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LIQUOR TRAFFIC HAS NO INHERENT RIGHTS SAYS THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

THE liquor traffic, according to the Supreme Court of the United States, has no inherent rights. The clear-cut statement issued by the Supreme Court in 1890, in the case of Crowley vs. Christensen, puts the liquor traffic, and all those who are in any way engaged in it, in a position that no one who is sincerely interested in the welfare of the individual, the family, the state and the nation, would want to be linked up with. There always has, always is, and always will be, as the following declaration of the Supreme Court insinuates, a stigma attached to everything that has to do with the manufacture, the distribution, the sale and the consumption of alcoholic beverages.

"By the general concurrence of opinion of every civilized and Christian community, there are few sources of crime and misery to society equal to the dram shop, where intoxicating liquors in small quantities, to be drunk at the time, are sold indiscriminately to all parties applying. The statistics of every state show a greater amount of crime and misery attributable to the use of ardent spirits obtained at the retail saloon than to any other source. The sale of such liquors in this way has therefore been at all times by the courts of every state considered as the proper subject of legislative regulation. Not only may a license be exacted from the keeper of the saloon before a glass of his liquor can be disposed of, but restrictions may be imposed as to the class of persons to whom they may be sold, and the hours of the day of the week on which the saloons may be opened. Their sale in that form may be absolutely prohibited. It is a question of public expediency and public morality, and not of Federal'law. The police power of the state is fully competent to regulate the business-to mitigate its evils or to suppress it entirely. There is no inherent right in a citizen

to thus sell intoxicating liquors by retail; it is not a privilege of a citizen of the state or of a citizen of the United States. As it is a business with danger to the community, it may, as already said, be entirely prohibited, or be permitted under such conditions as will limit to the utmost its evils."

The liquor interests are doing their best to get the American people to forget this fact. Nevertheless, this is the American position with regard to the legalized liquor traffic. It is high time that Christian men and women everywhere dealt with this monster, for "Behind the liquor seller stands the mighty destroyer of souls." T. 24.

Let us never forget that the liquor traffic would destroy the church if it could, but the church could destroy the liquor traffic if it would.

W. A. SCHARFFENBERG



GO Transfer Announcement:

An action has been taken by a special committee on publications transferring GO, the Adventist Laymen's Journal, to the Review & Herald Publishing Association. This transfer is to be effective January 1, 1954.

All subscriptions, remittances, and correspondence pertaining to GO, after January 1, 1954, should be addressed to the Periodical Department of the Review & Herald Publishing Association, Takoma Park, Washington 12, D.C. I. H. IHRIG

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LORD JESUS, THOU HAST TAKEN

(Answer to Miss Frances Havergal's hymn, "Consecration")

Lord Jesus, Thou has taken this fleeting life of mine, That it may be a mirror wherein Thy life shall shine. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my moments and my days, And turned them to the keynote of Thine unending praise.

Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken these feeble hands of mine, And laid Thine own upon them, to work Thy plans divine. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my restless wandering feet, To go, or stay, henceforth, just as Thou seest meet.

Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken this voice of faltering tone, To sing among life's discords for Thee, and Thee alone. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my lips, that they may be Touched with Thy fire, and laden with messages from Thee.

> Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my silver and my gold, To spend but at Thy bidding—a trust from Thee to hold. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken all powers of mind, or brain, To use but for the Giver—ne'er for myself again.

> Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken this wayward will of mine; Not crushing it, nor breaking, but blending it with Thine. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my heart Thy throne to be, O loving, tender Savior, whose own heart broke for me!

Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken my love, and so I rest; All love grown purer, truer, for loving Thee the best. Lord Jesus, Thou hast taken myself, and sealed me Thine only, all, and ever; yea, "set apart" for Thee. —Edith Gilling Cherry

RURAL LIVING INSTITUTE, December 29-31, 1953, E.M.C., Berrien Springs, Michigan

People Must Be EDUCATED To Get Out of the Cities

THERE is to be no let down in our work of encouraging Seventh day Adventists to leave the cities. However, we need to set in motion an educational program which will help city people to know how to live on the land. Most of our city people know nothing about planting, cultivating, or harvesting crops. They are not acquainted with methods of agriculture, whether it be gardening a small tract of ground, or farming many acres. There have been disastrous examples of families leaving the cities for places in the country, due to the fact that they were not ready for the transition. and knew nothing of how to cope with the problems of country living.

We have been instructed: "Educate our people to get out of the cities into the country, where they can obtain a small piece of land, and make a home for themselves and their children."—Country Living, pp. 10, 11.

The counsel is to "educate" our people to leave the cities. This educational process will have to be developed in every city church, and wherever there are Seventh day Adventists living in the cities. It means that conferences will need to give more attention to the counsel of the Lord, "Out of the cities!" It means that educational institutions will need to gear themselves for the training of youth in the practical arts of agriculture. It means that garden clubs and groups interested in rural living are to be developed in the city churches.

It means that city people should be encouraged to take trips into the country where they can visit farms, gardens, and such agriculture centers as may appeal to them. It means that Seventh-day Adventist farmers and gardeners who are now successful in their pursuits and who have an eve single to the purpose of God, will need to lend their efforts in this educational plan by inviting city dwellers to come and visit their farms. It means that rural living will become as much a part of our general teaching and promotion as are education, health, home missionary activities, Sabbath school, temperance, young people's Missionary Volunteer endeavors, religious liberty, evangelism, and other kindred fields of Christian activity.

Rural living is a part of the third angel's message, and as such it is important. The same angel that instructed God's messenger, Sister E. G. White, to write volumes in regard to the education of our children and youth, also instructed her in this important phase of Christian living for these last days. But the plan of rural living is not to be agitated on an extreme, emotional basis.

There are to be no rash moves. There are to be no fiery speeches which would hurry our people from the cities without giving them adequate preparation for the exodus. The program must be educational. Thousands of our people will be content to remain in the cities until the passage of Sunday laws forces them to flee. At the best, we can but hope that a certain percentage of our people now in the cities will take advantage of present opportunities for leaving the cities.

Nevertheless, we must be charitable with those who remain in the cities. Some will have to carry on missionary work in behalf of the city people. Churches will continue to be established in the cities to care for the incoming converts. At the same time, we would urge those who are now interested in country living, and who still live in the cities, to do all they can to prepare themselves for their places in the country. The following counsel is worthy of careful consideration.

"Think candidly, prayerfully, studying the Word with all carefulness and prayerfulness, with mind and heart awake to hear the voice of God.... To understand the will of God is a great thing."—Country Living, p. 26.

We are happy to announce that plans are already under way for such an educational movement. The Lake Union Conference has recently taken action endorsing the plan of having an Agricultural and Rural Living Workshop, December 29-31, 1953, at Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Michigan. The local conference presidents of that union, at a committee meeting, expressed themselves as being favorable to the idea. Plans have been formulated for a constructive, educational program which will last three days. Well informed and practical men are being readied to give counsel and help to those now living in the rural areas of this Union Conference, as well as for those of the cities who desire to learn how to live on the land. It will be the first step in the direction of developing an educational program which, we believe, will be far reaching in its effects.

Those who are interested in obtaining farms, small or large, or places in small

towns or villages where they may establish some form of industry, should contact their local or union A. S. I. secretaries or write to us at the General Conference, and we shall endeavor to help in finding what you want.

> WESLEY AMUNDSEN General Conference Secretary Assn. of Self-supporting Institutions

The School of Many Languages

H. A. DICKENS, Sabbath-School Sec'y Bismark-Solomons Union Mission

On the Island of Lou, in the Manus Group, we have an important central school which fills a vital part of the educational system of the Bismark-Solomons Union Mission. To the Pisik school this year came about one hundred and forty students from many different language areas to be trained in the rudiments of education, a better knowledge of God and His Book, and for a place in His work. Brother Lloyd Tonkin, the principal, is 'doing a fine work with such a varied group. Even his three native teachers come from three different island groups. Recently we took a picture of sixteen native lads, and each one came from a different language area-not one could understand the language of the other. However, they all find a common understanding through the use of Pidgin English and slowly through the use of simple English.

It is very encouraging to find that these folk are becoming fluent with the difficult English language. It opens to them a vast field of study and a deeper meaning of the Scriptures. In all our higher

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schools English is the medium of instruction taking the place of the limited Pidgin English and the vernacular.

At the end of this year quite a number of these lads will be passing out of this school and going down to Kambubu to the training school, where they will receive their specialized instruction to become proficient ministers, teachers, office workers, carpenters, and workers for the vast unfinished task that faces them in this scattered island field. Prav for them that they will be able to keep their eyes on the goal ahead in spite of the language difficulties. Your financial help will be greatly appreciated on the 13th Sabbath of this quarter when the overflow will come to the Australasian Division for work in these needy fields.

TELEGRAM

"AUSTRALASIAN INTER-UNION CONFER-ENCE OF S.D.A.

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NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRAL'A "STUDENTS OF ADVENTIST UNION COL-LEGE KAMBUBU SEND GREETINGS AND DESIRE TO EXPRE'S THANKS FOR AN-TIC PATED OVERFLOW OFFER'NG'S WHICH WILL GREATLY ASSIST BUILDING PRO-GRAMME.

LOCK" [Principal of this school]

Dormitory Fund Needed

THE faculty and the student body of 145 of the Adventist Union College send you the warmest of Christian greetings. We also thank you very sincerely for what you are going to do for us in the *Overflow* from the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering this quarter.

Ours is only an infant college, for this is but the third year of its existence. During this time we have all but doubled our enrollment, and have raised the level of education somewhat.

During the last three years we have been suffering considerably with growing pains in our building programme. Nearly half our young men students are still housed in temporary buildings, and we lack funds with which to extend our dormitory accommodation.

We have under construction at present our administration building. Already the budget is overspent, but we are moving ahead in faith, believing that the response of the Sabbath schools of the world will meet our need.

The whole of the union field is looking with very hungry eyes to our college for workers. The need for trained workers in the ever expanding mission work is almost desperate. On this island of New Britain alone we have about eight open doors in a needy and promising field which we cannot fill because we do not have the men or the means.

Fifteen graduates will be going out from this institution in seven weeks' time, and they will all be finding their places in the work of God.

There is a keenness among the students here which is very refreshing to observe, and we are already wondering how we will accommodate all those who are listed to come in next year. We press forward full of courage in the Lord and in faith that God's people will not fail us.

[The students and faculty of Coral Sea Union College, Kambubu, New Britain]

I Went to Nusi

E. A. B:EHM, President

Bismarck-Solomons Union Mission

YEARS ago I had an ambition to be a missionary on the island of Nusi. In those college days nothing would have pleased me more than to have put away my books and packed my bags and set sail for faraway Nusi—isolated, enchanting, place of adventure—populated by savage and primitive people needing so much the gospel of Jesus, yet without realizing it. Nusi called me! Its stories thrilled me to become a foreign missionary!

Twenty years passed by, many of them spent in service in the mission field. Then, just a few days ago, for the first time in my life, I went to Nusi!

Marked on most maps as Tench Island, Nusi is a tiny little island gem set in a sapphire that is the Pacific Ocean. Seven hours due east from St. Matthias Islands as the mission ship sails, brings us to the shores of Nusi. Not more than two or three feet of sand, broken coral and rotting humus rest on a lonely outcrop of coral reef to form the island. Coconuts, great trees, and dense undergrowth cover the whole of the island, with the exception of a golden fringe of beach.

Where we contacted the island the undergrowth had been cleared over a small area, and here beneath the trees and coconuts the entire population of the island, made up of some thirty adults and about as many children, had built themselves a humble village.

As there was not a place for us to cast anchor, mission president Rogapitu, district director Baugasi, H. A. Dickens and I, went ashore in a native cance while our ship, the "Malalagi," lay out to sea a little for several hours whilst we visited with the people on their island. Mission teacher John had his people lined up on the beach to sing a specially adapted

sing of welcome. Their voices were not as tuneful as many we have heard. elsewhere, but we were the first visitors to the island for almost a year, and we certainly did not doubt their sincerity. Handshakes all around followed, after which we visited casually with the people for a time, sampling their food and taking a brief walk into the island whilst Baugasi produced pencil and paper and busied himself che king the church and Sabbath school rolls and gathering accumulated offerings, reports and statistics. A great bundle of mats was brought to him representing the tithe of these people from their only industry. John smiled as he collected a year's wages. His problem will be how to spend them, for there are no stores on Nusi.

All the inhabitants of Nusi are either members or adherents of the Seventhday Adventist church. We saw no evidence of tobacco, betel-nut, or pigs. The people were clean and healthy. At the call of the bell of the chapel under the coconuts the people came hurrying to the meeting place. Several of us spoke to them through an interpreter, admonishing them to be faithful until the day that Jesus would transfer them from their tiny island to His glorious kingdom.

These humble children of God then followed their Master's example in participating in the ordinance of humility, after which we gathered round the sacred table while Pastor Rogapitu blessed and served us with the emblems of Christ's broken body and spilled blood.

Solemn though is is, the Lord's supper is an experience that I always enjoy. The one which we ate at Nusi is one which I will not quickly forget. Isolated from the world we were close to God. His sweet Spirit drew very near to His simple children as they celebrated the sacred rite. We left the palm-thatched church with the abiding presence of God in our hearts.

Our ship was signalled to return. Goodbyes were said to the brethren who will waith months before they see another visitor. Expertly we were paddled through the slight surf and soon we were aboard our vessel with Nusi's island sinking beneath the horizon as we sailed our western course.

My ambition had been achieved. I had been a missionary to Nusi for just a few hours it is true, but that brief contact with the hurch of God on that iso'ated spot is an experience I would not care to exchange with anyone.



Launch Caroling Program

TUESDAY morning, November 24, Lake Region Conference workers and their wives gathered in fellowship in the parlor of the Parish Hall of the Shiloh church in Chicago to celebrate the shortest Ingathering victory in conference history (six weeks), and to launch the Thanksgiving to Christmas Caroling for Christ program.

As chairman of this meeting, Elder H. W. Kibble presented Lake Union Conference president Elder M. L. Rice, who related interesting experiences from his recent tour of Africa and the Holy Land.

Following special music by Miss Alma Sellers, Elder D. B. Simons reviewed the 1953 Ingathering achievement. He then presented the *Caroling For Christ* plan. A helpful discussion ensued and an enthusiastic spirit prevailed. The presence and counsel of the Union Conference treasurer, H. A. Shepard, was appreciated. Mrs. H. W. Kibble rendered an appropriate reading. Parting words were spoken by a lay-worker, Mrs. Louvenia Myers of the Shiloh church, about to leave for an extended trip to West Africa.

To conclude this profitable gathering, workers enjoyed an appetizing luncheon prepared by Mrs. Hannah Harvey of the Shiloh church. D. B. SIMONS

News Notes

★ ELDER D. B. SIMONS was the speaker for the commencement service conducted Sunday night, November 29 in the Shiloh church in Chicago when nearly 50 graduates of the Parish Hall Bible School were present in attractive uniform attire to receive their certificates. Many others were not able to be present. Practically the entire group stood on the appeal to live in harmony with the truths of Scripture they had been taught.

★ During the recent Week of Prayer Elder D. B. Simons joined in the services with the Gary and the Morgan Park churches, and on Sabbath November 21, he worshipped with the Morgan Park church and read the closing message of the Week of Prayer.

★ Elder H. K. Halladay, Lake Union Conference Home Missionary and Sabbath School Secretary was the speaker at a special service in the Morgan Park church in Chicago on Friday evening, November 27.

Sabbath morning November 28, at the 11 o'clock hour in the Shiloh church in Chicago, Elder Halladay brought a very beneficial Baccalaureate message in connection with a large class of graduates from the Parish Hall Bible School conducted by Elder T. M. Rowe. Also associated in this work has been Bible Instructor, Sister Dorothy Smith. Accompanying Elder Halladay at both these services was the conference Home Missionary Secretary, Elder D. B. Simons.

MV Book Club

AMONG the 1954 MV Book Club selections is featured one of the Senior books. "The Enchanted Pillowcase," by Josephine Cunnington Edwards. The price is \$2.50, and it can be ordered through the Book and Bible House: "Ambition lures a young African native to the diamond fields where he meets a converted native girl who changes his life. What a heathen environment did to two little girls after the parents had died, and how a single initialed pillow slip led to a wonderful conversion, a happy marriage, and dedicated mission service provide the gripping interest of this true story. It appeals to all the tender emotions that sweeten and ennoblé human experience. Two other memorable mission stories, one of the East Africa Dutch settlements and the other of the conversion of a bishop's daughter and the fulfillment of her dreams in a mission field, complete the offerings of this wonderful book.

Cthers Available Are:

CLOUD COUNTRY, by Lewis Canaday and Jan S. Doward. The lure of the open trail and the rewards of hiking in God's great out-of-doors are vividly set forth by two young writers of the Northwest who know the problems and preparations necessary for successful trips and the way to enjoy this hobby to the full. A practical, inspiring adventure story that will increase wanderlust and open new horizons for the beginner. Price \$2.50.

FLICKERING DESIRE, by Marjorie Lewis Lloyd. The prophecy concerning Jesus "a bruised reed shall he not break" and the smoking flax shall he not quench" is abundantly illustrated in this deeply spiritual appeal to every believer who would follow the light to a glorious experience with God. That heaven hears even the feeblest cry of every hungering heart receives assurance here in the persuasive appeal of this winsome little book. How to fan our flickering desires for peace and hope and the joys of dedicated service into reality is demonstrated here in practical suggestions that remove all the obstacles to Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Price \$1.50.

GOING UP, by C. L. Paddock. A book of inspirational stories for boys and girls. Stories that will encourage them to go up and up, to climb and climb, to grow and grow. Teaches lessons of honesty, faithfulness, obedience, perseverance, kindness, etc. Price \$2.00.



For Sale the Third Time!

Some of the readers of the HERALD will remember the story of how Mrs. Edna Hawke of the Van Dyke church in Detroit sold a lovely crocheted tablecloth which was an heirloom, to Mrs. Ethel O' Cain of Bellingham, Washington for \$100. Mrs. O' Cain permitted Mrs. Hawke to keep the tablecloth as she said that she really had no use for it. Mrs. Hawke had previously prayed that if God would send her a buyer for the tablecloth she would donate the money to the new Van Dyke church school building project.

When Mrs. O' Cain visited the Michigan camp meeting at Grand Ledge last summer she contacted Mrs. Hawke again. During the conversation Mrs. Hawke told Mrs. O'Cain that many of her friends were skeptical when she told them the story as they just couldn't believe that anyone would spend that amount of



Mrs. Edna Hawke's \$100-heirloom

money for a tablecloth and still allow Mrs. Hawke to keep it. Mrs. O' Cain said that just to prove it was possible she would buy it again for another hundred dollars and Mrs. Hawke could still keep it and sell it again to raise more money for the school project.

You see, Mrs. O' Cain believes that we have reached the time when God's people should liquidate their possessions as much as possible and put the money into the Lord's cause. The dedicated tablecloth is still for sale and Mrs. Hawke hopes to find another buyer for it so that she can make another donation to the school project. Mrs. Hawke's address is 5300 Lakepointe Ave., Detroit 24, Michigan.

MRS. CONSTANCE WRIGHT, Press Secy.

Nine Baptized—Over 100 Witnesses

NINE person from the West Branch District were baptized, Sabbath afternoon, November 28 in the Lake City Adventist Church. Elder W. C. Neff, Pastor of the Ferndale Church performed the beautiful and heart-warming ceremony which was witnessed by over 100 of our believers.

All of these new members made their decisions to join God's Remnant Church through the efforts of faithful, consecrated laymen co-operating with the District Pastor Tedford J. Rasmussen. Those who should especially be commended are: Brother and Sister Dennis of West Branch, who are holding Bible studies and lay efforts throughout the district, Sister Crystal Wright, colporteur from Houghton Lake, who is sowing the seeds of Truth throughout this area and Brother and Sister Kurbitz of Tawas City who are helping with Bible studies on the shore side of the district.

The revival meetings held in the Houghton Lake Church by Elder W. C. Neff in October also contributed greatly to the spiritual tone and fellowship that has resulted in these baptisms.

Another baptismal service is scheduled for February 6, 1954. Your prayers for the furtherance of God's great work, the salvation of souls in this area will be appreciated. TED RASMUSSEN

Dorcas Meet on Armistice Day

THE Southwestern Dorças Federation met November 11 in Berrien Springs Village Dorcas Hall. Forty representatives from the Niles, Buchanan, Baroda, Benton Harbor, College and Village churches were present. Mrs. E. E. Kidder of the Buchanan church, Federation president, was chairman, assisted by the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. F. C. Patterson of Mattawan. The children of the Berrien Springs elementary school presented patriotic music in songs and drill.

The business discussion related to forming an association of churches in a more effective welfare program. The secret of successful welfare work is a well organized group that can step out at an hour's notice and do their part in time of an emergency.

Pastors attending were Elders H. K. Halladay, Home Missionary Secretary of the Lake Union, L. C. Caviness of Niles, S. E. Wight, H. G. Rutherford and R. U. Garrett of Berrien Springs.

A similar meeting was held in Kalamazoo on November 12 with thirty-five ladies present from Douglas, Gobles, Covert, Allegan and Hartford. Miss Thelma Gibbs, Bible worker in Kalamazoo, gave the special music.

The afternoon program was a round table discussion on the organization of welfare centers. Many questions were answered in regard to welfare work in general. Pastors attending this meeting were Elders H. K. Halladay, H. D Burbank, Home Missionary Secretary of the Michigan Conference, H. H. Crandell of Allegan and D. S. Wallack of Kalamazoo. Mrs. H. D. Burbank, newly elected State Dorcas President, was introduced by Elder Burbank. We appreciate the help of the ministers who attended both meetings and we hope many more will attend the Spring meeting to be held in Gobles. MRS. E. E. KIDDER

Tunney—McIntosh Wedding

JACK McIntosh and Dorothy Tunney were united in marriage, Wednesday evening, November 25, immediately following the evangelistic meeting, in the Van Dyke Ave. Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Following a brief and simple ceremony, a reception was held in the social room of the church.

They will make their home in Detroit. We wish them heaven's richest blessings in their new home. W. R. Archbold

Brower-Dorgelo Wedding

News Notes

IN a quiet ceremony at the parsonage of the Holland Church, on the evening of November 17, 1953, Miss Hannah Brower and Mr. Fred Dorgelo were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Dorgelo will continue to reside in Holland. Their many friends wish them God's blessing in health and happiness.

STANLEY W. HYDE

★ Elder H. E. Bisel baptized five members at Mendon, Sabbath, November 7. \star Elder H. D. Burbank spoke at the Grand Rapids church Sabbath, November 28. In the afternoon he again met with the church to discuss plans for a new Dorcas Welfare Center.

 \bigstar Elder R. L. Boothby will be the speaker at a series of revival meetings to be held in the Grand Rapids church in January.

★ The Finance Committees met at Adelphian Academy on December 13 and at Cedar Lake Academy on December 14.

 ★ T. J. Rasmusssen reports a growing interest in the Tawas City areas where a lay effort is being held by Ray Dennis.
★ The Carson City Dorcas Society is laying plans for building a Welfare Center near the church.

★ Three new members were baptized at the Detroit Grand River church on November 14 by Elder R. L. Boothby.

★ Elder L. F. Kagels is continuing his evangelistic meetings at Bath on Sunday evenings.

"Drama of the Ages"

DURING the past two and a half years the colporteurs in the Southern and Southwestern Unions have sold 91,212 copies of *Drama of the Ages* in the special colporteur edition. The price is \$850 in the cloth and \$9.75 in the deluxe.

BUT HERE IS A GENUINE BAR-GAIN! This same book, during 1953, is available in the special Christian Home Library edition for just \$1.00! Drama of the Ages is the special missionary book for 1953. Have you given any of these books to your non-Adventist friends? After January 1 the price will be \$2.00 for this edition.

If ten copies of the book are purchased at one time, the postage is prepaid. In smaller quantities add ten cents for the first book and five vents for each additional copy.

What could you possibly give at Christmas time that would do so much good for such a small investment as a copy of Drama of the Ages? Elder W. H. Branson, president of the General Conference, has made every chapter a special appeal to come to Jesus. The salient points of our message are covered in this timely book, but every presentation points the reader to the Saviour. Let us join in a great crusade for Christ by giving thousands of these books to our neighbors and friends before the year closes. Don't miss this genuine bargain. Order several today from your Book and Bible House. Thank you. BOOK DEPARTMENT Southern Publishing Association

Madisonians! Attention!

FRIENDS and former students of Madison College. The 50th anniversary of the founding of Madison College will be held in June of 1954. The alumni are sponsoring the Golden Anniversary Book which will include the history from 1904 to 1954. The Golden Anniversary Book will cost \$6. Please get your order in now.

If you have any old pictures taken around the institution or present pictures of your family we would appreciate using them in this picture book. Send your pictures and money to Mrs. Gilbert Johnson, Madison College, Tennessee.

S.D.A. Dentists Meet at C'eveland

Cleveland, Ohio, was the scene of the annual meeting of the National Association of Seventh-day Adventist Dentists held in the Allerton Hotel, September 25-27. Every Union Conference in the United States was represented as weil as Canada and Puerto Rico.

Elder Paul Bradley of the General Conference challenged the group to take advantage of the opportunities for zervice as God leads in these uncertain days to fulfill His purpose. Elder Carl Sundin of the Medical Extension Department and Chaplain of the NASDAD organization led out in a symposium of missionary experiences showing how the dedicated Christian dentist is able to lead souls to Christ.

Officers elected for 1954 were: Dr. Albert Koppel, Washington, D. C., president; Dr. Franklyn Nelson, Pomona, California, secretary-treasurer; Dr. William Taylor, Battle Creek, Michigan, to the Board of Directors.

The next meeting will be held in connection with the General Conference Session next Spring in San Francisco. The annual Fall meeting will be held in Miami, Florida, November 5, 6, and 7, 1954. R. E. MALLERNEE, D.D.S.

Nearly 70 Times More!

THE Autumn Council session that recently closed in Washington, D.C., voted the largest mission budget in the history of our church—better than \$20,319,000. Our hearts were thrilled as we heard A. V. Olson, vice-president of the General Conference state that at the first Autumn Council he attended \$300,000 was voted, and as a result of this large appropriation delegates and visitors stood and sang together, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Then, as his voice broke and he moved that we again stand and give our thanks to God in song and prayer, all were impressed at the marvelous blessings God has caused to rest upon His church.

But, brethren and sisters, this is just the beginning. The year 1954 will see the holding of the greatest General Conference session in the history of our church. The *Review and Herald* will carry the official reports of the conference. These reports will be mailed free to all *Review* subscribers. Therefore, we urge every Seventh-day Adventist to take advantage of this special offer on the *Review* and its associated periodicals, and receive the free General Conference reports.

By placing your order now you will receive the *Family Group* for only \$10.95; the *Big Three* for only \$6.50; and the *Review* for only \$4.75. And better than 300 pages of General Conference reports will be included free. Order at once through your Book and Bible House or church missionary secretary.

Truly our God has done wonderful things for us, whereof we are glad. Let the thrilling reports of world advance bring cheer and courage to every member of your family in 1954. Again we say, Read the *Review*. R. J. CHRISTIAN

A Call to Intercession

APPROXIMATELY 225,000 homes throughout the nation were reached with a direct communication and appeal during this month of November. Yes, one of the most intensive, best organized ventures in evangelism through the months of the current year. What a marvelous innovation in soul-winning endeavor! What hidden potential is envisioned in a direct contact with almost a quarter million homes at this particular time! It is an occasion for united intercessory prayer among our churches everywhere.

Here is the picture: Several months ago the members of our churches from coast to coast were assured that every name for whom they sponsored a subscription to Signs of the Times-our great "silent evangelist,"-would be regarded as a sacred trust, and that the publishers of Signs would exhaust every resource at their command to bring every subscriber into the valley of decision. The first step in this soul-winning fellowship is in progress during this passing month; hence this appeal for united intercession for the mighty movings of the Spirit of God on the heart of every recipient of Signs from week to week.

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Signs is on the eve of the celebration of its 80th anniversary. Four years after its introduction into the field of our denominational missionary literature, Mrs. E. G. White said: "The Signs of the Times is our missionary paper; it is doing its work everywhere, and is opening the way for the truth to be more fully presented . . . It is a fact that the circulation of our papers is doing a greater work than the living preacher can do."-Review and Herald, Dec. 19, 1878. Through the intervening seventy-nine years of its faithful ministry literally many millions of copies have been circulated over the face of the earth. Marvelous soul-winning achievements have been recorded that have brought joy to the hearts of our people.

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Again we wish to present this urgent appeal for united, whole-hearted intercessory prayer as we contemplate the fulfillment of the following prophetic picture given to us long years ago. "Soon the Lord will do great things for us, if we be humble and believing at His feet. More than a thousand will be converted in a day, most of whom will trace their first convictions to the reading of our publications."—*Review and Herald*, Nov. 10, 1885.

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Sermon in the News

ELDER L. R. RASMUSSEN addressed our Conference workers on the opening night of a three-day session, November 23, and the following story appeared in a Madison paper.

"COMMUNISM GAINING IN INDIA, MIDDLE EAST," ADVENTISTS TOLD

"'Communism is spreading like wildfire in India and the Middle East, and Christian missionaries may soon be barred from these countries of strange culture and mystic beliefs,' an Adventist church official said here Monday night.

"L. R. Rasmussen, associate secretary of the Seventh-day Adventist world conference with headquarters in Washington, D.C., addressed a statewide convention of Adventist ministers meeting in a threeday session at the church, Colby and Van-Deusen Streets. Mr. Rasmussen recently returned from a trip to the Middle East where he visited India, Pakistan, and Burma.

"He said that there are three factors that may soon close the doors to Western missionaries and Christianity in India: 'an intense feeling of nationalism since India was granted independence from England six years ago: the remarkable revival of Mohammedanism and Hinduism, and the incredible infiltration of Communism.'

"Mr. Rasmussen said that 'a tital wave of anti-Western culture and religion has crept into the countries of the Middle East.' He said the peoples of India and the surrounding nations 'desire Asia for the Asiatics.'

"Urging a more sincere expression of practical Christianity in the lives of the nations of the Western world, Mr. Rasmuscen said that 'intense poverty is causing the present situation in the Middle East.'

"'The people are promised land for the landless, and rice for the riceless by the Communists.'

"Continuing in the strain of practicing true Christianity, Mr. Rasmussen said that the peoples of the Middle East 'feel their religion is superior due to the fact that Christianity has not lived up to its teachings.'

"The convention will move into its

second day today with the discussion of reports from directors of welfare, civil defense, youth activities, temperance, education, and other departments of the organization."

Relations established with Madison newspapers by Henry Uhl, Conference Press Secretary, are largely responsible for this fine publicity.

MV's—700 Strong—in Youth Rally OVER 700 Missionary Volunteers crowded the Marathon Park Youth Building in Wausau, Sabbath, October 31, to capacity. From distances of 100 to 200 miles they came.

Elder John Hancock stirred the audience with a thrilling temperance sermon at the worship hour. He remained during the afternoon to join Elder Bieber in conducting a *Share-Your-Faith* hour at which time many youth testified of various ways they have witnessed for the Master.

The laity of district seven enjoyed the privilege of playing host to the 70 students of Wisconsin Academy who traveled to the North Woods the day prior to the rally. "You can tell Brother Gammon that he can send us that kind of young people to stay overnight at our house anytime," was the typical remark of the laymen.

The Choraliers gave an inspiring sacred musical concert in the afternoon under the leadership of Miss Louise Larmon. In the evening Lyle Hamel and his able academy band gave a rousing concert, during the latter 'part of which the scores of youth were led in a march.

The many additional features included a showing of the recently released moving picture of the Pan-American Youth's Congress.

So interesting was the whole program that many Non-S.D.A. teen-age youth, who had wandered curiously into the pavilion, settled down to enjoy a wholesome evening in preference to the trickery of a Hallowe'en night.

As the benediction was presented to God for a glorious day, the whole congregation unitedly affirmed that it was good to have come together. MERLIN E. FOLL

Bethel Church Dedicates School

NOVEMBER 21, 1953 marked the conclusion of four years of loyal work by the members of the Bethel Church in the cause of Christian Education. On that date the Bethel Intermediate School was dedicated. This three-room school building valued at more than \$25,000 was dedicated free of debt. God's leadership was manifested all through this project. The first section of the building was completed in 1950 and was no sooner in use than it was inadequate to meet the needs of the growing enrollment. By the fall of 1951 it was

GOD'S TENTH Garden Protected from Frost

"It was about the year 1884 when the message was first preached in our village. Father was the first to attend in our family, and he never missed a meeting. A little later our whole family became interested, and mother was the first to take her stand for the Sabbath. Father held off for some years, and finally became bitter, and objected to mother's paying tithe; but she continued to pay her tithe strictly.

"Father · was one of the most successful farmers in the county. A big corn crop was his great ambition. Our house and mother's garden spot were located in one corner of a ten-acre field. I shall never forget one year when we planted that field to corn. When the corn was well up, father and I walked over the field. We were much pleased with the prospect, as we could not find a missing hill. But that very evening the wind changed to the northwest, and it turned cold. Father was much disturbed, being afraid of frost. Sure enough, the frost came that night. As we walked over the field the next morning, not a standing hill of corn could we find. Every hill was flat on the ground.

"Walking back to the house, we came past mother's garden, in which she had fine tomato and various delicate plants. We stopped and looked, and to our surprise not one leaf was wilted. Father turned to me and remarked, 'Well Edward, your mother must be right.' Indeed, mother was right. We all well know why her garden was protected. God had verified His promise found in Malachi 3:11.

"Needless to say, this experience has been a great source of encouragement to me in all my Christian life. How much brighter would be our hope and courage if we were strictly true to God in all He requires. When we fail, we suffer loss." *Proving the Lord*, pp. 15, 16. necessary to start an addition larger than the original part. This section was occupied in March of 1952.

The enrollment in the fall of 1953 stood at 53. This made it necessary to employ an assistant to the primary teacher.

Under the leadership of Stephen Yost as principal, the school is conducting a strong program that is adding strength to the Bethel Church.

Assisting in the dedication were Elder H. J. Capman, President of the Wisconsin Conference, Elder W. A. Nelson, Educational Secretary of the Lake Union who gave the Dedicatory address, Elder John Hancock, Young People's Secretary of the Lake Union, and Elder D. W. Anderson who was pastor of the Bethel Church at the time the building project was started.

The school was dedicated in the afternoon, and in the evening the Home and School held a meeting. The Bethel Community Orchestra gave a short concert and Elder John Hancock then spoke on the blessings of Christian Education. CLIFFORD M. BEE

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Master Guides on Evening Outing

THE Master Guides and Master Guide candidates of the Brookfield MV Society chose a recent nippy Sunday evening in November for their second outing of the year. If you had been driving through Mannheim Woods on this particular evening, the tangy aroma of wood smoke would have made you turn your head to see whence it came. Around a cheerfully blazing campfire, you would have seen a merry group of young people, the aforementioned Master Guides and Master Guide candidates.

Soon you would have noticed another aroma mingling with the smoke, lustily curling skyward. It was that of the delicious supper being cooked on the open fire by the jolly group, to appease the appetites sharpened by the snappy fall air.

After supper the young folk pointed out their stellar acquaintances.

This Master Guide meeting was unusual in that present was a Master Guide from Cuba, one from Argentina, and one from Panama.

To qualify for this outing, new candi-

News Notes

★ ELDER H. J. Capman spent the first few days of September at Berrien Springs, Michigan, where he attended Board meetings.

★ Elder J. L. McConaughey presented the subject of *Loyalty* at our Workers' Meeting held in the Madison Church November 24.

★ L. A. Pomeroy is now located in South Lancaster, Massachusetts where he is in charge of the Publishing Department of the Southern New England Conference. He was a credentialed colporteur for approximately 6 years in the Wisconsin Conference and last April was employed as Assistant Publishing Secretary. We wish him God's blessings in his new responsibilities. He is already in South Lancaster and we understand that his family will move to that location shortly.

★ Walter Nasvall, one of our outstanding faithful colporteurs was chosen as our new Assistant Publishing Secretary to fill Brother Pomeroy's position. Brother Nasvall began his work as an Assistant Publishing Secretary on December 1.

dates had to have five requirements completed, while those who started working last spring had to have twelve requirements completed. Last June this group had a sunrise breakfast, followed by tracking and trailing, for the beginning group who finished the prescribed requirements at that time. DONNA JACOBS

Danville Witnessing for Christ

THE lay members in the Danville, Illinois, district are busy in consecrated missionary endeavor.

The inspiration came on a Wednesday evening prayer service where was presented before the Lord a list of persons whose names had been secured through home visitation, personal contacts, and Bible Correspondence interests. They found that a large number of these were anxious for Bible studies. They have never been able to meet all the appointments that keep rolling in, for one person who attends the study will tell his friend about it and another request for studies usually results. Original equipment in use were the 35mm film strip projector and two sets of the Shuler film. These soon proved to be inadequate, so three more projectors were purchased along with five more sets of film strips.

In addition to this, Mrs. Emma Phillips, having heard of S.A.V.E. units, decided that this was the answer to the work to which she had dedicated her life. Within a short time, eleven more S.A.V.E. audio-visual units were purchased by other devoted members of the district. Sister Phillips is now giving twelve studies a week with her audio-visual unit in which she is contacting weekly fifty-three persons. Already this year, 1953, she has seen five of her interests baptized.

Among those who received studies from Mrs. Phillips was Mrs. Barbara Asquith. Sister Asquith bought an S.A.V.E. unit even before she was baptized, starting immediately to give studies to her relatives. To date, she has won her motherin-law and hopes to have two of her sisters ready for baptism by the end of December. She is presently conducting six studies a week, thereby making weekly contact with thirty-three persons.

Along with these, we would like to mention Avis Westbrook who in six studies is contacting twenty people each week. Frank Haynes and Charles Meek are consistently following a weekly study schedule. All have won souls since they purchased these units. Still others in the district are giving studies each week with prospects for more baptisms in the near future.

Through this method, we have, thus far in 1953, won thirty-three precious souls. T. J. KROEGER

News Notes

★ THE MV secretaries of the Lake Union met together in council at the Hinsdale church for several days, beginning December 1. On December 5, the secretaries visited various churches in the Chicago area, preaching at West Central, Broadview, La Grange, Aurora and Humboldt Park.

★ Elder R. G. Wertz has been holding Sunday night meetings in the Aurora church, and reports a good interest. These meetings were held mainly to secure interests for cottage meetings, and the list of those who are desirous of attending cottage meetings, as a result of this church effort, is quite large. At a recent baptismal service, Elder Wertz baptized four, and very soon another baptism is anticipated.

★ The Sheridan church has completed its financial campaign for remodelling its church. New siding is to be put on the building, and various necessary repairs will be made.

 \star Elder A. J. Anders recently had a baptism, adding five to the Charleston church and three to Mattoon. These are mostly a result of the effort held by

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Professor Composes Prayer Hymn

"GIVE US FAITH FOR TODAY," a prayer hymn composed by Dr. Harry Robert Wilson, head of the Voice Department, Teacher's College, Columbia University, opened the Adventist telecast last Sunday, with Dr. Wilson among the thousands of viewers. The story behind this event is of interest to everyone concerned with gospel work.

Among Dr. Wilson's students this past year was Miss Elaine Meyers, voice instructor at Walla Walla College, who spent several months helping in the *Faith for Today* Bible School prior to receiving her Master's degree in music from Columbia University.

Describing one of her classes she reported, "Today our teacher introduced a song he had written entitled, 'Give Us Faith for Today.' He began by saying, 'If there's anything we need these days, it's faith. Have any of you heard of an organization called Faith for Today? I I just read one of their publications which refutes agnostics. It's a fine book, very interesting!' Then he began telling some of the things it said, especially mentioning the prophecies. It sounded like an Adventist sermon: the class listened with much interest. He had read Search for Certainty, a Faith for Today book of the month. Another day in class he said, 'I'm looking for something and I don't know what it is.' So I gave him Steps to Christ which he told me he enjoyed." He is a very gifted composer and has hundreds of songs on the market.

After the telecast came on live again this fall, Dr. Wilson directed his publishers, the G. Schirmer Co. to send arrangements of his *Faith for Today* song to our quartet. Composer and publishers , were deeply interested in last Sunday's presentation of the composition.

What a wonderful God we have who can take the witness of a college instructor, the talent of a Columbia University professor, the printing skill of a prominent music publisher, the consecrated voices of the quartet and weave them all into a fabric of truth to send out over the television airwaves! May the Lord bless Dr. Wilson as he continues to bear his witness in the university and across the land by means of his musical compositions. FAITH FOR TODAY

TV LOG

LAKE UNION CONFERENCE

Battle Creek	64	WBKZ-TV	Sun.	7:30	p.m.
Chicago	7	WBKB-TV	Sun.	11:30	a.m.
Detroit	7		Sun.	11:30	a.m.
Grand Rapids	7	WOOD-TV	Sun.	11:30	a.m.
Oshkosh	48	WOSH-TV	Sun.	3:00	p.m.
Saginaw	57	WKNX-TV	Sun.	11:00	p.m.

What's America's Worst Threat?

Do you know what is one of America's most subtle and sinister threats today? Do you know what is being done to arrest its ruthless advance? Do you know what you as a Christian can do to meet this emergency? Whether you know the answers to these questions or not, you'll be enlightened by reading the account of the recent interview of *These Times* with Governor Frank C. Clement of Tennessee and the man he appointed to deal with this situation, Dr. Cyril J. Ruilmann.

Would you like to help some soul meet life's trials more successfully? Are you yourself struggling under a crushing load and seeking to lean more heavily on the promises of God? Whatever the problem, *Fruits of Affliction* will help you tap new resources of spiritual strength.

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"Our people have been regarded as too insignificant to be worthy of notice; but a change will come. The Christian world is now making movements which will necessarily bring commandment-keeping people into prominence. Every soul will be tested."—5T. p. 546.



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Chicago	WGN	720	6:30	PM
Chicago	WLS	890	10:00	AM
Herrin	WJPF	1340	9:30	AM
Peoria	WIRL	1290	10:00	AM
Springfield	WCVS	1450	10:00	AM
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Anderson	WHBU	1240	10:00	AM
Evansville	WJPS	1330	10:00	AM
Ft. Wayne	WKIG	1380	9:30	AM
Indianapolis	WISH	1310	9:30	РМ
Lafayette	WASK	1450	9:30	AM
Vincennes	WAOV	1450	8:30	AM
MICHIGAN				
Alpena	WATZ	1450	10:30	AM
Ann Arbor	WHRV	1600	9:30	AM
Battle Creek	WBCK	930	7:00	PM
Cadillac	WATT	1240	10:30	AM
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Detroit	WXYZ	1270	9:30	AM
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Flint	WBBC	1330	10:30	AM
Grand Rapids	WLAV	1340	9:30	AM
	WLAV	96.9	9:30	AM
Houghton	WHDF	1400	9:30	AM
Iron Mountain	WMIQ	1450	11:00	AM
Iron River	WIKB	1230	9:30	AM
Ironwood	WIMS	630	9:30	AM
Ludington	WKLA	1450	9:30	AM
Marquette *	WDMJ	1320	10:30	AM
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	- WKBZ	98.9	1:00	PM
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Saginaw	WSGW	790	10:30	AM
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Traverse City	WCTM	1400	10:30	AM
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Appleton	WHBY	1230	9:30	AM
Ashland	WATW	1400	9:30	AM
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Eau Claire	WBIZ	1400	9:30	AM
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La Crosse	WKTY	580	10:00	AM
La Crosse	WLCX	1490	9:30	AM
Madison	WISC	1000	9:30	AM
Manitowoc	WOMT	1240	9:30	AM
Milwaukee	WCAN	1250	10:00	AM
Rice Lake	WJMC	1240	9:30	AM
Wis. Rapids	WFHR	1340	9:30	AM

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ILLINOIS CONFERENCE

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Elders K. M. McComas and A. J. Anders. ★ Elton Dessain and John Woodin attended a treasurers' meeting at Berrien Springs, Michigan on December 6.

★ At a book display held recently at the Hinsdale Sanitarium, the Book and Bible House took orders for the new Seventh-day Adventist Commentary to the amount of \$120. At a similar display in Rockford, orders for the commentary amounted to \$550.

 ★ Elder C. R. French visited the Peoria church on Sabbath, December 5. An all-day Home Missionary Rally was held.
★ On Friday evening, December 4, John Woodin showed a new Sabbath School film, Under The Southern Cross at the Champaign-Urbana church.

INDIANA C. M. Bunker - - - President J. B. Frank - - - Sec.-Treas. 3266 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis 7, Ind. Telephone—Wabash 4571 Office closed on Sundays except for special appointments.

"Keep Hands on the Plow"

OF late I have been thinking a great deal about the Lord's words in Luke 9:62 which reads, "And Jesus said unto him, no man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

We are approaching the end of the year. As the New Year dawns it will bring with it problems to be solved, work to be done, and innumerable, unexpected things to take our time and attention. In short, we will all find there is more than we can ever get done. There will be no night that we can pillow our heads and say, "My work is done; I have nothing to do."

This being the case, no time should be consumed in looking back and mourning over the past. None of our mental or spiritual energies should be used up by worry or regrets of the past.

Several of our workers have approached me, hoping that again this year we would have a special time designated when we would get right with God. In thinking this over, we have decided to make Sabbath, December 19, that day. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if every believer in Indiana could come to the close of the year and feel that, as far as he is concerned, there is nothing between him and God? We then could enter into the New Year with our hand on the plow, our eye on the furrow and not have to look back.

To do this it may mean settling differences between brethren. Sometimes this is the way to get right with God. We should search our hearts to see if there are any hidden, unconfessed sins for which we should ask God to forgive us. It may be that God will point out to some that they have not been faithful in their tithes and offerings in proportion to His blessings of prosperity. Whatever it may be, let's pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal it to us, then give us the courage to do what is needed to "Get Right With God."

Let us remember, dear ones, that we go where we are looking. If we look back, we go back. We are in troublesome times. The way is rocky and rough. Above all times, that is when we should never take our hands off the plow. May God help us to ever keep our eyes on the furrow, our hands on the plow and be worthy of the Kingdom of God. C. M. BUNKER

Featured in Indianapolis Paper

THE children of the Indianapolis South Side Church school and the Dorcas ladies combined their efforts to send Christmas gifts to Korean orphans. Sixteen large packing boxes, filled with almost anything a child would want, are on their way to these unfortunates. There were color books, crayons, paints, brushes, candy and many other items including warm clothing.

The children are shown in the accompanying photograph with the boxes before they were sent on their way.

A feature story, together with a picture, appeared in the Indianapolis Sunday Times describing the fine work done by the church and school. Nearly a quarter of a page in size, it brought many comments from people in the city. The presents were sent to the orphans cared for by Dr. G. H. Rue and his wife, who operate the orphanage in addition to their duties with the Seoul Sanitarium. Some 300 children are being sheltered in this fine project. In addition to the gifts a substantial sum of money was also sent. A baptism was conducted in the Indianapolis South Side Church on Sabbath, November 7, after a stirring address by Elder F. D. Nichol, the editor of the Review and Herald. Eleven were added to the church by baptism and one by profession of faith. We ask an interest in your prayers that these may ever remain faithful to the Lord. L. R. HOLST

Child Writes Testimony

PERHAPS one of the most pleasant tasks a minister has to perform is to labor with children in spiritual things. In conducting the Week of Prayer for the Evansville, Indiana church school, the writer was impressed anew of Jesus' remark of children—"Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

On Monday the first study was on the love of Jesus in dying for us, and the children were warned that Satan and Jesus stand on each side of every person, struggling for possession. Encouragement was given to let Jesus have His way. The next day the importance of obeying God's commandments was stressed. God's watchcare, and the power of prayer were dealt with on succeeding days.

The last day of the Week of Prayer, the speaker endeavored to impress the students with the fact that God had a glorious, heroic future for all who trust in Him. They were told that some of them

Indianapolis South Side Church School Pupils and Dorcas Ladies send gifts to Korean

Orphans



As a fitting climax to it all, the children were given an opportunity to testify of their love for God, and their thankfulness for their blessings. It was heartwarming to hear these dear children speak of their gratefulness for Christian homes, Christian schools and other blessings, and express a desire to fit into the glorious future God has planned for them.

Most of the children testified but some of the smaller ones were just a little too shy. But, the impact of the week was better measured when one of these little ones sat attentively in church the next day and then as he left, pressed a little note into the pastor's hand. Eagerly the pastor unfolded it when he had the opportunity, and there in childish printing was this message: "I love the schoolroom, and I love you. I want to help the school. I want everybody to help the school. Amen." This was his testimony, and he was a child new to the blessings of church school.

Dear brethren and sisters, only in our church schools can experiences like this take place. May our prayers ever ascend for the highly important work of church schools throughout the Lake Union Conference. CHARLES G. EDWARDS

December 19 to Climax Year '53

INDIANA Sabbath schools will present their 13th-Sabbath programs on December 19. We believe the special program will be appreciated on this date, inasmuch as many members will be visiting friends and relatives during the holiday period the following Sabbath. Closing the fourth quarter it should be the grand climax of this eventful year 1953.

Let the Sabbath school members of Indiana determine to make their "Best Gifts to Jesus." This crisis hour calls for the spirit of sacrifice to hasten the message of hope to all men.

D. E. CASLOW

Wife-Beater Won for Christ

By JAMES E. CORMACK President, Tongan Mission

AN inspiring Week of Prayer recently resulted in a sincere revival and reformation in the churches. It brought great joy to our hearts to see the many victories won. One who received special blessing was Kofe, of Vavau.

Kofe had long endeavored to win her husband's interest in this wonderful message, but he spurned her overtures and treated her unkindly in his attempt to lead her away from her precious treasure. From the commencement of the Week of Prayer Kofe's heart warmed to the messages from the denomination's leaders, and she longed to share her joy with her husband. Imagine her dismay when he finally forbade her to attend any further meetings. She pled with him, but he was adamant. Her zeal to attend aroused his anger and he threatened her with dire consequences if she disobeyed him. Nothing daunted, this dusky daughter of Tonga was again in her place at the next meeting, and special prayer was requested for her husband. On returning home she was the helpless victim of a cruel assault. She lay bruised and bleeding, but her courage was strong and her determination was to serve the Lord without fear.

Next evening Kofe was not in her place. The church members were concerned, and again special prayer was offered. On returning to his home Pastor Suli Tiami and his wife found Kofe weeping broken-heartedly. She had prepared to attend the evening service, but her husband had again beaten her unmercifully and was now demanding that she accompany him to a village on the far side of the island where she would not be able to attend further meetings. She did so much desire to fellowship with God's people for the remainder of the week. What should she do? The Tongan pastor counselled her to accompany her husband at his bidding as this was her duty. She reluctantly agreed to this, and it was decided that the church would have special prayer for her and her husband.

Next night her place was empty. When the meeting commenced on Thursday night she was again missing. After the hymn there was another earnest season of prayer for Kofe and her husband. As there had been no news for two days, all were anxious concerning their sister's welfare. Pastor Suli stood to commence the reading, but he was interrupted by some late-comers. Curious heads turned for a glimpse of the new arrivals. Imagine their astonishment when they recognized Kofe, her face radiant, and at her side, looking shy and sheepish-yes, her husband! The Spirit of God had touched his heart in response to the pravers of God's humble children. He told me after that he had been won by the Christian attitude and forgiving spirit of his wife. And the sequel? Kofe's husband has attended all Sabbath and mid-week services since, is a member of the Sabbath school, has resigned from his own church, and is now preparing for baptism.

Special Appeal

As the Sabbath schools in Indiana keep in mind on December 19 the tremendous needs of our missionary enterprises in the Australasian Division, we feel there will be a good overflow to advance the work in these needy areas. Why not the biggest Christmas offering ever given by our Sabbath schools? May God abundantly bless. D. E. CASLOW

BUDDIES' EXCHANGE

WE received a letter a few weeks ago which we appreciate. It came from *Cpl. Lester Wein* of Hammond, one of our servicemen in Korea and Lester says: "This will probably be my last letter as I expect to leave by the end of this month. I also will not get the next issue over here of the *Buddies' Exchange*, so please send it to my wife's address if possible.

"I just received the *Exchange* of October 29 today, and have it read already. I could never tell you how much I really enjoyed them every month, and I'm sure it was a great help to all the buddies wherever they were. I don't regret leaving Korea at all, but would still like to get the *Exchange*.

"I was able to attend the big Youth Congress in Seoul last Sabbath, and I'm sure we all received a great blessing: Many of my friends couldn't be there, but there were about 350 men present. It was a big thrill to see so many G.I.'s all in one accord. The missionaries in Seoul did a wonderful job of feeding such a group, and the meals were delicious. Harry Cutsinger of Bloomington and Jim Beavers of Hammond couldn't be there for some reason.

"I do hope you can see your way clear to continue the *Exchange*, as there will be many buddies to follow us over here and they'll really enjoy it. I don't think there is another local Conference that has this system of keeping in touch with the boys. Some of the boys from other Conferences like to read our *Exchange* too. Keep up the good work, I'm sure many blessings are there."

Our boys in service do appreciate being remembered by friends back home, especially those overseas. Are you remembering those from your church by writing to them regularly? Every one of these boys who have returned have told us that we could never know just how much a regular letter from home, through the *Buddies' Exchange*, meant to them. Let us each do our part by encouraging our boys away from home. They need our letters and our prayers. VERN C. HOFFMAN



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The Ongoing Scriptures

WHEN the manuscript of the first complete New Testament in Navaho was handed to Dr. Eugene A. Nida of the American Bible Society at the Society s annual meeting in New York City it was a dramatic moment-for here, in embryo, was a book that would be published by the Bible Society, a book that would speak to thousands of American Indians giving them a pattern by which they could shape their lives. It will be one of many volumes the Bible Society will publish in a foreign language. The Society's translation work is under the guidance of Dr. Nida and a staff of competent and well trained assistants. It reaches to all parts of the world.

Mrs. Karl Dalton, a Navaho Indian, flew on from Arizona, to deliver this precious manucript. It has taken missionaries ten years to complete the translation. The difficult and complicated Navaho tongue had been reduced to written form earlier by other missionaries. This Testament will be widely used, not only among the older members of the tribe, but among the younger Navahos who still use their mother tongue.

A few days later a manuscript of another "first" New Testament was brought to the Bible Society. The missionarytranslator, Newberry B. Cox, with his wife, members of the Central America Mission in Guatemala, had come to the States for a furlough bringing with them the bundle of typed pages of the New Testament that would be used by Conob Indians living in the northwestern part of Guatemala. To reach them, one must often travel on foot or horseback. A trusty jeep that pants its way up the hazardous hills also belongs to the mission. The life and customs of the Conob people are very primitive but God's Word was written for them, too.

The Gospel of John was published in Conob by the Bible Society in 1942. "I had to work from the ground up," said Mr. Newberry in describing his translation work. "Building a vocabulary, learning to recognize sounds different from those of English or Spanish, choosing the alphabet to include these sounds, filing each word, thus building a dictionary, and discovering the grammatical rules underlying the structure of the language." A fine Indian Christian, Mateo, helped the missionaries. After correcting the fourth chapter of St. John, Mateo reread it to himself. He looked up at Mr. Newberry and cried: "Now this we can understand. How good to have this in our own tongue."

OBITUARIES

Sprague — Don Sprague was born Oct. 4, 1887, and passed away on Sept. 30, 1953. He 1889, and passed away on Sept. 50, 1935. File joined the Commandment-keeping people Aug. 4, 1951 and was a member of the Oakwood Blvd. Church until the time of his death. Funeral services were conducted by Elder Florea and he was laid to rest in ithaca, Mich. He leaves to mourn, his wife, a daughter, son-in-law, and grandson. Mrs. Ruby Hobson

in-law, and grandson. Mrs. Ruby Hobson Driskell.—Mrs. Effie Driskell (nee Meeks) was born Nov. 2, 1871 near North Manchester, was born Nov. 2, 1871 near North Manchester, Ind. She was married to Charles Driskell Dec. 25, 1889 and they celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary three years before his death in 1942. To this marriage were born four sons and two daughters, three of whom are still living. She was a member of the Richmond S.D.A. Church until her death, Oct. 14, 1953. Funeral services were conducted by Elder Elbert Tyson, assisted by Elder J. E. Davidson.

Elder Elbert lyson, assisted by Elder J. E. Davidson. Voss.—Martin Peter Voss of Eau Claire, Wis., was born in Caryville, Wis. on April 27, 1879 and passed away on Oct. 27, 1953. He was united in marriage to Ida Ebert on Apr. 28; 1906. He was a faithful member of the Church for 42 years—serving part of this Church for 42 years—serving part of this time as a Deacon. For a short time he belonged to the Marshfield church. He is survived by his wife, Ida; two sons, Duane of Seattle, Washington, and Gene of Lodi, Calif., two daughters, Mrs. Silk Haag and Mrs. Ted Lowe, both of Eau Claire; one brother, Tom, of Port-land, Oregon; four sisters: Mrs. Henery Paquet, Lansing, Mich., Mrs. Elmer Breader, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Nathan Peso of Eau Claire and Mrs. James Neil of Portland, Oregon. Nine grand-children and three great-grandchildren also survive. survive.

survive. Iles.—Gilbert Jacob Iles, was born in Mor-row County, Ohio, July 15, 1880 and passed away Sept. 28, 1953. In 1903 he married Ber-della Chatfield of Michigan. Later he served as treasurer of the Illinois Book and Bible House and as bookkeeper of the Michigan Conference. After living in Battle Creek 25 years they moved to Florida where Bro. Iles was employed at the Florida Sanitarium. A few weeks before his pasing, he and his comfew weeks before his pasing, he and his com-panion observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary. He leaves to mourn, besides his wife, 3 daughters, Mrs. Waaneita Kneller, Mrs. Theda Kuester, Mrs. Genevieve McCormick; 2 sons, Charles, and Leslie; five grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Ida Acton; a brother, Edward lles, besides other relatives and many friends.

Words of comfort were spoken by Dr. Emil Leffler of Albion, Mich. and the committal service was conducted by two of the sons-in-law, Elders S. M. McCormick and W. E. Kuester. Interment was at Cedar Lake, Mich. Sjogren.—Nils Sjogren was born in Sweden Oct. 3, 1866 and died in Chicago Nov. 15, 1953. He came to the United States in 1889 and has lived in Chicago since 1901. He was married in 1900, but his wife died in 1941. In 1942 he united with the Chicago Swedish S.D.A. Church, of which he was a most faithful mem-ber until his death. He is survived by one brother, one daughter, Mrs. Alva Huff, one

brother, one daughter, Mrs. Alva Huff, one son, Ralph Sjogren, and three grandchildren. Patrick.—Earl Daniel Patrick was born Jan. 17, 1872 in Poplar Grove, Ill. He died Nov. 7, 1953 at the Sheridan Hospital after an illness of eleven weeks. He was married to Jessie B. McGeachy of Belvidere, Illinois and to this union was born three children: Mrs. Ladice I. Corke. of Vestaburg, with whom he had made his home for the past two years, Mr. DuFay Patrick of Detroit, and Mrs. Anita Montrose of California His wifa Montrose of Glendale, California. His wife preceded him in death. In addition to the above, six grandchildren, three great-grandchil-dren, and a brother, Mr. Clarence E. Patrick of Detroit, remain to mourn their loss.

H. A. Weaver Savage.—Philander A. Savage was born in Eaton County, Mich. March 23, 1887 and died at his home near Cedar Lake, November 11, 1953. For many years he lived near Stanton, engaged in farming. For a number of years he was employed by the Cedar Lake Academy having united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church while still a young man. He leaves to mourn his wife Beulah, an adopted daughter, Lois, of Florida, a step-daughter, Mrs. Harold Harding, and a step-son Cleo Tayler, both of Greenville; as well as a large circle of other relatives and friends. H. A. Weaver

Clayton .--- Charles Arthur Clayton was born June 18, 1873 at Oscoda, Mich. He spent the major portion of his life in Alcona County, engaged in lumbering, blacksmithing and farming. He was married in Harrisville to Emma Jane Schram who preceded him in death June 14, 1939. He was a faithful member of the Alpena, Mich. church. His death occurred suddenly on Nov. 2, 1953 at his residence in Lincoln. He is survived by four children, four grandchildren and numerous friends. Funeral services were conducted by the writer and the Twin Lakes Cemetery is his final resting place. James Cunnington

resting place. James Cummission Cammon.—Mary Emma Cammon was born in Beaver Falls, Pa., Nov. 28, 1887 and died at Bethel Convalescent Home, Arpin, Wis., Nov. 9. 1953. She joined the S.D.A. church in 1915 remaining faithful until her death. In-terment was in Bethel Cemetery. H. Grundset

H. Grundset Garuso.—Mrs. Costanza Caruso, was born in Italy, Aug. 8, 1884. She came to the United States at the age of 16 and settled in Chi-cago, Ill. Here she was married to the late Pietro Nicola Caruso. Four children survive her. Edmund, Alvina, Eleanor and Attilio. In 1917 she united with the Italian Seventh-day Adventist Church in Chicago and was a very faithful Christian. Five years ago she moved to Oakland, Calif. She expressed her wish to be buried in Chicago where she had made most of her friends in life. She died November 1, 1953. C. Bufano

Frank.—Mrs. Vivian I. Frank was born March 18, 1906, at Joppa, Ill., and passed to her rest at Princeton, Ill, on Oct. 26, 1953. Early in life she became a member of the S.D.A. church at Princeton and was active and faithful until her death. She is survived by her buchend three sons one daughter one by her husband, three sons, one daughter, one grandson, her parents, two sisters and two brothers. Funeral services were conducted by the writer. W. B. Pontynen

the writer. W. B. Pontynen Davis.—Andrew R. Davis, died in Paducah, Kv., Monday, Nov. 2. He was a faithful mem-ber of the Metropolis, Ill. church. He is sur-vived by his wife, a step-son, Earnest Mor-rison, of Decatur, Ill., a niece and nephew. Funeral services were held with Elder C. A. Boykin officiating, assisted by Elder W. D. Breese, of the Illivois Conference. Burial was in the Manlelawn Cemeterv. in the Maplelawn Cemetery.

Gilmore.—Delphia Gilmore was born Nov. 9. 1888 in Sullivan County, Ind., and passed away at her home Sept. 20, 1953. She is sur-vived by her husband, Alvin and one son, Bert. She was a loyal member of the Terre Haute, Indiana church, and rests awaiting the Blessed Hope. Carl W. Pruitt

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C-Central Time. E-	Eastern Time. Add one
minute for each 13 mi	les west. Subtract one
minute for each 13 east.	



Christmas Music To Be Presented By Combined Choirs

By Gordon Engen

SATURDAY night, December 19, at 8 P.M., the annual Christmas program by the combined choirs of EMC, under the direction of Mr. Melvin Davis, will be given in the Physical Education Auditorium.

Participants total 275

For many weeks the campus organizations have been preparing for this program. With sixty-five in the Junior choir, fifty in the Academy choir, and 160 in the College choirs (A Cappella choir, College choir, and the Collegians), the total number of those taking part is 275. Each choir will perform a group of sings and will combine for the "Halellujah Chorus."

Program Items

Of special interest will be a performance by the Collegians of the "Song of Christmas." This is the story of the Nativity as told in Christmas songs, carols, and Biblical verses.

From the Christmas section of *The* Messiah, by G. H. Handel, Mrs. Barbara Belleau will sing, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."

Pictured on this page is a scene from the Christmas program of last year. This year also the Christmas candle light procession will climax the program.

Melody and Praise at Christmas Season

Sacred programs of this nature are in harmony not only with this season of the year, but also with counsel through the Spirit of Prophecy. Mrs. White, in the Review and Herald of December 26, 1882, wrote, "It is through Christ that we receive every blessing. . . . Shall not our heavenly benefactor share in the token of our gratitude and love? Come, brethren and sisters, come with your children, even the babes in your arms, and bring your offerings to God according to your ability. Make melody to Him in your hearts, and let His praise be upon your lips. Let us rejoice that our Saviour liveth to make intercession for us in the presence of Jehovah. . . . Let us, upon the coming of Christmas and New Year's festivals, not only make an offering to God of our means, but give ourselves unreservedly to Him, a living sacrifice "



Candle light scene from a previous Christmas Music Choral Program.

Rural Living Institute

From December 29-31, EMC will be host to the Rural Living Institute group, sponsored by the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, a department of the General Conference.

The purpose of the institute is to help people know how to move out of the cities and live on small plots of ground, raising necessary food while at the same time continuing their work in the cities.

In order to know how to utilize the ground properly, special instruction is planned describing the care of the soil and tools. Livestock, poultry, and farm buildings will also be discussed.

On the agenda for the meetings also is a subject in which many will be interested—that of accomplishing these things with low investment.

There will be two groups, or workshops. One for those interested in large scale farming and another for those concerned with small acreage rural living. Representatives from Michigan State College, Berrien County Extension Service, Emmanuel Missionary College Agricultural department, and many surrounding academy farms will aid in making these meetings beneficial to all in attendance.

Elder Halladay of the Lake Union and Mr. Campbell, head of the College Agricultural department, along with the chairman for the institute, Mr. Wesley Amundsen of the General Conference, are working hard on the plans, so that these meetings will help God's people know better how to follow the counsel given concerning rural living.

"Much as worthy friends add to the happiness and value of life, we must in the main depend upon ourselves, and every one is his own best friend or worst enemy."—Lord Avebury.