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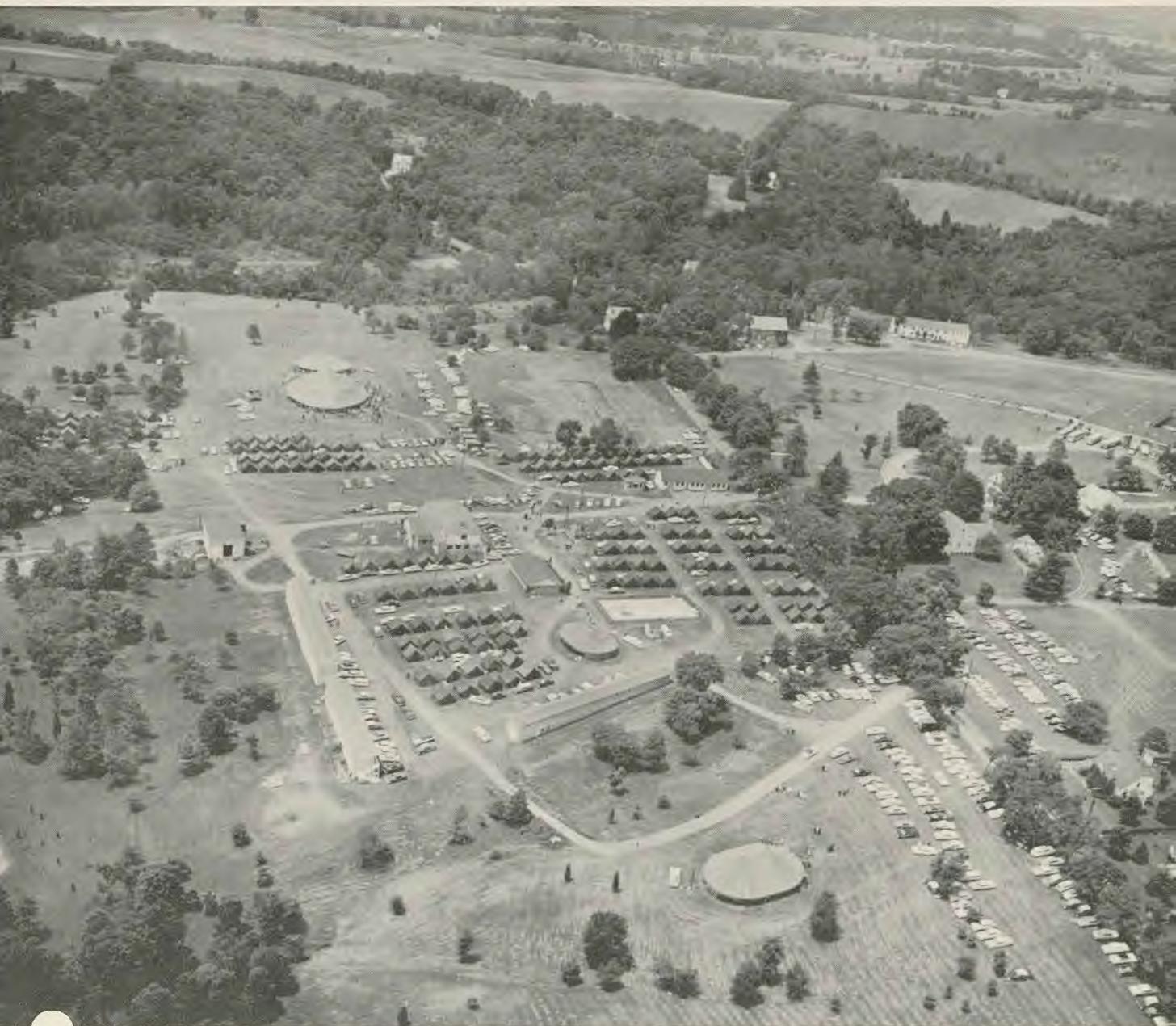
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Aerial view of the Allegheny Conference campgrounds.



Conference committee: left to right, W. M. Starks, Luther Palmer, W. M. Fordham, Carlos Street, C. L. Books, W. L. Cheatham, president, W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer, Jacob Justiss, Milton Thomas, Roland W. Newman, and C. D. Brooks.

## "What Hath God Wrought!"

BY WILLIAM L. CHEATHAM  
*President*

THE progress of the Allegheny Conference is truly the result of God's wonderful blessings upon the labors of the entire staff of faithful, dedicated, and consecrated workers



W. L. Cheatham,  
president.

in all departments of the work in this conference. The conference membership to date is 8,679, a net gain of 1,500 for the past three years.

Organized churches and companies in the Allegheny Conference number 71, an increase of 6 new churches. After only 16 years since organization, this conference is the second largest within the territory of the Columbia Union.

For three of the past five years, through the blessing of God, we have baptized more than 1,000 precious souls each year. During the past summer our minister evangelists in key locations conducted 12 tent efforts and 4 open-air meetings with baptisms for the third quarter totaling 577. The number baptized for

the first three quarters of 1961 was 819, and our workers reported 297 in baptismal classes as of October 17, giving more than 1,000 souls this year.

Our recent new church buildings include Salem, New Jersey; Newtonville, New Jersey; Englewood, New Jersey; Annapolis, Maryland; Chester, Pennsylvania; Emlenton, Pennsylvania; Columbus, Ohio; and Germantown, Ohio. Toledo and Springfield, Ohio, have paid off their

church mortgages this year and are debt free.

The educational program of the conference is continuing to experience excellent success. The principal and faculty of Pine Forge Institute report a wonderful student body and school spirit. Although the academy graduated the largest class in its history last year, when 41 youth received their diplomas, the enrollment this year is exactly the same as last year.

The new girls' dormitory is nearing completion and will make it possible for the academy to accept more young women than ever before. This is a modern fireproof structure, for which we thank God and each of you who so willingly sacrificed for this building.

In addition to our Pine Forge

Allegheny conference office at Pine Forge, Pennsylvania.



Boarding academy, we have five intermediate schools: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Baltimore, Maryland; Cleveland, Ohio; and Washington, D.C. There are eleven other church schools. These schools are manned by 62 teachers, who have the highest average hours of college training in the Columbia Union Conference for the fourth consecutive year.

The pupil gain is reported to be the largest in the union territory for the second year.

The Vacation Bible Schools were the largest in the history of the conference. There were 31 during the past summer.

Our Sabbath schools have experienced a remarkable increase both in attendance and in mission offerings. The home missionary department has had good success in most of its projects. Ingathering last year amounted to \$107,000, the largest goal of any Regional conference in history.

The conference secretary-treasurer reports increases in all offerings, with a \$56,000 tithe increase for the first nine months of 1961.

Our Book and Bible House is improving its service to all customers, including our literature evangelists. This, I believe, will increase the business of this institution. As usual, the publishing department is working untiringly to continue its leadership in the delivery of truth-filled gospel literature.

Our Missionary Volunteer department is planning an interesting and beneficial program for the great army of Allegheny Conference youth. There is to be a concerted stepping up of youth activities in all of its programs.

The progress achieved has resulted from the blessings of God upon the efforts of all leaders and workers. I am very grateful for this wonderful team spirit among all of the Allegheny workers. "To God be the glory, great things He hath done." I solicit continually the faithful prayers of everyone and thank all for your interest and sacrifices. My  
vers are for you and your loved

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Workers of the Allegheny Conference meeting at Pine Forge, Pennsylvania. In the center (on front row) is Elder C. E. Moseley, Jr., General Conference Regional Department, who was the speaker.



Conference president's office and committee room.

## FAITH FOR TODAY OFFERING

FAITH FOR TODAY, the Seventh-day Adventist televised program, dramatizes earth's final message weekly over 175 stations in the U.S.A. and abroad.

Among the millions who witness this program are countless lovers of drama and the stage who will receive the saving truths of Scripture in no other way. From January to July of this 1961, 458 viewers of this program were baptized into the church, and many more honest seekers for truth are being readied for baptism continually.

As a means of reaching the un-

churched populace, this medium is unexcelled, and its usefulness is progressive, being limited only by funds for wider application of its services.

The annual offering for this program is to be taken in all of our churches on February 10, 1962. No better investment could be made toward preparing the masses for Christ's imminent return than by your gifts to this program. Be liberal, so that eventually many will say, "You gave, and because of your giving, I was saved!"

C. E. MOSELEY, JR.

# MV EVANGELISM

BY JACOB JUSTISS

*Missionary Volunteer Leader*

THE MV department of the Allegheny Conference numbers more than two thousand members, the size of some small conferences. It has been nurtured by two most capable departmental leaders, Elder Monroe A. Burgess, its organizer, and Elder A. V. Pinkney, who succeeded him and held these departments for the past fifteen years.

In September the department came into its own when it was taken from the aegis of the educational department and placed together with the temperance and war service departments under the leadership of the writer.

The MV Societies of the conference have a feeling of kinship as the seven States and the District of Columbia are grouped in three Youth Federations. Each has its own president—the Eastern States with Richard Gamble, Virginia States with Kenneth Barbour, and the Western States with Burrell Scott.

These societies meet on an average of three times a year. Once during the year the three Federations meet together. Last spring the combined meeting was held in Baltimore, and the record has it as the Federation's largest and best. The speakers were the Honorable Theodore R. McKeldin, former governor of the State of Maryland, Elder Theodore E. Lucas, General Conference world youth leader, and Elder E. M. Peterson, youth director of the Columbia Union Conference. Elder W. L. Cheatham, conference president, W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer, and the conference departmental men were present.

The combined Federation meetings will continue on the same schedule under the new leadership.

We are setting up an Eastern and Western basketball league: Columbus, Germantown, Dayton, and Springfield in Ohio, and Indianapolis of the Lake Region Conference



Elder Jacob Justiss called to take over the Missionary Volunteer, War Service, and Temperance on September 1, 1961. Elder Justiss was called from the pastorate of the Cincinnati, Germantown, Ohio, district.

and Louisville of the South Central Conference from the Western States Teams.

Pine Forge Institute, First and Dupont Park churches, Montclair, Newark, and Pittsburgh make up the Eastern States Teams.

The first intraleague play was held in Baltimore, December 2, 1961, on Saturday night after the Eastern States Federation meeting. Eugene Miller of Columbus, Ohio, is president of the Western States League and Prof. Paul Jones of Pine Forge Institute is president of the Eastern States League.

Summer camp, the report shows, was a great success. More than 110 campers enjoyed the full fifteen days of the camp. Elder E. M. Peterson visited the camp and spent two days with Elder Pinkney, the counselors, and campers. Again the Lord's blessings were made manifest in that there were no serious accidents suffered during the entire encampment. A fine group of State children, twenty in all, were sent to the camp by the Kent County Welfare Board, Wilmington, Delaware. This is the work of Mrs. Beulah Gibbs, social worker.

Campers attending summer camp—110 in number march with their counselors to dining hall. Elder A. V. Pinkney was director.





PHOTO BY D. B. SIMONS

Elders W. A. Thompson and Milton Thomas with back to camera prepared to baptize candidate. Ceremony was held in conference swimming pool.



Glenville church, Cleveland, Ohio. Membership 900. C. D. Brooks, pastor (center, front row). Membership does not include 179 brought into the church during summer tent effort.

It was my privilege to be coming into this departmental work in time for the Columbia Union's Pathfinder Camporee held at the Keystone Camp in the East Pennsylvania Conference. Allegheny had two units in attendance. Brother Laertes Gillis and Brother Paul Bridgeford with their troops from the First church in Washington, D.C.

Consecrated counselors in many areas are making this program meaningful to our youth, but in order that others may be trained in youth work

a Leadercraft Course was planned for the weekend of January 13 at the First church in Washington, D.C. The officers of MV Societies within a radius of 200 miles were invited to be present at this Leadercraft Course. Instructors were from the General and union conferences, and we know you found the course informative. With "such an army" under God's direction we are certain that the work of God will soon be finished, not only in Allegheny but around the world.



Elder Daniel Davis chats with guests and associates in his recent tent effort.



Open-air meeting held in Annapolis, which was the beginning of the Annapolis work. New church building opened there recently. Elder W. A. Thompson, extreme right of rostrum, was the evangelist. Elder Alfred Jones is the present pastor.

Elder Jethro Lester, in center, explains evening program to his group of Philadelphia workers during summer effort. Left to right: Irvin Glenn, Gwendolyn Winston, Lillian Lester, P. E. Reavis, Elder Lester, Sarah Lester, Anna Jackson, Geneva Fordham, and Frank Jackson.



When all the tents have been allocated several of the men resort to open-air meetings. The Starlight Lawn Bible Series was held in North Philadelphia. In center is Elder Leon Cox, the pastor, who conducted the meeting.

Whole congregation won to third angel's message by conference evangelist, George Rainey, standing on left at rear of auditorium. Next to him is Pastor Donald Williams, who took over the congregation in Lynchburg, Virginia.



# EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS IN ALLEGHENY

BY A. V. PINKNEY  
Educational Superintendent



Trustees representing the Ebenezer and North Philadelphia churches make settlement on the Larchwood school property in Philadelphia. Elder Jethro Lester signing.

PHOTO BY PINKNEY



Elder and Mrs. J. F. Street of Bridgeton, New Jersey, with daughter, Della, on steps of their church school with Brother and Sister Charles Brockenbrough, strong school supporters. The Bridgeton school has two teachers.

Fort Dupont Park school has fleet of buses that carry some of students. Under a special contract with the public transportation system special buses are directed to school morning and evening.



PHOTO BY PINKNEY

GRAPPLING with sin as it reveals itself in the youth, the Allegheny Conference pledged itself to a full implementation of Christian education.

The Pine Forge Institute, a co-educational twelve-grade school, is strong evidence of the aims of the conference.

Sixteen feeder schools, employing 49 full-time teachers and six kindergarten instructors, are an indication that the field is supporting the program.

Again this year Allegheny's pupil gain is the largest in the Columbia Union, and for the fourth year the certification of the teachers representing their preparation as teachers, has had the highest average in the union.

Consecration among the teachers is heartening and is reflected in the number of children brought to an acceptance of the Saviour year by year.

More than one thousand boys and girls are being educated in the schools of the conference.

The need for spiritual guidance in the classroom seems to be the desire of an increasing number of parents who are becoming alarmed and concerned with the products of progressive education.

Christian education seeks not only to train the head but the heart and hands as well. Enrichment of the offerings in church schools are added each year. Christian education cannot be viewed as an inferior training program. Methods, subject matter, teaching aids, and the school plants themselves are all pointing to a better day.

Awareness of the school's philosophy and its aims and objectives are shared not only by parents but by the church as a whole. Each member feels the urge to support the school.

Currently the conference records show more teachers employed than ministers; this is the result of belief in the fruitage of Christian education.

In September a new school opened in Roanoke, Virginia. Elder James Washington is the pastor. This is Roanoke's first experience with a church school. It has brought new life and interest to the church as a whole.

Five schools in the conference are now giving intermediate work. Pittsburgh and the Larchwood school in Philadelphia are the newest. Baltimore, Cleveland, and the Dupont Park, Washington, D.C., schools make up the five.

Elder C. Lee Brooks and Elder

Group of Allegheny conference teachers and ministers attending the union-wide teachers' convention in Takoma Park, Washington, D.C.





Larchwood school, 6007 Larchwood Avenue, in South Philadelphia.



Fort Dupont Park school, Washington, D.C., is largest school in the conference, has 11 teachers on the faculty and more than 330 students. Elder J. L. Moran is the principal.

Jethro Lester ventured out by faith on the Larchwood school project. The building has eight classrooms and a full-length basement in which a fine cafeteria is operated by Mrs. Antoinette Ballard. It formerly was a Hebrew school. Principal A. B. Humphrey and four teachers—Oliver Cheatham, Mrs. Blanche Cox, Mrs. Sarah Lester, and Dudley Swaby—give instruction to more than 125 pupils.

Elder Leon Cox, who replaced Elder Brooks in North Philadelphia when he came to Pine Forge Institute, is now associated with Elder Lester in the general support of the program.

The Cleveland school, 4700 Lee Road, is an ultramodern building. The enrollment this year exceeds 164. Elder C. D. Brooks, the pastor of the Cleveland Glenville church, agrees with the school board chairman, Brother Mylas Martin, and the principal, Carlyle Miller, that additional rooms will have to be added at Ramah—the name of the school. The school operates a bus and has cafeteria service.

The Dupont Park intermediate school is the largest in the conference with eleven teachers. Principal J. L. Moran, seasoned and balanced in school administration, reports over 300 enrolled. More than 30 children in the school have parents that are public school teachers. The school has a cafeteria and operates three school buses that daily advertise the



Cleveland school on Lee Road has enrollment of 165 pupils. Carlyle Miller is the principal and Mylas Martin is school board chairman.

name of the school. Elder W. M. Starks is pastor of the church.

Elder W. M. Fordham, pastor of Berea Temple church in Baltimore, operates the intermediate school there, which is housed in its own building. Principal Alonzo Banks has five teachers. A cafeteria service supplies hot lunches. Baltimore wants to relocate, and they are planning for a new school building.

There are only two one-room schools in the conference—the new school in Roanoke and the Millsboro, Delaware, school. Millsboro has started a new building and may be a two-teacher school in 1962.

Bridgeton, New Jersey—a new school—has a school building acquired from the New Jersey church group when they moved to new quarters. Elder and Mrs. J. F. Street have thrown themselves into this facet of the Lord's work and the

school is looking up. Frances Lawton is the principal-teacher assisted by Mrs. Ruth Street.

Allegheny is proud of all of its teachers serving with loyalty and dedication. Together we aim to make Christian education the very backbone of the Allegheny Conference.

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First church, Washington, D.C., membership 450, Paul Cantrell, pastor.

# THE ALLEGHENY

By W. A. Thompson  
Secretary

**T**HE Allegheny Conference is one of the newer conferences in comparison with the other conferences of this denomination, but it stands shoulder to shoulder with the others and is respected for its integrity of purpose and the high standards to which it subscribes.



W. A. Thompson

The salaried workers in this field are rapidly gaining recognition as the Allegheny Builders. They seemingly have gained inspiration from Nehemiah, who dared to rebuild the



Tekoa Temple, Springfield, Ohio. Membership 120. Elder U. S. Willis, pastor. Church is debt free. Mortgage recently burned. Elders F. L. Peterson and C. E. Moseley, Jr., of the General Conference both participated in the Week of Jubilee service. Debt scheduled to be liquidated in 15 years, was paid off in 3 years. Frank W. Hale, Sr., led out in the debt-free campaign.

shattered city of Jerusalem despite many hindering factors. His enemies sought to distract his attention from the great work that he was doing. He would not be turned aside, however, from his one great objective. His confidence in his God never faltered. He had set his hand to the plow; there was no turning back. He would rebuild the city. Under great pressure from his opponents, who tried to dissuade him, he said, "The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build" (Neh. 2:20).

The slogan of Nehemiah, "We

his servants will arise and build," might well be the motto of the stalwart Allegheny workers as they unite their efforts with those of the faithful laymen. As we enter the closing chapters of this world's history, it is expected that we must build a stronger and more unified spiritual agency for God, through which He can make known His saving grace among the cities, towns, villages, and rural areas of our communities.

The efforts of the Allegheny Builders have not been in vain. Under God, in the past few years many



Dale Wright Memorial SDA church in Germantown, Ohio. Building is ultramodern, valued at \$85,000. Constructed by Wright family and friends who donated time and material. Total cost spent when church opened recently was less than \$10,500.

Newark, New Jersey, Trinity temple. Membership 390. Elder J. H. Wagner, Jr., pastor.



Newport News, Virginia, church, debt free. Membership 75. Elder James Thomas, pastor.



Fort Dupont Park, Washington, D.C. Elder...



# NY BUILDERS

THOMPSON  
Treasurer



New church just opened in Parole, Maryland, just outside of Annapolis, the capital of Maryland. This is the work of Pastor Alfred Jones and his faithful members. Church group was started by open-air meeting held by Elder W. A. Thompson, now conference treasurer.



Oberlin, Ohio, church. Debt free, largely constructed by its members, many of whom are artisans in the construction trade. Membership 65. Elder William DeShay, pastor.



Berea Temple, Baltimore, Maryland, church is debt free. The membership is 776. Elder W. M. Fordham, pastor, carries a strong evangelistic program and operates an intermediate school.

that totaled \$719,150. This is the largest amount ever allocated for a single year in the history of our conference. The committee had faith based on the financial gain of 1960. God has rewarded the faith of the brethren by blessing with a tithe gain of \$53,971.81 for the first nine months of 1961 over the same period for 1960.

We are now faced with conditions of cataclysmic proportions. God is calling upon us to press the battle to the finish. It is with humility and feeling of great gratitude to God that I pen these words concerning the providences of growth and development of the Allegheny Conference.

To continue the spiritual march of success, the Allegheny Builders must join with God's workmen of the world in believing the following statement:

"Let us not discourage one another. Let us take hold unitedly to make every line of the Lord's work a success."—*Counsels on Health*, p. 243. "We his servants will arise and build."

new churches have been organized. To name a few: Lynchburg, Virginia; New Brunswick, New Jersey; Willow Grove, North Philadelphia, Emlenton, and Erie, Pennsylvania; East Baltimore, Cambridge, Salisbury, and Annapolis, Maryland; and Bethel-Cleveland, Ohio. Many of these churches have recently built or purchased representative places of worship.

The educational program of our field stands as a model to some other areas. There are more teachers employed than gospel ministers. No other department receives the finan-

cial assistance that our conference happily gives to support the training of our children and youth. Pine Forge Institute stands as the only boarding academy supported by a Regional conference.

The ministers of this area have pledged themselves to evangelism, which largely explains the fact that God blessed them with more baptisms for the first nine months of 1961 than any other conference in the North American Division.

In a historic meeting the Allegheny Conference committee approved a financial budget for 1961

Church on Massachusetts Ave., S.E., Wash-  
D. C. M. Starks, pastor. Membership 680.



Youngstown, Ohio, Temple Emmanuel. Membership 140.  
Debt free. Elder F. D. Beatty, pastor.



Macedonia church, Roanoke, Virginia. Mem-  
bership 110. Elder James Washington, pastor.





Girls' dormitory ready for roof, November 13, 1961.

## PINE FORGE INSTITUTE

"LAY not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matt. 6:19-21).

A successful young scientist on the West Coast proclaims with pride, "I

BY C. L. BROOKS, *Principal*

graduated from Pine Forge Institute."

There is a church in the Southeast, the auditorium is filled, activity is in high gear. You can hear the minister say, "When I was a student at Pine Forge Institute. . ."

We continue farther north to a well-kept home; we see a happy

family. The mother declares, "My husband and I plan to send our children to Pine Forge Institute, for it was so helpful to us."

A student at college happily states, "I am thankful for the training I received at Pine Forge Institute."

The investment made by constituents of the Allegheny Conference continues to pay dividends. There are hundreds of graduates testifying to the wisdom of supporting this "school of the prophets."

Pine Forge Institute, beautifully situated among the rolling hills of Eastern Pennsylvania, serves students from far and near.

Our school continues to progress. The purchase of new equipment, in-service training of our teachers, erection of a modern, well-equipped dormitory for our girls—all these are evidences of progress.

This progress we seek that we might tie up the life of the youth with the life of our Lord. The development of Christian character in



Left to right: Principal C. L. Brooks greets Capt. Donald A. Walker, Fort Dix, New Jersey, twenty-year career man with highest honors who resigned from the service to join the faculty at Pine Forge Institute.



Pine Forge Institute faculty and student body on steps leading into administration building. Seated left to right: Paul Jones, mathematics; Lorraine Thomas, bookkeeper; former Capt. Donald A. Walker, accountant and dean of boys; Mrs. Ruth McGrew, dean of girls, home economics; Elder C. B. Tivy, Bible instructor; Mrs. Hallie Hartie, food director; Elder C. L. Brooks, principal-manager; Mrs. Margaret Duncan, Spanish and librarian; Clarence Nembhard, science; Miss Esther N. Gill, secretarial science; Robert Handy, farm, shop, and gar Mrs. Mae Justiss, English; and Harold Anth registrar and music.

our youth is the business of our dedicated faculty. Nothing will put the premium on character like the infinite riches in Christ Jesus.

Pine Forge Institute is built on the tears, sweat, and long hours of wrestling in prayer with the Lord on the part of faith-filled Christian men and women. Yes, there must be faith in the hearts of pastors, parents, and consecrated Christians who are willing to make sacrifices for the love of Christ, who made the supreme sacrifice for us.

Our investment is secure and continues to pay rich dividends, for we are in partnership with God.

Daniel Webster stated:  
 "If we work upon marble, it will perish.  
 If we work upon brass, time will efface it.  
 If we rear temples, they will crumble to dust.

But if we work upon . . . minds,  
 If we imbue them with principles,  
 with the just fear of God and love of their fellow men,  
 We engrave on those tablets something . . . which will brighten and brighten to all eternity."

—Speech in Faneuil Hall (1852)



Lloyd Watson, seated at desk, is president of seminar group. Elder C. B. Tivy, sponsor, stands at window.



Class in business. Esther N. Gill, instructor.



Temperance chapter, Pine Forge Institute. Clockwise from left end of table, Clarence A. Nembhard, co-sponsor; Virginia Lester, assistant treasurer; Cheryl Thompson, secretary; Auldwin Humphrey, president; Wilma Mitchell, treasurer; Joy Tivy, assistant secretary; Elder C. L. Brooks, sponsor; Walter Pearson, vice-president; and Carmelita Simons, publishing secretary.



PHOTO BY PINKNEY

Mrs. Margaret Duncan with class in Spanish using latest technique for language mastery.



Instructor Paul Jones, with pointer in hand, explains the operations of the slide rule to a group of math students.

Principal-manager C. L. Brooks with group of Bermuda students.



Pine Forge Institute administration building.



## RECORDS SET BY ALLEGHENY'S LITERATURE EVANGELISTS

By C. M. WILLIS  
*Publishing Department Secretary*

LITERATURE evangelism is the duty and privilege of all who have responded to the prophetic call of the remnant church. "Go ye," said the Master. That meant everyone. The apostolic believers understood and went "every where preaching the word" (Acts 8:4). Now as we live in the end of time we are to witness the revival of apostolic faith and practice. We are to go, and God has equipped us with wonderful health and gospel literature to aid in our approach.

The influence of Seventh-day Adventist literature in winning souls to Christ is reflected in the Allegheny Conference, where to date 117 souls have been baptized by our ministers as a result of colporteur contacts. May God be praised and honored for the accomplishments of our literature evangelists.

James Lynch, 103 years old, was won to this message by colporteur



Elder and Mrs. Edward Dorsey in the front office of the Book and Bible House. The Dorseys returned to Pine Forge after an absence of two years to manage the Bible House.

Nancy O'Neal of Philadelphia, and was baptized at Ebenezer church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is, doubtless, the oldest member in the conference.

Dorothy Bowers of Asbury Park, New Jersey, saw her twelfth soul (all won this year) baptized as a result of colporteur.

Gestner Hodge of Cleveland, Ohio, reports eight persons baptized by Elder C. D. Brooks as a result of her house-to-house work.

John and Carolyn Craig report five new converts for 1961.

Annie Bannister of Baltimore, Maryland, reports four souls. Colporteurs Moses Mitchell, Lewis Ulner, Lander Ammons, Nathaniel Jenkins, Cora Buckner, and Mrs. Alton Humphreys are rejoicing over souls won to the Master during this year.

Henry Freeman of Columbus, Ohio, reports eight souls baptized by Elder A. N. Brogden this year. Truly our literature evangelists win souls.

We are confident of going over the \$300,000 delivery mark for the third consecutive year. Word has just reached our office from Elder R. G. Campbell, circulation man-

Left (left to right): Mrs. Ruth Watson holds trophy presented publishing department for world leadership in delivery (total was over \$300,000); Elder C. M. Willis, departmental secretary; Mrs. Dorothy Dorsey, Book and Bible House secretary; Elder Edward Dorsey, Book and Bible House manager; and Lona Nell Lea, Book and Bible House secretary, holding trophy also presented to literature evangelists for world leadership. Picture taken in Book and Bible House new annex.

Below (left to right): Elders C. M. Willis, W. M. Starks, and W. L. Cheatham, who grasps the hand of Starks, thanking him for all-out efforts with the *Message Magazine* as reported to the president by Willis.



... of the periodical department of Review and Herald Publishing Association, that the Allegheny Conference leads all North America in the circulation of single-copy sales of *Life and Health*. *The Message Magazine* is enjoying one of its best years as far as circulation is concerned in the conference.

This past summer fifteen academy and college students earned scholarships selling literature.

Beverly Mills, an Oakwood College student, not only earned a complete scholarship, but also won a soul to Christ. This was done through the influence of *The Message Magazine*.

Our magazine program, which is about half of our over-all delivery record, is not in the Review and Herald book report that is sent out monthly. Our goal is to get our complete membership to sell some of our literature, either part time or full time.

In the Allegheny Conference publishing department recruiting is the key word. Weekly sales classes are being conducted in nine of our larger churches. My associates, G. W. Anderson, T. S. Barber, Mabel Barber, and C. D. Morris, are continually promoting, recruiting, and encouraging the literature program in their respective districts.

## Elder Dykes Reports on UNESCO Conference

ELDER JAMES DYKES, editor of *The Message Magazine*, stopped by the Allegheny Conference office on his return from the eighth National Conference of the United States Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization), held at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in downtown Boston.

Editor Dykes attended the conference at the invitation of the State Department secretariat for UNESCO.

Two thousand delegates, representing five broad areas of humanities—education, science, culture, communication, and political science—were present.

The delegates from the Afro-Asian countries expressed profound appreciation for the work *The Message Magazine* is doing in building understanding among the peoples of varied cultures and backgrounds.

This is a new and demanding out-

let for the magazine. A request for four hundred gift subscriptions was made by the leading nations of Africa. Elder Dykes seized upon the opportunity of presenting Seventh-day Adventist endeavors in a favorable light to key persons who are setting the pace for progress in education, science, communication, culture, and politics.

The editor flew by jet from his headquarters at the Southern Publishing Association in Nashville, Tennessee, to New York's Idlewild Airport and from there to Boston. This was the first leg of an itinerary that included stops at Springfield, Massachusetts, and Hartford, Connecticut.

After the conference had ended in Boston, Elder Dykes kept appointments in Manhattan with leaders of the Northeastern Conference:



Many of these students sold books during the summer months. The group shown here formed the largest graduating class in the history of Pine Forge Institute. Photo was taken in June, 1961.

There is still much work to be done. The Lord is coming soon. In our earnest endeavor to strengthen our forces, our hope is to hasten the coming of our Lord with an accelerated literature program.

Elders H. D. Singleton, H. D. Warner, R. T. Hudson, and the former editor of *The Message Magazine*, Elder L. B. Reynolds.

At the Allegheny Conference, Elder Dykes was back home, and he said so. He was welcomed by Elders W. L. Cheatham, president; W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer; C. M. Willis, publishing department secretary; Edward Dorsey, Book and Bible House manager; D. B. Simons, Sabbath school and home missionary secretary; and A. V. Pinkney, public relations and educational secretary.

Dykes outlined advanced plans for *The Message Magazine*, the principal periodical geared to attracting believers among the Regional constituency.

Allegheny leads all Regional conferences in single-copy sales of the *Message*. Both Elders C. M. Willis and D. B. Simons assured Editor Dykes that President Cheatham had spoken the aim of Allegheny when he said, "A *Message* in every home is what the conference is out to achieve."

The editor of the *Message Magazine* gives a report to Allegheny Conference men on his to the UNESCO conference. Left to right: Simons, W. A. Thompson, W. L. Cheatham, J. E. Dykes, and C. M. Willis.



THE intent of God is that every person and every talent of every Seventh-day Adventist church shall be united in all-out, total community evangelism. "The entire church, acting as one, blending in perfect union, is to be a living, active missionary agency, moved and controlled by the Holy Spirit."—*Testimonies*, vol. 8, p. 47. "It is a fatal mistake," declares the inspired author in the book *The Desire of Ages*, p. 822, "to suppose that the work of saving souls depends alone on the ordained minister. . . . All who receive the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men. For this work the church was established, and all who take upon themselves its sacred vows are thereby pledged to be coworkers with Christ."

Recent reports in our conference indicate that public evangelistic efforts directed by our ministers have been signally blessed by the Lord. Conference-employed personnel consisting of perhaps three, five, or eight persons working hard, have seen 50, 100, or 150 and more persons joining the remnant church. Pastors have taken time on these baptismal occasions to point out and commend the work of consecrated lay evangelists who have visited the interested, given Bible studies, et cetera, which has led many of these people, under God, to accept the truths of God's Word.

Quarterly church missionary reports show that hundreds are won each year through lay effort.



Elder D. B. Simons points out areas of reporting in lay evangelism on chart that his department designed and which was accepted by the union conference, as Elder Cheatham, conference president, watches carefully.

## LAY EVANGELISM

BY DONALD B. SIMONS  
*Home Missionary Secretary*

Interviews at camp meeting Trophy Hours, held each year, dramatically testify to the thrilling lay evangelism being done. Many of the trophies (people won) have been present at these services and in turn have also won others. Indeed, certain churches and companies have been organized largely from the

soul-winning service of lay evangelistic workers.

Is this not the urgent harvesttime, when all our church members should volunteer their time and talent to do Bible evangelism? Perhaps there is a physical limit to the number of visits, Bible studies, et cetera, that one minister or one Bible instructor can conduct during a given effort. Perhaps some evangelistic companies have neared what might be considered a saturation point in work done by a limited force. How much more could be done for God if hundreds and thousands more of our loyal lay members could be included in this vital work of soul winning.

In an effort to fulfill God's will, the Allegheny Conference home



Second from left—Elder G. E. Peters retired, but always interested in the progress of ventism, looks at Ingathering device and encouragement.

missionary department has prepared large poster charts to organize and feature the soul-winning achievement record of the Bible Evangelism service companies in all our churches. A chart or charts is to be posted in each church and contains space for listing the name of twenty (20) "Lay Evangelists on the March." Space is provided for name, address, telephone, whether a "120" member, and what training courses ("Light Bearer" or "Lift Him Up") the lay evangelist has completed. Then follows space for listing week by week, month by month, for a whole quarter, the actual evangelistic activities conducted by the lay worker. This includes Bible studies, visits, literature, attendance, reclaimed, and number baptized.

It is felt that this chart, and a similar report to be used with it, will help to harness hundreds of willing lay members in the 1962 Bible Evangelism Crusade. The dates recommended by the General Conference for this crusade are as follows:

Over-all Crusade Dates:

February 3 to May 5

Rally Sabbath

February 3

Week of Revival February 3-9  
(Suggested revival theme: The Layman—The Holy Spirit—Christian Service)

Consecration Service February 10  
Training Course February 9-11

(Suggested course based on *Lift Him Up*; five periods of one and a half hours each. One period Friday night, two on Sabbath afternoon and evening, two on Sunday with graduation Sunday night.)

Bible Evangelism Crusade:

February 12-April 22

Decision Meetings by Pastor or Lay Preacher: April 22-May 5

(Decision series filmstrips, "In His Steps," ideal for use.)

In a growing, closely knit cooperation of pastors, church officers, and lay members, Allegheny Conference is seeking to meet God's expectations in earth's harvesttime.

As a "living, active missionary agency" Allegheny churches have conducted thirty-one Vacation Bible Schools in 1961 with a total enrollment of 2,780 people. Twenty-four branch Sabbath schools have also been in operation. Increasing devotion to Bible study and increased liberality to missions is be-

ing witnessed as at the close of September, 1961, Allegheny Sabbath schools had given a total of \$80,883.88 for missions, an increase of \$5,087.25 over the same period of 1960. Ingathering continues to be our largest literature distribution crusade. It also provides a good opportunity for a large, winsome public-relations program building friends for the Advent Movement. 1961 Ingathering funds totaled \$107,089.32, and the full cash amount was remitted to the union conference treasury by the close of January, 1961.

In November 1961, as this is being written, several of our larger churches, with others, are completing their 1962 victory totals. Conference victory should come early.

Today our problem-weary world shifts uneasily on the brink of destruction and chaos. NOW, while significant prophecies are rapidly fulfilling, while probation is fast closing, while human hearts are still longing for salvation, RIGHT NOW, it is "high time" for the church to arise with God's Spirit to meet the mighty call to a greater Bible evangelistic witness.



Left: Brother Leonard A. Hernandez of Alexandria church in center with group of converts he personally has won to the message, blessed by God.

Bottom left (left to right): Elder O. A. Troy, General Conference Sabbath school associate secretary, engages Elder and Mrs. W. A. Thompson in conversation as they look over report of Sabbath school achievement. Little Renee Thompson looks on.

Bottom: Dorcas ladies at camp meeting. Left to right: (seated) Sisters Helen Freeman and Zelva Hughes, Elder W. L. Cheatham, Sister Willie Warnick, conference Dorcas Federation president, and D. B. Simons.





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Elder D. A. Roth, center, Columbia Union public relations director, talks to A. V. Pinkney, public relations secretary, Allegheny Conference, about special issue as Elder J. H. Wagner, Jr., smiles.

## KIMBROUGH HALL

Kimbrough Hall, the new dormitory for girls, is moving toward completion. The roofing contract has been let and it is expected that the structure will be completely enclosed before the winter snows.

The name of the dormitory reflects the respect and admiration the entire conference holds for the late Dr. Grace Kimbrough of Philadel-

phia, who lent the earnest money to the young conference investigating committee to bind the bargain for the purchase of the grounds, which now serves as the headquarters not only for the conference but for the co-educational school, Pine Forge Institute. Dr. Kimbrough is affectionately remembered by hundreds of her friends scattered

throughout many of the conference as a practicing physician and a true mother in Israel.

She not only brought children into the world but she administered to their maintenance and care in countless instances. She has sent others to school and watched over them. In the Philadelphia church she is remembered as the first one to support every project and was never too busy to give counsel and financial assistance to God's program.

Her interest in Christian education never flagged. She supported it locally in the Philadelphia church and generally throughout the conference. After about forty years of active medical practice, she willed a major part of her property to the continued support of the work in the Allegheny Conference. She rests from her labor, but those who knew her best still revere her memory. Kimbrough Hall exhibits her name deeply carved in limestone, and it is hoped that her life and work will be an inspiration to those who cross its threshold.

## WEDDING

HARRIET MOSELEY, daughter of Elder and Mrs. Calvin E. Moseley, Jr., of Takoma Park, Maryland, became the bride of Donald L. Keith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Keith of Monroe, New York, in the Washington First church on August 27.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Barbara Warren, matron of honor, and Elvira Arties, maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Martha Rand, Verdell Luster, Florence Pelham, Adele Seay, Ruby L. Jones, and Lois Keith. Little Pamela Horne was the flower girl. Allen Gilmore served as best man. Donald Patterson, Alfred Cain, Louis Matthews, Dennis Keith, Roswell Wyatt, Mervyn Warren, and Watson Keith were ushers.

The ceremony was performed by Elder F. B. Slater of Minneapolis, Minnesota, uncle of the bride. Prayers were offered by Elder Paul Cantrell of the First church, Washington, D.C., and Elder Frank L. Peterson, associate secretary of the General Conference. Mrs. Helen Sugland directed the ceremony, while Mrs. Hester Cantrell served as hostess.

The honeymoon was spent in New York State, and the couple's address is P.O. Box 51, Stacy, Minnesota. May God bless the establishment of this new home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Keith