

## Itinerating in Poland and Finland

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ON JANUARY 28, 1960, the writer was sent, with two other brethren, into Poland and Finland to hold ministerial institutes. We were met at the airport by the Union officials and escorted to hotels that were comfortable and commodious. We were behind the "Iron Curtain," but in Poland this was not obvious. We were free to come and go at

will. There were no limitations on our public pronouncements. Poland has made a noteworthy recovery from the devastation of war. The morale of the people is very high.

The Polish ministers are courageously pressing forward. Evangelism is the slogan of the Polish Union. One minister conducted a campaign in one of the Catholic

"Holy Places." Their testimonies are full of hope for the future. One minister told of the conversion of a drunkard. A policeman met him on the street after the change. "We don't see you at the police station any more. Have you quit drinking?" asked the officer. "Yes, I met Jesus," replied the man, "and He straightened me out. If you'd give your



Ministerial Institute class with E. E. Cleveland, instructor, and Onni Peltonen, president of the Finland Union Conference, interpreter.

heart to God, He would straighten you out too."

My own work in Poland was most rewarding as a personal experience. There was no evidence of class distinction there. We enjoyed the fellowship of the brethren. In the public meetings it was most encouraging to see fifty Roman Catholics unite with the true church. Classes for ministers were conducted during the day. Though the schedule required much of our strength, it was a pleasure.

From Poland I journeyed by plane to beautiful Finland. The land was covered with snow, the weather was cold, but the people were friendly and most hearty in their welcome. I preached from Helsinki in the

south to Sodankylä in the north. Capacity audiences heard the gospel in the countries visited. A total of nine institute sessions were held, lasting from one to six days, and three hours each day. One unique feature about the work in Finland is this: every minister of the gospel is out preaching to non-Adventists. This is true from the president of the union to the district pastor.

The Adventists operate a school for advanced education in Finland, and also a home for the aged.

My last official stop was in Copenhagen. The large Skodsborg Sanitarium and Hospital is indeed a mighty evidence of God's guidance in the affairs of the church. After preaching twice on the Sabbath day

to capacity audiences, I headed west encouraged by the growth of the great Advent Movement and convinced that what we do must be done quickly, for Christ is soon to come.

### News Notes From Oakwood

- Lyceum presentations and special weeks are high lights of interest and entertainment at Oakwood College. An extremely talented piano duo, Stecher and Horowitz, recently performed on twin Steinways. Dan Tyler Moore gave a thrilling lecture on modern spy warfare. Another



Elder W. L. Cheatham, president of the Allegheny Conference, making a presentation to Prof. J. L. Moran at the testimonial sponsored by the New York chapter of the Oakwood Alumni Association, held recently at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel.

outstanding lecture was presented by Rev. Neal Douglass. Negro History Week and Christian Home Week were enjoyed by all.

- The heaviest snowfall in a quarter-century delighted old and young, except drivers of cars that were marooned.

- Elder William Cleveland of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, conducted the Spring Week of Prayer on March 6-12, 1960.

- Campus events included the quadrennial constituency meeting of Oakwood College, March 13; Literature Evangelism Institute, March 25-29; and College Days, April 8-10.

- Twenty-one persons received honor awards at a recent chapel exercise, for being on the dean's list of scholars.

- An advanced musical organization, the Aeolians, has been reorganized under the direction of Mrs. Johnnie M. Pierre-Louis.

- The Oakwood campus is a mecca for denominational leaders. Recently the college church was privileged to hear Elder F. L. Bland and Elder D. R. Rees, presidents of South Central Conference and Southern Union Conference, respectively, and Elder W. B. Ochs, vice-president of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists.

- Commencement weekend is scheduled for May 20-22, 1960. Elder Franklin Hill will deliver the consecration message; Elder Charles Bradford, the baccalaureate sermon; and Dr. Alonzo L. Baker, the commencement address.



This group of graduating practical nurses have just received their licenses from the State of Tennessee. To the left is Mrs. Joyce Daniels, instructor, and to the right is Mrs. Lavetta Dent, director.

In the past two years the General Conference has appropriated to Riverside Sanitarium \$105,000.00 for capital improvements. This vision has made possible a renaissance at Riverside.

For years supplies and tools have been stored in crannies all over the sanitarium grounds. Today a new \$40,000.00 laundry-warehouse is in operation.

In the laundry God blessed, and major machinery installations were purchased for a veritable song. For instance, our brand-new mangle, presently priced at \$15,750.00, was purchased for \$200.00.

Two new boilers have been installed, each with a 300-horse capacity. The two old boilers had a combined capacity of 200 horses, and whenever we had a breakdown on one boiler it was impossible to supply our heating needs. In the new arrangement, one boiler alone will heat the grounds, leaving one always in reserve.

The parking lot and major roadways have been paved.

Next week \$20,000.00 worth of new X-ray equipment will be delivered. This will include facilities for high-speed fluoroscopy.

Attention has been given in recent months to enhanced efficiency in the business office. To that end, a Hadley receipts-and-charge system has been installed, together with a Burroughs bookkeeping machine. New desks abet public appeal and lift morale. Fifty-six post office-type mail boxes have been installed.

Another of the bright spots at Riverside is the practical nursing school. Eighty-one have graduated in its few years of operation. Mrs. Lavetta Dent is the director of the school. Dr. C. A. Dent, Dr. G. L. Dixon, Mrs. Joyce Daniels, and Elder V. Lindsay serve as instructors. Two classes, one in February and one in September, are admitted each year. The school is accredited, and its graduates are in demand.

In order to emphasize the sanitarium aspects of our hospital, we are building a tennis, volley ball, and shuffleboard court.

For years the elementary school children have found their classroom in the basement of the church. Today a new elementary school is nearing completion. The spirit of the new Riverside is epitomized by the sacrificial giving of the sani-

## Renaissance at Riverside

ON MARCH 15, the quadrennial constituency meeting of the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital was held at Nashville, Tennessee, followed by the Regional Advisory Council on the sixteenth.

We would like to share with our fellow believers some of the record progress presented there.

tarium employees. To date, they have given \$9,618.00 toward this project. We are also grateful to the Southern Union Conference for a contribution of \$1,500.00. The building is a modern ranch style, brick veneer, with two classrooms, kitchen, and principal's office. This is the only modern building constructed exclusively for school use in the conference.

Employees who have joined the institution in the past year include: Dr. Gardner Luke Dixon, house physician; Mrs. Sheila Dixon, office secretary; Mr. Jonathan Walker, head of the maintenance department; Mrs. Irene Walker, accountant; Miss Lolita Maupin, office secretary; Mrs. Lavetta Dent, director of nurses; Dr. William Coopwood, member of the medical staff; Mrs. Alma Williams, culinary department; Miss Naomi Dennison, head nurse; and the Misses Bennie Woods, Mary C. Carter, and Katherine Christmon, licensed practical nurses. These have brought much needed talent and dedication to our work.

Newly elected members of the board of trustees include K. C. Beem, O. A. Blake, J. Mark Cox, J. E. Dykes, L. Hall, and H. E. Rice.

Thank God, we today possess one of the most modernly equipped operating rooms in Tennessee. Recently we have added new Ritter twin lights, and a Castle operating table, at a cost of more than \$5,000.00. New operating tables have also been placed in the cystoscopic and obstetric operating rooms.

The record, however, reveals not only new equipment but an unusual record of successful operations. Last year 585 operations were performed; 375 of these were major. We are grateful too that we have to go back several years to find recorded a loss in the operating room.

Early in November a credit union was organized to serve our employees.

At the end of June our bank account was overdrawn by \$3,011.53, and our operating loss stood at \$25,820.03. By the year's end we had \$7,608.37 in our bank account, and

the operating loss had been reduced to \$15,888.17. Patients' business increased by \$14,745.81 over last year, and collections by \$17,484.40.

A hospital is best measured by the response of its patients. We should like to share with you a few of their voluntary observations:

"The enriching spiritual experience so freely made available to all patients makes Riverside a hospital that is different." "I find that the nurses and aides are much nicer here than in other hospitals I have been in." "This is to say that all with whom I came in contact impressed me as being vitally interested in their work, efficient, and dedicated, with the sanitarium's and its patrons' welfare at heart."

We are certain that the Regional constituency will pray with us that God in His providence will continue to bless Riverside, a lovely garden overlooking the beautiful Cumberland River, that it may ever be a mecca for the ill and the weary, and a guiding light for the sin-tossed.

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## A Miraculous Recovery

By A. V. PINKNEY

God's power to save was dramatically shown when Charles G. Brockenbrough of Cedarville, New Jersey, fell 110 feet from a stack he was repairing at the Memorial Bridge in Deepwater, New Jersey.

Brother Brockenbrough, a devout member of the church in Bridgeton, New Jersey, has been employed for a number of years by the Atlantic City Electric Company as a repairman.

The assignment that day for his crew was to reline the inside of one of the company's 150-foot stacks. Climbing to the top by the built-in outside ladders, he discovered that the men with whom he was working had lowered an auxiliary ladder inside the stack to about thirty-five feet from the top. Brother



Left to right: Brother Charles Brockenbrough and Elder J. F. Street, pastor of the south Jersey district.

Brockenbrough called to them to ask how he was going to get down to the level where they were beginning to work, and he was told to come down on the rope. This was a new experience, and in the attempt to go down the rope he lost his hold and fell, striking the platform on which the men were working. He bounced almost fifteen feet, it was testified. The men on the platform froze, and Brother Brockenbrough fell the remainder of the distance of seventy-five feet, hitting the flue, which happened to be closed, saving him from an additional forty-foot fall to the bottom of the stack.

When the men on the platform regained their composure they were about to go up the ladder to report the death of one of their fellows, but were startled by Brother Brockenbrough's cry of "Help, get me out." It didn't take them long to make a hole in the side of the stack and remove him. When rushed to the hospital in Salem, New Jersey, it was discovered that he had sustained six broken ribs, an injured neck and head, injuries to one hand, one foot, and a knee cap, a punctured lung, and a dislocated kidney.

For weeks he lay in the hospital while the church members and friends throughout the conference prayed to God to spare his life, if it was His will. Elder J. F. Street, his pastor, testified that when he visited him the evening of the accident he had little hope for his recovery. He was a mass of bruises, and tubes had been inserted in his head and body.

A few Sabbaths ago Brother Brockenbrough and his good wife, who untiringly kept her vigil at his bedside, worshiped in their church. It was a glad occasion. Said one of the members, "The days of miracles have not passed." Brother Brockenbrough gave a thrilling testimony to the sustaining power of God.

His pastor says that when he made the second visit to the hospital, Brother Brockenbrough inquired, "How are you coming along

with your school project? Don't worry, when I get up I will have my pledge." Brother Brockenbrough, who was blessed with a fine settlement on his tomato crop, gave the pastor, Elder Street, \$500.00 in cash—his pledge in full on the construction of the school building for Bridgeton. Last week he told the pastor that \$750.00 had just recently come to him from a source not expected. This is a demonstration of how the Lord rewards faithfulness.

### Washington Member Sends Literature to Africa

MRS. JUANITA JONES, a member of the Washington, D.C., First church, after a serious illness dedicated her life to the Lord's work. For more than fourteen years she has been sending Adventist literature to many parts of the world.

Mrs. Jones began this work as a result of correspondence with a friend from the Philippines, Segrindo Ramel. Mrs. Jones, through an American friend, has not only supplied Mr. Ramel with literature but also with a visual-aid machine. She told Ethel Summers, also a member of the First church, the needs of Mrs. Ramel, and Miss Summers sent a screen and film to the Ramel family.

Mr. Ramel today is an ordained minister and has charge of twenty-three churches. His wife is a church school teacher. They have found the visual-aid machine indispen-

sable. In 1958 ninety-one persons were baptized, and so far this year seventy have been baptized.

For the past six years Mrs. Jones has been sending literature to Africa. Literature is being sent to Northern Rhodesia as a result of reading an article in the *Visitor* concerning old literature of any kind, which was being requested by an African brother. The people of Central Africa seem most interested in literature.

As a result of a visit to Africa by Elder Peterson and Elder Moseley, Mrs. Jones learned that a musical instrument was needed. She then sent her own accordion to this field, by Elder Moseley, to a Mrs. Yvonne Davy, a missionary.

Mrs. Jones has made many friends as a result of her endeavors to answer calls for literature. She and her husband have learned much about shipping and postage. Mr. Jones has become an expert on wrapping the packages.

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### Mosier Valley Home Nursing Course

THE Health and Welfare Society of the Mosier Valley Seventh-day



Mosier Valley home nursing class: First row, left to right: M. Johnson, K. Baker, S. Mathis, E. Woods, M. Walker, D. Nelson, L. Powlee, W. E. Beaty, instructor. Second row, left to right: P. Winn, C. Tabius, L. Woods, A. McBrown, V. Lewis, J. Dixon, and R. L. Dent.

Adventist church in Hurst, Texas, held a home-nursing class in their church for the church members and community. The instructor for the class was Mrs. W. E. Baety, R.N., from the American Red Cross chapter in Fort Worth, Texas.

There were twenty persons enrolled in the home-nursing course. The class was conducted each Sunday evening for two hours. Mrs. L. Powlee, Health and Welfare leader of the Society in Hurst, Texas, played a leading part in getting the members of the church and community to attend the classes.

Fifteen persons received their Red Cross pins and cards for completing the course. Special awards were given those who were present at every class. They were M. Johnson, K. Baker, E. Woods, and C. Tabius.

We are very happy for this number who completed the home nursing course. We feel that this will better prepare our church to aid those who are in need physically, and in the event of disaster we can now be in a better position to give assistance.

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### Savannah Opens New Church

ON JANUARY 16, 1960, the opening service for the new Savannah church was held. Elder J. H. Wagner, president of the South Atlantic Conference, led out in this service. Platform guests included city officials, civic leaders, businessmen, and the following ministers: Elders Silas McClamb, W. E. Adams, E. E. Cleveland, and W. J. Cleveland; the latter two are brothers of the pastor.



Auditorium of the new Savannah church.

The service climaxed three and one half years of intensive labor, which witnessed the baptism of more than five hundred new believers. The membership is now more than seven hundred.

The building is of contemporary design; it features the following: a multicolored skylight, which travels the entire center of the sanctuary, laminated wood beams, a seating capacity of eight hundred, exposed brick interior, Terrazzo floors, first-aid room, office, robe and uniform room, fellowship hall, kitchen, lounge, deacons' room, storage closets, and choir room.

The following persons served on the building committee: Elder H. L. Cleveland, chairman; Brethren L. C. Cook, I. Collins, J. D. Kyles, J. Orr; Sisters O. B. Murphy and Mary Bell.

On February 1, Elder H. L. Cleveland, under whose pastorate the church was erected, was transferred to the pastorate of the Atlanta, Georgia, church; and Elder F. S. Hill was sent to pastor the Savannah church.

Let us pray for the continued growth of the work throughout our field.

H. L. CLEVELAND

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### PROTOSE LOAF

1 lb. PROTOSE  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 sm. onion  
2 eggs  
1 tbsp. butter, melted  
1/2 c. cracker crumbs  
1 tbsp. SAVITA, dissolved in 1/4 c. warm water

Mash PROTOSE, add salt and chopped onion. Stir in beaten eggs and melted butter. Add SAVITA to the PROTOSE mixture. Then add cracker crumbs. Form into loaf, cover with strips of cheese (if desired), and bake in a moderate oven one-half hour. Serves 7.

### PROTOSE POTATO PUFF

10 oz. PROTOSE, ground      2 eggs  
2 tbsps. chopped parsley    1/2 c. milk  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. SAVITA      2 c. mashed potatoes

Beat yolk of eggs. Add milk, potatoes and the rest of the ingredients, folding in the stiffly beaten egg whites last. Turn into greased casserole and bake in a pan of hot water at 375° for 45 minutes or until brown. Serves 6.



### SAVITA GRAVY

2 tps. SAVITA  
3 tbsps. butter  
or margarine  
1/4 tsp. salt  
4 tbsps. flour  
1 3/4 c. water or milk

Melt butter. Add flour and SAVITA. Blend thoroughly. Add water or milk gradually, stirring constantly until smooth and thickened. Serves 6.

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NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL DEPARTMENT  
1959 STATISTICAL REPORT

UNION	Churches & Companies	Members	Baptisms	Tithe	Sabbath school and other mission offerings	Ingathering	Total mission offerings	Per capita	Total local church funds
ATLANTIC									
Northeastern .....	32	6,142	560	\$ 607,310.84	\$ 87,931.05	\$ 60,831.68	\$148,762.73	\$ .466	\$228,145.13
CENTRAL									
Central States .....	19	1,996	206	141,961.97	24,374.91	17,085.33	41,460.24	.399	43,037.92
COLUMBIA									
Allegheny .....	66	8,280	788	693,947.56	115,496.24	104,649.49	220,145.73	.511	159,500.00
LAKE									
Lake Region .....	40	5,059	269	371,076.45	71,718.27	58,084.45	129,802.72	.493	132,000.00
NORTHERN									
Minnesota (Minneapolis) .....	1	75	4	10,116.53	2,801.43	1,208.71	4,010.14	1.028	.....
NORTH PACIFIC									
Oregon (Portland) .....	1	162	8	8,521.32	1,194.19	630.00	1,824.19	.217	1,828.37
Washington (Seattle) .....	1	207	30	16,414.14	2,899.01	990.69	3,889.70	.361	.....
	2	369	38	24,935.46	4,093.20	1,620.69	5,713.89	.298	1,828.37
PACIFIC									
Arizona .....	2	129	8	12,532.39	3,305.24	1,913.02	5,218.26	.778	1,373.30
Central California .....	6	597	34	56,278.70	12,489.49	5,422.25	17,911.74	.577	20,237.54
Nevada-Utah .....	1	28	1	2,850.36	876.21	807.59	1,683.80	1.156	1,260.82
Northern California .....	6	1,014	57	90,241.11	17,033.29	8,917.41	25,950.70	.492	29,468.96
Southeastern California .....	5	737	60	91,202.72	22,639.71	4,353.99	26,993.70	.704	32,253.30
Southern California .....	11	2,573	115	273,758.89	90,784.59	22,724.68	113,509.27	.848	96,976.35
	31	5,078	275	526,864.17	147,128.53	44,138.94	191,267.47	.724	181,570.27
SOUTHERN									
South Atlantic .....	74	7,496	643	376,637.28	64,174.28	89,726.21	153,900.49	.400	120,000.00
South Central .....	55	4,271	88	238,091.42	43,244.95	56,933.78	100,178.73	.350	.....
	129	11,767	731	614,728.70	107,419.23	146,659.99	254,079.22	.379	120,000.00
SOUTHWESTERN									
Southwest Region .....	49	2,741	294	159,411.14	89,319.85	54,180.06	143,499.91	.563	50,582.28
GRAND TOTALS .....	369	41,507	3,165	\$3,150,352.82	\$650,282.71	\$488,459.34	\$1,138,742.05	\$ .528	\$916,663.97

NOTE: Membership reported to December 31, 1959.

NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL DEPARTMENT  
1959 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	1956	1957	1958	1959	Increase of 1959 over 1958
Tithe .....	\$2,483,281.68	\$2,716,439.31	\$2,853,268.11	\$3,150,352.82	\$297,084.71
Sabbath school and other mission offerings .....	520,649.93	506,284.56	562,407.95	650,282.71	87,874.76
Ingathering .....	389,322.41	436,433.88	473,546.36	488,459.34	14,912.98
Total offerings to missions .....	909,972.39	942,718.44	1,035,954.31	1,138,742.05	102,787.74
Total offerings to local church funds .....	465,569.45	675,396.47	898,057.69	916,663.97	18,606.28
Churches and companies .....	357	379	383	369	14*
Membership .....	34,981	36,958	39,986	41,507	1,521
Baptisms .....	2,943	3,584	4,396	3,165	1,231*
Ordained ministers .....	148	169	177	176	1*
Licensed ministers .....	48	48	52	42	10*
Interns .....	14	10	7	14	7
Bible Instructors .....	27	29	28	26	2*
Teachers: church school .....	161	152	175	184	9
Colporteurs .....	177	202	226	213	13
Approximate value church buildings and other conference properties		\$9,003,625	\$10,420,223	\$14,047,971	\$3,627,747

\* Decrease

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