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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me: because He hath anointed Me to preach good tidings . . ." Isaiah 61:1.

OUTLOOK

DENOMINATIONAL CHANNELS

BY KENNETH H. EMMERSON, Treasurer, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

"At an early stage in the work, God gave us special light upon this point (organization) . . . As our numbers increased, it was evident that without some form of organization there would be great confusion, and the work would not be carried forward successfully . . . It (organization) has been built up by His direction . . ." *Testimonies to Ministers*, pp. 24-28. Organization is one of the heritages of this movement that is beyond the price of gold in value. It is the heaven-sent system of order that helps bind this church together in unity around the world.

The need for organization and the adhering to denominational channels and church finance are more urgent now than ever before. The fact that financial support must be provided for the work and workers in about two hundred lands and in more than two hundred and fifty-nine language areas, makes this clear. The regular channel by which tithes and offerings pass from the individual is through the church treasurer to the local conference and on to the union conference, to the General Conference and out to the world field. Thus it is provided that all funds contributed by our people for any cause and in response to all appeals shall be passed through the regular channels of the church.

This plan of the church has been a source of incalculable good to the missionary operations around the world, for thus it is possible to have regular budgets with regular appropriations balanced by the consideration of all the needs as they are presented in the appeals from the various divisions. This system has

been found to be the best means by which the work can be extended to the best advantage in every field and in the world generally.

Equitable support of the denominational program at home and abroad can best be fulfilled by the financial system which provides for regular channels of giving that have been developed through the years. Every part of the world field, whether it challenges the imagination or not, must be given the support it needs within the means of the church.

The words of Paul indicate the soundness of the system: "A body is not one single organ but many. . . If one organ suffers, they all suffer together. If one flourishes, they all rejoice together" (I Cor. 12:14, 26. New English Bible). "We must not be conceited, challenging one another to rivalry, jealous of one another. . . Help one another to carry these heavy loads, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ" (Gal. 6:1, 2. New English Bible).

In order for God's church today to continue to be viable, it is of utmost importance that it follow closely the time-tested system for handling of its financial affairs. The financial structure of the organization should be realistic from a spiritual and fiscal standpoint so that the obligations that we have assumed for the support of the program around the world, including our missionaries and workers, will not be jeopardized. We should continue to distribute fairly and to the best of our ability the available mission funds on a worldwide basis. We must be careful that one or two mission projects, due to

the initiative of an enterprising individual or because of its attractive location, does not enjoy favors over other stations and projects by additional assistance that might be channeled directly to them. When a situation changes or the individual who has solicited the funds returns to his homeland, the institution or mission that he has been serving suffers because the successor in his particular place does not have the same means of access to American funds. How much better it is to send all offerings and gifts through the regular channels, thus guaranteeing and assuring our work around the world of equal opportunity and security in the financial support that this church has promised them.

The philosophy of the distribution of funds on the part of the General Conference places the Seventh-day Adventist church in a very unique position among religious bodies and denominations on the worldwide front. Other Protestant and church mission programs who have left their financial support to the initiative of the mission director, the individual church on a hit-and-miss basis, in developing their witness and program around the world have become very weak and diluted. The plan of our church has excited the admiration of many religious leaders throughout the world for a good long while.

We appeal once again for your loyalty in the ever-continuing responsibility of supporting our worldwide work through regular channels that have been provided and have proven to be a real blessing to Christ's church on this earth.

Urgent

An overseas division urgently needs a *Pictorial Aid* booklet for soul-winning institutes and to counteract divisive efforts. If you are willing to sell or share your copy, kindly write to the Lay Activities Department of the General Conference: Attention of J. Ernest Edwards.

"Smokey Sam" and Danny Ipes Get Temperance Man of the Year Award

Using "Smokey Sam" as his chief assistant, Daniel Ipes has blazed a temperance path across Tennessee that earned him the Temperance Man of the Year award.

Eighteen-year-old Danny is a senior student at Madison Academy in Tennessee and has served for the past two years as president of the Madison American Temperance Society chapter at his school.

Danny has personally given more than one hundred temperance programs at schools and churches in his state area. He has widely and successfully used Smokey Sam, a manikin of a fourteen-year-old boy designed to show graphically what smoking does to the human body.

Appearing with Smokey on Nashville's popular WSM-TV "Noon" show, emceed by Jud Collins, Danny relates that before the program was over, some fifteen invitations for more appearances had flooded the studio's switchboard.

For the second straight year, Madison Academy has been awarded the Southern Union Conference Gold Star Award for excellence in temperance leadership. The entire student body has enthusiastically participated in the chapter's activities over central Tennessee, giving some 150 programs each year before youth

and community groups. Working with the group have been Principal W. A. Sowers and Paul Priest, science teacher.

Vanderbilt University's education department heartily endorses the chapter's program, as does Nashville's Cancer Society. The Heart Association repeatedly uses Smokey Sam for its demonstration work.

Questioned as to why he so willingly devotes so much of his "spare" time to temperance work, Danny Ipes replies, "I get real enjoyment from helping other young people in our area and community to better understand the harmful effects of intemperance, especially smoking and drinking."

"After we demonstrate Smokey Sam in a high school," Danny confides, "it's most gratifying to have students, total strangers to me, come up and say, 'I've smoked since the third grade, but this is the first time I really sensed that there was any real danger in the habit. I used to think it was fun to smoke, but now I'm going to quit the habit for good!'"

Danny graduated this year and plans to attend Columbia Union College. His father, Elder Tom P. Ipes, is a minister, and his mother, Ruth, is a school teacher. Danny plans to follow in the footsteps of his father and older brother, Tom, Jr., who is attending Southern Missionary College, and study to be a minister.

Each year the American Temperance Society selects a Temperance Man of the Year on the basis of outstanding personal contribution to the temperance cause either in the field of education or legislation. Most recent winners of this award include Clifton Keller, teacher at Bass Memorial Academy in Mississippi; William Howells, real estate man, Parkersburg, West Virginia; John Lammerding, contractor, Orangevale, California; and William M. Ashton, retired postal worker, Batesville, Arkansas.

FRANCIS A. SOPER
Associate Secretary
American Temperance Society



"Smokey Sam" and Danny Ipes

with the September issue. This great evangelistic series in four beautiful colors will be of outstanding soul-winning potential. Watch for further information! These should all be ordered through your Book and Bible House. The first four numbers in the series of twelve will be available shortly.

You may, if you are a church officer or pastor, write now for four free sample copies. There are eight pages in each of these reprints, and we are anticipating a most enthusiastic response in behalf of this systematic presentation of the message, under the striking title of "Emphasis Eternity."

R. J. CHRISTIAN, Manager
Periodical Department
Southern Publishing Association

Army Invites Adventist Missionary Doctors to Attend Medical-Surgical Conference in Vietnam

A very unique and interesting medical-surgical conference took place recently at the 93rd Evacuation Hospital at Long Binh, near Saigon. It was the first of its kind in this region.

Sixteen missionary doctors from Adventist hospitals around the Far Eastern Division, and nine Adventist military doctors from various army and navy hospitals in Vietnam, joined for a four-day conference that is to long be remembered.

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Emphasis Eternity

How thrilled we are with the first copies of this new series of twelve reprints, which will begin appearing in *These Times* and *MESSAGE*



LLU graduates who attended the recent medical-surgical conference in Vietnam are as follows, reading left to right: Arthur Moores, Hong Kong; Bill Robinson, Guam; William Van Arsdale, Taiwan; Capt. Krueger, US army; Sam Ketting, Penang; Capt. William Davis, US army; Kenneth McGill, Singapore; Willis Dick, Philippines; Jack Seeley, Korea. Standing back row: Capt. C. Swanson, US army; Clifford Vance, Guam; Stanley Condon, Philippines; Clarence Eckvall, Singapore; Franklin Crider, Bangkok; Capt. Geschke, US army; Capt. Bruce Mazat, US army; Capt. Barry Kellogg, US army; Capt. Edwin Noyes, US army; Vernon Butler, Korea; Lt Col. Gene Aaby, US army; Ronald Hann, Penang; Merle Peterson, Singapore.

Lt. Col. Gene Aaby, connected with USARVN surgeon's office, was responsible for all arrangements with the army. This included the meeting place, noon meals, speakers and a long list of other important things. Dr. Merle Peterson, medical secretary of the Southeast Asia Union, handled all arrangements for the medical-missionary group.

Mrs. Nguyen Van Loc, wife of the Prime Minister of Vietnam, was a guest at the opening exercises and welcomed the group to her country. Later in the program, she held a private social hour at her home for the visiting men. Tours of the 93rd Evacuation hospital, and later a briefing by intelligence officers on medical techniques and facilities of the northern forces, plus a visit to the heliport at Tan Son Nhut airbase, at Saigon, were all part of the four-day program.

Young people of the Vietnamese SDA church at Saigon, performed Saturday evening at an "This is Vietnam" program. Traditional songs, instruments, and dress, were a part of the evening's entertainment.

Twenty-two of the Army's most outstanding doctors lectured, showed films and slides, illustrating the lat-

est techniques used in fighting disease and injuries among the forces in Vietnam today.

It is hoped that such a conference might be held on a regular basis. The success of this conference will be felt for a long time to come.

V. L. BRETSCH,
Director of Public Relations
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Wedding

Wedding vows were exchanged by Ronnae Gayle Olson and Kermit Lyle Netteburg Sunday evening, July 7, 1968, in a candlelight ceremony in the Campion Academy Church, Loveland, Colorado.

Ronnae is the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Wayne Olson, the head of the Bible Department at Campion Academy, and Kermit is the son of Elder and Mrs. L. H. Netteburg of Minneapolis.

The bride was attended by Judy Burton of Lincoln, Nebraska, Carolyn House, and Marimae Barton, graduate nurses from Union College. The groom was attended by Jim Rosenthal of Austin, Minnesota, Bruce Rich of San Francisco, and David Olson, the bride's brother.

Both fathers had the privilege of conducting the ceremony, listening to their son and daughter in the exchange of vows.

The young couple will establish their new home at 452 West 10th St., Loveland, Colorado, where Kermit is the instructor in English and Journalism at Campion Academy.

L. H. NETTEBURG

UNION COLLEGE NEWS

"College Men With a Message"

"College Men With a Message," a series of Bible lectures by Union College students, was presented in the Capitol View Seventh-day Adventist Church in Lincoln, April 19 through May 11.

Each delivered one message with Floyd Bresee, Homiletics Instructor, presenting the two closing lectures. Highlights of the series included a film, "LSD, Insight or Insanity?"; a presentation by John Felkel, student missionary returned from Taiwan; and music by the Unionaires, the college touring choir.

The college men who presented the lecture series were:

John Martin	Fred Schmid
Rex Bell	Ray Roth
Lee Evans	Don Dronen
Eugene Rittenhouse	Mike Burton
Glen Geselle	Dan Goddard
Theus Young	Don Roth

The junior theology students helped in the evangelistic series in following up Bible Speaks interests.

Speaking of both the junior and senior students who had a part in the series of meetings, Elder Bresee said, "They did an exceptional job of visiting the interested people."

The series was well-attended with approximately 200 in attendance at the meetings. The Lord blessed this effort, and eight souls gave their hearts to Him and were baptized.



Mr and Mrs. Ray Roth with Mary Johnston; one of the eight baptized.

Band Concert

The Union College summer Concert Winds presented a community concert in the College View Academy gymnasium, Tuesday evening, July 2. The band played musical numbers from eight countries in a musical "miniature trip around the world."

This is the first summer that Union College has had an organized band. The 33 members of the '68 summer band include students from grade school through college age and also people from the community.

Mr. Dan Shultz, the new percussion and woodwinds instructor at the college and director of the summer Concert Winds, related that he very much appreciates the spirit and cooperation of the band members this summer.

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The Roof Is On

(Written July 8, 1968)

When I stopped at Oak Park Academy about an hour ago I was happy to find that the roof was on the third floor addition to the boys' dormitory. The windows weren't in, but the roof laps over enough so danger of more water damage is unlikely.

Prospects for an outstanding school year look bright. There should be plenty of room for every worthy Adventist boy and girl who wants to come. The scholastic program will be second to none. The spiritual program will be interesting and Christ-centered. The social program will be fun. Ambitious students who find it difficult to get a Christian education because they are short of money will find good jobs available. For more information write C. E. Felton, Oak Park Academy, Nevada, Iowa 50201.

Yes, things are on the move at Oak Park. The dormitory addition is just a sample of what is being done to keep Oak Park out ahead as a city of refuge for Adventist young people.

K. D. JOHNSON, President

Layman of the Year

At camp meeting time Iowa selected Eugene Enderson of Cedar Rapids as Layman of the Year.

Nominations were sent from all over the state by district pastors. Enderson was chosen because of exceptional active service and sincere dedication. Baptized only four years ago, Enderson services books he has personally placed in five motels and participates in Health and Welfare visiting. He is presently studying with seven families using Bible Speaks. He maintains a continuous program of giving out all types of literature. One person has been baptized as a result of his follow-up



Eugene Enderson and family



MUSCATINE SCHOOL

The new church school building in Muscatine is progressing rapidly.

It is being built on property in back of the church. Watch the *Outlook* for additional pictures and further details.



QUILTS TO CHARLES CITY

Mrs. Irene Smith stands beside some of the lovely bedding donated by residents of Knoxville for the Charles City tornado disaster.

of an Ingathering contact last year.

His quiet Christian spirit bears certain evidence that Christ guides his thoughts and actions. Remember him in your prayers that many souls will be in the Kingdom as a result of his unselfish service for others.

F. J. KINSEY
Lay Activities Leader

Of Interest In Iowa

EXIRA—Mrs. Alva Peterson has an interesting Investment project. She decorates cakes. Watch for a picture of a finished product in a future issue of the *OUTLOOK*.

KNOXVILLE—Two motels have been serviced with a devotional book for each room.

BOONE—Many requests for Bible studies have resulted in the following order from the Book and Bible House:

- 24 Protestant Bibles
- 22 Protestant Lessons
- 2 Douay Bibles
- 3 Douay Lessons

(Boone is a going, growing, glowing church. How about yours?)

SIOUX CITY—Red Cross First Aid classes are being conducted in the church from 7:30 to 9:30 on Wednesday evenings. (How long has it been since First Aid was taught in your church?)

—Telephone Evangelism will start soon. It is expected that thousands of people will be enrolled in Voice of Prophecy, Faith for Today, or Bible Speaks through this new way to contact people.

MUSCATINE—The new church school building and gym are pro-

gressing rapidly. A future issue of the OUTLOOK will contain a picture and more details.

CONFERENCE OFFICE NOTES—F. J. Kinsey is teaching Red Cross First Aid to the first class in the Law Enforcement Academy that is being conducted at Camp Dodge. There are 36 policemen from all over Iowa in the class.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS—We have word that Iowa City, Des Moines, Osceola, Indianola, Waukon,

Muscatine, Boone and Harlan have conducted Vacation Bible Schools. Please notify the conference when a V. B. S. is held in your church.

CHARLES CITY—The disaster service clothing depot is closed after five weeks of continuous operation.

SABBATH SCHOOL—Liberal giving in Iowa for 1968 shows an increase in the first six months of \$2,934.58 over the same period of 1967.

SIGNS—On July 5, 1968, the total *Signs* subscriptions totaled 8,350.

This is over a two-per-member achievement, but it is 807 subscriptions less than last year.

Iowa congratulates sister conferences in the Northern Union who all show gains. Minnesota—gain—1893; North Dakota—gain—238; South Dakota—gain—46.

SIOUX CITY—Pastor and Mrs. Craig Hollingsworth are the parents of a baby girl, Shari Michelle.

First Aid classes are being conducted on Wednesday nights.



MORE CAMP MEETING MEMORIES

Center left: Mrs. Wintermeyer gives Cradle Roll children an opportunity to give their hearts to Jesus on the first Sabbath of camp meeting.

Lower left: Three Des Moines members share a joyful camp meeting experience.

Upper left: Six men and one woman chatting by the big tent. It appears that six churches are represented too.

Upper right: Part of the joy of camp meeting is the happy opportunity to visit between meetings.

Center right: More visiting.

A Five-Day Stop Smoking Clinic has just been completed.

V.B.S. will start soon.

A new church building is being planned.

IOWA CITY—Another Seventh-day Adventist will soon join the faculty in the School of Dentistry at the University of Iowa.

JUNIOR CAMP—Boys' camp started Sunday, July 14, with an excellent attendance. Forty boys were registered by noon.

LISTEN—Iowa is among the Top Ten Conferences in total subscriptions sent in during the last six months.

DISTRICT PASTOR CHANGES—

L. A. May has moved from the Osceola District to the Knoxville District. His address is 407 E. Pleasant, Knoxville, Iowa 50138, Telephone (515) 842-4221.

Charles Klatt, who has been the assistant pastor in Des Moines, has

been invited to be district pastor in the Osceola District. His new address is P. O. Box 114, Afton, Iowa 50830, Telephone (515) 347-3955.

INVESTMENT—A new book is just off the press! "REACHING NEW HORIZONS IN SABBATH SCHOOL INVESTMENT. Order from the Book and Bible House. Price—\$3.50.

A Visit to X

Not long ago my wife and I were privileged to attend the X church here in Iowa. I'm using the letter X in this article instead of the real name of the church to add a bit of mystery.

Sabbath School was scheduled for 9:30, but most everyone arrived at 9:15. The official greeter gave everyone an obviously happy smile and a hearty handshake. I must say the greeter gave us a real lift.

We were impressed by the way

every part of the Sabbath School program clicked and by the way each one who participated in the programs did his part. The superintendent presented interesting and well-thought-out ideas. It was birthday Sabbath, and the birthday feature wasn't cold and lifeless. It was vibrant and meaningful. The Sabbath School secretary didn't present a formal report. She talked to the Sabbath School members about sacrificial giving. I felt that she really communicated. The mission report was given in such a warm personal way.

What about the ten-minute service? Well, it too was tops. Certain missionary projects were discussed and important decisions were made. Each member was made to feel that to have a part in the advance of the work in X is a privilege and a joy.

I had better not comment on the quality of the sermon for I was the speaker. Concerning the worship

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

It is apparent that Iowa will conduct more Vacation Bible Schools this year than ever before. The following photos will give a brief glimpse of three that were recently held. There are others being conducted now and there are more to follow.

Upper Right—Children and teachers at Des Moines gather around the sign that advertised the V.B.S. Thirty-one of the children were from non-Adventist homes.

Lower Right—The Junior Division at Boone participate in a Bible drill. It was one of the highlights of the evening. Over half of the Juniors were non-Adventists.



Three children at Indianola show fish, birds, and a puppy that were used to illustrate the fact that God created everything.

service, I do want to say that the lay leaders had things well organized, and I wouldn't have been ashamed if the President of the United States had come in for a visit. The prayer was sincere and appropriate. The special music wasn't presented by a professional, but it reached the hearts. The call for the offering was presented in such an effective way.

I should add that most of the members of the congregation had brought a picnic lunch and that these members invited everyone including non-Adventist visitors to eat with them. My wife and I enjoy good food and good fellowship, so we accepted the invitation. Incidentally, during the fellowship the members didn't talk about the price of land, or the price of beef, or the Twins slump, or the latest styles. They talked about the second coming of Jesus Christ and the business of giving the gospel.

We enjoyed our visit to X tremendously. We look forward to another visit, and we believe the non-Adventist visitors who were present do too. In fact, we believe that some of these non-Adventist visitors will soon join the church in X. Congratulations to the lay leaders in X and to many others like them here in Iowa.

K. D. JOHNSON, President

Boy's Dorm Progress Report

Work on the new addition to the boy's dorm at Oak Park Academy is progressing faster than pictures can portray. All who have seen the building since the third floor walls have been completed are enthusiastic about the improved appearance of the building.

Plumbing for fixtures and electrical outlets are now being installed. Watch for additional progress reports in the OUTLOOK.

F. J. KINSEY

Public Relations Director



The appearance of the building from near the Book and Bible House.

Investment

It is interesting to note the responses of the three individuals mentioned in the parable of the talents recorded in Matthew 25.

The two who had invested for their employer used only a few words to tell what they had done, but the one who had done nothing used over twice as many words to explain *why* he had done nothing!

This is as true today as it was at the time the parable was taught.

Iowa church members who have Investment projects often will simply tell what their project is and how much they have gained for the Lord. Others who have no project can spend a long time telling why they haven't done anything.

What about you?

We have just passed the halfway marker in the year 1968. Some church members have an active project going and have doubled the original investment at this early date. What have you done and what are you doing?

It would thrill me to get letters from every person in Iowa who has an active Investment project. Send a picture if possible. We will publish the most interesting projects in the OUTLOOK.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO BEGIN NOW! !

At camp meeting Sabbath School secretaries received leaflets for every family entitled, "You Can Live a Thousand Lives." If you did not get one, ask your Sabbath School secretary for one. It will explain how Investment yields new funds for worldwide needs.

It will also suggest a wide variety of ways that you can participate. God Himself will say to the wise investor, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." One of the new Bible versions interprets God's rebuke to the non-investor as "you lazy rascal."

What will God say to you regarding Investment opportunities in 1968? Will He commend you or will He condemn you?

One of the "Gold Mine" Investment projects for this year is the new school record book at \$1.00 sales price produced by the Fuller Fund Raising Co., 4325 Old Shepherdsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40218.

Sabbath School superintendents have all received sample books and information. These books were also displayed in the camp store at camp meeting. Now is the time to order and get ready. School will soon open. Every parent will cherish one of these books for every school child.

The smallest quantity the company will send is 144 books. Your conference Sabbath School secretary has a modest supply that can be obtained in smaller quantities. Order today! First come, first served. A box of 48 costs \$28.80, sells for \$48.00, Investment profit is \$19.20. Send cost in check form with order.

INVEST—INVEST—INVEST—DO IT TODAY! ! Remember the Investment goal for each church is \$6.00 per member. Last year we missed reaching the goal by only 9 cents per member. Let's go beyond it this year.

F. J. KINSEY

Sabbath School Secretary

First and Fifty

The Iowa City Adventist church has no building of their own in which to conduct Sabbath School or church, (they rent from the Methodists) but this did not discourage them from conducting their first Vacation Bible School.

The school was held in the public school facilities with an enrollment of over 50 non-Adventist children in attendance. (Only six Adventist children were available to attend.)

Informal graduation ceremonies were held on the school playground with Charles Towne from Muscatine



The animal trio that attracted attention. "Dusty" the parrot is acting as engineer on "Cuddles" the alligator while "Little One" the baby African lion is attempting to "get the show on the road."



A boy and a woman view the crafts displayed at the Iowa City Vacation Bible School as Maria Tumangday looks on.

and his live animals as the featured attraction.

Mrs. Stanley Knowling, Vacation Bible School Director, said, "If we can conduct a Vacation Bible School here, any other church should be able to conduct one."

Other ladies of the church who assisted are: Mrs. Raymond Godfrey, Mrs. Dorothy Knowling, Mrs. Ralph Marquis, Mrs. Marvin Peters, Mrs. Keith Ruybalid, and Maria Tumangday, Seventh-day Adventist graduate student from the Philippines.

This Business of Winning Others to Christ

He who went the farthest to save the lost, and left an example that all should seek to follow, fastened a message with a nail in a cross in the path that He trod; "If any man would come after me let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." And that, I submit, is the basic ingredient for successful soul winning and prompt finishing of the gospel work.

There is a legend of a Chinese potter who wanted to fashion a vase with a hue unsurpassable and a color unchanging throughout time. He tried one substance after another and one degree of heat after another—to no avail. Finally, in desperation, faint and discouraged, he threw himself into the furnace, and then a strange effect took place. Upon the pottery there came a hue unsur-

passed and color with beauty undimmed through the ages.

This is a legend, but the Master's message is not a legend nor a parable. We are trying to develop a product that will mirror the likeness of our Lord. Jesus said that we must deny ourselves and follow Him.

My friends, let us take issue with ease, indifference, materialism, skepticism and outbreaks of sin that is demonstrated among us. Nothing will take the place of self-denying labor in this great business of winning others to Christ. Evangelism we must have. Bible study courses we should use. Radio and television we will find helpful. But these can never substitute for diligent personal self-denying labor on the part of every Christian.

Brethren, let us be in earnest about this business of winning others to Christ. Of all that a man is enthusiastic about, religion should be the greatest. Why should the enthusiastic businessman be thought sane and normal and the enthusiastic Christian soul winner be thought a fanatic? If we really believe that the kingdom of God, alone, will remain after this world has passed like a shadow, we are perfectly right and sane to fling self and all we have away for its advancement and victory.

This business of winning others to Christ—let's get on with it!

ROBERT W. BOGESS
District Pastor

On a Hill in Sioux City

A historic business meeting was held in the Sioux City church at the close of the Sabbath on July 13.

David Sharpe, the pastor, presented church building plans, and it was voted to accept the plans and to go ahead with the construction when these plans have been approved by the Northern Union Committee and the General Conference Building Committee. It is possible that approval can be secured so construction can start before winter.

The project will cost \$150,000. It will be built on a prominent hill overlooking Sioux City. This is a tremendous undertaking for the Sioux City congregation. The members have sacrificed for this project for many years, and they continue to sacrifice.

Pray for Sioux City. Pray that this new building will be a light that is set on a hill.

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Plan Now to Attend

One of the outstanding meetings of the year 1968 will be the Northern Union Laymen's Congress to be held at the Minneapolis Convention Center September 4 to 7. A number of years have passed since such a meeting was held; therefore, we urge attendance if at all possible.

This congress is not only for the delegates. Any layman who can attend ought to make every effort to do so. There is much to be gained and nothing to lose by attending. The inspiration to be received at these meetings will help us to become better witnesses for our Lord.

World leaders of the General Conference will be present to give counsel and direction. Plan now to take advantage of this unusual opportunity.

ARTHUR KIESZ
President

**PRAY FOR THE
MILLIONS OF
NEW YORK CITY**



Left to right Lee Kretz, Elder Arthur Kiesz, Don Keith, V. W. Emmerson.

Minnesota Layman of the Year

Don Keith has been selected as the Layman of the Year in Minnesota.

The presentation of the Layman of the Year plaque was a part of the Lay Activities period on the first Sabbath of camp meeting.

V. W. Emmerson nominated him by saying "He is the leader of the Stacy Company and as such he personally leads out in all church projects. He never shifts the responsibility of promotion to the district pastor but always takes care of securing (and surpassing) all goals. I well remember the first time that I mentioned that we would soon have to start our Ingathering work and to this he replied, We have already reached our goal. And to my surprise they had not only reached it but nearly doubled it. It has been the same with the *Signs of the Times*, *Liberty* and *Listen* and all other campaigns. I never mention them as they are taken care of by Brother Keith and his faithful members.

"During the past year he has purchased the following equipment to help him in his work for the Lord: A 16 mm movie projector, paid half the cost of a set of the 5-day Stop Smoking films, 16 mm health film, three sets of slides, 'Your Radio Doctor'; 'Eat to Live'; 'Science and Evolution', 6 reading racks, which he has placed in the laundromats in five different towns. Each week he makes the rounds and fills the racks.

"He has held three series of health classes. Under his direction a welfare van was purchased for this company.

Until further notice the Minnesota Book and Bible House will no longer be open on Monday nights.

Last fall he rented a booth at four county fairs. He decorated these booths with signs and pictures depicting the harmful effects of tobacco on the human body. In order to make the demonstration more effective, he purchased *Smoking Sam*, *The Other Side of the Coin*, and about \$150.00 worth of literature. He averages four Bible studies a week, over 200 for the year."

After the presentation, Brother Keith said, as he looked at the plaque presented him by the Conference President, Elder Kiesz, "This challenges me to do more."

LEE KRETZ
Lay Activities Secretary

The Day Is Coming!

A radio announcer in Minneapolis recently commented on the convening session of another World Council of Churches. He predicted that within a few years Catholics will have voting rights in the regular Protestant World Council sessions. A penetrating question raced through my mind: Is this another step, "When Protestantism . . . shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power?" 5T 451

On July 1, Pope Paul VI strongly defended the doctrine of *papal infallibility* and other Roman Catholic teachings challenged by some church liberals. Could this be a fulfillment of E. G. White's prediction? "Let the restraints now imposed by secular governments be removed and Rome be reinstated in her former power, and there would speedily be a revival of her tyranny and persecution." *Great Controversy* 564

Red China has developed its first intercontinental ballistic missile, reports the Associated Press, making China the third nation, after the United States and Russia with an ICBM. Is this the fulfilling hour of Joel's prophecy, "Beat your plow-

shares into swords, and your pruning hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong" which reveal the day of the Lord is at hand?

In clarion tones events say, The Lord is Coming! God's people must "press together" to sound the battle cry "God's judgement day is pending." The *Signs of the Times* are being sent to neighbors and friends; Bible-in-the-hand studies are in progress everywhere; hundreds . . . thousands are hearing and seeing *Voice of Prophecy* and *Faith for Today*, but as the testing day draws nigh, *who shall be able to stand?* "None but those that have fortified their minds with truths of the Bible will stand through the last great conflict." *Great Controversy* 593

Come! Fortify your souls with His precious promises. Accept the witnessing challenges of this climatic hour. Be present with concerned fellow believers at the Northern Union Laymen's Congress September 4 to 7 in Minneapolis.

Eighty years ago the 1888 General Conference made Adventist history on "Righteousness by Faith." Let us make the 1968 Congress a monument to 20th Century gospel witness.

W. H. PRITCHARD
Secretary-Treasurer

A Personal Testimony

One would think that planning for the disposition of one's possessions after his death would not be a pleasant subject to consider. However, I was surprised to experience a sense of exhilaration and pleasure in working out this matter in a Trust Agreement for my church.

Most of us have had numerous occasions to consecrate ourselves to the Lord. We do it repeatedly at camp meetings and other services. Yet it is possible for one to make this kind of commitment and still keep himself aloof from Christ in areas which characteristically tie people to this world—their possessions. Putting one's substance in Trust helps maintain a perspective which recognizes that God is only lending men certain possessions which cannot be taken with them at death. Placing one's material benefits at His disposal completes and seals the commitment of all he has to Christ.

It is my hope that I shall live to

meet Christ at His coming. But if He wills it differently, it is a deep source of satisfaction to know that my estate will help in some measure to hasten His return after I am gone.

Many of us have worked hard all our lives. Therefore, we would have the results of our labors to be used significantly, not just melt away into the world's resources without having accomplished anything of eternal value. There is no substitute for directing funds into God's work while they are under our control. The Trust Plan is a natural complement to that program of giving.

Not all my family are Seventh-day Adventists. I feel I am doing them no disservice by not making a Will stipulating that my estate be divided among them. I wish the very best for them, but the greatest service I can do them is to help them see this message as it is, an ark of safety in a turbulent, dangerous world. Strengthening the church with my funds helps accomplish this better than contributing toward their pleasure the brief period they might enjoy the extra cash. Entering into the Trust Plan is an additional evidence of the value of this message. It is another way of witnessing that the commitment we have made is real and permanent.

I cannot think of anyone not benefitting from the Trust program. If he has accumulated much in this world, it is all the more important that its disposal not be left to chance or worldly enterprises. If his means are modest, he needs to fully connect his economic life to the Lord and reap the security that such a union brings. If he has loved ones, perhaps children, he will surely want their destinies linked to the church in this fuller way. And if he is among those who are more or less alone in the world, he will find it a comfort to know that hands and minds in harmony with his own love for the truth will be involved in the handling of his affairs at death.

The establishing of a Trust Agreement has been one of the most satisfying experiences of my life, even though I recognize that my particular resources may not be of great financial benefit to the church. I am grateful for the plan and see it as an action that reflects my confidence in this message and its leadership. Realizing the time is

short and Christ is soon to come, I would encourage our people to take this step without delay.

S. D. A. BUSINESS WOMAN

Wedding

In a beautiful candle-light service two former Maplewoodites, Sandra Julius, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Julius of Wadena, and Bennett Chilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arbey Chilson of Byron, were united in marriage Sunday, June 9, in the Piedmont Park Seventh-day Adventist Church at Lincoln, Nebraska. Dr. R. W. Fowler, president of Union College, performed the ceremony.

Music was furnished by James Johnson singing "A Wedding Blessing" and Mrs. Charles Long singing "The Wedding Prayer" with Mrs. Don Duncan of Lincoln at the organ.

Mrs. James Gilbert, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Darrel Heiser, Mrs. Charles Long, Deborah Chilson, and Mrs. Dale Rice.

Robert Chilson, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were: James Chilson, Dean Dittberner, Daniel Simpson, and David Job.

Pamela Gilbert was flower girl and Todd Chilson Bible bearer.

A reception was held at the Union College cafeteria.

The couple will make their home at Lincoln, Nebraska, were Bennett is director of Food Services at the college and Sandra works as a bookkeeper at Christian Record Braille Foundation.

May God bless the new home established.

MRS. RALPH JULIUS



Mrs. Edwin Vietz is shown on the first Sabbath of camp meeting receiving the Pathfinder Club of the Year Award for 1967. Mrs. Vietz was leader of the McClusky Blazing Stars Pathfinder Club in 1967. Our congratulations and thanks to McClusky and all our North Dakota Pathfinders and their dedicated leaders.

M. D. Gordon, MV Secretary

which Christ and I are real partners in working for souls. It is wonderful!

I would like to share with you one experience I had this last week. Last Monday I spent the day canvassing in Walhalla. I canvassed a mother and son during the afternoon and both she and her son were interested in the books. They felt that they should first of all get father's consent.

I went back after supper and canvassed Mr. Shuppert; he liked the books and through God's grace saw their value. I could see by the home that finances weren't the best, but God has a way of working such things out. Mr. Shuppert asked me if I really thought the books would help his children and, of course, I told him they would. He got the set, plus *Your Bible and You*. Before I left I had prayer with the family. To be honest, that is the part I enjoy the most. It touched my heart to see a grown man get tears in his eyes just simply by asking God's blessing on his home. These people, like so many others, are looking for and wanting to know Christ and obtain peace of mind.

By the way, I helped Mr. Shuppert plant some of his flowers. He was surprised to find out that I wasn't just interested in "selling" but in him as a person. I really enjoyed it too—the dirt felt good on my hands.

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I am sure that you all would agree with me that this is the greatest work in this world. This is a work in which one is totally dependent upon God, and I have found it to be one in

NORTH DAKOTA YOUTH IN ACTION



Shown above is part of the overflow crowd of 350 that attended the
M. D. GORDON, MV Secretary

This is certainly going to be the best summer of my life. God is very real to me, and I know He has not called any of us to do a work that leads to failure. Our employer is truly a very wonderful God.

JOANN WERNER,
*Student Literature Evangelist
 North Dakota Conference*

A Faithful Member

Mrs. Pearl Briggs resides at the Grand Forks County Home in Laramore, North Dakota. She is a faithful member and is anxiously looking forward to the return of her Lord.

From her small monthly pension she plans for the financial needs of the church. Not only does she pay tithe, but also gives towards Sabbath



(right) - Mrs. Pearl Briggs (left) - Mrs. Nelson Rima.

School offerings, church and Sabbath school expense, Voice of Prophecy, Signs, Ingathering, and whatever else is needed.

She enjoys and looks forward to the visits of her pastor and her many friends. Let us not forget our isolated members. They need to be encouraged by our prayers, letters, and visits. **NELSON O. RIMA, Pastor
 Grand Forks District**

**Butte****Vacation Bible School**

Upper Left—For some the most fun of all is "punch and cookie" time.

Upper Right—The busy Kindergarten group in the Butte VBS working on their crafts.

Lower Left—On Sabbath evening after the VBS program, the children were proud to display the crafts they had worked on during the week. Their capable leaders were Mrs. Wilbert Kostenko and Mrs. C. Striha.

**Sieg Roeske, Pastor
 Butte SDA Church**



Turtle Lake Church Dedication

Upper Left—It takes imagination and skill to perfect a lovely church sign. Gene Boyko did the rock work, and Arnold Boyko, the woodwork.

Upper Right—The Turtle Lake church members. These dear people sacrificed much time and means to make the building of the Turtle Lake Church possible.

Lower Left—Ben Trout gave the dedicatory sermon for the new Turtle Lake Church. Left to Right, Arnold Boyko, local elder; Reuben Beck, Conference Treasurer; Roy Johnston, Publishing Secretary; Ben Trout, Conference President; Mr. Gunderson, Turtle Lake City Auditor; Sieg Roeske, local pastor; and M. D. Gordon, MV-Educational Secretary.

Sieg Roeske, Pastor, Turtle Lake Church

How to Keep a Deep Rich Experience in the Lord Jesus

After a wonderful camp meeting (they seem better every year) the question arises, what can I do to hold on to this experience and deepen it? One of the ways to retain a saving experience with Jesus Christ is to tell others. "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine righteousness; and with the mouth heart that God hath raised him from

the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9, 10.

The Holy Spirit is in this type of thing. Jesus said to Peter after his wonderful confession, "Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven." Matthew 16:17. What had Peter confessed? "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Matthew 16:16. Look also at I Corinthians 12:3, last part, "No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost." We might say let us gossip our faith in Christ.

"If Christians would associate together, speaking to each other of the love of God and of the precious truths of redemption, their own hearts would be refreshed and they

would refresh one another. We may be daily learning more of our heavenly Father, gaining a fresh experience of His grace; then we shall desire to speak of His love; and as we do this, our own hearts will be warmed and encouraged. If we thought and talked more of Jesus, and less of self, we should have far more of His presence." *Steps to Christ*, page 102.

It has always been a mystery to me why more people don't manifest an open and intense interest in the plan of salvation. The world is full of people who believe that the Bible shows the way of salvation. Sad to say the number is decreasing in proportion to the total population when it should be steadily increasing.

Believers are disillusioned when they find what they accepted with great joy either spurned or regard-

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ed apathetically by others.

Genesis, Chapter 3, sheds light on this question. When we go back to the garden of Eden when sin first entered we find that when the Lord brought the plan of salvation to Adam and Eve they were not seeking it. They did not come to the Lord and say, "We have a real problem here." "Please, show us the way out." Instead they ran away when He sought them. When the Lord asked, "Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded that thou shouldest not eat?" Genesis 3:11. Instead of saying, "Yes, Lord," Adam blamed the Lord for the problem—inferring that it was His fault. Adam said, "The woman whom Thou gavest." Genesis 3:12. Imagine blaming and condemning the one who was bringing deliverance.

You remember Ahab asked Elijah, "Art thou he that troubleth Israel?" I Kings 18:17. Elijah answered, "I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the Lord, and thou hast followed Baalim." I Kings 18:18.

Sometimes the reaction goes beyond apathy or words and breaks into open persecution. You remember Cain killed Abel for representing the plan of salvation with a blood sacrifice pointing to Jesus Christ and his shed blood. So we should not allow others' attitudes to make us discouraged when our confession is

not received as it should be. The Lord Jesus didn't give up, but went ahead to present the plan of salvation to Adam and Eve. If our testimony is spurned, we must not become discouraged, but just keep on representing the Lord Jesus Christ in our total life, continually meeting the great need we see all around us for a manifestation of the love of Jesus Christ.

WILLIAM J. NEPTUNE, *Pastor*
Goodrich District



Rae Jean Gardiner speaks a word of encouragement to one of the senior citizens.

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Rapid City VBS

A very successful Vacation Bible School was recently held in Rapid City under the direction of Mrs. John Frazee.

Plans for this evangelistic endeavor were started early in the year. A fine group of helpers were recruited and very excellent crafts thought out.

When this writer visited the VBS he found 71 in attendance with 41 non-SDA. The Kindergarten Department had 32 enrolled with 22 non-SDA.

Plans are being formulated to conduct a story hour as a follow-up soul-winning venture.

JAMES B. GRAY, *Director*
Public Relations Department

Batesland Youth In Action

Young people of the Batesland church recently presented a program of music at the Gordon, Nebraska, home for the aged. The program was planned by Rae Jean Gardiner, MV leader. Those participating in the program were Kathy Houpt, Pam and Susan Popplewell, Mrs. Peggy Leui and her three daughters, Debra Gray, Bonnie Gulka, Rae Jean Gardiner, Nancy Houpt, and Pastor and Mrs. James Gray.

Lay Congress Delegates

With the Northern Union Lay Congress rapidly approaching, South Dakota churches are choosing delegates for this important soul-winning function.

The following churches have reported delegates chosen: Interlakes - Eddie Schlisner and Mrs. Ray Wolfe; Mitchell - Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jumper; Huron - Mrs. J. H. Wallman and Mrs. Robert Oswald; Tolstoy - Mrs.



Happy children and adults at Rapid City Vacation Bible School.

July 28—The Prayer That Passed the Ceiling
August 4—Snake Men of Jerusalem



George Bieber and Mrs. Walter Stotz; Bowdle - Martin Schaible, Mrs. Elmer Holweger, and Mrs. Julius Voegele; Lemmon - Christine Schimdt and Adeline Eszler. All churches should have delegate names into the conference by August 1.

All General Conference Lay Activities personnel and other important guests as N. C. Wilson, North American Vice-president, will be present for the full congress - September 4 through 7. General Conference President, R. H. Pierson, will be featured on Sabbath, September 7.

Sixty-two official delegates and hundreds of other South Dakota members are expected to attend the great Northern Union Lay Congress. Why not make your plans now?

J. B. GRAY,
Lay Activities Department

**TWO MEN ORDAINED
TO THE GOSPEL MINISTRY**
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dent of the American Temperance Society, and Religious Life chairman. During this time he canvassed three summers in the Kansas Conference.

Under the sponsorship of the South Dakota Conference he then attended the Seminary. He served as student pastor of the Harford, Michigan, church and graduated from Andrews University in 1963.

In June of 1963 he married Mary Harlan, the daughter of Elder and Mrs. Harlan, in St. Paul, Minnesota. The Erharts have two sons, Gene and Bruce.

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OBITUARIES

EHDE—Mrs. Carl Ehde passed away March 5, 1968, at Waukon, Iowa, at the age of 81. She was born in Alameda County, Iowa, and lived most of her life in the area. Her maiden name was Ethel Beryl Sweatt. She was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church when a young girl and remained faithful until her death. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl. She is survived by one stepson, Leo Ehde, of Mabel, Minnesota; three brothers, Merrill, Elmer, and Clarence; two sisters, Dora Pullen, of Waukon, and Inez (Mrs. Grand Pre) of Roseburg, Oregon; and six granddaughters. Mrs. Ehde's Christian influence was widely felt in the community and the church and she will be greatly missed until Jesus brings reunion in the resurrection.

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D. J. Sales

POTTS—Mrs. Alta Mae Potts was born March 13, 1882, in Fairbank, Iowa, and died February 28, 1968, in Waterloo, Iowa. She had been a faithful member of the Waterloo Seventh-day Adventist church for 35 years. She is survived by three sons, Roy G., Ivan R., and Francis P., five daughters, Mrs. Marjorie M. Couden, Mrs. Maxine M. Price, Mrs. Irah E. Hall, Mrs. Velda A. Aagesen, and Mrs. Maralyn O. Allensworth; 14 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

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G. D. Rexin

DUNBAR—Frank E. Dunbar was born September 2, 1888, near Platte, South Dakota, and died April 7, 1968, at Mitchell. His death was hastened by a car accident on his way to evangelistic meetings in Mitchell. Frank Dunbar homesteaded near Faith, South Dakota, and retired in Mitchell in the 1950's. Six years ago he was baptized into the local Seventh-day Adventist church. He leaves to mourn: his widow, Elsie; one brother, Lloyd, Dupree, South Dakota; and one sister, Edna Ruel, Riverside, California. Services were conducted by J. B. Gray. Received 4-30-68

McDOWELL—Bruce McDowell was born April 21, 1883, at Warsaw, Missouri, the son of William and Sara McDowell and passed to his rest March 17, 1968, at Newton, Iowa. He was married to Edna Gwen Johnson January 1, 1913, in Chadron, Nebraska. Brother McDowell lived in Newton for 40 years and was a member of the Newton Seventh-day Adventist Church. He leaves to cherish the memory of his companionship his wife, Gwen; a son, Delton of Fort Dodge, Iowa; two daughters, Mrs. Harry Elscott of Lynnville, Iowa, and Mrs. Jack Mason of Kellogg, Iowa; two sisters, Mrs. Theresa Viers of Osawatomie, Kansas, and Mrs. Beatrice Patterson of Colorado; ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Brother McDowell lies sleeping, waiting for the call of the Lifegiver. Received 4-1-68

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Two Men Ordained to the Gospel Ministry

BY J. L. DITTEBNER, President, Northern Union Conference

Ordination to the gospel ministry is always a sacred service and one of joy to those who participate and observe. During the recent camp meetings Nelson Rima, of North Dakota, and Milton Erhart, of South Dakota, accepted the solemn responsibility and charge of ordination.

Nelson O. Rima was born in Virginia. His parents moved when he was four years old to Takoma Park, Maryland. He attended school in Maryland and Virginia. During World War II he served in the army in all enlisted men's ranks from private to master sergeant. He was commissioned a second lieutenant and then company commander, later promoted to captain, and held assignments as battalion staff, (S-3), training officer, and provost marshal. He spent two years overseas in the

European theater of operations.

Brother Rima became a Seventh-day Adventist in January of 1946 and served as a literature evangelist in the Potomac and Florida Conferences. He also acted as a temperance worker in the Florida Conference. In 1962 he accepted an invitation to become a chaplain and public relations director of a 127-bed medical facility in Marshfield, Wisconsin. In the fall of 1964 he was called to the North Dakota Conference to serve as pastor in the Beach District. In 1967 he became pastor of the Grand Forks District where he serves at the present time.

Pastor and Mrs. Rima have dedicated themselves to the finishing of the work and are anxious to serve God in whatever capacity He may call them. Mrs. Rima stands faithfully by the side of her husband in support of his work. They have two children, Gerald, who is serving in the army, and Donna, who is employed at the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, in Washington, D. C.

Milton Eugene Erhart was born in Kansas City, Kansas, the eldest son of Clifford and Doris Erhart. He attended Kansas City, Kansas, Junior Academy and later Enterprise Academy, graduating from that school in 1958. During his senior year at Enterprise he was editor of the school paper and president of his class.

He then attended Union College, graduating from Union in 1962 with a B.A. in Religion and a history major. While at Union he was president

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Ben Trout hands the Certificate of Ordination to Elder Rima. Others in the group are Elder Starks, Mrs. Rima, Elder Dittbner, and Elder Fearing.



Pictured with Elder and Mrs. Erhart are those who participated in the ordination: Elders Bieber, Harlan, Ochs, and Fearing.