



"Hell Bank Notes"

You have received at Sabbath school a piece of paper called a "Hell Bank Note." These are used by the hundreds of thousands at funerals in Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Djakarta, Bangkok, and elsewhere in our division territory. Friends and relatives of the deceased think that in this way they can actually transfer money to the spirit world to be used by the spirit of the departed after he crosses the portal of death.

These Hell Bank Notes come in various denominations such as \$500,000, \$1,000,000 and \$10,000,000. They are supposedly signed by the general manager of the Bank of Hell and the assistant manager, who is also the judge, and are purported to be usable in both heaven and hell. These notes and imitation gold and silver money are strewn along the streets on the way to the cemetery in order to confuse the evil spirits, by having them stop off to pick them up, thus losing sight of the funeral procession. Then great stacks of these bank notes and the gold and silver are burned at the graveside. Along with these are burned articles, represented by paper effigies, such as houses, automobiles, ships, planes, furniture, servants, etc., which will be of use to the spirit in the next world.

This may seem quite amusing to you, but it is very real to these poor people who know no better way. The knowledge of our Saviour Jesus Christ has never entered their darkened minds. The hope of the resurrection has not brightened their lives. The Christmas story of the birth of the Christ Child is completely unknown to them. Their beliefs and

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superstitions are based on age-old traditions and are handed down from father to son.

The gospel must somehow be brought to everyone of these millions upon millions of people. They must be redeemed from these superstitions and given a sure hope. It is our purpose and within our power to make them free in the gospel of Christ, but we must have facilities. We need evangelistic centers, better trained workers, and Voice of Prophecy facilities—and all this demands money.

At this Christmas season, while you rejoice with your fellow Christians over the blessings of the year, the greatest of which is the knowledge that Christ came to the world two thousand years ago, lived among men and died that you might live, won't you share with the benighted millions of the Far East? Won't you plan right now to make your Thirteenth Sabbath Offering next Sabbath a real Christmas gift to Christ? Make it the largest you have ever given, won't you?

Remember that one day soon—yes, sooner than you think—when probation has closed, your good money will be of no more value to you—or anyone—than these worthless, foolish Hell Bank Notes, which have been placed in your hands. Let's invest every dollar that we can in missions. How thankful we will be when Jesus comes.

H. E. McCLURE, *Secretary*,
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Sunset Table

Friday, December 22

Angwin	4:52	Oakland	4:54
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Chico	4:47	San Jose	4:54
Eureka	4:53	Phoenix	5:25
Fresno	4:47	Reno	4:39
Lodi	4:49	Salt Lake City	5:04
Loma Linda	4:44	Honolulu	5:55
Los Angeles	4:48	Hilo	5:47

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Angwin	4:56	Oakland	4:58
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Chico	4:50	San Jose	4:58
Eureka	4:57	Phoenix	5:29
Fresno	4:51	Reno	4:43
Lodi	4:53	Salt Lake City	5:08
Loma Linda	4:48	Honolulu	5:59
Los Angeles	4:52	Hilo	5:51



A TYPICAL GIRL FROM AMONG THE TRIBES.—There are more than 26 million people in Thailand Mission, which is comprised of the countries of Thailand and Laos. That population is about equal to that of the states of New York and California combined. Some of these live in cities and towns which are easily accessible, but many more live back in the jungles and in the mountains where the only means of transportation is to walk. We will never be able to send workers to all of these places, but we can now send the story of salvation by means of radio. Even the smallest villages usually have transistor radios. With a new Voice of Prophecy studio, which a liberal Thirteenth Sabbath Offering will provide, we will be able to produce radio programs in the Thai language and thus be able to reach thousands of isolated villages in Thailand and Laos.

Something New in Community Relations

The erection of a new church in a community and the opening of its doors can become a routine procedure, or it can be capitalized on to the full evangelistic intent with an aim toward improved community relations.

In addition to the regular dedication services that will be forthcoming, the Alhambra church, after its completion, opened its doors so that the community might become acquainted with the newest church in their community. Tom Spindle, Alhambra pastor, explains this further:

The Alhambra SDA church instituted and experimented in public relations surrounding the event of the official opening of their new church. It was decided to have several meetings instead of just one exclusively for its own congregation confined to a Sabbath morning. Consequently, the weekend encompassed four meetings which ran from Friday night to Sunday night. An attractive program brochure

was prepared announcing these services. It was advertised on the radio as well as receiving excellent coverage in the metropolitan dailies and the local daily (which carried a two-page center spread prior to the opening). The weekend carried as its motive the theme "The Church and Its Responsibilities." Friday evening it was "The Church and Its Responsibility to Youth." Singpiration was conducted by C. Lloyd Wyman; and John Webb, staff soloist for the Los Angeles Youth for Christ, brought a stirring testimony in song as well as speaking. Loren Whitney, well-known religious organist, was guest for the evening. Albie Pearson, outstanding athlete on the Los Angeles Angels baseball team and a tremendous young Christian, was present with his wife and together they bore an outstanding testimony for the Lord. This was concluded by a brief summary of youth activities in the Seventh-day Adventist Church presented by Miller Brockett.

Sabbath morning the theme was "The Church Takes a Look at Itself," and Elder Cree Sandefur presented the message. We also invited a number of civic leaders and dignitaries. Many of them were in the congregation, including the city manager as well as some of the city commissioners. The mayor of the city brought a warm welcome to the congregation. On Sabbath afternoon other Seventh-day Adventist churches were invited to hear R. R. Bietz bring the message "The Church Looks at the World."

Sunday night was designated Community Night and Open House. The 85-voice San Gabriel High School A Cappella Choir brought the special music. It was beautifully rendered and deeply appreciated. The message of the evening, "The Church and the Community," was brought by Cecil Axworthy of the First Baptist Church, and currently president of the San Gabriel Valley Ministerial Association. His remarks were challenging and warm toward the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Following the Sabbath afternoon and Sunday evening meetings, there was a tour of the church facilities and refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall. All the meetings had an excellent attendance. On Sunday night more than 600 attended, and the majority were non-Adventists.

Alhambra has demonstrated that there lies within similar church openings equal potentialities of introducing the church to the community.

PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT,
Pacific Union Conference.

A Tragic Story

I watched from the hospital window as the ambulance pulled up. I saw the small limp figure under the white sheet.

I somehow felt sorry that there was no one back there with it. It was December 22, 1960, and Mrs. Ernest Crawford—helping care for the mother of a long-time friend—watched silently



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"Inherit the Earth"—Dec. 31.



Becky Crawford

as attendants carried the stretcher into the hospital ambulance door. . . .

Then perhaps this quiet-eyed, forty-four-year-old brunette fell to wondering what her husband would give her when he returned home from Leesburg later in the same day. . . . After all, Thursday, December 23, would be the twenty-fifth anniversary of her marriage to six-foot, now balding, pleasant-faced Ernest Crawford.

Gradually, then slowly sickened with a feeling of desperate dread, she heard what the swiftly moving hospital "grapevine" knew. . . . Later, sitting in the room with her thirteen-year-old daughter Becky's body lying in a nearby casket, Mrs. Crawford unknowingly twisted and shredded a pink paper napkin as, dry-eyed, she said:

"She didn't need to tell me. I knew."

The foregoing statements are excerpts from a story in the January-February *Listen*, which is available this week. This tragic incident has a Christmas setting, but as long as there are children and as long as there are vehicles which can take their lives, this story will be timeless. Every person who drives a car or ever intends to drive a motor vehicle should read this issue.

MIKE A. JONES.



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New Pastor of Grand Avenue Church

We are happy to introduce to the members of the Northern California Conference constituency Elder A. G. Ratcliffe, the new pastor of the Grand Avenue church in Oakland. Elder and Mrs. Ratcliffe, with their three sons, Rodger, Errol, and Ashley, recently arrived from Melbourne, Australia, where he has served for some time as an evangelist. He carried on a number of successful evangelistic campaigns in several of the larger cities of Australia and New Zealand.

Elder Ratcliffe entered the ministry in New Zealand in 1942 and has served in that country and Australia as well as in England. He replaces Elder C. E. Westphal who is now serving as pastor of the Redding church.

Elder Ratcliffe will not only serve as pastor of the Grand Avenue church, but plans are being laid and developed to enter into an extensive evangelistic campaign in the Oakland area. Elders Arnold Kurtz of the East Oakland church and Russell Rose of the Berkeley church will be associated with him in these evangelistic plans.

In connection with this, I would also like to mention that a television program



A. G. Ratcliffe

Wanted! Needed Urgently!

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sponsored by the Central and Northern California conferences will be on the air beginning with the first Sunday in January. These television programs will feature the Sabbath services of several of the churches in the Bay Area. In view of the seriousness of the times in which we are living, and the opportunities which we still have in presenting the truth, we believe that everything within our power should be done to present the truth to the public.

We extend a very hearty welcome to Elder and Mrs. Ratcliffe and their family to the Northern California Conference.
 C. BECKER, President.

God Still Has People Who Want to Give

Of course we're happy! You would be happy too if you read the facts contained in the various reports that have reached our office about last Thirteenth Sabbath. We have concluded that God still has people who want to give to help finish His work and to aid those in unfortunate circumstances around the world.

From Grass Valley we have this report. "Every possible thing was done to plan a good Thirteenth Sabbath program that would encourage the Sabbath school members to sacrifice for God's work. Various talks were arranged. One of the juniors, Patty Dodge, was given an appeal to present to the Sabbath school. Those in charge wondered, 'Will the program have an appeal? Will there be those who will give?' Little did they realize that God was already working on hearts to give. Patty took her talk home to practice. Over and over she repeated her appeal. Of course Patty's mother who was a Sabbath school member with her and her father who was not a member were anxious that she should do well. So over and over she repeated the appeal. Patty's mother thought she could almost say it by memory. Patty's father had heard it so much that perhaps he could say it too. Still, over and



Patty Dodge of the Grass Valley Junior Division whose father gave \$500 to the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering when she practiced her appeal at home.

over again were repeated the words of the appeal. Now, first, we want to report that Patty did present her part well on the Thirteenth Sabbath, but in the remainder of the story is the answer to the great question, 'Does God still have folk who want to give? Does it pay to appeal?' The answer was in Patty's hands on her way to Sabbath school before the program was ever given, for in her hands was a check for \$500 from Dad to help folk answer the appeal she would make." Let's not forget it, friends, God still has people who want to give.

Sabbath school members everywhere love Thirteenth Sabbath. Following is a letter from Elder Major C. White, pastor of the Market and E Street church in Stockton. "I thought that I would share with you the Thirteenth Sabbath experience of Market and E Street church in Stockton. The members love Thirteenth Sabbath and plan for it. Quite a number are receiving social security or pensions and only get money at the first of the month, but they plan for Thirteenth Sabbath which always comes before pay day. Our present membership is 150 and our Thirteenth Sabbath Offering for the third quarter was \$351.45. Sincerely, Major C. White, pastor."

Honor Sabbath schools in Northern California last Thirteenth Sabbath were: Orleans with an average offering of \$8 per member, Livermore and Middletown

with \$6 per member, Sacramento Spanish with \$5 per member, and Covelo with \$4 per member. The following averaged \$3 per member: Clearlake Highlands, Hayward Spanish, Novato, and Orangevale. Of course, most all Sabbath schools did really well. What's more, they plan to do even better on December 23 for the Christmas Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, for God still has people who want to give.

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Double Dollar Day

Before us is the final big day on the 1961 Sabbath school calendar—December 23, Thirteenth Sabbath! It seems unnecessary to remind you of the importance of making this the most liberal offering ever received in Southeastern; or that we need to make up the \$3,000 loss suffered when the third quarter Thirteenth Sabbath Offering was received; or of the great needs that can be met only by a large Thirteenth Sabbath overflow. Previous correspondence, weekly mission appeals, and the appeal on page 47 of the senior *Lesson Quarterly* have already accomplished this.

Doors of opportunity are now open. Now is the time to act! When the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering is received, December 23, at your Sabbath school is a fine time to put *Christ* into your *Christmas* and give in order to share the beautiful message of Jesus and His love. This is to be DOUBLE DOLLAR DAY, but many will wish to give \$25, \$50, or \$100. Wouldn't you like to make your gift to the Lord as large as your biggest gift to a friend here?

C. F. PHILLIPS, *Secretary*,
Sabbath School Department.

Meetings to Begin in Orange

The Neidigh-Stewart evangelistic team will begin meetings in Orange on January 3. It has been several years since a full-scale campaign has been held in this town and we believe the field is white, ready for the harvest.

Church members have worked hard to build a new house of worship. While the building will seat almost 500, the congregation as of now is 170 in number. Orange County is the fastest grow-

ing county in California, and also one of the fastest growing counties in the United States. We believe that now is the time for our church to grow also.

Surely some of those reading this will have friends or relatives who should be invited to these meetings and given an opportunity of preparing for the coming of the Lord. Please pray that the Lord will impress the honest in heart to respond to the invitations.

Please send names and addresses to: Elder John H. Shewmake, 2315 W. Almond Avenue, Orange, California.

News Notes

✓ After holding 42 meetings in our conference in the interest of the Spirit of Prophecy, Elder and Mrs. Ernest Lloyd have gone to Arizona for a few weeks. They will be back, however, in January, and churches may continue booking their services as the schedule permits. Write to them at Box 174, Loma Linda, California.

✓ Elder Arthur White is coming to Southeastern California for a series of six meetings on the "Gift of Prophecy" beginning in February. The six evening meetings will be held in Loma Linda on consecutive Wednesday nights. We hope that many will find it possible to attend the full series and suggest that members in distant churches ride together where possible to save expense.

✓ Paradise Valley Hospital, through its administrator, Frank Rice, was granted 15 minutes of valuable Sunday evening time on Radio Station KGB to tell the story of its early history and future plans to the community. Elder Orville Iversen very graciously narrated the program for them. It is hoped that the taped program can be made available to churches soon for Friday evening MV meetings.

✓ Some churches report that caroling donations for Ingathering were better than usual on the rainy nights. Apparently people wanted to show extra generosity toward a cause not deterred by inclement weather.

✓ Fourteen new colporteurs have joined the dedicated group in Southeastern selling SDA literature, resulting in an increase of \$8,000 in November sales. They are to be commended, and perhaps there are yet others in this area who ought to join them.

✓ The Indio church is completing arrangements for the holding of Sabbath services in the Mormon church sanctuary. Wintertime weekend visitors to

the desert should take note, as the church is always happy for your presence.

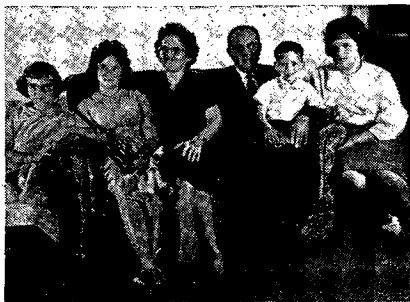
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Welcome to the Heinrichs

We are happy to welcome to Central California Elder and Mrs. Melvin Heinrich and family. The Heinrichs are former Californians and attended school at Lodi Academy and Pacific Union Col-



The Melvin Heinrich family.

lege. They come to us from the Upper Columbia Conference where he has labored as pastor and evangelist.

Elder Heinrich will be in charge of the Monterey Peninsula and Salinas district. We are happy to be able to secure a man with his background of experience and success to be the pastor of these two fine churches.

Elder and Mrs. Heinrich have four lovely children: Janean, Jennifer, Frances, and Stephen. We welcome this family to Central California, and we feel confident that the Lord will continue to bless them as they labor for Him in this part of His vineyard.

D. E. VENDEN, *President.*

I Went Caroling Last Evening

Four of us solicitors were assigned an area with a mobile sound unit; and when we heard the music begin, we pressed the first doorbell of the evening with real anticipation. All of us wondered what the evening would bring forth.

When our work was over and we counted our money, I was thankful to have had a part in Ingathering for two reasons: First of all, we had collected over \$40 that evening for the Lord's

work. Secondly, I was thankful for the privilege of taking part because the Lord led me to two people who needed a visit from someone who was a Christian. The lady at the door said she was not interested in giving an offering because she did not believe in the Bible. It was my privilege to talk to her about the inspiration of the Bible, and finally she admitted that perhaps she did need to study the Bible more. The other contact was with a family who had wanted to talk to a Seventh-day Adventist about their beliefs. They invited me into their home; and for about five minutes I had the privilege of explaining some of the points that had troubled them.

Had I not gone out Ingathering that evening, would these people have been contacted for God? Have you volunteered to go caroling with your church this season? If not, do so this week. A real blessing awaits you, and you will have a contented feeling because you have done something specific to speed the work of God along to its climax. We are counting on the membership of Central California Conference to raise at least \$190,000 this season in Ingathering funds. Your help is needed.

LAWRENCE DAVIDSON, *Secy.*
Home Hissionary Department.

News Notes

✓ Elder Clyde Groomer of the Conference Association was the speaker at the Tabernacle church in San Francisco on November 25.

✓ Dr. A. Baker of the University of the Pacific in Stockton was the lecturer on Africa at the Mountain View Academy auditorium on Saturday night, November 25.

✓ The ninetieth birthday of Mrs. Alma McKibbin, veteran Bible teacher, was honored on Sunday, November 26, from 2 to 5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Anderson in Los Altos.

✓ The fall auction was held at Armona Academy Saturday night, November 18. The grade school children presented the program of the evening.

✓ The Chowchilla church, newly remodeled under the leadership of Elder A. V. Bentz, pastor, was dedicated Sabbath afternoon, November 25, at 3 o'clock. Elders R. L. Stretter, D. E. Venden, and W. J. Blacker participated in the dedication service.

✓ The *Fresno Bee* published a picture of Ronald L. Stretter, secretary-treasurer

of the conference, turning the first shovel of dirt in ceremonies signaling the start of construction of the new Seventh-day Adventist church in Clovis, at Helm and Santa Ana avenues. The church is expected to be completed next May; it will cost about \$125,000.

✓ Elder Curtis Barger, conference Sabbath school secretary, was the speaker at the Los Altos church December 16.
✓ Elder R. S. J. Hamilton of Morro Bay was the speaker at the San Luis Obispo church on December 2.

✓ Elder J. E. Edwards of the General Conference Home Missionary Department was the guest speaker on Friday, December 8, in Bakersfield.

✓ Elder C. L. Paddock of the Pacific Press presented the service, "Modern Miracles," at the Mountain View church on Sabbath, December 2.

✓ The Chowchilla annual Dorcas sale was held Saturday night, December 2.

✓ The speaker at Campbell on Sabbath, December 2, was Dr. Joseph Hwang of San Francisco.

✓ A recent visitor to the conference office was Elder Neal C. Wilson, now religious liberty and medical secretary of the Columbia Union Conference, formerly departmental secretary here in the San Jose office.

✓ Sunday, December 3, a benefit supper was held for the Kern Academy band.

✓ Guest speaker at the Wasco church December 9 was Elder Matthew Dopp, associate MV secretary of the conference.

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Cottonwood Church Rally

Cottonwood church is planning a Soul-Winning Rally on Sabbath, December 23. Our conference president, Elder D. C. Butherus, and Dr. Halford R. Price of Phoenix will both speak on "Personal Evangelism." Mr. Roy Haight of California will tell of his recent "Escape From Cuba" after more than 20 years of self-supporting missionary work in Latin America. Visitors are welcome to both the morning and afternoon services.

Plans are being studied with Elder

M. C. Torkelson, our conference educational secretary, for a larger elementary school in Verde Valley. Good homes in Adventist families will be open to boys and girls who come to attend this school. Parents or sponsors will pay a reasonable room and board and tuition. The proposed site for the new school is on a ranch bordering Oak Creek south of Sedona.

Those who wish more information about this school should write to Elder Raymond Cales, 2423 North 37th Parkway, Phoenix 8, Arizona.

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"Excuses"

"I forgot to . . ." "It just slipped my mind, but . . ." "I just didn't realize that . . ." Yes, excuses! We all use them quite often. They may be convenient, but are they right?

With so many things to challenge our thinking and to demand our time, do we find ourselves even making excuses to God?

As we check off the last few days of 1961, perhaps there are some things we planned to do for God and for the church in 1961. We really planned to do them before this, but . . .

Wouldn't it be a fine thing to take time just now, to check back and be sure that what we should do, before 1961 closes, is actually done?

What about those missionary visits we planned to make? And those calls to the sick and discouraged that you know? And the pledge you made for church expense, the worthy student fund, and the building fund? By the way, are you sure your tithe paid and offerings given are up to date?

And you have not forgotten, have you, the tremendous needs of the mission fields? Right now the opportunities are tremendous. Why not make a special, sacrificial offering to God—a special thank offering—before December 31? The doors of opportunity may close very soon.

Oh, yes, and while we are thinking about finishing this year, with the records all clear, why not look ahead to 1962 a bit?

Wouldn't this be a good time to make

a few good old New Year's resolutions? Say, a resolution to be in Sabbath school and church, and even prayer meetings regularly? Also to actively enlist in an aggressive partnership with God, in real soul winning, supporting the pastor and the officers, and lifting heavily in the financial burdens of church?

Let us live so close to God, daily, that we need never make excuses now, or when we face our Saviour, for any neglects or failures in this life.

B. W. MATTISON, *President*.

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Ingathering Impetus

The recent visit to Reno and vicinity of Elders J. E. Edwards from the General Conference and D. A. Dirksen of the Pacific Union Conference really gave a big impetus to the Ingathering campaign.

Elder Edwards spoke at the Reno, Susanville, and Fallon churches, showing slides depicting the needs of the cannibal and bush tribes in New Guinea. This inspired the members to even greater activity in gathering funds for the mission work.

After the lecture in Reno our solicitors contacted a certain businessman for Ingathering. Showing him the new Ingathering report, they told about the work of the doctor boys in New Guinea and the needs for teachers, casually mentioning that it took only \$75 to pay the wages of one of the native workers for a year. In a few minutes the man smilingly presented his check for that amount. He was happy to make it possible for another native worker to take the message of Jesus, His love, and His healing power to these benighted tribes in New Guinea.

So the Lord impresses hearts and leads in this wonderful work of Ingathering. E. R. OSMUNSON.

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We Have a Winner

Recently we asked a well-informed TV producer how The Adventist Hour telecast might be improved. His reply

was straightforward: "Don't tamper with a winner." We do have a winner—a religious TV program that stays right at the top in Southern California. We are releasing a message that people like, and the polls show this program appeals to the millions in Southern California from Santa Barbara to San Diego.

It is noteworthy that when our members have enthusiastically distributed invitations to view this program, we were in first place. When we lagged in advertising we slipped back to the number two position.

We must all agree that this is an excellent report. At the conference office we are just as happy as we can be with the progress of this program, and we are all working as hard as we can to make this project everything it should be to the glory and honor of God. We thank God for our ministers and for all who participate in these programs. We are grateful to the Lord for the blessings of heaven that surely have attended this program thus far.

When we stop to think about the tremendous challenge, how else can the more than 8,250,000 potential viewers in Southern California be reached with The Adventist Hour message without the aid of television? We must continue to work hard in developing fruitful, Christ-centered, and spirit-filled church services for our neighbors and friends to view from week to week. We must continue to hand out invitations and reminders and keep The Adventist Hour program on top.

We really hesitate to bring up the matter of finances, but all worthwhile projects cost money. The Adventist Hour telecast will cost over \$70,000 in 1962. This is your evangelistic effort. All of you are responsible for its success. *We shall need your generous support.*

By action of the Conference Committee, on Sabbath, December 30, 1961, a special offering will be taken in all our churches for the 1962 Adventist Hour budget. We appeal to all our readers of the RECORDER to support this very fruitful evangelistic program with your prayers first and then your funds. *Our goal for this offering is \$50,000.* Won't you please help us to reach this goal? Thank you so much for your active support.

ALVIN G. MUNSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Voice of Prophecy Change

On Sunday, December 31, Los Angeles Radio Station KHJ and KHJ-FM will begin releasing the Voice of Prophecy at 8:30 a.m., instead of at 9:30 a.m., the time of the program in the past.

This change is the result of a realignment of programming on the station placing all religious programs prior to 9 o'clock in the morning. The 8:30 hour is one the Voice of Prophecy has had in previous years with KHJ with good results.

This new broadcast time means that the Voice of Prophecy will now be heard at 8 a.m. on Los Angeles Station KGBS, at 8:30 a.m. on KHJ, and at 8 p.m. on KABC.

Encourage a friend to join you in listening to the Voice of Prophecy at one of these convenient Sunday listening times.

HERBERT FORD, *Secretary*,
Radio-Television Dept.

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Adventist Christmas Carols

Through a special program of the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations working in conjunction with "Planned Broadcast Services," Southland radio stations will be using a program entitled "Christmas Songs From Many Lands" during the holiday season.

"Christmas Songs From Many Lands" is a 25-minute program featuring carols sung by choral groups at Seventh-day Adventist colleges and academies around the world. An accompanying script tells much of the ways and works of the Church throughout the narration.

The following radio stations are scheduled to use "Christmas Songs From Many Lands" during the Christmas season. Check your local radio log for the date and time it will be aired:

KHOP—Los Angeles, KBBI—Los Angeles, KGIL—Pacoima, KSPC—Claremont, KDOL—Mojave, KALI—Hollywood, KDB-AM & FM—Santa Barbara, KIST—Santa Barbara, KAVL—Lancaster, KIBS—Bishop, KTYM—Inglewood, KBIQ—Los Angeles, KBIG—Hollywood, KAPP-FM—Redondo Beach, KUTY—Palmdale, KBVM—Lancaster, KKAR—Pomona, and KXLU-FM—Los Angeles.

HERBERT FORD, *Secretary*,
Public Relations Dept.

World Missions

The world mission concept of Seventh-day Adventists draws us into a close fellowship with peoples of all lands. I would like to share with you a letter from J. B. Cooks, the Sabbath school secretary of the Southern African Division.

I take this opportunity of thanking you most sincerely for your communication of October 26, in which you assured me that you would be sending us your Sabbath school promotional bulletins. We look forward, with anticipation, to receiving these.

As you know, things in Africa are not very settled, and we have quite some problems in some of our unions. I might say that our last quarter's report from the Congo Union showed a decrease in membership. This one can understand, but, in spite of our difficulties, we are working hard to keep the Sabbath school growing. I am very much encouraged by the fact that other unions show material gains.

In spite of the more recent trouble that has come to the Ruanda-Urundi Union, where we have a large membership, we have made a gain of just under 4,000 in the last quarter. Early next month I am to go to Ruanda-Urundi. We are not yet certain about transportation around the territory because of the fighting that persists, but this we leave in the Lord's hands, and know that He will lead us and help us to accomplish what we ought. While there, we are looking forward to visiting the Northeast Congo, around Stanleyville, where there was a great deal of trouble, but where it is quiet again at the present time. One of our missionaries has been able to move back there after a year's absence.

In Ruanda-Urundi within recent months, many of our Sabbath school members have had to flee for their lives, for thousands of homes have been burned and many thousands of people have had to flee the country. This is due to an uprising on the part of the Bahutu, who for many years were the serf group. They are in the majority and have now, because of political maneuvers, been able to get into power. It seems foolish for them to carry on such a destructive program, but, when we understand that the Spirit of God is slowly being withdrawn from the earth.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

Reference from the conference president must accompany request for advertising space in the RECORDER, send your ad and the necessary \$3.00 to him.

Advertisements are accepted for one insertion only. Rate: \$3.00 for fifty words or less. Cash must accompany the advertisement.

Advertising is limited to Seventh-day Adventists except where a service may be rendered to our members. Real estate ads must be from owner and refer to one property only. Complete information as to admissible advertising may be secured at your local conference office, through which

all advertising must go. It is understood that the RECORDER can assume no responsibility for advertisements appearing in these columns. *Advertisements will be printed as space permits.*

WANTED.—Woman 40-50 to live in and care for 3 small girls. Permanent home, small monthly salary, room, board. Vegetarian preferred. Will be living in Pacoima area in new home. Immediate position. Call Los Angeles, MADison 8-6341, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Mrs. Kathleen Perry.

WANTED.—Reliable woman or couple willing to help with meals and some care for elderly lady in exchange for home and small salary. Comfortable home, large garden space with fruit trees, located in La Habra, Orange Co., California. Write: Mrs. Ballantine, Box 306, Oak View, Calif.

WANTED.—Licensed laboratory technician—one willing to learn x-ray also. Salary commensurate with experience and background. Write: Administrator, Community Medical Center, 2251 Hawthorne St., North Sacramento, Calif.

USED ORGAN WANTED.—Need Hamond or other, spinet model preferred, for city evangelistic team, Peru, South America. Send description and price to Lynn Baerg, 153 Central Ave., Shafter, Calif.

THOSE outgrown Bible story and Reading Course books are badly needed in the mission field. Why not put them to work and make room for new ones for Christmas? Send to E. C. Bell, 123 Hoover Rd., Santa Cruz, Calif. Or for very little more postage, send them direct. I will supply addresses and information.

MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN, California license, 15 years of experience, all phases laboratory work. Also experienced in x-ray. Would like to join clinic or hospital group. Contact S. E. Ratcliffe, 200 S. Lake St., Madera, Calif. Phone OR 4-6387 after 6 p.m.

WANTED.—Ride for 2 Paradise Valley student nurses, Christmas vacation, to Fort Collins, Colo. Leave December 20; return January 3. Please contact Mary Morgan or Gwen Notwell, 721 Sanitarium Ave., National City, Calif.

EXCELLENT job opportunity for Adventist man in maintenance department. Must know 110 volt and 220-440 volt single and 3 phase electrical wiring. Also varied machinery repair. Steady employment. Excellent working conditions. Write: Schrillo Aero Tool Engineering Company, 8715 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles 69, Calif. Phone OLeander 5-8890.

SHEPHERD colt for sale—\$150. Would take \$10 down and \$10 monthly. Phone Corona —REdwood 7-3769 evenings.

FOR SALE.—Long established retail bakery, only one in county seat town, excellent bus lines and location. Owner wishes to retire. \$1,500 down, plus stock. Write: 2860 Carmel, Apt. A, Oakland 2, Calif.

LA SIERRA COLLEGE

College Establishes European Campus

La Sierra College takes another bold step forward through the establishment of an overseas campus at Seminaire Adventiste, Collonges-sous-Saleve, France, beginning with the fall semester of 1962.

Informally called the "Sophomore-Junior Year Abroad," the program has been under study for some time by a committee of faculty members and college administrators. Recently the college board authorized the plan to be put into being, and the first public announcement is now being made. A complete announcement containing housing, academic, and financial information will be available soon and may be obtained by writing directly to the college.

It is planned that the first body of students for the French campus will not exceed 25 in number due to acute limitations in space and housing facilities. These students will pay a total fee of \$1,490 which will include round-trip passage from New York to Geneva, Switzerland, and return, tuition, and board and room. This fee corresponds very closely to the average student's yearly expenses on our campus.

Since the Seminaire Adventiste is only 10 kilometers (six miles) from downtown Geneva, the fortunate students participating in the overseas program will live in a truly international atmosphere. They will become familiar with the League of Nations, the Reformer's Wall, the international political conferences that are held in Geneva from time to time, and the cosmopolitan aura that clings to one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

It is now planned that the first year of the La Sierra year abroad will be under the personal direction of Dr. Margarete Ams Hilts, professor of modern languages. Dr. Hilts, together with her husband, Mr. D. Glenn Hilts, librarian of the college, will supervise a full college year of study in both French and English. Every student may register for a full credit load of courses, at least six hours of which will be taught in the French language. Students who do not know French will take a 10-hour course each semester in "French for Foreign-



Dr. Margarete Hilts, director of La Sierra College year abroad program.

ers." One of the prime advantages of taking a year of college in this situation is that the student will return home with a working knowledge of conversational French. It might also be pointed out that since Seminaire Adventiste is located in France, just across the Swiss frontier and very close to Italy, a working knowledge of Italian and some German will very likely be acquired.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilts will combine with a resident college faculty distinguished by a solid academic background. The Collonges faculty possesses degrees from the University of Geneva, Cambridge University, University of Lyon, the Sorbonne de Paris, and Conservatoire of Basle.

The student-faculty participants from La Sierra will travel to Europe by ship from New York and will probably travel in Europe a bit en route to Geneva. Tours to other points in Europe will also be organized for vacation periods. This area is renowned for winter sports.

It should be stressed that students accepted for the year abroad will obtain a full year of college credit. Since enrollment is definitely limited, interested students should apply immediately to: Secretary of Admissions, La Sierra College, La Sierra, California.

Alumna Returns to LSC

Miss Carol Jeanne Salas, '60, will return to the campus to join the college

music faculty as instructor in piano at the beginning of the second semester. Miss Salas will graduate from Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester with the degree of Master of Music in early January, 1962, and will come to La Sierra shortly thereafter. While an undergraduate at LSC, she was active in campus music activities, including the College Choir, La Sierrans, and the La Sierrans Octet. She also appeared as guest soloist with the College Symphony Orchestra playing Dr. Perry W. Beach's "Concertino for Piano and Orchestra."

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We can see that the evil one is taking control. We expect more and more difficulties to arise, but we trust that the Lord will help us to complete the task here in Africa, so that when He comes many from here will be united with those from other parts of the world, ready to meet Him and go home to the Better Land.

Pray for us, Brother Kott, and ask your members to do so. We thank you for the wonderful support you gave us in the recent Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering, and know that Jesus will reward every sacrifice.

This letter from Brother Cooks is a thank you letter for a recent Thirteenth Sabbath Overflow Offering; secondly, a request for our continued prayers for him (and you will put them on your prayer list, won't you?); and third, it is an urgent appeal that on this coming Thirteenth Sabbath—Christmas Thirteenth Sabbath, December 23—that we give most liberally.

As in the past we would like to urge every Sabbath school and church member in the Southern California Conference to make a Thirteenth Sabbath Christmas gift equivalent to the personal gift to the nearest friend or loved one in their social circle or family. Think what this would mean if we all did this. If you give your wife a mink stole, why not put an equivalent offering in for Thirteenth Sabbath? If you are giving your husband a new set of golf clubs, why not put an equal amount of money in for Thirteenth Sabbath? Or whatever the gift may be, why not put an equal amount in as your Thirteenth Sabbath Christmas gift to Christ, for "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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