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### Let Us Keep Everlastingly at It

By F. L. PETERSON

Evangelize! Evangelize! Evangelize! Let us keep everlastingly at it. Winter, spring, summer, and fall. Never let up until the work is finished and the return of Jesus has been accomplished.

It is by the proclamation of the everlasting gospel that the attention of men are arrested and souls are won. We have the message for the times in which we live; let us, therefore, harness every resource of the church in soul winning.

The servant of the Lord has warned us that "we have no time to lose. The end is near. . . . We have warnings now which we may give, a work now which we may do; but soon it will be more difficult than we can imagine. God help us to keep in the channel of light, to work with our eyes fastened on Jesus our Leader, and patiently, perseveringly press on to gain the victory."-Testimonies, vol. 6, p. 22.

The hour has come when like the early Christians we must go "every where preaching the word." Every part of the city in which our workers live must have the opportunity of hearing and accepting this message. The third angel's message will do the people more good than anything else in all the world.

It is very heartening and encouraging to know what God has accomplished through the ministry of His rvants in soul winning up to the onth of October. Allegheny is credited with 439 baptisms from the summer evangelistic campaigns. Of



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this number G. H. Rainey baptized 110 in Richmond, Virginia; C. D. Brooks, Columbus, Ohio, 71; L. G. Cox, Newark, New Jersey, 55; J. Milton Thomas, Camden, New Jersey, 44; W. M. Starks, Cleveland, Ohio, 36; W. M. Fordham, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 32; J. H. Wagner, Ir., Portsmouth, Virginia, 25.

The conference had a goal of 1,000 baptisms for the year. Before the above report was accomplished, 307 baptisms had been reported. This makes a total to date of 746 baptisms for Allegheny in 1957.

For the first three quarters the South Central Conference reports baptisms totaling 405. Evangelist E. C. Ward, of the Southern Union Conference, and his workers baptized 115 in their summer campaign in Birmingham, Alabama; C. R. Graham, Memphis, Tennessee, 45; H. L. Jones, in charge of the Mobile, Alabama, district, 40; E. L. Howard. Columbus, Mississippi, district, 37; L. G. Newton, Knoxville, Tennessee, 36; E. J. Humphrey, Montgomery, Alabama, district, 35; W. J. Mitchell, Greenville, Mississippi, district, 24; Ralph Peay, Lexington, Kentucky, district, 20.

South Atlantic reported 248 baptisms from four efforts. H. L. Cleveland, Savannah, Georgia, baptized 125; H. M. Barker, 60; W. A. Darby, Jr., 34. This report is only for the summer campaigns and does not include all the summer efforts held nor the other baptisms for the year.

From the Pacific Union Regional Department we have a total of 135 baptisms, which does not include the results of the tent effort held in Los Angeles by Evangelist Robertson and his associates. Their first baptism had not been held when this report was made up. The Spears-Galbreth evangelistic meetings in Fresno, California, added 59; J. W. Allison, pastor of the Wadsworth church in Los Angeles, baptized 48.

We were unable to get a complete report from the other conferences. We know that God has blessed the workers in those fields in soul win-

In each of these fields evangelism is still on the march. A complete report will be given at the close of the

year, but the whole story cannot be told until we reach the eternal shore.

# Seminary Sponsors Evangelistic Effort

THE Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary has been sponsoring an evangelistic meeting for the past thirteen weekends in the small city of Port Deposit, Maryland. In an effort to extend an opportunity for practical experience in evangelism to its students, the Seminary sent William Ervin, Harold Brewer, and William Scales to Port Deposit as student evangelists. These men and their wives are willingly devoting their weekends to a well-planned program of active evangelism. William Ervin, a recent graduate of the Seminary, lives in Camden, New Jersey, which is about sixty-five miles from Port Deposit. While awaiting a call to the ministry, Brother Ervin, with very little financial assistance, continues to lend his fullest support to the revival. Harold Brewer and William Scales are still studying at the Seminary and reside in Takoma Park, Maryland. Although these two men are taking full loads at the Seminary, they, along with their wives, travel more than eighty miles each week in order to reach their destina-

The meetings are held in the Masonic Hall at 18 Center Street in Port Deposit. For ten weeks services were held on Friday nights and Sunday nights. The attendance usually ranged from thirty-five to sixty people in these meetings. For the past three weeks services have been held on the Sabbath day, and approximately fifteen precious souls, not including children, have accepted Christ, are keeping God's Sabbath, and are awaiting further instruction before they are baptized. When not engaged in the public meetings, the three young evangelists spend their time giving Bible studies, praying, and visiting with the people. Every weekend they give between twentyfive and thirty-five Bible studies.

Bible studies are being given not only in Port Deposit, but in Cokesbury, Maryland, and also Conowingo, Maryland, Although there have been no public meetings in Conowingo, which is about six miles from Port Deposit, the men have been giving Bible studies there every week to several families. The interest has grown in Conowingo to such an extent that some are ready to keep the Sabbath, and many others are leaning toward Adventism. There is a hall in Conowingo similar to the one in Port Deposit. It is supposed to be renovated soon so that public meetings can be held in Conowingo also.

There has been a strong welfare program connected with the evangelistic meetings in Port Deposit. Food baskets are passed out to the poor almost every week, and more than three hundred articles of clothing have been given to those who are in need. There are a number of extremely poor families in the area, some of which consist of fourteen or more children. Many of these families have been blessed by the clothing which has been distributed.

Free access to this clothing has been made possible through the courtesy of the Dorcas Society of the Blythedale Seventh-day Adventist church, five miles from Port Deposit.

The people have become so attached to the message that two different individuals who have accepted the message have offered to donate land free of charge for the purpose of building a Seventh-day Adventist church.

Attention was first called to this virgin territory by Prof. R. C. Smith, who recently accepted a call to teach at Shiloh Academy in Chicago, Illinois. Professor Smith, who lived about twenty miles from Port Deposit and had given many Bible studies throughout the whole area, got in touch with Elder M. K. Eckenroth at the Seminary, who in turn, asked for volunteer help from the students at the Seminary. Since Professor Smith and his family have gone to Chicago, Elder and Mrs. Oscar Dunn accidentally met the students from the Seminary while Adventist literature. distributing When they heard of the meetings they were happy and willing to len their fullest support. They live about twenty miles from Port Deposit and have supported the meetings with their presence, counsel, and prayers for the past three weeks.

The Seminary has gone beyond . the call of duty and has supported these meetings, not only with prayer but also with financial help.

The interest in these meetings is steadily on the increase, and the young ministers believe that there is no limit to what God can do in the areas of Port Deposit and Conowingo if they will continue to lift up Christ in word, thought, and action. The Seminary students realize that an Unseen Power attends, directs, and is responsible for the success thus far in the meetings. "To God be the glory, great things He hath done!"

> WILLIAM C. SCALES, IR. 000

He that winneth souls is wise .-Prov. 11:30.

## Seminary Graduates

Among the 43 young people who received graduate degrees from the . Theological Seminary at the 29th commencement exercise, August 29, 1957, were Samuel L. DeShay, William L. Ervin, W. Harold Kibble, Joseph N. Richardson, and Ronald A. Smith.

At the 28th commencement exercise, May 23, 1957, graduate degrees were received by Simon Johnson, Arthur G. Lawrence, and Ira Murl Nation.

Simon Johnson is the first Regional student to receive the Bachelor of Divinity degree.

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#### NORTHEASTERN

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# Evangelism in Northeastern

THE greatest summer of evangelism has just been completed in the Northeastern Conference. Since camp meeting, when the keynote of evangelism was sounded for the conference, more than 200 persons have been baptized or accepted into the church through profession of faith. The main series of tent meetings was held by Elders C. E. Bradford, E. F. Carter, H. R. Murhpy, and T. D. Wilson.

Elder Charles E. Bradford has baptized 62 so far and is conducting a Bible class that will continue throughout the fall. Associated with him in the effort held in Harlem were Elder and Mrs. R. H. Carter, Elder and Mrs. E. A. Lockett, Elder S. W. Stovall, Mrs. Jessie Bentley, Connie Stronge, Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, James Walker (a graduate of Oakwood and a student at the Seminary), and Mrs. Bradford.

One of the pastimes in New York City is looking out the windows; and several persons in the vicinity of the meetings saw the tent and heard Elder Bradford. Eventually they accepted this message and joined the church. At present he is holding Bible classes in an auditorium over one of the centrally located theaters. Capacity crowds have been attending, and there are plans for many more baptisms.



Elders C. E. Bradford and Charles Eaton (right) in the Bible Tabernacle in Manhattan.

Elder E. F. Carter conducted a tent effort in Brooklyn. Elder T. X. Perry, Mrs. Elizabeth Small, Mrs. Doris Arthur, Mrs. Marjorie Campbell, and Walton Whaley (student at Oakwood) were his assistants, along with Mrs. E. F. Carter, who directed the Bible Prophecy Choir. Thus far, 41 persons have been baptized.



Elder E. F. Carter conducting rites of baptism in his church. He is being assisted by Walton Whaley, extreme left.

Elder H. R. Murphy held the first series of tent meetings ever held in the Bronx and was assisted by Pastor Alvin Goulbourne, Miss Zilda Forde, John W. Lea, Mrs. L. A. Grey, George King, and Mrs. W. A. Campbell. Fifty-four persons were baptized and brought in by profession of faith.



Elder H. R. Murphy and Pastor Alvin Goulbourne (left).

Elder T. D. Wilson, pastor of Berea church, has been holding a tent effort in Boston. Associated with him are Sisters Magnolia Map and Bernice Johnson, Bible instructors; Maurice Small and Lindsay Thomas, conducting the music; and Philip and John Grayson, tent masters. A fine spirit was manifested, and 17 persons have been baptized so far.

In addition to these summer efforts a program of pastoral evangelism has been carried on, and thus far forty-one persons have been baptized through this program since camp meeting. Persons conducting this type of evangelism include Pastors S. E. Farrell, Judge Brummel, Alvin Goulbourne, and S. J. Hooper. Pastor Convey Thorpe, one of the lay evangelists, conducted a tent effort in Brooklyn and one person was baptized. In addition to these meetings other interests have been obtained.

The fall program of evangelism is now in progress. Elder R. T. Wilson is holding a series of evangelistic meetings in the recreation hall of Emmanuel Temple, Buffalo. Several outstanding residents in the city are taking part on Sunday evenings.



Billboard advertising evangelistic meetings of Elder R. T. Hudson.

Elder R. T. Hudson is also conducting meetings in the Ephesus church, and a near capacity crowd has been attending nightly. A large choir has been assisting, and the church members have been active in helping to make these meetings a success. Assisting Elder Hudson are Pastor S. A. Hutchins and Mrs. Rosa Lee Jones.

According to the latest compilation, more than 350 persons have been baptized during the first nine months of 1957; and this number is more than has been obtained in any other previous twelve-month period. Plans are now being laid for a stronger program in evangelism for the coming summer.

For the first time in the history of Northeastern Conference the membership should exceed the 5,000 mark.

#### News Notes

\* On Monday evening, December 9, a sacred concert will be given by the New Believer Choir of the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church. This concert will be held at Hunter College, 68th Street and Park Avenue, New York City, and is for the benefit of the Manhattan Elementary School building.

The New Believer Choir is unique in that Mrs. Rosa Lee Jones, Bible instructor for Ephesus and director of this choir, has trained a group of eighty persons into an outstanding choral group. Assisting the choir will be Mrs. Everyl Gibson, organist; Mrs. Carol Thomas, pianist; Mr. S. Evans, drummer; and L. Bonteer, violinist.

The program begins at 8:30 P.M. Admission will be \$1.00.

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# Evangelism in Los Angeles

On Sunday night, July 14, 1957, the citizenry of south Los Angeles saw the beginning of what was destined to become the El Segunda Boulevard church of Seventh-day Adventists.

Evangelist R. Hope Robertson, speaker for the Greater Los Angeles Evangelistic Company, shattered the complacency of the "sleeping saints" with the subject, "The Mystery of the Rent Veil," and from 8:00 P.M. on July 14 the northwest corner of 97th Street and Avalon Boulevard became a burning bush that burned every night for three months.

Associated with Evangelist Robertson were Elder H. W. Kibble, Ir., pastor of the Compton Avenue church, and James H. Melancon, pastor of the Miramonte Boulevard church, both of Los Angeles. Mrs. H. L. Perkins, Mrs. H. L. Masters, and Mrs. C. B. Bevenue served as Bible workers with Mrs. Edith Calhoun assisting.

"Builders of the Home," a series of sermons on the sanctity of the home were delivered every Thursday night; "Youth Night" was conducted every Saturday night for the community youth of all faiths.

The first baptism was scheduled for Sabbath, October 26, at 4:00 P.M. At this same hour the new believers were organized into a new church. The church was organized in the auditorium of the Los Angeles Union School.

Plans for continuous evangelism are already under way. Each Sunday morning at eleven o'clock a Bible institute is being conducted in the school auditorium.

A large theater on Western Avenue and 67th Street has been leased by the Southern California Conference for one year, and this will serve as an evangelistic center.

# Spears' Evangelistic Campaigns

God is greatly using Elder Byron R. Spears in soul-winning endeavors in the Pacific Union Conference. Of the Fresno effort Elder Wm. E. Galbreth reports:

"It all began with small throwaway cards saying, "Spears Is Coming." On Wednesday, February 27, instead of the regular prayer meeting, the members of the Fresno Westside church blanketed the west side of Fresno after dark with this simple announcement. By Sabbath, from very important intersections, seven large outdoor billboards in two brilliant colors announced to the public that "Spears Is Coming." The newspapers carried this announcement through the city and into the rural areas.

"Before the opening night of the Westside Evangelistic Campaign on March 17, there was hardly a person in the western part of Fresno who did not know that Elder B. R. Spears was due in town. With proper preliminaries the meetings began in the Edison Social Club auditorium. This comfortable building offered the advantages that are desired for public meetings. As the meetings progressed, the audience found they had to arrive early for good seats. By the time the Sabbath was presented, extra chairs had + be brought in.

"The services were on Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings,



In the center is Elder R. Hope Robertson, speaker for the Greater Los Angeles Evangelistic Company. Shown with him are Elder H. W. Kibble, Jr. (left), and Pastor James H. Melancon.

thereby permitting the addition of a 'Food for Living' class, which was conducted by our Bible instructor, Miss Helen Horton.

"Fifty-nine persons have been baptized and one taken in on profession of faith. This has brought great courage and blessing to the Fresno Westside church.

"The members of this church, as well as the community of West Fresno, are grateful to Elder Spears for his untiring drive to bring souls to Christ, and to the officials of the Northern California Conference for lending him to us.

"Besides Elder Spears and Miss Horton, the musical ministry of Ted Iones added greatly to the services. The publicity was directed by Owen Troy, Jr., and I served as chairman of the organization."

Elder Spears is now holding another effort in Pittsburg, California, of which Pastor M. L. Mayne writes:

"The Pittsburg believers are sure that God has richly blessed them twice with the return of Elder B. R. Spears, one of our denomination's outstanding evangelists.

"On Sunday night, October 6, an effort was begun that is destined to help the Pittsburg company as well as the churches and companies adjacent thereto. We sincerely count on the support of the members of the Antioch, Brentwood, Walnut Creek, and Martinez churches, and every Adventist living nearby. This is an effort for the souls of men; our concern is that God's message for a dying world reach them in whatever society, class, or race they are.

"The meetings are being held in the Enean Theater, between Los Medanos and East streets, in Pitts-

burg."

## Changes in Pacific Union Conference

THERE have been many changes among the workers in the Pacific Union Conference.

Elder R. W. Nelson, who served ficiently as pastor of the Market reet church for a number of years, received an invitation to unite with the working force of the Southern California Conference; and in turn Elder H. A. Lindsey, who for a number of years was pastor of the Pasadena church, was invited to take over the leadership of the Market Street church in Oakland.

Elder Isidore Evans, recently ordained at the Lodi camp meeting, received an invitation from the Southeastern California Conference to serve as pastor of the Fifth Street church in Perris.

Elder W. E. Penick, who rendered excellent service in Bakersfield, has been called to serve as pastor of the Capitol City church in Sacra-

Owen A. Troy, Jr., has left upon invitation from the Northeastern Conference, with headquarters in New York, to act as manager of the Book and Bible House in that field. Brother M. L. Mayne, who formerly held that position, is now pastoring the churches in Vallejo and Pittsburg.

## Eleven Ordained to Ministry

ELEVEN ministers were ordained in the traditional Sabbath afternoon ceremonies at the Southern California camp meeting in Lynwood.

According to Elder R. R. Bietz, president of the Southern California Conference, this was the largest group of candidates to take the vows of ordination in a single ceremony in the history of the church in this

Those ordained included Herman L. Kibble, pastor of the church in Monrovia, and son of H. W. Kibble, president of the Lake Region Conference.

Officiating at the service with Elder Bietz were Elders C. L. Bauer, president of the Pacific Union Conference at that time; and Walter Schubert, associate secretary of the Ministerial Association of the General Conference.

The featured speaker at this year's service was H. M. S. Richards, of the Voice of Prophecy, and father of one of the ordination candidates.

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Gloria M. Mackson

#### Gloria Mackson to East Africa

GLORIA M. MACKSON, for two years the secretary to the director of the Southern California Conference health and welfare department, sails December 1 for mission service in East Africa.

Miss Mackson is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She graduated from Oakwood Academy in Huntsville, Alabama, and obtained her B.A. degree in home economics from Union College. While engaged in civil service work in Seattle, Washington, she did graduate study at the University of Washington and Washington State College and lacks but a few hours of securing a Master's degree.

As a credentialed teacher in home economics from the State of California, she spent two years teaching homemaking at the Los Angeles Academy immediately prior to her joining the Southern California Conference office staff.

Miss Mackson's mission service of four years will be spent at Bombo, Uganda, where she will teach homemaking at the church's mission school there.

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"Gop cannot keep children from evil if the parents do not cooperate with Him."

#### ALLEGHENY

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# New School Buildings in Allegheny Conference

THE new \$160,000 religious education center on Lee Road opened with public ceremonies on September 1. The building is the Glenville Intermediate School operated by the Seventh-day Adventist church.

"The center which offers a well-balanced program for grades one through ten is strong evidence of our efforts to lend beauty, civic pride and Christian character to Cleveland's community," said Elder Walter M. Starks, pastor of the Glenville, Ohio, church.

The seven-room structure, complete with gymnasium, is ultramodern, of split-level design, on a lot 190 by 850 feet, at 4770 Lee Road near the intersection of Miles Avenue.

On hand for the opening, which was a two-day affair beginning on Sabbath at the church on East 105th Street, were Elders W. L. Cheatham, Allegheny Conference president; M. S. Banfield, secretary-treasurer; and A. V. Pinkney, superintendent of the department of education. From the Northeastern Conference came Elder R. T. Hudson, former pastor of the Glenville church, who secured the site and planned the school.

Sunday at 10 A.M. about 350 per-

sons had gathered for the official opening of the school building. Elder E. A. Robertson, the principal speaker for the occasion, is the Columbia Union Conference secretary of education, and spearheads the drive for new, modern buildings in which to give the boys and girls Christian education.

Elder W. M. Starks, master of ceremonies, passed the new sharp scissors to Elder Cheatham, who in turn cut the four-inch red sash that securely held the doors.

"It is a dream come true," said a bystander. "We have worked and prayed so long to see this day."

There are four classrooms, a medical clinic, principal's office, and gymnasium. Fiberglas ceilings and acoustical tile are in the hallways and classrooms. Individual lockers are recessed in the walls. A 200-foot lawn fronts the building and a 500-foot playfield provides outdoor space in the rear.

An estimated \$25,000 worth of equipment will complete the furnishings and aids for the school family, we were told by Felix Battle, the school board chairman.

Mrs. Bettie K. Jackson is principal, assisted by Mrs. Nannie Frierson, Miss Helen George, and Mr. William Morgan.

Back from South Carolina for the special occasion was Mrs. Lola Stewart, rally chairman at the Glenville church, whose constant efforts knew no letup until victory was won. The home and school leader, Mrs. Geneva Shipps, said, "This is a high day for Glenville."

Cleveland has led the way in the Allegheny Conference, and others are expected to follow with new schools for their boys and girls.

Norfolk, Virginia, with Elder J. H. Wagner, Jr., reopened their school, which had been closed for two years, in a new modern building and with two teachers.



Elder and Mrs. J. H. Wagner, Jr., stand in front of new Norfolk church school in the 2900 block on Corprew Avenue.



PHOTO BY PINKNEY

New Cleveland intermediate school on Lee Road near Miles. Estimated value, \$160,000.

The school has two classrooms, a cafeteria, individual lockers, and ample playground in a newly developed section of town.

Mrs. Ellen Frazier is the principal and Mrs. Lottie Holt is her assistant. They have enrolled almost thirty students.

Elder Wagner is the first minister in the conference to follow the time tested program of building the school section of a religious plant first. The congregation worships in the school each week and will do so intil they are ready to build the main church auditorium.

The school is being flooded with requests to enroll children from the immediate community, which is looked upon as a fertile section of the city for missionary work.

> A. V. PINKNEY Public Relations Secretary

#### Pine Forge Has Largest Enrollment

By A. V. PINKNEY

"PINE FORGE INSTITUTE began its first semester with the largest enrollment in the twelve-year history of the school," said Elder E. I. Watson, principal and manager.

There are 147 students in attendance, which is taxing many facilities, especially the girls' dormitory, where in many of the rooms there are

eight girls sleeping in bunk beds.

"The morale at the school is high; congestion has not thus far created any unsurmountable problems in our building," said the dean of girls, Mrs. Ruth McGrew.

Eighteen States are represented in the enrollment, the breakdown as follows: Pennsylvania 33, New Jersey 20, Virginia 17, Ohio 15, New York 14, Delaware and Michigan are tied with 8 each, Maryland 6, Florida and Illinois each have 4, Louisiana and Connecticut both have 3, Texas, Georgia, Indiana, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C., each have 2, and there is one student from the Virgin Islands, and one from British Guiana.

By conference the distribution is as follows: Allegheny 102, Northeastern 17, Lake Region 14, South Atlantic 6, Southwestern 5, and Foreign 2.

Activities at the institute in full swing are the Share Your Faith consciousness aroused by Elder A. I. Patzer, youth secretary of the Columbia Union Conference, in his two-day visit early in September, climaxed with a consecration and altar appeal that has set the spiritual tone this year. A temperance chapter has Elder James Dykes as the sponsor, a full Missionary Volunteer program is led by Mrs. Margaret Duncan, and a musical program is inspired by music director Harold Anthony, "Other extracurricular phases will shortly be introduced," the administrator

Elder James V. Scully, American temperance youth activity director was on the campus recently with Elder E. A. Robertson, secretary of the department of education of the Columbia Union Conference, both from Washington, D.C. These



Faculty and student body of Pine Forge Institute. Faculty members are seated in front row. Left to right: Elder James Dykes, Mrs. Hallie Hartie, Mr. Titus Duncan, Mrs. Ruth McGrew, Elder Edward Dorsey, Miss LaVera Higgs, Elder E. I. Watson, Miss Naomi Gill, Mr. Harold Anthony, Mrs. Margaret Duncan, Mr. Samuel Darby, and Mr. Robert Handy.



Pine Forge Institute Temperance Chapter meeting in school library. Left to right: Elder James Dykes, sponsor; Calvin Small, vice-president; Joan V. Harding, treasurer; Everett Cantrell, president; Gloria Seawell, secretary; Marlene Cox, publicity secretary; and Judy Spain, assistant publicity secretary.

guests made appearances in the elementary school of which Mrs. Lillian A. Pinkney is the principal, and in the institute's chapel. Elder Scully, visiting Pine Forge for the first time since accepting his present position, expressed delight at being informed that the temperance chapter was already organized and the membership drive among the students almost complete. Pine Forge aims for 100 per cent participation.

Elder Robertson returned to the campus early in October when he spoke at the workers' meeting and made contributions during the Pine Forge Institute's board meeting.

The entire faculty that served last year has returned to their posts. They are Elder E. I. Watson, M.A., principal and manager; Harold Anthony, B.A., registrar and music; Samuel Darby, Th.B., mathematics and science; Edward Dorsey, B.A., Bible and history; Margaret Duncan, B.A., librarian and Spanish; James Dykes, B.A., dean of boys and English; Naomi Gill, B.A., secretarial science; Ruth McGrew, B.S., dean of girls and home economics; Robert Handy, vocational; LaVera Higgs. accountant; Mrs. Hallie Hartie, director of food service, and Titus Duncan, maintenance.

# Cox Family Returns to Washington

WE WELCOME home the J. Mark Cox family who have been living in Germany. Dr. Cox was a major in the Air Force and was a chief of surgery and a consultant in surgery in the United States Air Force in Europe.

During the time they lived in Germany they visited twenty-four countries, including the Holy Land. Their story is most interesting and inspiring. Even J. Mark Cox, Jr., is quite at ease with his colorful slides as he gives a detailed account of European tours.

### News Notes

- ★ Summer training sponsored by the Allegheny Conference experienced its greatest growth with a 100 per cent increase in enrollment. The increase was from 70 campers last year to 140 this year. The reason the new swimming pool.
- ★ Joyce Bryant has been called as a Bible instructor for the Allegheny Conference and will work in the Washington area with the Ephesus church. Elder Jacob Justiss is the pastor.
- ★ A. A. Arrington and Margaret Dunn have only the highest praise for the student magazine sales that are building up a new record for the Allegheny Conference. Elder C. M. Willis said, "We cannot go backward; forward is the only direction we know."
- ★ A new type of effort was conducted at Annapolis, Maryland, during the summer by Evangelist W. A. Thompson, pastor of the largest church in the Allegheny Conference. It was an open-air

meeting. The interest was good, and it is expected that a small company will be organized in the area as a result of this effort.

- ★ Emyth Giddings, church school teacher in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was married to Ranzy Gaines on Saturday evening, July 27, 1957. Mr. Gaines comes from Cleveland, Ohio.
- ★ Katie Walker was married to Jacob Soughs in Indiana on September 4, 1957. The couple spent their honeymoon at Niagara Falls.

#### Teachers' Convention

Addison V. Pinkney, director of education for the Allegheny Conference, headed a group of 36 elementary and intermediate school teachers who left October 15, 1957, for Chicago, Illinois, to attend a four-day teachers' convention.

The parley was cosponsored by the Allegheny, Lake Region, Northeastern, and Southwest Region conferences and was held at the Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist church in Chicago. Elder Pinkney was codirector of the session with Elder J. E. Roache, the host, Elder Leon Davis, and Elder L. A. Paschal, all secretaries of education in their several conferences.

The local church officer, who also serves the youth department of the conference, reports that the teachers' convention was one of the eight similar meetings held in the Middle Atlantic States this fall.

Speakers for the convention included Elder G. M. Mathews, of the General Conference Department of Education; Elder E. A. Robertson, secretary of the educational department of the Columbia Union Conference; Miss Ethel Johnson, elementary supervisor of the Columbia Union Conference; Wm. L. Cheatham, president of the Allegheny Conference; M. S. Banfield, secretary-treasurer of the Allegheny Conference; and Elder E. I. Watson, principal of Pine Forge Institute.

Elder Pinkney reports that agenditems included Character Trainin Importance of Christian Education, and Teacher Loads. Other items of interest were the consecration service with Elder G. M. Mathews as speaker and a sight-seeing trip around the windy city.

(Picture on page 16.)

## News Notes From Oakwood

- ★ We welcome Dr. and Mrs. Columbus B. Ricks and their two children, A. Florence and Angie F., to our campus. Dr. Ricks joined the faculty this year and holds a Ph.D in Agronomy. He is a great strength to the science department.
- ★ The students are enjoying the new shopping center next door to the physical education building. It goes without saying that the physical education building is also bringing great joy with skating, basketball, and other activities.
- ★ Mr. John Pitts has joined the staff as assistant accountant. He is especially talented in music also.
- ★ A number of our single teachers are rejoicing in their new duplex apartments, which are all centrally heated and very modern.
- ★ Prof. Emerson Cooper is on leave during the 1957-58 school year to complete his doctoral dissertation at Michigan State University under a Danforth Foundation Grant.
- ★ Miss Natelkka Burrell, having completed a special project for the General Conference Department of Education, is in the process of completing her doctoral dissertation at Columbia University.
- ★ Dr. Frank W. Hale achieved the distinction of serving as a professor of speech at the new Adventist University in Washington, D.C., during the summer of 1957.
- ★ Spreading Oak campaign time is just around the corner, and the college invites all patrons to send in their two dollars for the 1958 subscription to the school paper. Send it in care of the president, Oakwood College, Huntsville, Alabama.
- ★ Ingathering time comes every 'all, and Oakwood College is currently engaged in trying to be a Minute Man college and church again.

# LAKE REGION

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# Golden Anniversary Youth Congress Draws Thousands

From the registration of the first delegate to the words of commendation from the host pastor, Elder T. Milton Rowe, and the Lake Region MV secretary, Elder J. E. Roache, the Golden Anniversary Youth Congress was inspirational, heart warming, and a definite Share Your Faith experience in itself.

Services officially opened at 7:45 P.M. with a singspiration led by John Rodgers, choir director of the Burns Avenue church. A welcome to the youth congress came from Elder Rowe, pastor of the host church. Delegates were officially seated under the supervision of Elder Roache, who called for the parade of Pathfinders under the supervision of Mrs. Verla Coleman, Richard I. S. Thomson, and Eddie Williams. As two girls dressed in forest green beat the drums the Pathfinders, uniformed in khaki and forest green and carrying flags and banners, posed an impressive picture of marching youth, as they welcomed the 50th Anniversary Youth Congress to Detroit.

Elder R. J. Christian of the Review and Herald, took as his text Revelation 22:10: "And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand." Throughout his very impressive sermon he used two watches, comparing the youth of the church to their mechanisms. With appropriate and dynamic words, he encouraged the youth of the church to go forward being shockproof, waterproof, and magneticproof.

Elder H. W. Kibble, president of the Lake Region Conference, gave words of welcome to the congress. Guests from various other conferences were also made welcome.

On Sabbath morning the sessions were held in the auditorium of the

Mackenzie High School with Sabbath school beginning at 9:15 A.M. under the supervision of Mrs. Esther Lowe, local superintendent. The mission talk was given by Miss Anna Knight, a pioneer in the Missionary Volunteer work.

The 11:00 A.M. service was begun with a singspiration led by Earl Calloway, of Chicago. Elder Rowe introduced Councilman Del A. Smith, who spoke for the mayor of Detroit. He complimented the more than 2,200 persons for their attendance, and emphasized the importance of getting along with people as a criterion for success in any position. The key to the city of Detroit was presented to Elder Rowe in behalf of the congress. Elder Roache presented the book What Jesus Says by H. M. S. Richards to the councilman.

The guest speaker of the hour, Elder E. L. Minchin, native Australian and former missionary to South New Zealand, an associate secretary of the General Conference MV Department, spoke from the text in Esther 4:14: "And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

After the sermon hundreds of young people came forward rededicating themselves to the cause of God. Elder F. L. Peterson, former president of Oakwood College, prayed the dedicatory prayer. The Tripolettes, of Chicago, sang the closing song: "The Lord Is My Light."

The singspiration for the MV hour was led by James Mosely, of Indianapolis, Indiana, and special musical numbers were sung by the Aeolian Chorus, of Cassopolis, Michigan, directed by Tom Allison and accompanied by Miss E. Ruth Williams. Elder Peterson spoke from the subject: "Nevertheless!" using as his text Luke 5:15, "And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net."

An MV panorama, written by Elder R. C. Smith, of Benton Harbor, Michigan, and directed by Mrs. Sally L. Simms, of Detroit, starred such notables as Miss Anna Knight, first conference MV secretary of our ethnic group; Elder F. L. Peterson, MV secretary from 1927 to 1929; W. J. Kisack, first MV secretary of the Lake Region Conference; and Elder J. E. Roache, present MV secretary of the Lake Region Conference.

Dr. T. R. M. Howard, a practicing surgeon of Chicago and president of the National Medical Association, used as his subject: "The Challenge to Youth in This Changing World." He stated that the greatest thrill any young person can have is to know Jesus as a personal Saviour. People are concerned about the hydrogen and cobalt bombs, but more people will die from dope, tobacco, and alcohol than from the hydrogen bomb. Dr. Howard also stated the role we must play as Americans.

Climaxing the youth congress was the appearance of the Honorable G. Mennen Williams, governor of the State of Michigan, at the City Temple SDA church at 4:30 P.M., Sunday. Mrs. Mary Brown and Douglas Chandler escorted the governor to the platform. The Pathfinders marched to the front and the audience joined them in pledging allegiance to the flag. Elder Rowe presented the governor, who spoke words of special commendation to the youth and expressed the thrill he received as a result of coming to the 50th Anniversary Youth Congress. In mentioning juvenile delinquency he stated that when boys and girls have a background of training such as these Pathfinders are getting, juvenile delinquency will be wiped out.

The theme of the Golden Anniversary Youth Congress was: "Sharing the Faith of Our Fathers." The objectives were:

- 1. To lift Christ above all.
- 2. To inspire our youth to get the spirit of the pioneers and to help finish the work of the gospel in this generation.
- 3. To encourage our youth to prepare educationally, socially, and

spiritually to meet the changing world conditions.

 To give direction and impetus to MV Societies in accepting the challenge of Share Your Faith "Voice of Youth" evangelism.

> Mrs. Sally L. Simms Reporter

#### Two SDA Doctors Honored

AT THE Twenty-Second Annual Convocation of the International College of Surgeons held in the Civic Opera House, Chicago, Illinois, September 12, 1957, two of our Seventh-day Adventist surgeons, Dr. John Richard Ford, of San Diego, California, and Maj. J. M. Cox, M.D., of Washington, D.C., were among those made qualified fellows of the International College of Surgeons. The Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey, United States Senator from Minnesota, gave the convocation address. His subject was "Our International Policy-For Humanitv."

Dr. Ford has just returned from a trip around the world, spending a good portion of the time in India and Burma. At the Shiloh SDA church on Wednesday night, September 11, he gave an interesting report of his trip and the operations that he performed in the Far East.

Major Cox has just returned from military service in Germany.

Both of these doctors have spent a period of their service at the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital, 800 Young's Lane, Nashville, Tennessee.

We congratulate these two distinguished surgeons who were so honored at this great convocation.

> H. W. Kibble President

# Changes in Teaching Personnel

ALL schools of the Lake Region Conference opened fully staffed. We were quite concerned about the staffing of our schools with the teacher shortage making itself felt everywhere.

The following teachers have

joined our staff for the first time: Mr. Rothacker Smith, Jr., is in charge of our science department at the Shiloh school, while Miss Frances Davis teaches the fifth grade, and Mrs. Verlean Knight has charge of the fourth grade. Mr. Charles Gray is principal at this school. Mr. W. Eagans is in charge of the Calvin Center school, and Mr. W. H. Brown, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is principal of the Indianapolis, Indiana, school.

Miss Mary Stephens, who taught at Calvin Center last year is now teaching in the Sharon school at Inkster, Michigan, where Mr. Simon Johnson is principal. Miss Marie Burton, formerly of the Shiloh school in Chicago, is the teacher in Gary, Indiana.

A cordial welcome is extended to these teachers as we all work together to finish God's work.

J. E. ROACHE, Superintendent
Department of Education

### Johnsons Depart for Mission Field

MR. AND MRS. JOHNNY D. JOHNSON and William L. Burns, Brother Johnson's nephew, sailed September 4 on the S.S. Queen Mary, going to Liberia, West Africa.

Mrs. Johnson is the former Ida Adelaide Clemmons. After graduation from Emmanuel Missionary College, she attended Roosevelt University, and has had several years' experience in teaching.

Brother Johnson is a graduate of Emmanuel Missionary College and the University of Illinois. He has served in personal evangelism and teaching. He has accepted a call to teach in the Konola Academy, in Liberia.

We are glad to report through the Informant that another of our families has accepted the call to overseas service. We are always grateful for this type of service, and I am sure we will work harder to maintain Brother and Sister Johnson at their post and will pray earnestly for them.

F. L. Peterson (Picture on page 11.)



Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Johnson and nephew, William, aboard the S.S. Queen Mary.

# SOUTH ATLANTIC

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### A Mission Field in the Homeland

By LAFAYETTE WILLIAMS

At least one thousand miles of driving each week in order to bring some of the people who wanted to come to the tent so much but had no transportation, was routine during the effort held in the little tobacco town of Pittsboro, North Carolina. Bible studies had been given to some of the colored families by the members of the Pittsboro church, who had pleaded for some worker to come and hold an effort. I came down after graduating from the Seminary.

The owner of the lot we secured kept us waiting until he had the sanction of all the town leaders and businessmen before granting us the use of the lot for a religious purpose. Then there was a struggle in getting a tent. The Carolina Conference came to our rescue and sent its truck with a tent, 40 by 60.

The meetings began with large crowds attending because the Voice of Prophecy had sent announcements of our meetings to all names in the area who were taking or had taken the Bible course. The Signs of the Times supplied us a list of the names of their subscribers. A precampaign of handbill distribution was made.

Next the rains set in. After the first few weeks the tent suffered, as well as our pride. One night the rain poured so heavily that the tent began to leak badly in places that we thought were in good repair. Everyone moved around trying to find a dry spot, but found none. Then, of necessity, umbrellas went up, and the audience heard the message for the evening, but some of the people never returned.

The wet weather, the muddy roads, and the long distances many lived from the tent lessened our attendance, but the group of faithful ones kept coming. Several times while bringing persons to meetings, we got stuck in the muddy ditches, but we would jack up the car, pull out, and keep going. We went as far as thirty-five miles to pick up one interested person.

As the rains continued the tent became so unbearable that we appealed to the Carolina Conference again, and it generously donated a practically new and larger tent. The conference president came, and with other workers helped us put it up. Satan wouldn't be satisfied. All the churches began their revivals with an understanding that each church would use a week for the rest of the summer. This, of course, was to draw all the people each week to a different church.

Our prayer and visiting lists grew. Kenneth Smith, a ministerial student from Oakwood College, and my wife were faithful in the visitation program. Mrs. Williams spent her entire vacation on weekends coming three hundred miles from Washington, D.C., to do the concentrated Bible instructing in the homes and to assist with the music.

We were very thankful for the visits from members of the Raleigh, Durham, and Greensboro churches, especially on the Sabbath. This made a good impression that there were many others keeping the Sabbath.

On Sabbath, September 29, 1956, we buried ten in baptism in a portable pool in the tent.

The community tried freezing us out by not permitting us to buy or rent a place to hold our church services after the tent was taken down. A church building that had not been in use for years because the pastor had died, had been deteriorating with time. When we wanted to purchase or rent it, immediately it came alive for service, and the officers said they wanted to make it a memorial to the deceased pastor.

At present our fifteen members are meeting from house to house until a little basement structure is completed soon. This is all self-supporting work, but I am enjoying four Bible classes with fourteen persons whom we hope to gain soon.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since conducting this effort, Elder and Mrs. Williams have joined the pastor-teaching staff of the South Central Conference.

# New Book and Bible House Manager

B. H. EWING has been called by the South Atlantic Conference to become Book and Bible House manager in the conference, replacing Elder W. A. Darby who is now a district pastor.

Elder Ewing is a former pastor of the old Louisiana-Mississippi Conference and also of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference. He served as associate publishing department secretary in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference and in the South Central Conference from 1945 to 1947.

In 1947 he was elected home missionary and Sabbath school secretary of the South Central Conference where he labored until July, 1954, at which time he became a field representative of the Southern Union School of Bible Prophecy. Elder Ewing served in that position until he was called by the South Atlantic Conference at our recent camp meeting.

Samuel Thomas Public Relations Secretary

#### News Notes

★ God gave Elder J. L. Williams a very fine experience working with two young men in the Florida State Penitentiary. After some visits and services, he was privileged to baptize these two souls in the institution's baptistry. They both had completed the Faith for Today Bible Correspondence Course.

Each church in Elder Williams' district is being renovated, with new facilities being added where needed.

The district is off to a wonderful start in the 1958 Ingathering campaign.

★ Elder H. M. Barker's evangelistic venture into a hitherto unentered city paid off when on Sabbath, October 5, Elder N. G. Simons organized the Clinton, North Carolina, church with a membership of 60 new believers.

★ Elder J. H. Wagner organized a church of 40 members in Athens, Georgia, as a follow-up to a successful evangelistic campaign conducted by Elder W. A. Darby.

The president has two other new churches to organize: Milledgeville and Dublin, Georgia. These were raised up by Elder R. B. Hairston.



Capt. Joseph T. Powell.

#### Serviceman Returned

We are pleased to welcome home Capt. and Mrs. Joseph T. Powell and their daughter, Cynthia. Captain Powell has been a chaplain in the U.S. Army for the past five years, two and one-half of which were spent in Germany.

He was returned to civilian status on October 29. He and his family have moved to the South Atlantic Conference where he will serve as pastor of the Durham, North Carolina, district.

# SOUTHWEST REGION

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# The Little Rock District Moves Forward

As I pen this report of the Little Rock district I can certainly say that God has richly blessed this area of His vineyard. During the past year the church in Little Rock, Arkansas, has moved forward rapidly. This faith-filled congregation has been able to construct a beautiful new church building. It is of red brick and will seat two hundred people. There are adequate facilities for a church school, health and welfare center, recreation hall, and a kitchen.

The congregation has spent well over thirty-four thousand dollars thus far, and within the next month six thousand dollars more will be spent to complete the basement facilities.

Although under a heavy financial load the church is sponsoring an aggressive soul-winning program. Evangelistic services are being held three nights each week in the church auditorium. Brother Terrence Roberts conducts the music for these services, and Mrs. Nellie Henderson, a faithful layman, serves as our Bible instructor.

On Sabbath, August 24, during the divine worship hour eight precious souls were baptized into the church, which brings to twelve the total number baptized into this church thus far this year. In addition to this report three have been baptized into the Hot Springs church, making the district total fifteen for the year.

I am happy to report at this writing that the Hot Springs church has completely finished the Minute Man Ingathering goal for 1958, and that the Little Rock church has raised more than one third of the goal for 1958.

God has richly blessed the Little Rock district, and we say, "To God be the glory."

> M. M. Young District Pastor

### Community Bible School in New Orleans

THE New Orleans, Louisiana, district, under the leadership of Elder R. L. Woodfork, is moving forward in a very marked manner. A well-rounded program of evangelism is being carried on, and many interested ones are being given the third angel's message.

Realizing the fact that a sufficient amount of conference funds for evangelistic purposes was not obtainable, Elder Woodfork, his Bible instructor, Mrs. Birdie McCluster, along with the officers and members of the church made plans for conducting a community Bible school. Bible classes are conducted every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights. The 20th Century Bible Course, with test papers, are used and each lesson is beautifully illustrated with the new "Evangelism Colorama." A large graduation ex-

ercise is planned when the course is finished, and we believe many from the class will accept the teaching and beliefs of our threefold message.

The New Orleans church also conducted a very successful Vacation Bible School, which has resulted in many youth attending church regularly, and a number of their parents have begun studying our doctrines. We are hoping that many precious souls will be garnered in as the result of the Vacation Bible School.

### News Note



Elder and Mrs. L. B. Baker.

ELDER L. B. BAKER, conference evangelist for the Southwest Region Conference, has baptized more than thirty persons as the result of his evangelistic meetings held in Oklahoma City this summer. Pastor C. M. Baily was associated with him in this meeting, and the Lord blessed their efforts in reaching the many people in that metropolitan city.

# Spot News

Twelve candidates were baptized and one was received into church fellowship upon profession of faith, August 24, in the Spokane Valley hurch, in the Upper Columbia Conference. Six of those baptized were the fruitage of J. Ivan Moore's ministry in Spokane.

# Twelve Graduate From Home Nursing Class

THE City Temple Seventh-day Adventist church, of Dallas, Texas, was the scene of a graduation exercise on Sabbath, August 3, when twelve Red Cross home nursing students received certificates and pins.

The home nursing class, which met twice a week, was under the supervision of Mrs. Adele Follette, instructor; Mrs. B. M. Phares, Red Cross representative; and Mrs. Josephine Roberts, Dorcas Federation leader for the Southwest Region Conference.

Since the floods and tornadoes that struck this area found so many persons unprepared to offer medical assistance, members were more than eager to enroll in the class.

MRS. HELEN L. TURNER Office Sec., Home Miss. Dept. Southwest Region Conference



Front row, left to right: Mrs. Adele Follette, instructor; Mrs. Eveness Harris, Mrs. Esther Holley, Mrs. Mildred Wedgeworth, Mrs. Pearl Bell, Miss Lona Nell Lea, and Mrs. Josephine Roberts, conference Dorcas Federation leader. Back row, left to right: Mrs. Georgia Walker, Mrs. Lydia Liggins, Mrs. Pearl Jenkins, Mrs. Joanna Hudson, Mrs. Elna Nealy, and Mrs. Helen Turner.

#### CENTRAL STATES

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# Camp Meeting High Lights

We can now better understand Peter's sentiments on the Mount of Transfiguration when he said, "Master, it is good for us to be here." Such were our thoughts as we met together at Camp Shady Hill for our third encampment.

Spiritual counseling, inspirational

preaching, workshops of instruction, meeting of old acquaintances, good temporal food, excellent camping weather, all contributed toward a very successful camp meeting.

Heaven touched very near to earth on the second Thursday evening of the camp meeting. Not at any time since opening our camp have we felt as close to God and our fellowmen as was experienced in the celebration of the ordinance of humility and the Lord's Supper. Following a sermon by Elder F. L. Peterson, associate secretary of the General Conference, those present separated into the appointed quarters

and held the ordinance of foot washing. Returning to the main pavilion, all watched the ministers break the bread and serve the wine. The entire service was conducted with a background of organ music played by Mrs. S. D. Meyers while Elder Meyers read appropriate selections from The Desire of Ages.

The deacons and deaconesses of the two Kansas City churches assisted in the impressive ceremony, and the service vessels of these churches were used. The order of the service was perfectly conducted. Elder M. A. Burgess gave preinstructions to the deacons and deaconesses. The conference workers and their families sat in an appointed place and were served by the conference officers, Elders Bland and Saulter.

The sacred occasion carried out in solemn manner created a spirit of awe in the congregation. God was very near the people that night.

H. T. SAULTER

#### A Foiled Business Venture

By T. W. CANTRELL Monrovia, Liberia

Above the small town of Saniquellia smoke and flames of a burning house could be seen. Neighbors and friends came to offer their assistance to the Logan family as they made a vain attempt to save as much as possible of the recently opened café.

The Logan family is one of the most respected families in the town of Saniquellia, Mrs. Logan is a teacher in the local government school, and Mr. Logan is a government employee working as an econ-

omist in the area.

The café had just been completed. The pride of the Logans centered around their electric light plant and refrigerator, rare items, indeed, in this sector of Liberia. Now a fire had come and claimed the greatest portion of their investment.

A few weeks before, a new missionary had come to the area of Saniquellia and was preaching some new and strange things from the Bible. The Logans were among those who went to hear this missionary. As



An impressive ordination service was conducted the last Sabbath afternoon of the Central States Conference camp meeting. Two young men were ordained to the gospel ministry. Leland B. Mitchell is receiving his certificate of ordination from F. L. Bland, the conference president, and Charles R. Craig is receiving his from H. T. Saulter, secretary-treasurer of the conference. Others taking part in the service were T. M. Rowe, pastor of the Detroit, Michigan, church; F. L. Peterson, associate secretary of the General Conference; V. L. Roberts, president of the Southwest Region Conference; and H. J. Miller, retired minister.

they listened to the messages of truth, Mrs. Logan was moved by the power of God, and she purposed that she would turn from her old ways and walk in the glorious promise of everlasting life. Mr. Logan did not share this conviction with his wife. Mrs. Logan took Bible studies and was soon baptized into the blessed hope of Christ's soon return.

During the time she was learning more of the love of God her husband decided he would rebuild his café. His good wife advised against the venture, but he rebuilt the former structure, refurnished it, and finally opened its doors to the pub-

Despite all the rare attractions his café offered, it did not attract customers. Mr. Logan did his utmost to make his business a success. After a few months of unprofitable operation the doors of the café closed.

During the interim the new missionary and his wife had attracted quite a group, and they were in need of a place of worship. Also, about this time Mr. Logan was transferred to another area for work, and the café stood idle.

It was not long before Mrs. Logan was impressed to offer the café her husband had built for worldly enjoyment to Elder and Mrs. Conmack to be used as a house of worship. After prayer and counsel it was decided the old café would be accepted as a place of worship for the people of Saniquellia. Today the former café serves as the Seventh-day Adventist church of Saniquellia.

Mrs. Logan is a faithful member of the church and feels that it was in God's plan that her husband's business venture turn out as it did and that the building be converted into a church. She desires prayers for her husband and other members of her family.

# Itinerating

By C. E. Moseley, Jr.

A most profitable and pleasurable three weeks with churches in the Central States Conference have ended. During this period revival services were conducted in both Denver and Omaha, and the new church in St. Joseph, Missouri, had its formal opening.

The revival series in both churches were among the most refreshing yet. The interests developed were large, and among those who have already taken their stand are several new recruits and former members reclaimed. Despite the influenza epidemic that was raging in the areas, attendance by members and visitor surpassed all expectation.

The new churches at Omaha and St. Joseph are marvels of beauty and are appointed with the most modern facilities. Both auditoriums seem to glow with the atmosphere of reverence and worship, thanks to the good planning of the pastors and conference officials.

G. Herfin Taylor presides at Omaha, and Leland Mitchell has followed C. R. Craig at St. Joseph. These pastors, along with D. B. Reid of Denver, have developed aggressive programs for their respective fields, and Heaven's blessings are in evidence in their ministry.

# Robinsons Return to Pine Forge

Sonny and David Robinson, sons of Elder W. R. Robinson, president of the Uganda Mission, British East Africa, and former home missionary secretary of the Allegheny and Northeastern conferences, have returned to Pine Forge Institute.

The boys, in their early teens, took a plane at Entebbe, flying the Airworks British line, stopping at Khartoum, then at Wadi Halfa where they spent the night at the Nile River Hotel. Breakfast there was homelike—eggs, toast, and hot chocolate. Their flight then took them to Katruh, Libya, and from there to the island of Malta. Their next stops were Nice, France, and London, England. The entire flight was more than 4,000 miles.

Four days were spent in England. These days, the boys said, were packed with excitement visiting Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, the House of Parliament, 10 Downing Street, Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, and Scotland Yard.

The boat train took them to Southampton, and passage was booked on the S.S. Flandre, a French ship, for New York. The crossing was much off schedule, they added, because of continued storm and fog.

Kampala, six miles from their home in Africa, is a modern city, according to the boys. Africa, they aid, is rapidly developing, taking on Western customs.

The boys' parents remained in Africa administering the work of



Left to right, Sonny and his brother David wearing the Kanzoo garment dress for the Bugunda tribe that lives in Kampala. The boys are holding a camel caravan carved from ivory.

the mission. Camp meetings are carried on there much like those in this country. Their father had visited 16 camp meetings before they left Africa on October 16.

Sonny and David will enter their old class of 1958. They returned with a wealth of experience and are in good health, but a little thinner. They said they had missed the good meals served at the Institute.

A. V. PINKNEY Public Relations Secretary Allegheny Conference

#### Deceased

Funeral services for Henry Joseph Fordham, Sr., were held October 7, 1957, at 2:00 p.m. at Berean SDA church, Atlanta, Georgia, Elder J. F. Street officiating. Many of the readers of the Informant will know Brother Fordham as the father of Elder W. M. Fordham, Elder W. W. Fordham, Mrs. Jessie Wagner—the wife of Elder J. H. Wagner, the well-known musician—Furman Fordham, and Henry J. Fordham, Jr.

Brother Fordham not only served in the capacity as local elder in several churches in South Carolina, but he and his wife were instrumental in building up our church work in Ardmore, Oklahoma, and he served as the pastor of the church for several years. He very peacefully fell asleep in the arms of his son, Furman, in the office of an optometrist in New York City while Mrs. Fordham was being fitted for glasses.

We pray earnestly for Mrs. Fordham and thank God for her children and other loved ones who so tenderly keep watch over her.

With sadness we record the passing of Mrs. J. Estelle Troy, mother of Elder Owen A. Troy. Funeral services were held Monday, October 28, at the Angelus Funeral Home, Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Troy was a charter member of the first Regional church organized in the Pacific Union Conference. For many years she was an officer of the church, served as organist, and was a Sabbath school teacher. She was dearly loved by all who knew her, and it was her faithfulness and loyalty to the principles of Adventism that enabled her to rear her son in the message and, in later years, win her husband to the truth.

# J. M. Montgomery Dies



J. M. Montgomery

THOSE who knew Brother James M. Montgomery of Washington,

D.C., were sorely pained at the knowledge of his death. Brother Montgomery was one of the faithful and very efficient lay workers of the Adventist church.

The following article appeared in the Washington *Post-Times Herald* of September 3, 1957:

"James M. Montgomery, 74, a retired veteran of 30 years as a District school teacher, died Saturday, August 31, 1957, at Hadley Memorial Hospital following a fall downstairs in the home of his daughter, Margaret M. Frye, 4319 DuBois Place S.E.

"One of 14 children who grew up on a Sumter, S.C., farm, Mr. Montgomery was the only member of his family to work his way through college. He was a 1907 graduate of Lincoln University, Oxford, Pa., and studied at Howard University and the University of Pennsylvania.

"He once did a vice and slum sur-

vey of the area in which he lived.

"This report, illustrated with photos he took himself, received wide acclaim and led to his work with a House committee on slum clearance. He also lectured on the matter to sociology classes at Catholic and Maryland universities. . . .

"A major in Greek, Hebrew, and Latin in college, he taught more practical courses in printing at Armstrong High, Terrell Junior High, Randall Junior High, and Phelps Vocational Schools until his retirement in 1952.

"He then went to Central State College, Wilberforce, Ohio, as an assistant in the printing department and served as student counselor and YMCA aide. . . .

"He is survived by two daughters, both teachers in District schools, Mrs. Frye and Alma M. Blackmon, 1717 T St., NW., and several brothers and sisters."



Group of teachers and counselors that attended the second Quadrennial Teachers' Convention in Chicago, Illinois. Elder J. E. Roache, host super-intendent, stands in center on first row. (See story on page 8.)