

Flashes

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ARCHBOLD FAMILY REUNION—The parents of our Division president celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary and the father's 96th birthday during the Christmas holiday season. Nine of the 10 living children were present, as well as many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Thirty-one came from overseas from as far away as California, New York, New Mexico, Florida, and Venezuela. The success of the children is a tribute to the Archbold's years of sacrifice to give their children a Christian education, and it was with gratitude to them that they returned to the family home on Providence Island, Colombia, South America, to honor their parents and grandparents on this joyous occasion. (Editor's note: Picture will appear in IAD Edition of REVIEW)

REVIEW & HERALD-The REVIEW & HERALD was first published in Paris, Maine, in November, 1850. This was 11 years before the first local conference was organized-Michigan-and 13 years be-fore the General Conference was organized. In its 125 years the REVIEW has had only nine editors—James White, Uriah Smith, J. N. Andrews, A. T. Jones, W. W. Prescott, W. A. Spicer, F. M. Wilcox, F. D. Nichol, and Kenneth H. Wood. Throughout its 125-year life the REVIEW & HERALD has endeavored to unify the Adventist family by its presentations on doctrine and by its news of the activities of the church in all parts of the world. It is the church's one unbroken record of all notable events throughout Seventh-day Adventist history, including the official minutes for the General Conference Sessions. The magazine now appears in six editions

(among them a monthly Inter-American Edition in English and in Spanish).

-Kenneth H, Wood (Editor's note: Do the members in your field have the benefit of this official church organ? Order IAD Edition of R & H through your Adventist Book Center.)

WEST PUERTO RICO CONFERENCE—In spite of the disaster that hurricane Eloise caused our field, the Ingathering campaign has had the greatest success in the history of our conference. With regard to soul-winning, under the blessings of God and with the help of the faithful laymen, our pastors have baptized through October of 1975 1,300. We thank God for a glorious year.—Rafael Colon Soto.

CENTRAL DOMINICAN CONFERENCE -Elder Joseph Espinosa, conference president, in his letter requesting perman-ent return because of the ill health of his father, gives the following report: "Our baptism report for 1975 will pass the 1,900 mark. Our financial picture looks good too. Our treasurer informs me that we should have a gain of about \$12,000. Our Publishing Department has reached its super goal of \$140,000 in sales, and all the other departments have done well also ... I feel that we have a good committee and the work will continue to go forward. We have just concluded a great workers' meeting with Elder E. E. Cleveland....The Lord has blessed our work here, and Dina and I are both happy that we could have been in this Division for four years of our happy ministry. We will be praying for the Lord's work here and in the entire Inter-American Division." DID YOU KNOW CHARLES E. WENIGER? —A biography of Dr. Weniger is being prepared for publication. If you were a student or fellow teacher of his at the Seminary, or were otherwise acquainted with him, and would like to share your memories and impressions of him, please write to Richard H. Utt, Book Editor, Pacific Press, Mountain View, California 94042. Your letter will be deeply appreciated.—Richard H. Utt.

SIX PASTORS BECAME CENTURIANS IN GUATEMALA MISSION—For the first time in the history of the mission, six pastors baptized 100 or more during 1975, as follows: Pastors Emilio Garcia, Victor H. Morales, Escriel Romero, Abel Orozco, Rolando Giron, and Diogenes Centeno. All the ministers of the mission, including those who baptized less, did a noble work for the Lord, bringing the total baptisms for the year to more than 1,300.—Alfredo Gaona.

IETZ IST DIE ZEIT-It's here-the 25minute General Conference Session film, shot in Vienna, July, 1975. You can see such highlights as Elder Carcich introducing the Russian delegates; the flags of 189 countries entered by Adventists; the nominating committee—and other behind-the-scenes activities; choirs in national costume; the Norwegian marching band; division exhibits; Elder Pierson, the General Conference president....commentary in English by H.M.S. Richards Jr. (Narration available only in English.) Ask your conference Communication Department Director for the film to be shown in your church, or order your own copy through him for showing to Adventists and non-Adventists, or order directly from the Department of Communication, General Conference of SDA, 6840 Eastern Avenue, NW, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C. 20012, enclosing a check for US\$100.-V. H. Cooper.

TRIENNIAL SESSION IN NETHER-LANDS ANTILLES MISSION—The Triennial Session of the Mission was held in Willemstad January 15 - 17, 1976, with 1,300 members present for the Sabbath services. Pastors Carlos Aeschlimann of the IAD and George Carambot and Jose Osorio of the Colombia-Venezuela Union were present. The economic situation of the Mission is good. The radio-TV program of Pastor Israel Leito in Papiamento (the official language) has made a great impact. During this triennium 632 precious souls were baptized. There are now 10 churches in Curacao, 5 in Aruba, and 2 in Bonaire.—Carlos Aeschlimann.



Partial view of those who attended the Pathfinder Fair in the Central Dominican Conference. -Dionisio Christian.



Pathfinder Day in the frontier town of Reynosa, North Mexican Mission, was celebrated with an Investiture. Pastor Armando Miranda, mission youth director, Cruz Reyes, club director, and Adaias Lopez, church pastor, participated in the program. —A. Miranda.



A beautiful Investiture was held in the Coatzacoalcos district of the Southeast Mexican Conference where Pastor Mario Villarreal is leading the youth in a positive program of Christian service.

—Guillermo Illingworth.



A Voice of Prophecy graduation in the Adventist church in Nanchital, Veracruz, Mexico for 136 students, prepared by the local pastor, Samuel Amaro, and his King's Messengers. Ninety percent of those present were non-Adventists, and many accepted the invitation to attend the meetings being held in the church. Daniel Sosa.



The new Sabbath School organized by Pastor Jose Morales and his laymen in the Madero district of Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, North Mexican Mission. The city with six organized companies and a population of 1,500,000 presents a tremendous challenge.—D. Ramirez.



Twelve persons were baptized in the first baptism of the evangelistic campaign held in Tonala, Mexico by Xavier Soto, lay activities director of the Mexican Union, together with district pastors Venustinao Aguilar, William Lazaro, Severiano Hernandez, Romero Hernandez, and Clementino Rios. Fifty-two responded to the call, and the second week 31 more were baptized. As a result of this campaign there is already the nucleus of a nice church in this area. -Xavier Soto.

Ninety-seven youth of the Southeast Mexican Conference attended the Leadership Course in Azufre, Tabasco, under the direction of conference and union youth directors, Pastors Guillermo Illingworth and Eliezer Melendez. (Photo at right).



Laymen visit national prison La Victoria in the Dominican Republic each Sabbath, distributing both temporal and spiritual food. Pastor David Lizardo (right in photo) has baptized thus far 14 prisoners, some of whom are pictured with the visiting laymen. -D. Suero.



Fernando Paloma, a young layman of the Southeast Mexican Conference, is conducting a series of meetings for children and their parents in Tekax, Yucatan, with an average attendance of more than 100 persons.

