

## Inner-City Program of Seattle



Members of the initial inner-city committee: W. A. Scriven, Washington Conference lay activities secretary; N. A. Lindsay, pastor, Spruce Street church; J. S. Blahovich, pastor; and Justin Day, layman. Not pictured is W. E. Baxter.

IN THE city of Seattle, nestled like a jewel in the Puget Sound country—with the snowcapped Cascades on the east, the rugged Olympics on the west, amid the towering firs and cedars—the Lord has made bare His hand in a mighty way. The Spruce Street church is dedicated to the purpose of honoring God by following in the footsteps of our loving Lord as He healed the sick, fed the hungry, preached the gospel to the poor and received the outcast. Realizing the great needs and crises that exist in the urban areas across the nation, and that the joy of being a Christian can only be realized in service to God through serving our fellow man, the following inner-city program has been developed under the leadership of the pastor, N. A. Lindsay, Sr.

At a meeting of fifteen Seventh-day Adventist ministers of Greater Seattle in October, 1968, a committee was appointed by W. L. Murrill, president of the Washington Conference, to devise plans for remodeling the Spruce Street church annex, to make requests for funds, and to set up the program now known as the Community Service Cen-

ter. The committee consisted of W. A. Scriven, lay activities secretary of the conference, who was appointed chairman; three pastors, W. E. Baxter, J. S. Blahovich, and N. A. Lindsay; and a layman, Justin Day, who was appointed director of the Community Service Center.

Funds totaling \$15,000 were raised for remodeling the annex and operation of the program. The Washington Conference contributed \$4,500, other Seventh-day Adventist churches in the conference gave \$2,000, the North Pacific Union Conference appropriated \$2,500 and the General Conference gave \$1,000 (the remainder of the 1968 Inner-City Fund). The Spruce Street church raised \$5,000. The church annex was completely remodeled on all three levels, and included the installation of new rest rooms and a new kitchen. On the main floor a porch was converted into an office to administer the program, and one of the kitchens was prepared to serve as a medical examining room. The operation of the Community Service Center began on June 14, 1969.

Services include a weekly free medical clinic, which is staffed by volunteer doctors, medics, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses. Furniture for two examining rooms complete with instruments, sterilizer, and some medicines have been contributed free of charge by doctors and pharmaceutical houses. A dental staff will begin operation when office facilities are made ready. Contributions of office equipment for the dental offices have already been made. The well-organized Health and Welfare workers distribute food and clothing. The Adventist Men's Club, organized in June, 1968, has included in its projects the moving of three families, cutting grass for the elderly, repairing of a widower's home,

and the making and contributing of recreational equipment for the center, such as ping-pong tables, volleyball sets, and horseshoes.

During the summer an outstanding recreational and educational program for children, aged seven to fourteen, was conducted by the Adventist Collegiate Task Force (ACT) from Walla Walla College. Included in this program were field trips to such places as the University of Washington Arboretum, the Seattle Center, city zoo, piers, and beaches. Also crafts were taught, varying from the making of paper flowers to the building of go-carts. Two camping trips were conducted—the first was to Sunset Lake, which is owned by the Washington Conference, and the second to Rosario Beach, a biological station owned by



Medical attention being given at the Community Service Center clinic in Seattle. The clinic is staffed by volunteer doctors, medics, registered nurses, and licensed practical nurses.





The Adventist Men's Club of Seattle, Washington, was organized in June, 1968. They distribute food and clothing, and their projects include providing recreational equipment for the center.

Walla Walla College. Biology professors of Walla Walla College paid for the rent of the camp. This effort was spearheaded by Dr. Donald Blake. An additional \$300 was provided for food by the mayor's office of Seattle, and two Western Tour buses were provided by the anti-poverty program for transportation.

The daily workers at the center included the Walla Walla ACT team, one student from Andrews University, one young man on a three-year deferred sentence, which was secured by the parole officer in close effort with Elder Lindsay, and a host of volunteers.

Says the pastor, "I have never seen a more dedicated group of young people. After this summer, I can see that with 'such an army' the work will shortly be finished." The members of the ACT team stated, "This summer has been one we will never forget.

We were forced to depend entirely upon God, and not upon our own wisdom. We want to devote our entire lives in service to God and humanity." One volunteer said, "I have found out what real Christianity is. It's just loving people."



These young people conducted daily the recreational and educational program at the center.

The ACT team held youth rallies, pizza suppers, and "gab" sessions with the Seventh-day Adventist youth of the Seattle area in order to enlist their interest and effort in the inner-city program. Also the team was invited to many other churches to give their experiences.

The laymen of the Spruce Street church as well as volunteers from the community have given support in every way—in varied areas from secretarial help to the distribution of announcements of the services offered at the center.

A day-care center was opened the first week in September, which will give emphasis to meeting the needs of the disadvantaged youngster.

The fall schedule calls for short-term classes for adults in areas such as health and nutrition (two laymen have just returned from training in this area at Walla Walla). Home nursing, first aid, and child care will also be offered. A Five-Day Stop Smoking Plan and tutoring program are both in the offing. The University of Washington has indicated a real interest in the tutoring program.

It is evident that God is leading step-by-step as all of the pieces of His pattern fall into place. The program is a real blessing to the church as well as to the members of the community. "Love in action" has become a way of life.



## ALLEGHENY WEST

### We Thank God

DURING the year God has truly brought the Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist church a long way. As we take a retrospective view of the year 1969, we can see our pastor, A. R. Jones, toiling with his Bible instructor, Sister Edwina Williams, as they went about Cincinnati proclaiming God's wonderful truth.

Then we see Oscar Wells, our lay activities secretary, leading us well over

our Ingathering goal. The Sabbath school department has become a dynamic force under the leadership of Sister Naomi S. Clark. We can also see her busily working with her branch




A. R. Jones with plaque presented by Samuel Thomas, conference lay activities secretary.

Sabbath schools. We cannot forget our youth under the leadership of Sister Martha L. Sharp. Through their combined efforts cottage meetings were held and many precious ones were won to Christ.

The Shiloh church was honored when Samuel Thomas, lay activities and Sabbath school secretary of the Allegheny West Conference, presented plaques to our pastor, A. R. Jones; our lay activities secretary, Oscar Wells; and our Sabbath school leader, Sister Naomi S. Clark. A. T. Westney, MV and educational secretary of the Allegheny West Conference (has since accepted the position as principal of Pine Forge Academy), announced the official delegate, Martha L. Sharp, for the Youth Congress in Zurich, Switzerland, July, 1969. We are grateful to God for such leaders.





## CENTRAL STATES

### Campers From the Inner City

EACH camp director and his staff must develop a sensitivity to an understanding of the inner-city children's needs and limitations as well as the conditions and environment from which they will come as he plans to orient the inner-city children into his camping program.

These inner-city children should be assigned to the most capable counselors on the camping staff. The average counselor will be unable to do the kind of job necessary in working with these children, and this is where many in-camp problems may start. Camp counseling at its best will provide for everyone involved a most rewarding experience. Inner-city children will probably be beginning campers and will need a great deal of support in making the adjustment to camp.

For a child who has never been more than four or five blocks from home, camp may be a terrifying experience, and an achievement such as making it through the night might be a major accomplishment. This is where the role of the counselor is so important. The camper's understanding of such fears and his association with other campers in his cabin will be a major step in the process or adjustment to camp. The Seventh-day Adventist camp that plans to make camping opportunities available to inner-city children is taking another step to pro-



Activity scenes at Camp Shady Hill during the camp session in July, 1969. More than forty inner-city children from the Central States area attended this Opportunity Camp at Edwardsville, Kansas.

vide relevant experience that will meet some of the needs of all the children regardless of race, color, creed, or where they are from. Children need to be exposed to other children who come from different environments, backgrounds, ethnic or religious groups. Understanding, sensitivity and acceptance of these differences must be developed. In today's troubled times our children need to develop attitudes and values based on experience, not on rumors or fiction. It is my desire that every phase of my camping program should constitute in developing spiritual attitudes and values in the young campers under my charge. As one writer said, "we are preparing children not to become outdoor experts but to become Christians."

S. H. Cox

### Opportunity Camp, 1969

ON JULY 13, Camp Shady Hill opened its doors once again to the inner-city children of the Central States area. S. H. Cox, Central States MV secretary, and M. A. Burgess, pastor of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Emmanuel church, waited anxiously for the children to arrive. Cars from as far away as Omaha and Denver arrived first. V. Lindsay, pastor of the Kansas City, Kansas, church, and J. D. Parker, Kansas City, Missouri, pastor, used buses to take their children to camp.

Brother Cox had to leave the country for the World Youth Congress in Zurich, Switzerland, before the Opportunity Camp session was over, but Elder Burgess reported that it was a success, with more than forty in attendance. The children appreciated the privilege and expressed gratitude for the benefits received from the experience.




## LAKE REGION

### Camp Meeting Guest Is Pilot, Physician

LT. COL. LEONARD JOHNSON, U.S. Air Force commander of the 817th medical group of the Strategic Air Command and hospital commander at Pease Air Force Base, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, was the featured speaker each day at the medical hour at the Lake Region camp meeting.

After graduating from high school, he attended college and medical school at Howard University in Washington, D.C. He interned at Los Angeles County Hospital and then went into medical practice for a year and a half at San Diego. Since September of 1958 he has been a flight surgeon.

He started his military career as a physician, spending two and one-half years at Lackland A.F.B., San Antonio, Texas, where he was flight surgeon and chief of medical processing at the hospital. From 1961 to 1964 he was stationed in Germany as flight surgeon for the Ninth Technical Air Fighter Squadron and deputy commander of the Ninth's technical hospital and chief of flight medicine.

In 1965 he returned to Howard University, where he received his Master of Arts degree in public health before going to Brooks Air Force Base in Texas to specialize in aviation and

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Olice Brown, conference bookkeeper, demonstrates the new bookkeeping machine, which reduces the possibility of errors to a minimum.



Church literature and books are dispatched promptly from the Book and Bible House to meet the needs of individuals and churches in our field. Mrs. Joyce Sheppard (left) is secretary.

Ann Henderson of the treasury department works in one of the spacious offices provided.



On the main floor several offices are found, including those of the publishing department. Theodore R. Smith counsels and gives direction to literature evangelists of the conference.



Wall-to-wall carpet covers the floors and halls of the entire office. The staircase to the second floor and the chandelier add to the beauty.



Mrs. Helen Turner, cashier and secretary to the president, serves as receptionist on the second floor. Throughout the air-conditioned building one will notice modern office furniture, which helps to enhance God's work at headquarters.

V. L. Roberts, president, gives direction and inspires church activities from his office on the second floor, which serves as a council chamber and committee room. It is furnished to meet the needs of an administrative executive.



## SOUTHWEST REGION



Southwest Region's new office headquarters.

### New Office Headquarters

WE WISH to share with you one of our major accomplishments, the acquisition of a two-story building in the lovely Oak Cliff section of Dallas to serve as our conference headquarters.

How well I remember that in 1947 our conference office property consisted of a small five-room frame house, which adequately cared for the needs of our budding organization. In 1956 we relocated on South Boulevard, joining hands with City Temple when property was purchased to accommodate an ever-growing church membership, a developing church school, and an expanding conference office complex. For the past 13 years the soul of the conference office was knit to the soul of City Temple, for we shared the third floor of the church dwelling, under one roof. This was a fair arrangement until the providence of God directed in the relocation of the church, and the purchase of this modern, air-conditioned building. In pictures we desire to take you on a grand tour to show what God has wrought.

We are justly proud of our present facilities. We have ample parking space, storage space for each department, private offices for each of the conference personnel, plus there is enough room for expansion as we plan for the future development of the work of the church.





## SOUTH CENTRAL

### News Notes

► Dr. Garland J. Millet, editor of the *Message Magazine* has returned to the United States after an extended fact-finding trip through Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. His tour was an in-depth study of the attitudes and feelings of minority groups and black churchmen in various countries. Dr. Millet visited London, Paris, Nairobi, Cairo, Tel Aviv, Beirut, Teheran, New Delhi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Singapore, Manila, Hong Kong, and Tokyo. "Dr. Millet's experiences and his communications with some of the leading thinkers of our time will lend a broad background and an important depth of experience to his editorial work," said R. J. Christian, periodical manager of the Southern Publishing Association.

► MEMPHIS BAPTISMS—Literature evangelists extended invitations to the Memphis tent meetings and as a result seven persons were baptized.

In Memphis during the second quarter seventy teen-agers were baptized and as a result a new program is being considered for these young members.

► CAMILLE REPORT—On August 22, 1969, five members of the First SDA church of Huntsville, Alabama, journeyed to Gulfport, Mississippi, to help in Health and Welfare service. Mrs. Patricia Ballard, Health and Welfare leader, along with Mrs. Minnie Browne, Brenda Brandon, Linda Anderson, and Shirley Woodard told of the wonderful blessing received by sacrificing a little time to help those in need.

► NEW SCHOOL—The new Montgomery, Alabama, school opened on September 2. It will do a great deal to enhance Christian education in that city. M. E. Joiner is the pastor there.

► WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS—Fifty-one delegates from South Central Conference attended the World Youth Congress in Zurich, Switzerland. The official conference delegate was Dorothy Nelson, of Meridian, Mississippi.



The assembly room accommodates the workers for morning worship and for general assembly during workers' meetings. A spinet piano, soft lighting, and good acoustics help to provide a worshipful setting for the workers to enjoy.

The education and Missionary Volunteer departments under the direction of E. W. Shepard are well situated in an office colorfully decorated with maroon carpet and pastel colors.



The Sabbath School, lay activities, and public relations departments have spacious quarters. Accommodations are provided for the Health and Welfare activities of the conference also. Floor space is available for storage of food and clothing in depot. Shown is William C. Jones, lay activities, and Mrs. W. C. Jones.

Roygus Taylor, office clerk, operates the off-set press in the workroom. Here modern equipment replaces the old duplicating equipment.



The secretary-treasurer's office is a bee hive of activity daily. Here L. D. Henderson uses up-to-date office equipment and business machines in the smooth operation of business matters.

Mrs. Margie Ballard, secretary to the treasurer, demonstrates the latest type of filing cabinets.



The new Health and Welfare van that was dedicated at camp meeting has recently been completed. The mobile unit is modern in every detail and stands ready to join the fleet of vans in the Southwestern Union to meet the needs of humanity in a disaster. Mrs. V. L. Roberts is conference Health and Welfare president.



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space medicine. Just last year he became a Diplomat of the American Board of Preventive Medicine with board certification in aerospace medicine. He is the first Negro to become board certified in this specialty.

In August of 1968 he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel and holds the rating of senior flight surgeon.

During all of the various tours of duty thus far he has been fortunate to have his family with him. His wife, the former Evelyn Mays, is a secretarial science graduate of Oakwood College. The Johnsons have two children, Karen, 10, and Leonard III, 6.

As a hospital commander, Dr. Johnson has many social functions to attend. This gives him unique opportunities to witness for his faith. His fellow officers know that he is a vegetarian, does not drink or smoke, and will not attend social functions on Friday night or Sabbath. Thus, whenever such occasions are planned, officials quickly take these details into consideration.

The Johnsons attend the Portsmouth, New Hampshire church, where Dr. Johnson is the MV leader and teaches the teen Sabbath school class.

This is a new field for the space age in which we are living. The Seventh-day Adventist Church can look with pride to one of its members who has accepted the challenge of this phase of service to mankind.

GORDON ENGEN  
*Lake Union Herald*



M. C. Van Putten, Lake Region Conference treasurer, presents gift to Elder and Mrs. F. N. Crowe as they leave the Lake Region Conference for the Central States Conference.

## News Notes

► F. N. Crowe, who for several years served as treasurer of the Lake Region Conference, and Mrs. Crowe, who for the past several years has served as the office secretary in the MV department, have accepted a call to the Central States Conference. He will serve as pastor of the Pueblo church, nestled in the foothills of the beautiful Rocky Mountains of Colorado. The Chicago Heights church, which Pastor Crowe has cared for during the past few years, will greatly miss his services. During his leadership at this church several members have been baptized, indebtedness has been paid off, and the building has been brought into conformity with the city codes. The church members are confident, however, that the Crowes are following the leading of God in answering this call. They will do much to help finish the work of God in the Central States Conference territory and will carry on a strong work in Pueblo, Colorado.

► Herman Kibble received his third degree from Andrews University at the 1969 June commencement. He received a Bachelor of Divinity degree at this year's commencement and Bachelor and Master of Arts degrees in 1952 and 1966, respectively. He was this year's president of the combined classes of the AU School of Graduate Studies and the Theological Seminary. His father has been a member of the university Board of Trustees, and three brothers and a sister are alumni.

► Lucy Panton graduated from Short Wood College, Jamaica, West Indies, and taught there for some time. She then left her homeland and attended Columbia University, New York, and received the B.S. degree in education and M.A. in psychology. She taught at Northeastern Academy and Manhattan Elementary School for one and one-half years. After leaving New York, Miss Panton enrolled in the University of Chicago to work towards a Ph.D. in psychology, and taught French, English, and Bible in the Shiloh school while attending the university. In September of 1965, Miss Panton arrived in Washington, D.C. to attend the Howard University School of Medicine, and was graduated June 6, 1969, with an M.D. degree. She has been accepted as an intern in Harlem Hospital Center, New York, and plans to specialize in internal medicine, and eventually to teach medicine.

## Seventh-day Adventist Named 1969 White House Fellow

STUART A. TAYLOR, a member of the Marion church, has been named a 1969 White House Fellow and arrived in the nation's capital September 1 for a year's service in top echelons of government. He is one of 18 young men—four of them black—selected from thousands to work in the nation's capital.

Taylor stated, "As an Adventist it will be an interesting and unique opportunity to share my faith with those with whom I come in contact in the White House." He said he expected to be able to carry out some of our basic objectives of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Taylor is convinced that "black Americans must become a part of the present system and constructively change the framework on the inside."

He is the first full-time black instructor hired at Southern Illinois University, and was nominated for the program by Carbondale Mayor David Keene and SIU Carbondale Chancellor Robert MacVicar.

Taylor said he applied for the Fellow's program "because I am very concerned about the restlessness in America, and I believe that I have some ability, considerable energy, and the will to do something about it. As a black American who still has faith in America, I can contribute to the program because of my dedication to this country and my dedication to black Americans."

In 1967 Taylor received his Doctor's degree in business from Indiana University in Bloomington. From the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, he received his Master's degree in business and economics in 1963. Three years earlier he was graduated from Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama.

The Citizens for the Advancement of Negro Education of Rhode Island was founded by Taylor while he served in that State as a public accountant in Providence.

Mr. Taylor has a very likeable personality and is a dedicated family man. He is married to the former Ella Marie Eilum from Jacksonville, Florida, who also attended Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, and they have two children, Sandra, 10, and Stuart, 8.

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A new church of 15 members was organized in Griffin, Georgia—first fruits of the lay evangelistic effort conducted by Joseph Jackson, local elder of the Atlanta-Berean church, and B. F. Dickerson in Griffin, Georgia. Now another dark county has been set aflame with the light of the gospel.

## Northeastern Loses Veteran Worker

ON SABBATH, July 19, 1969, the long and fruitful ministry of one of the most colorful workers of the Northeastern Conference came to an abrupt end. Howard David Warner died suddenly while he was delivering the Sabbath sermon at the Christian Fellowship church in Brooklyn, New York.

Elder Warner first heard the third angel's message in Philadelphia in 1929 through the preaching of the late J. E. Cox. He embraced the truth and was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He began his labors in the Adventist Church in September, 1930, as a literature evangelist. In 1935, he was made a field secretary of the Publishing Department in the East Pennsylvania Conference. In 1944 he was chosen publishing secretary for the Allegheny Conference.

During this time he met and wed the former Mrs. Tonsa LaVett. Through this merger he became the fond father of her two children. Later he took a grandchild, Samuel, into his home.

Elder Warner was sent to a pastorate in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the Shiloh church, where he stayed for three and one-half years. Next he was recalled to the post of publishing secretary for the Allegheny Conference, where he served for eight years.

In 1955 he was called to Northeastern Conference to serve in the same capacity. This he did until 1965. Though in failing health for some time, he always felt that he had to keep on working for the Master.

His last tour of duty was as pastor of the Christian Fellowship church. He worked earnestly and prayerfully. His greatest joy was in being able to move this church to larger quarters. He died as he would surely want to go, working for God.

He leaves to mourn their loss a loving devoted wife, Tonsa; two children, McClain LaVett and Mrs. Violet Barnhart; a brother, Maurice Burke; an aunt, Mrs. Annabelle Nach; seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, July 22, 1969, at the Bethel church in Brooklyn, New York. G. R. Earle, president of Northeastern Conference, delivered the eulogy.



## Evangelism

EVANGELISM has been the life line of the South Atlantic Conference, and 1969 has been one of the greatest years of emphasis in soul winning. Following are the latest baptisms for the year:

James Best, Greenville, South Carolina, 30; C. R. Craig, Sanford, Florida, 5; Benjamin Cummings, Sumter, South Carolina, 34; D. E. Davis, Lakeland, Florida, 2; Ralph Franklin, Orlando, Florida, 20; P. Florence, Rome, Georgia, 6; J. L. Follette, Macon, Georgia,

20; Matthew Green, Fayetteville, North Carolina, 6; I. L. Harrell, Wilmington, North Carolina, 20; L. G. Rahming and L. R. Hastings, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, 150; C. D. Henri and H. M. Mouzon, Atlanta, Georgia, 95; O. U. Holness, Durham, North Carolina, 10; D. M. Jones, Ocala, Florida, 4; E. J. Lewis, Columbus, Georgia, 25; J. P. Monk, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 50; F. R. Nealy, Charleston, South Carolina, 16; F. W. Parker, Savannah, Georgia, 35; O. H. Paul, West Palm Beach, Florida, 10; K. S. Smallwood, Atlanta, Georgia, 31; Ward Sumpter, Tallahassee, Florida, 15; G. H. Taylor, Miami, Florida, 11; C. L. Thomas, Florence, South Carolina, 9; O. S. White, Goldsboro, North Carolina, 5; and R. L. Woodfork, Miami, Florida, 31.

F. L. JONES



## Hartford Church in Need of Larger Quarters

FAITH church in Hartford, Connecticut, is in desperate need of a larger building. So crowded is the Sabbath service that quite a number have to

view the worship service by closed circuit television in the lower auditorium.

According to Dudley A. Thorne, pastor of this growing congregation, the situation becomes more acute each week. During the first six months of 1969, the membership increased from 176 to 217.

Under Pastor Thorne's leadership, the congregation has raised \$18,000 for the building fund during the same six-month period. This financial drive was highlighted by a special rally day on which the members turned in \$8,000.

The congregation is now negotiating for another building where the membership can be adequately housed.



## Ephesus Church Launches \$2 Million Campaign

THE Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church has just launched a \$2 million building campaign. This eighty-year-old structure located on the corner of 123d Street and Lenox Avenue, suffered extensive damage by fire the night of January 8.

The 2,400 members of this church had just completed a redecoration project that cost more than \$200,000. To have this tragedy occur was a shock, to say the least, and temporarily discouraging. But their courage was quickly renewed, for they sincerely believe "that all things work together for good."

There is a systematic effort in progress now whereby every businessman in New York City will be contacted and asked to make a donation to the rebuilding of one of the largest and oldest churches in Harlem. By the end of April the church had received over \$10,000 in donations, including a sizable amount from the Reverend Gardner Taylor and members of the Concord Baptist church in Brooklyn and other churches in the area.

The architects are in the process now of drawing up plans for the reconstruction. It is hoped that very soon the actual work can begin. The new church will have a main auditorium that will seat twenty-six hundred to twenty-seven hundred people and a youth chapel that will accommodate five to six hundred young people. Included in the building of the church proper will be a community center and an elementary school large enough to accommodate six hundred children.

Anyone wishing to send a donation may do so by writing to Post Office Box 562, Manhattanville Station, New York, New York. For further information call 662-5536.

HAROLD NORMAN  
Press Secretary



The Brooklyn Bethel church honored their golden-age members on June 14, 1969 (those who were 70 and over). Left to right are three of the oldest members present: Norman Blake, 90; Mercie Baldwin, 86; and B. A. Ellis, Sr., 89.



Stennett Brooks



James P. Willis

## Two Ordained at Camp Meeting

STENNETT BROOKS and James P. Willis of the Northeastern Conference were ordained to the gospel ministry on Sabbath, June 28, at Victory Lake Camp. Participating in the service were Dr. E. E. Cleveland, associate secretary of the General Conference Ministerial Association, who presented the sermon; Robert H. Carter, secretary of Northeastern Conference, who introduced the candidates; Frank L. Jones, treasurer of South Atlantic Conference, who offered the ordination prayer; Walter W. Fordham, associate secretary of the General Conference Regional Department, who gave the charge; and George R. Earle, president of the conference, who extended the welcome to the gospel ministry.

Stennett Brooks, treasurer of Northeastern Conference, Book and Bible House manager, and secretary of the Association of Self-supporting Institutions, is the son of Elder and Mrs. Roger Brooks, of Nicaragua. Born in Puerto Cabezas, he completed church school in Panama City, Republic of Panama, and graduated from the business course at West Indies College, Mandeville, Jamaica.

Brother Brooks began his ministry in the old West Jamaica Conference, Mandeville, Jamaica, as a singer and a Bible instructor in an evangelistic campaign. He was later given the responsibilities of accountant and assistant Book and Bible House manager in the conference.

James Preston Willis, minister of the Fifth Avenue Seventh-day Advent-

ist church, Mount Vernon, New York, is a native of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and a third generation Seventh-day Adventist. His education, from elementary days to college has been in Adventist schools. He graduated from Oakwood College in 1952 with a B.A. degree in religion.

His service has included responsibility on the staff of Oakwood College, several years as a literature evangelist and pastor of churches in the South Central Conference. In 1967 he was called to Northeastern, where he is currently the minister of a growing congregation in Westchester.

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