered, because perhaps the small evidence available points to an inverse correlation between rate of growth and eventual longevity.”

In a special manuscript published July 15, 1901 Mrs. White has writ-

ten, “After the curse was pronounced upon the human family, God permitted man to eat flesh meat. This he did that life might be shortened.”

“Those who indulge in meat eating, tea drinking, and gluttony are sowing seeds for a harvest of pain and death. The unhealthful food placed in the stomach strengthens the appetites that war against the soul, developing the lower propensities. A diet of flesh meat tends to develop animalism.

“The common use of the flesh of dead animals has had a deteriorating influence upon the morals, as well as the physical constitution. Ill health in a variety of forms, if effect could be traced to the cause, would reveal the sure result of flesh eating.

“Flesh was never the best food; but its use is now doubly objectionable, since disease in animals is so rapidly increasing.”

The Witness of Science by C. K. Abbott, M.D. and **Counsels on Diet and Food** contain many more forceful quotations which clearly show that meat eating does not add years to the life or pleasure to the years.

—Mrs. Shirley Johnson

13th Sabbath Offering Aids Educational Programs

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call for the program to be expanded with an international faculty and student body.

With these new facilities we believe that it will be possible to provide the advanced education needed by a large number of national workers. This can be done at a minimum of expense per student and within the cultural framework compatible with the countries from which these students come and where they will labor.

The Far Eastern Division is very grateful for the wonderful support that our Sabbath School members around the world have always given. We are confident that this offering on September 27 will be the largest third quarter offering in Adventist history. We thank you in advance.

—R. S. Watts, Jr., Secretary,
Sabbath School Department,
Far Eastern Division

Back Cover

The Sabbath School Department of the Vietnam Mission and employees of the Saigon Adventist Hospital recently conducted a Vacation Bible School for hundreds of Vietnamese children in a large orphan village near Saigon. This four-color back cover picture was taken by D. A. Roth during the graduation service for the School. Each unit sent a representative to the front to receive certificates. In the center is Pastor Vernon Bretsch, President of the Vietnam Mission, and at the right is Pastor Pham Thien, Sabbath School Secretary of the Mission. There are now more than 2,000 orphans in this orphanage village.

Mrs. Arthur Nelson Dies in Los Angeles

MRS. Arthur N. Nelson died on July 1, 1969 at the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles. In spite of a heart condition which limited Mrs. Nelson's activities during recent months, she retained that consistent and cheerful Christian spirit which made her so much loved by her family and many friends at home and abroad.

Dr. and Mrs. Nelson made several trips to the Far East during the years that their son, Wilbur K. Nelson, served in the South China Island Union from 1955-1965. Dr. Nelson during one extended visit served as a relief physician for six months at the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital, and he and Mrs. Nelson during these visits contributed generously of their time and means to the cause of mission work in the Far East. Because of their close connection with the Chinese work and their desire to be of further service to the South China

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson



Are Denominational Books Really Too Expensive

STAND back! We are about to explode a myth. We've exploded it before, but for some reason it seems to recur periodically. Simply stated, it says, "Our books are too expensive."

Admittedly, at intervals a maverick may appear which in price seems out of line with others of its size and shape. Without going into a detailed analysis of the printing industry, we shall simply state that these cost deviations are almost always due to an unforeseeable problem in production, a phenomenon by no means limited to church publishing.

Now let us prove our point by boring you with a few statistics. A visit to our local bookstore revealed that the average cost of the top five books listed as non-fiction best sellers in *Time* magazine for January 19, 1968, was U.S. \$8.55.

On the other hand, the top five best selling adult trade books for 1967, as published by Southern Publishing Association, averaged out to only \$5.50, or more than \$3 less than the average best seller on the public market. (For your information, S.P.A.'s top sellers in 1967 were: *Flee the Captor*, *Faith on Tiptoe*, *501 Illustrations and Stories*, *What Shall I Speak About?* and *Religion in Russia Today*.) The average adult hardback book published in the United States last year, according to *Publisher's Weekly*, retailed for \$7. The average adult hardback published by S.P.A. in 1967 retailed for \$4.52.

While we're making comparisons, we should point out that one of our Seventh-day Adventist best sellers, *Religion in Russia Today*, contained 32 pages of color photographs, a feature which not one *Time* best seller was able to offer. When you consider the cost of reproduction pictures, particularly the spectacular selection found in *Russia*, you begin to think its \$5.95 price is a bargain.

Another facet of the problem which we would like to introduce is the increasing need for our general church membership to be widely read and well informed. A reading program in the Bible, Spirit of Prophecy, and church papers is basic. To this should be added daily newspapers, perhaps a weekly news magazine or two, and as many books as the individual's personal schedule allows.

An increasing number of excellent, stimulating books is being made available by Adventist publishing houses. At a time when America's primary medium of communication, television, is being referred to as "a vast wasteland," you owe it to your mind to see that it cannot be similarly described. Books offer a convenient and reasonably priced antidote for the wasteland syndrome. Use them.

—Paula Becker,
Assistant Book Editor,
Southern Publishing Association

Island Union Dr. and Mrs. Nelson have retained church membership with the Sung Shan Church located on the grounds of the Taiwan Sanitarium and Hospital.

Mrs. Nelson was born in Michigan on August 18, 1897, a fourth generation Seventh-day Adventist whose ancestors were among the pioneers of the faith in that state. Mrs. Nelson studied at Union Col-

lege in Nebraska and graduated from Emmanuel Missionary College (Andrews University) in Michigan. Following her graduation she taught in our academies and served as registrar at Union College. It was there she met her future husband. Her passing is mourned by her family including two sons, Paul and Wilbur, who are now both located in California.

NEWS FROM THE UNIONS

Central Philippines

Laymen's Fruitful Prison Ministry

A CONTINUOUS prison ministry in the cities of Tacloban, Cebu, Bacolod, Dumaguete, Iloilo, and other cities and towns in Central Philippines is going on very strongly under the aggressive missionary program of the laymen who have pledged themselves to share their faith to others, especially among those behind prison bars.

Through the laymen's efforts hundreds of prisoners have been baptized into the Advent faith. Prison officials have been very vocal in praising our work of love, and the prisoners themselves are very appreciative of our endeavors and our concern for their welfare, especially for their souls' salvation.

Seven of the eleven baptized by Pastor A. B. Savilla the last Sabbath in March were inmates of the Dumaguete Provincial Jail. Seventeen prisoners could have been baptized together, but the prison officials permitted only seven at a time to go out to the Adventist Church to be baptized at the church baptistry. The efforts of Brethren Cayetano Trumata, Ernesto Bartolome, Marianito Mundo, Severo Cuizon, Toribio Tolin, Eduardo Canas, Doroteo Salmin and other men and women members of Dumaguete City Church are indeed fruitful.

In Tacloban City the officers and members of the church are faithfully carrying on an aggressive missionary program in the city and provincial jails. Sixteen are now prepared for baptism, but their baptism is different because they are not allowed to leave their compound. The church of Tacloban has raised enough funds for the construction of a baptistry right in the prison compound. This permanent Adventist baptistry will be the first of its kind in the Philippines or possibly in the world, where the preaching of the word and reaping of souls will be held continually until Jesus comes.

—F. M. Arrogante



Capitol Center Church Holds Branch Sabbath School

SCHOOL. Starting with a group of 25 children since February, 1969 the Branch Sabbath School at Banilad, Talamban, Cebu, is catching the attention of more children, as well as their parents and the people of the community. There are now more than 50 children in the Banilad Branch Sabbath School led by Mrs. D. L. Elumir, Mrs. L. P. Colegado, and Miss Adriana Miguel and other members of the Capitol Center Church.

—F. M. Arrogante

South China Island

Adventist Hospital Leads out in Taiwan's First Nutrition Seminar

STUDENTS from three universities, dietitians from five hospitals throughout Taiwan, along with special guests, had the privilege of attending Taiwan's first nutrition seminar. The seminar was a project of the Co-ordinating Committee for Christian Medical Programs and was jointly sponsored by Taiwan Adventist Hospital and Taiwan Christian Service.

Under the experienced direction of Adventist Hospital Dietitian, Miss Thelma Fernandez, the program was designed principally to help improve the nutritional value of food served in Taiwan's hospitals.

Miss Fernandez took college work at Philippine Union College, Manila, completed the requirements for her Master's Degree at Iowa State University, and served her internship as a dietitian at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan.

Valuable assistance in preparing visual aids and helping co-ordinate the program was given by Jeanny Chen, social worker with Taiwan Christian Service.

Although the Seminar lasted only one day, the program covered all the major areas of nutritional food planning. Presentation of the six basic food groups in meal planning was of high interest to each delegate. Planning for adequate vitamins, minerals, and proteins in the daily menu was also appreciated by all, but the discussion periods leading to professional food service planning seemed to be of greatest practical value to everyone.

—R. G. Burgess



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South Philippines

Donato Appointed New SPUM PR Secretary

DURING the mid-year meeting of the South Philippine Union Executive Committee, Pastor B. U.



B. U. Donato

Donato was appointed Public Relation Secretary, relieving V. L. Villanueva, who had been given other assignments as associate MV Secretary, recording secretary of

the Union Committee, besides being the Religious Liberty Secretary of this union. Pastor B. U. Donato is an alumnus of both Mountain View and Philippine Union College. For the past 12 years he has been connected with our denominational work as Dean of Men of Mountain View College, Educational and MV Secretary of Northern Mindanao Mission, Union MV Secretary, and Union Educational and Temperance Secretary, which post he continues to occupy. He is married to the former Esther Bermudez whom he met at MVC and they have three children.

—C. P. Legaspi

Mountain View College Opens School of Nursing

THE denomination's second school of nursing in the Philippines is at last established after several years of eager anticipation and prayerful planning.

In answer to the church's demand for another nursing school to accommodate what Philippine Union College cannot at present accept due to limited clinical facilities at the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, Mountain View College has at last offered the nursing curriculum on the strength of the permission from the Bureau of Private Schools.

Mountain View College's pioneer nursing class of fifteen ladies is now holding its classes at the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital at 900 Tres de Abril, Cebu City, under the instruction of Miss Lois Burnett,

consultant; Mrs. Locricia J. Pefanco, acting dean; and four other instructors.

The opening of the school of nursing was observed at an open house given by the faculty and the students on Sunday afternoon, July 6, at the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital compound. This included a short acquaintance program, picture-taking, refreshments, and a tour of the classrooms and library.

—F. M. Arrogante

Number 1 FED Star Colporteur Halls From Davao Mission



STAR. Isaias Maunes, a literature evangelist of the Davao Mission, is congratulated by the mission president, Pastor A. A. Villarín, after being chosen the top colporteur in the Far Eastern Division.

THE Davao Mission of the South Philippine Union was highly honored when Brother Isaias Maunes, a dedicated and consecrated colporteur evangelist was chosen number 1 star colporteur throughout the Far Eastern Division. There were five outstanding colporteurs who were chosen Star Colporteurs in the Division. Four of these came from other Union fields.

Pastor W. A. Higgins, Associate Publishing Secretary of the General Conference, personally gave the award pin to Brother Maunes be-

fore the more than 1,000 delegates in attendance at the Tri-Union Institute. This brother no doubt became the No. 1 Star Colporteur because of his total commitment to the work of the Lord. In his experience as a colporteur evangelist several times he has been accompanied by an angel from heaven. Because of his intelligence and diligence the Lord blessed him materially and spiritually as well. He believes his slogan "more sales, more souls." Before he went to attend the Tri-Union Institute in Baguio City he presented to Pastor Tomas Cabaluna, Jr., 20 candidates for baptism. In 1968 50 of his customers became SDA's.

When the South Philippine Union, through Pastor F. D. Lao, Publishing Secretary, gave awards to the three top colporteurs throughout the Union, Davao Mission was again given the honor of being the recipient of the first and second awards. First prize of Ps. 100.00 went to Mrs. Dalisay Correes, and the second prize of Ps. 50.00 went to Brother Pastor Bantigue. The third prize was awarded to Brother Lackim Lopez of Western Mindanao Mission in the amount of Ps. 30.00.

During the Council, Brother and Sister Pedro Paquibo, of Davao Mission, were given a plaque of commendation in honor of their son, Benny Paquibo, who died after he was stabbed to death by an un-identified person while delivering books in the mountains of Pocaliil, Davao del Sur. Brother Paquibo, after receiving the plaque, promised to continue on and finish the unfinished work left by his beloved son. Yes, the death of Brother Paquibo was not in vain. Interests came up around the place where he fell. Brother Isaias Maunes fol-

CLASS. This is the pioneer nursing class of 15 students of Mountain View College in the Philippines. Classes are being held at the Miller Sanitarium and Hospital in Cebu City.



lowed up these interests and twenty of them have already been baptized.

—A. A. Villarín, President,
Davao Mission

Western Mindanao Academy Holds First Graduation Service

THE Western Mindanao Academy in Dumingag, Zamboanga del Sur, held its first academy graduation exercises for forty-four seniors.

The following were the speakers during the closing ceremonies: Pastor B. U. Donato, Educational Secretary of the South Philippine Union, Consecration; Pastor J. R. Obregon, MV Secretary of Central Philippine Union Baccalaureate; and Pastor C. P. Legaspi, Secretary-Treasurer of the South Philippine Union, Commencement.

Western Mindanao Academy is our lone academy in Western Mindanao Mission, the largest mission among the five missions in the South Philippine Union. This academy had been in operation for six years before its third and fourth years in high school were approved by the South Philippine Union and by the Far Eastern Division. Increased enrolment from year to year calls for the transfer of the academy to the new school site—a 20-hectare property recently bought, about 100 meters away from the site of the recently-held graduation exercises.

—V. L. Villanueva

Southeast Asia

Pastor Umboh Joins Sarawak Mission

PASTOR J. B. Th. Umboh and family recently arrived in Kuching on board "MV Kunat".

FAMILY. Pastor and Mrs. J. B. Th. Umboh are shown with their children. He is now a departmental secretary in the Sarawak Mission of Southeast Asia Union.



Jensens Return to the United States

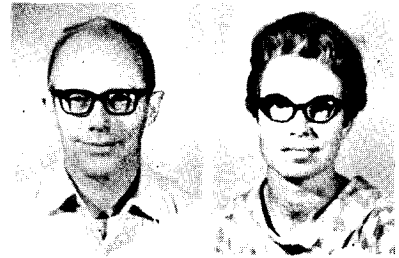
VETERAN. A 20-year veteran of overseas service, Pastor E. E. Jensen, has permanently returned to his homeland. He began his service in the Far East in 1949 when he pioneered Adventist work on the island of Okinawa. He later went to the Tokyo Sanitarium and Hospital as business manager and then served for nearly four years as secretary-treasurer of the Japan Union. His last place of service was in Malaysia where he was business manager of the Penang Adventist Hospital. Pastor Jensen is shown in the photo with his wife and daughter, Yvonne.

tor Umboh joins the Mission to take up his new duties as Ministerial Association secretary. Besides shepherding the flock in 53 churches and companies throughout Sarawak, he is district leader for Kuching, and secretary of the Lay Activities and Sabbath School departments.

Pastor Umboh comes to Sarawak with 14 years of experience in Indonesia where he had at one time or other held important posts as Lay Activities Secretary of West Indonesia Union, director of Djakarta Evangelistic Center, and president of East Java Mission.

—Herbert C. Sormin, Public Relations Secretary, Sarawak

New Chaplain Arrives in Vietnam



SERVICEMEN. Pastor and Mrs. Reo Clyde, shown above, have arrived in Saigon, South Vietnam where he is now chaplain for Adventist servicemen serving in this part of the world.

Adventist Servicemen's Club Formed in Vietnam

ORGANIZED. Shown in the picture are past and present officers of the ASV (Adventist Servicemen Vietnam) club. At the time of the Servicemen's Retreat these men laid plans for greater evangelism among their ranks during the coming year. Reading from left to right: kneeling-PFC Martin Lovell, Sp/4 David A. Stair, (new president), MSGT Richard Mill, (past president), Sp/5 Kenneth E. Clow, Standing-Chaplain (CPT) J. J. North, Jr., Chaplain Reo Clyde, Sp/4 Mervyn E. Ortiz, PFC Joseph Winfrey, and Sp/4 Timothy Wieder.

—V. L. Bretsch



North Philippines

Biennial Session Held at Legaspi

SOUTHERN Luzon Mission has had its nineteenth Biennial Session at its headquarters compound in Legaspi City, Philippines, with guests coming from the Far Eastern Division and the North Philippine Union. Pastors L. A. Shipowick and D. A. Roth, Lay Activities Secretary and Public Relations Secretary of the Far Eastern Division respectively, were present with Pastor T. C. Murdoch, President of the North Philippine Union, and almost all of the departmental secretaries of the Union.

Before the official start of the Session a pre-council for the local church elders and lay activities leaders in behalf of the "Far East Harvest" program was held with Pastor Shipowick and Pastor E. J. Tanguanan, Union Lay Activities secretary.

Pastor P. C. Banaag, Editor of the "Freedom" magazine and concurrently National Coordinator of the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service in the Philippines, was also present to give a report of his trip abroad with the Church and State Study-Commission.

The Honorable City Mayor of Legaspi welcomed the delegates and guests to the Session during the opening night. In his welcome speech he expressed his thanks and appreciation for the work well done

Teachers Leave for Sarawak

MISSIONARIES. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barizo (nee Mercy Budayao) left for Sarawak to connect with the Ayer Manis Training School. Mr. Barizo is a 1968 graduate of Philippine Union College while Mrs. Barizo is a 1968 nursing graduate. Pastor B. G. Mary is here sending them off at the Manila International Airport.



Evangelism Rewards at San Pablo City

NEW. Sixty-six new members were received into church fellowship as a result of the six-week evangelistic decision meetings conducted in San Pablo City by the Hour of Destiny Crusade team headed by Pastor O. C. Guclitar, South-Central Luzon Mission evangelist and ministerial secretary. He is here aided at the baptismal pool by Pastor J. L. Tulio, right, Mission president.

by the local SAWS in aiding the Mayon Volcano eruption victims during the time of the eruption a year ago.

During the Sabbath more than 1,300 guests, delegates, and visitors were present to hear Pastor Shipowick give the challenge for greater lay evangelism and soul-winning endeavors during the hour of worship.

Thirty-one persons were baptized in the new baptistry donated by Mr. & Mrs. Samson Frias after the hour of worship. They were results of the "Far East Harvest" program.

The following were elected or re-elected to different departments during the session: T. V. Barizo, Educational & Public Relations Secretary (President); B. A. Flores, Religious Liberty Secretary (Secretary-Treasurer); J. D. Haniel, Sabbath School and Missionary Volunteer Secretary; E. C. Lagabon, Publishing Secretary; S. N. Napod, Book and Periodical Agency Manager; Mrs. A. S. Barizo, Assistant Educational Secretary for Parent-Home Fellowship & Assistant Sabbath School Secretary for Child Evangelism; V. N. Napod, Ministerial and Lay Activities Secretary, Voice of Prophecy, (Mission Evangelist); C. L. Miranda, M.D., Honorary Medical Secretary; E. Fontamillas, Principal, Naga View Academy; C. C. La Villa, Assistant Principal, Naga View Academy; and E. V. Palmero, Business Manager and Treasurer, Naga View Academy.

—T. V. Barizo

PUC Summer Graduation Held for 17 Seniors

FOUR graduate students received MA degrees and 13 seniors graduated at Commencement exercises held at the Philippine Union College auditorium.

Raymond Woolsey, Editor of the Philippine Publishing House, was the commencement speaker. The Baccalaureate service was held Sabbath morning with Pastor Gil Fernandez, Bible teacher, presenting the message. A senior vesper service was conducted by the senior class on Friday night with all members of the class participating.

The MA candidates were Pastor J. R. Bailey, Ministerial Secretary of the North Philippine Union; Ernesto Gutierrez, PUC Bible Teacher; Bernabe M. Atiteo, MVC Bible Teacher; and Jose Tauro, Jr., missionary to Thailand.

Two overseas students were among the senior candidates.

—Otis C. Edwards

DEGREE. Pastor H. L. Reyes, head of the Department of Applied Theology, adjusts the masteral hood on Pastor J. R. Bailey, who graduated with the Master of Arts degree during the summer commencement. His thesis is entitled, "Wedding Practices and Customs of Greater Manila, 1969".



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Physician Honored in Albay

DR. P. L. Miranda, director of the Miranda General Hospital of Polangui, Albay, Philippines, and local elder of the Polangui Seventh-Day Adventist church, was recently awarded a plaque of merit as the most outstanding physician of Albay for 1968.



Dr. Miranda was awarded the plaque based on the following criteria: (1) Civic participation; (2) Most active member of the Albay Medical Society; and (3) Having done most for the mother society—the Philippine Medical Association. The award was given in Baguio City last May.

Dr. Miranda is a member of the Executive Committee of Southern Luzon Mission and is a very active layman of the church.

Last year he was the president of the Albay Medical Society. During the recent eruption of the Mayon Volcano he was co-chairman of the Committee on Health. From 1965-1969 he was president of the Polangui South-Central School PTA. He is a Rotarian of Legaspi City and at present the editor of the "Mayon Rotarian", the publication of the Legaspi Rotary Club.

The Lord has been blessing the faithfulness of Dr. Miranda in his practice of medicine around Albay.

—T. V. Barizo

WHEN I delivered my first sermon at the Manila Center a few weeks ago, I seemed lost for words at first, but gained an inner strength urging me to "speak the truth" for Christ. Before I delivered that first sermon I had resolved to be God's channel to my audience. My sermon may have lacked the finer gestures of seasoned pastors, and my language was the idiom of every day life, yet that sermon resulted in the enlistment of four young women in God's army.

These four young women were just like me in one respect. When my father first spoke to me of leading a "new life," I resented his talking to me. Later we became members of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

Before I knew it, I was speaking to a new group of people. I gradually gained confidence in myself from the following experiences:

Recently a conference was held at the Sheraton Hotel in Manila, Philippines. There I met ministers who had already attained prominence. Speaking with them, I discovered how much I had to learn and absorb and dis-seminate.

On December 21, 1968 (I did not regret staying away on the eve of Yuletide) a group of Missionary Volunteers again met in Pasonanca, Zamboanga City. There I felt that all I had to do was to reach out for God and hold His vibrant hand and walk with Him, asking, "Why have You called me to Your army?"

The days were to be busy with appointments as had to leave for Baguio for a leadership training course sponsored by the Knights of Rizal. It began to dawn on me that the "tiny voice" was dragging me to various places where, sometimes, I had to endure extremely cool temperatures.

Even as I am writing this, things have begun to develop for me as I am looking toward a more distant horizon—the World Youth Congress to be held in Zurich, Switzerland. The world has become much smaller in the constant search for truth.

—Manuel R. Salera,
Official Delegate,
South Philippine Union

College Teacher Honored

FIRST. Dr. C. M. Jimenez, Philippine Union College physician, was inducted into the Philippine Association of Food Technologists, the first Adventist and the first medical doctor in that organization. He is also in charge of the college food factory. He is here watching the operation of a machine at the food factory.



Mountain Province Mission Student Colporteur Sets Record

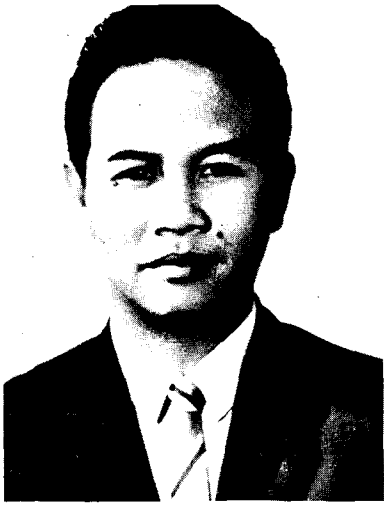
SIMEON Rosete, Jr., a second-year Philippine Union College ministerial student who did summer colporteur in Baguio City, was the first among the student colporteurs in the entire North Philippine Union to sell 80 years of subscriptions to the "Your Health and Home" journal. I asked Brother Rosete the secret of his canvassing success, and his reply was, "Confidence in God, confidence in myself, and more work."



HONOR. Simeon Rosette, Jr. is a student colporteur of Baguio City, Philippines, the first in North Philippines to sell 80 years of subscriptions to "Your Health and Home" monthly journal. He is a second year ministerial student at Philippine Union College.

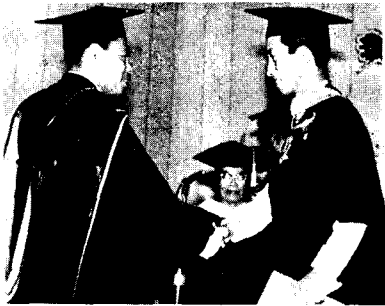
As a token of his achievement, he received the "Poodle Radio" which the North Philippine Union publishing department, under the initiative of Pastor A. N. Santiago and Mrs. R. N. Emralino, has prepared.

—E. L. Dingoasen



EVENT. Jose Tauro was added recently to the growing list of alumni of the Philippine Union College graduate school. Pastor Tauro is a missionary teacher in Bangkok, Thailand. His thesis is entitled, "Seventh-day Adventists in Thailand, 1919 to 1964."

Degrees Granted at PUC



MA. Ernesto Gutierrez, Instructor in the School of Theology, graduated with the MA degree during the summer commencement at Philippine Union College. His thesis is entitled "A Comparative Study of the History and Doctrines of Four Adventist Bodies in the Philippines." President A. P. Roda is greeting the new graduate.

West Indonesia

A High-Day in North Sumatra

MAY 31 was a day of rejoicing in the North Sumatra Mission. It marked the close of the first phase of a city-wide evangelistic crusade in Medan headed by Pastor Ted Jones, Ministerial Secretary of the West Indonesia Union. Six ministers joined on this lovely Sabbath day in immersing 88 persons in the waters of baptism. A strong follow-up program is being fostered which will raise the decisions to the anticipated 200 mark.

Another feature on this special day was an ordination service for two of the ministers in the mission. Oloan Tambunan and Djaliram



GROUP. Shown here is the group attending a Sabbath School workshop in Sarabaja, Java.

Jampubolan were set apart for the gospel ministry in a simple but impressive service held in Medan.

—R. C. Williams,
Ministerial Secretary,
Far Eastern Division

Sabbath School Workshop Held in Surabaja



TRIO. Shown here are Sabbath School leaders, left to right, J. B. Talaa, R. S. Watts, Jr., and J. K. Senduk.

EIGHTY Sabbath School leaders and teachers from the forty churches in the East Java Mission were very attentive students, absorbing all the instructions given by Pastor R. S. Watts of the Far Eastern Division together with his con-

temporaries Pastor J. K. Senduk, from the West Indonesia Union Mission, and Pastor J. B. Talaa, from the East Java Mission.

The workshop was held in the beautiful Andjasmoro Seventh-day Adventist Church at Surabaja, where it was quiet and restful, although situated in the centre of the city and not too far from very busy thoroughfares.

The first day of the workshop was used for free discussions on Sabbath School matters, where all questions brought up by the Sabbath School officers were answered by the Mission president and his staff. Sabbath School expense funds, the arrangement of Sabbath School programs, secretaries' reports, were some of the problems brought into the discussions.

Everyone returned home inspired to have better Sabbath Schools and to have more branch Sabbath Schools. It was the determination of all to put into practice all the instructions received during the workshop.

—D. Batoebara

Two Ordained in North Sumatra Mission

SERVICE. Two pastors were ordained recently in North Sumatra in a service conducted by Pastor Ted Jones, Ministerial Secretary of the West Indonesia Union. Left to right, V. Hutabarat, Mission Secretary-Treasurer; Djaliram Jampubolon, newly ordained; Mrs. Jampubolon; Pastor S. Ritonga, Mission President; Mrs. Oloan Tambunan; Oloan Tambunan, newly ordained; and Pastor Ted Jones.





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