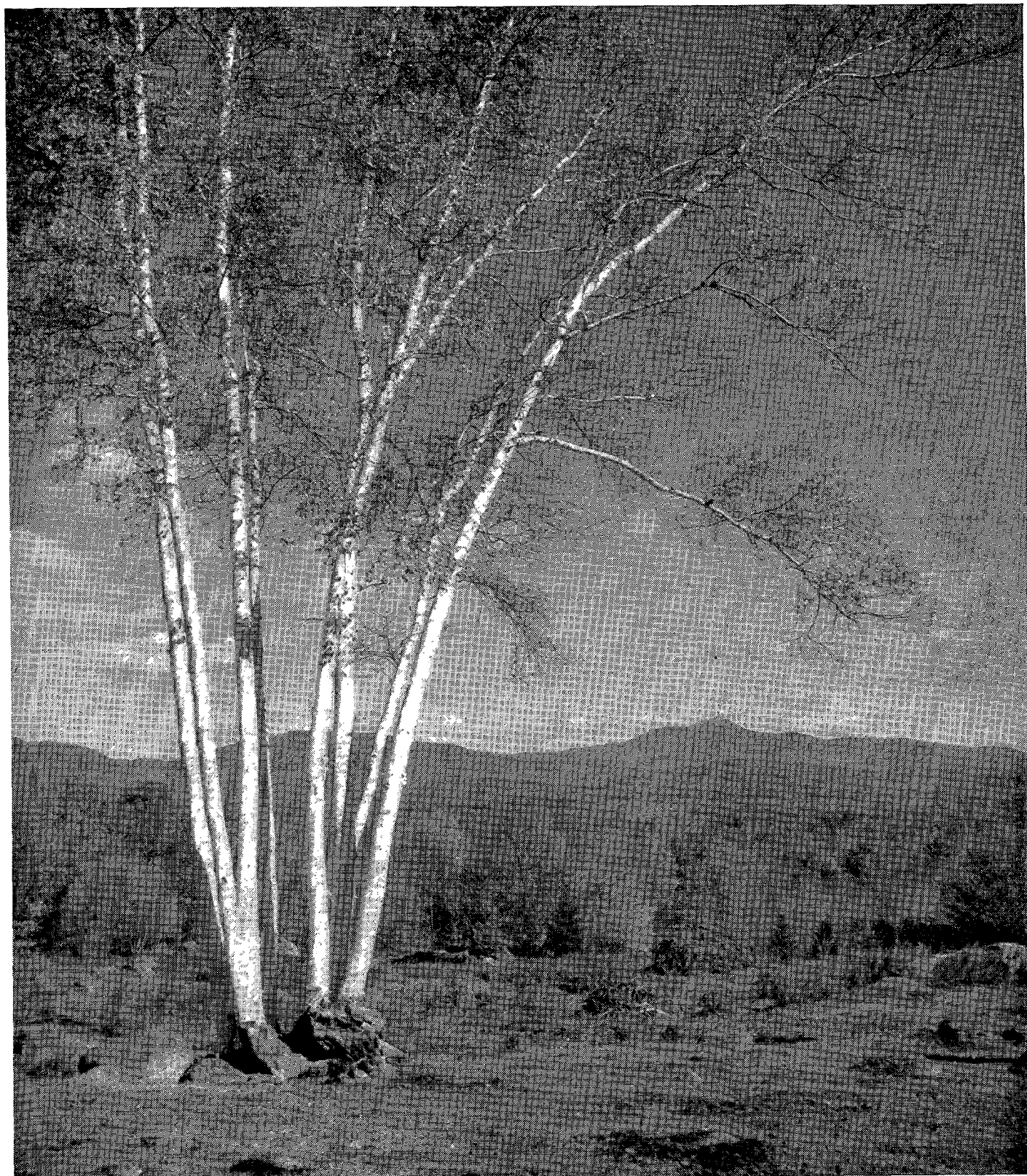


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### ► Washington Supreme Court Outlaws Slot Machines

The Washington Supreme Court, in a 7-2 decision, outlawed slot machines, ruling that they are lotteries forbidden by the State constitution. The decision was a victory for three Spokane churchmen, two of them Methodist clergymen. It resulted from a suit brought by them two years ago to test the legality of a 1937 State law permitting private nonprofit clubs to operate slot machines.

### ► Moslem Services Launched in Washington

Moslem services have begun in Washington, D.C., in the Mohammedan mosque whose minaret now towers over the Washington skyline. Although the mosque is not yet completed, natives of ten Moslem countries who are employed at embassies here, now gather each Friday for divine worship in the basement of the building. Dr. I. Hamka, of the Indonesian Ministry of Religion, is currently serving as "imam," or leader of prayers, until a resident clergyman arrives. The services are in Arabic. Meanwhile it has been announced that the mosque, which is costing more than \$1,000,000 to build, will be open to tourists when it is completed in 1953. They will be required to remove their shoes and to refrain from conversation in visiting its handsomely carpeted marble rooms.

### ► Amish Children Ordered to Public School

Parents of 28 Amish school children in Berne, Indiana, who have been attending a private one-room country school were ordered by Adams County officials to send the youngsters to public schools immediately or face legal action. The little school, which was started a year ago, reopened this year in defiance of a ruling by the county school superintendent, Glen B. Custard, that it was far below standards and had an unlicensed teacher. The Amish replied to the ruling with an appeal to Wilbur Young, State superintendent of public instruction. However, Mr. Young never acted on the appeal. County officials also charged that the school lacked adequate sanitary facilities. When the Amish parents opened the school last year, they said they did not want their children to attend public schools, where they would be forced to see "movies"—visual education—and mix with "worldly" people.

### ► Archbishop Warns Against Dangers of Television

Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, said in New York that "the world would have been a happier place if television had never been discovered." He believes that the new medium contributes to "the uneasiness of life today." The archbishop made this statement just before he sailed for England after a two-and-a-half-week vacation in the United States as the guest of Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill of the Protestant Episcopal Church. During his stay in this country, Dr. Fisher addressed the Episcopal Church's 57th triennial General Convention in Boston. Terming television "a mass-produced form of education which is potentially one of the greatest dangers of the world," Dr. Fisher added: "True education is a matter of contact between mind and mind, where misunderstanding can be corrected as you go. But television leads to two evils; the approach of masterful people who say we will teach them what we want them to know, and others who say we will teach them what they want to know."

# The March of Death

By W. A. SCHARFFENBERG

Secretary, Temperance Department, General Conference

Is America laughing its way to perdition? Is the world on its final march—the march of death? A leading Baptist answered the first question in the following manner:

"On television and radio, in the movies and newspapers, we see people knocking themselves out trying to entertain us. They seem to feel that, if America would only collapse in a paroxysm of mirth, all our problems would be solved. Frankly, I don't feel like laughing. I can see ideals and standards and heritages dying—dying before our eyes.

"Around a table men and women sit, their drinks before them. They have been there a long time. One man rises to his feet, extends his glass and proposes an obscene toast. Loud guffaws fill the room, and they all stagger to their feet for the drink, laughing.

"A drunk staggers down the exit at the football game, shouting and singing. We laugh.

"America finds sin hilariously funny. We are not the first nation that has done so. Babylon saw it that way, and the handwriting came on the wall. Rome saw it that way, and faded from power. France followed suit, and moral decay became a cancer. Now America laughs at sin. Laughs hilariously.

"There is an absolute absence of heartfelt sorrow for sin in our country. We need a recognition of sin and a genuine sorrow for it and an honest turning away from it, if we are to survive. 2 Chronicles 7:14 says, 'If my people, which are called

by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.'

"What is so funny? Are atomic bombs and broken bodies and full sanitariums funny? Are drinking leaders and shady business deals and open gambling a cause of mirth? Are ABC stores and filthy jokes and immorality causes of hilarity? Why laugh when the moral fiber of a great nation is being wrenched apart by Godlessness?"

## One Round of Crime and Folly

The Spirit of prophecy describes conditions existing in our world today as the "march to death":

"That men may not take time to meditate, Satan leads them into a round of gaiety and pleasure seeking, of eating and drinking. He fills them with ambition to make an exhibition that will exalt self. Step by step, the world is reaching the conditions that existed in the days of Noah. Every conceivable crime is committed. The lust of the flesh, the pride of the eyes, the display of selfishness, the misuse of power, the cruelty, . . . all these are the working of satanic agencies. This round of crime and folly men call 'life.' . . .

"Many continue in the careless gratification of self until they become so disgusted with life that they kill themselves. Dancing and carousing, drinking and smoking, indulging their animal passions, they go as an ox to the slaughter. Satan is working with all his art and enchant-

ments to keep men marching blindly onward until the Lord arises out of His place to punish the inhabitants of earth for their iniquities, when the earth shall disclose her blood and no more cover her slain. The whole world appears to be in the march to death."—*Temperance*, pp. 229, 230.

## A Golden Opportunity for Adventists

Certainly we are living in the time referred to in the Spirit of prophecy when we should "call the attention of statesmen, of editors, of thinking men everywhere, to the deep significance of the drunkenness and the violence now filling the land with desolation and death! As faithful collaborators with God, we must bear a clear, decided testimony on the temperance question. . . . Now is our golden opportunity to co-operate with heavenly intelligences in enlightening the understanding of those who are studying the meaning of the rapid increase of crime and disaster."—*Ibid.*, p. 251.

It is quite apparent that Satan's great objective in these closing days is to enslave the human mind. His most effective weapon in attaining this objective is to induce men and women to smoke and to drink. The Spirit of prophecy refers to tobacco and alcohol as "twin evils." They befuddle the mind and poison the nervous system.

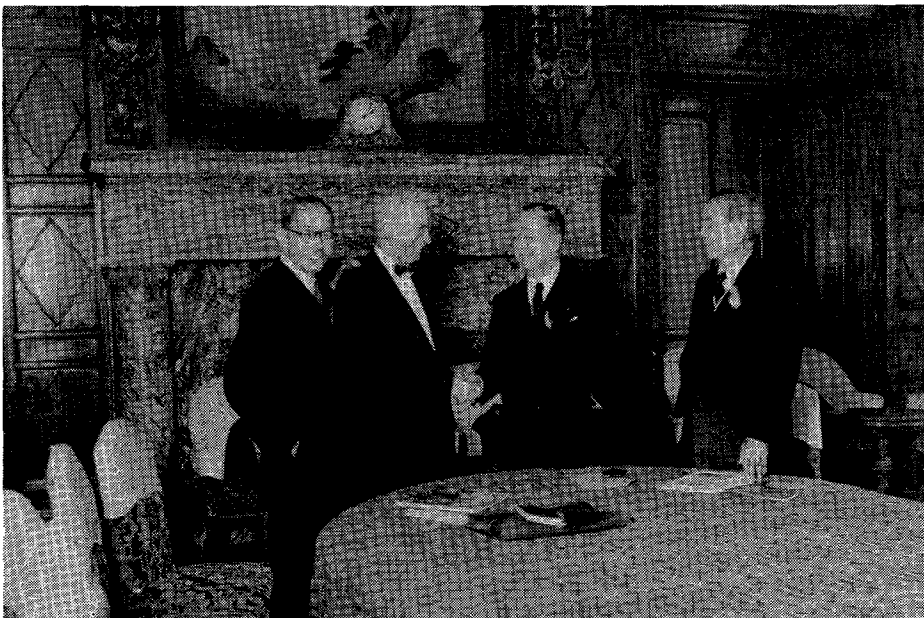
Satan is utilizing every available advertising agency, TV and radio, newspapers and magazines, attractive billboards and electrified signs, and the movies to lead men and women to acquire the smoking and drinking habits.

Cigarette companies are spending millions to induce men, women, and the youth of America to smoke. The five major cigarette companies spent approximately fifty million dollars in advertising last year.

It is interesting to note that 75 per cent of cigarette advertising is beamed to teenagers. Cigarette companies know that there are only two directions in which their market can expand—toward the teenagers and women.

## Growing Tobacco Addiction

Steady progress has been made by the cigarette companies in developing the smoking habit in the United States. The consumption of cigarettes is going up and up, with no sign of leveling off. In 1902 there were 2,971,360,447 cigarettes manufactured in the United States; by 1910 the production had increased to 8,644,557,900. Ten years later, in 1920, the production had jumped to 62,000,000,000;



W. A. Scharffenberg Meeting With Three Members of the Japan Parliament Who Do Not Smoke or Drink





In order to keep a liquor store out of his community a leading businessman paid \$1,000 for a license, but never opened his store. Only one license could be issued for each 5,000 living in the district. He felt the money was "a worthwhile investment."

The owner of a radio station recently canceled his contract with one of the large broadcasting companies—reason, he refused to broadcast programs sponsored by the brewery interests.

The management of Ralphs Markets (a large Grocery store chain) refused to open their stores for the sale of liquor. Ralphs is a family institution, and as such endeavors to create an environment in its thirty-two stores that will be completely wholesome to all members of anyone's family.

"We believe that everyone is entitled to his own personal privilege," said the management, "but we don't like to see liquor sold in stores to which children are frequent visitors."

At a recent national convention banquet of Kiwanis held on Washington's Birthday at the Statler Hotel in Washington, orange juice was served instead of liquor. This indicates that many businessmen are becoming concerned over the many unfortunate scenes and incidents that frequently accompany the use of liquor at public dinners.

At the recent convention of State governors held in Tennessee, no alcoholic beverages were served. Governor Gordon Browning, who served as host of the convention, is a nonsmoker and a nondrinker.

Today 418 daily newspapers and several hundred periodicals refuse to accept any liquor advertisements.

Another encouraging bit of news was just received from Mississippi, where voters turned down a proposition that each county in the State decide whether or not it wants to legalize the sale of liquor.

The dries won by a margin of nearly fifty thousand votes. Sixty-seven of the eighty-two counties voted against the proposal; only fifteen favored it. This was a major victory for the dry forces of the country.

#### Temperance Cause in Other Lands

In other lands we also find staunch advocates of the total abstinence cause. On a recent itinerary through the Far Eastern, Southern Asia, and Middle East divisions, I had the opportunity of calling on many prominent people including heads of state, prime ministers, ministers of public health, welfare, and education, who were nonsmokers and nondrinkers and ready to support us in our work.

Readers of the REVIEW will be interested to learn that the International Temperance Association and its many affiliated regional and national societies are dedicated to the launching, fostering, and promotion of a total abstinence move-

ment that will make its influence felt throughout the world. For we believe that—

"If the work of temperance were carried forward by us as it was begun thirty years ago [1900]; if at our camp meetings we presented before the people the evils of intemperance in eating and drinking, and especially the evil of liquor drink-

ing; if these things were presented in connection with the evidences of Christ's soon coming, there would be a shaking among the people. . . . If we showed a zeal in proportion to the importance of the truths we are handling, we might be instrumental in rescuing hundreds, yea thousands, from ruin."—*Temperance*, p. 257.

## Is Your Election Sure?

By H. E. Westermeyer

Election day is nearing. With increasing persuasiveness campaign managers are urging voters to give diligent attention to the issues involved in this election. They are calling upon loyal party members to get out the vote and make sure that the votes are cast on the right side.

How should Seventh-day Adventists relate themselves to the political questions of this year—or of any year?

God's children of all ages have been affected and will continue to be affected by political considerations. Like Daniel of old, we should pray for wisdom, that we might be led aright in things political as well as in things spiritual. As Christians, our chief interest should not center in political badges. Instead, we are admonished to wear the badge of Jesus Christ.

Although varying points of view may serve beneficent purposes, it is not difficult to see why political issues become seriously divisive if entertained too ardently by members of the same church.

The love of God and loyalty to His truth should take precedence over every other consideration, including political allegiance. Oneness with Christ alone is the only guarantee for church unity.

#### Lessons in Christian Living

It is not my purpose to attempt a detailed discussion of the Christian's attitude toward politics. Rather, I wish to point out a few practical lessons in Christian living that may be derived from the activities of an election year.

In his acceptance speech one of the candidates said that he dedicated himself to a crusade for the achievement of a shining tomorrow for the mightiest temporal and spiritual power on earth.

The Bible says something about a shining tomorrow and a kingdom that the God of heaven shall set up soon. This kingdom shall break in pieces and consume all other kingdoms—and it shall stand forever. You may read about it in Daniel 2:44.

The Bible urges that one should make his calling and election for this eternal kingdom sure—unfailingly sure. "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure:

for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall." 2 Peter 1:10.

This scripture refers to an election, not for a two-year term or a four-year term, but an election for all time, in a campaign that has been going on for six thousand years.

I don't know how much difference it will make to most of us how this present political campaign comes out, but it will make an eternal difference to all of us how we will relate ourselves to the great controversy in the final campaign of the universe that is soon to close.

#### Two Principal Contenders

Minority parties in the United States also have their candidates and platforms, but in the main there have been just two major opposing parties as serious contenders. Likewise the whole world is the campaign ground of two opposing candidates and two parties. The election of one means life—eternal life. The election of the other means death—eternal death.

The primaries for the presidential election were held months ago. Disputed delegations resulted, and much wrangling in credential committees.

The primaries for eternal life were held in the harmonious councils of eternity, from the foundation of the world, and provision was made for the sure calling and undisputed election of all.

But it is left with each individual to accept the conditions and qualifications to be elected to eternal salvation or to be rejected to eternal death.

Jesus Christ calls all to be saved. "I am come," He assures, "that they might have life." "Come," He will say at the end of the campaign, "inherit the kingdom prepared for you."

The devil calls all to be lost. He assures us now, as he did from the very beginning, "Ye shall not surely die." But that is a lie.

The individual elects or chooses whom he will have, not as president of his country, but as Saviour of his life on one hand or destroyer of his soul on the other.

In the political campaign only those of age and those duly registered are allowed to vote; but in this spiritual campaign everybody has the right of suffrage.

The issues are as clear cut today as they were in the time of Moses: "See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil." "Therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live." Deut. 30:15, 19.

Down through the ages people have been casting ballots for their election to eternal life through faith in Christ and obedience to God, or by rebellion against God they have cast their votes for the devil, ultimately to receive the just decree of condemnation and everlasting death by the supreme court of the universe.

### A Declaration of Principles

Every political candidate runs on a platform that has been formulated by his party. This platform is a declaration of the principles for which the party stands on domestic and foreign problems.

Each party lays claim to superior merits. Propaganda in behalf of selfish party interests often leads to confusion and doubt. Both the devil and the Lord Jesus Christ have their platforms too. Some of the chief planks in the devil's platform read as follows:

1. Eat, drink, and be merry. Tomorrow you die—and you'll be dead a long time. So live and enjoy yourself.

2. Have your fling. Sow your wild oats, and don't concern yourself unduly about the kind of bread you can make out of wild oats. There'll be plenty of time to be good later on when you're old.

3. Try anything once. Have all the fun you can. Of course, don't do anything you can't get away with.

Some of the leading planks in the platform of Christ, in contrast, read as follows:

1. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." Then you will have life, and have it more abundantly.

2. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Today is the accepted time. Now is the day of salvation from sin. Accept the gift of God, which is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

3. Dare to be true. Dare to do right. Yes, try anything once, provided it is right.

Go anywhere, provided it is forward and upward.

Live to bless others, and do all you can to win that perfection that will prepare you to meet God in peace and have a part in His enduring kingdom.

Before the political election takes place a book of instruction is sent to every registered voter. It explains the issues and tells how to cast one's vote.

The Bible serves as the instruction book in the spiritual campaign and serves as a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway toward the eternal city of lights.

The winner in the political campaign is determined by a majority of the votes cast by the members of the electoral college. It will not be so in the spiritual campaign. The victorious candidate will re-

ceive, not the majority vote, but the minority, here on earth. Many are called, but few choose right. Popularity is no safe test in this spiritual campaign.

Christ didn't promise that He would win everyone in the world. He didn't promise worldly victory. He promised salvation. In fact, you either vote for salvation with the winning minority or for loss with the losing majority. Neutrality is impossible.

Those who choose right are a select and exclusive group. Because of their loyalty they have special privileges. They are caught up with the Lord in the air, never to fall again.

Those who choose wrong are thrown into the bottomless pit, never to rise again.

It will be a sad day when the platform of the Lord Jesus Christ is removed from this earth. There will be nothing stable or solid left to stand on. The foundation will be gone, and the lost will find themselves in a hopeless, chaotic world.



## Minute Meditations

By Thomas A. Davis

### "Today Is the Day We Live!"

Back in my old home town in Newfoundland I used to enjoy tuning in to one of the local radio stations each morning as it came on the air. While an old grandfather clock, ticking majestically in the background, added meaningful punctuation to his words, the announcer would say slowly and solemnly, "Yesterday is gone, tomorrow never comes, today is the day we live!"

"Yesterday is gone!" Its words have all been spoken. Its deeds have all been done. Its moments all are past, and only on the books of heaven are their records kept, complete and irrevocable. Whether our yesterday was a day well spent, or a portion of wasted probation, is forever settled, and heaven itself cannot undo the past.

"Tomorrow never comes!" Tomorrow is but a word to describe something we know nothing about. Tomorrow is but a landmark along the banks of Time's stream, which seems to be forever approaching, and yet which is always just ahead. It is a blushing maid betrothed to Time, who, approaching the end of the betrothal, takes his name upon her and becomes Today.

"Today is the day we live!" Yet even now but a little portion of time is ours. Just a step, a ray of light, a heartbeat. God has given us that much. How many steps, how much light, how many heartbeats, only He knows. So let us, in these moments, seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and let us today, like Paul, lift eyes of faith toward heaven and say, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

As the political campaign goes into high gear, it becomes increasingly intense, especially so toward the end. The same will be true in the spiritual campaign. The devil knows his time is short. He will work with lying wonders to deceive, if possible, the very elect.

"The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis."—*Testimonies*, vol. 9, p. 11.

Sometimes political ballots are challenged, and errors demand a recount. This sometimes reverses earlier decisions.

The tellers of heaven make no mistake. They cannot be fooled by spurious votes or by double voting. There will be no neutral votes. In truth, a counting of the ballots has been going on for a long time—for more than a hundred years. Each ballot is scrutinized with unfailing accuracy. The investigative judgment began with the dead.

Of special concern to the living is that daily we cast our ballots by our thoughts, words, and actions, and by the characters we form for weal or woe. We are being sealed according to our choices. The sealing work will not change us. Rather it will seal us beyond all possibility of a change.

At the conclusion of the political campaign the victors will crown their work with inaugural celebrations and ceremonies.

The stage is set for the inaugural scene of the universe. Jesus Christ has the inaugural address already published. It contains the basis on which God's campaign is to be conducted—and also a judgment decree. It is recorded in Matthew 25:31-46.

### One Standard for All

There's just one standard in God's campaign: perfection. "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Matt. 5:48.

The poll room of heaven is open. Your poll tax has been paid. You may cast your vote without price or money, and Christ and the Spirit bid us all come.

The story is told of a little schoolgirl who left for home by the wrong door and became lost. The teacher found her sobbing and saying, "I've lost the steeple."

The understanding teacher remembered that the exit through the front door brought the steeple of a church in view. Taking the child to the right door, the teacher said, "See, there's the steeple." At once the girl knew her way home.

That story, dear reader, is a parable of the place of Christ in a confused world, where the final spiritual campaign is carried on between two opposing forces.

When we go wrong and lose sight of Him, we're lost indeed. Seeing Him, we lift up our heads and hearts and find our way home to a kingdom that shall endure forever. How are you casting your vote in this most important election of all?

# The Rod of Correction

By E. J. Bergman

There is a generation that is especially marked by its disrespect and disobedience, "that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother." Prov. 30:11. We are living in that generation today. This is "an unfortunate age for children. A heavy current is setting downward to perdition, and more than childhood's experience and strength is needed to press against this current and not be borne down by it. The youth generally seem to be Satan's captives, and he and his angels are leading them to certain destruction. . . . Parents, help your children. Arouse from the lethargy which has been upon you."—*Testimonies*, vol. 1, p. 397.

The disrespect that we see today among children as a whole is a new thing. It has raised its ugly head among our young people and children within the lifetime of many of us.

Some time ago a radio speaker was giving advice on animal training, from which we may learn a lesson. One listener wrote him of the problem she had with her large dog. When she took the dog with her in the car, he would jump from side to side, barking and tearing things up in general whenever he would see another dog on the street. She wrote, "What can I do to make him mind me?" The trainer's answer was, "You can't do a thing. You are too late. If you had taught your dog to obey when he was a pup, he would mind you now. You have lost your opportunity."

Dogs and children learn to obey while they are *very young*. The wise man said, "Chasten thy son while there is hope." Prov. 19:18. This text implies that it is needful to correct a child and teach him to obey before it is too late.

Many parents have the mistaken idea that if you love your child, you will not punish him, but will reason with him and talk him into being good. But, according to the Bible, if you love your child, you will not spare the rod. In Proverbs 22:15 we read, "Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him." There are times in the life of every child when the only way you can reason with him is to use a reasonable supply of muscular action.

Children should not be expected to understand all the reasons why they should obey their parents any more than we who are older understand the reason for every trial and problem that comes to us. We must trust in God. Children must learn to trust and obey their parents.

## The Parents Must Lead

A radio commentator once observed, "There must be a dictator in the home." "What!" you say, "living in this land of freedom and democracy and have a dictator?" But the commentator continued, "Suppose there was a family of father and mother and six children, and they voted in a democratic way what they would eat for their breakfast. If they followed the majority, they would likely end up by serving ice cream and cake, with bubble gum for dessert."

Parents ought not to be dictatorial, but they should have the last word. To a child the law of the parent is the law of God. The love of the parent should be an example of the love of Christ.

"As the mother teaches her children to obey her because they love her, she is teaching them the first lessons in the Christian life. The mother's love represents to the child the love of Christ, and the little ones who trust and obey their mother are learning to trust and obey the Saviour."—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 515.

In our home we raised one girl and one cat. Our girl was taken out for making a fuss in church just twice before she was a year old. We never had to do it again. You may think we are hardhearted, but we are not. We love children.

We had a cat. That cat knew that we loved her, and she loved us. This cat did not sleep on the davenport or on the upholstered chairs. She had her own place to

sleep. When we wanted her to go out, we would open the door and tell her to go out, and she would obey. How did she learn this? We taught her when she was a kitten. Somehow parents must have obedience from their children without bribing, coaxing, or teasing. If a child will not obey without the promise of a reward or coaxing, someone is missing the mark.

"Mistaken parents are teaching their children lessons which will prove ruinous to them. . . . They think that by gratifying the wishes of their children, and letting them follow their own inclinations, they can gain their love. What an error! Children thus indulged grow up unrestrained in their desires, unyielding in their disposition, . . . a curse to themselves and to all around them."—*Testimonies*, vol. 1, pp. 685, 686.

Somehow, someway, children must be taught to obey when they are spoken to.

"The curse of God will surely rest upon the unfaithful parents. . . . They must meet their own unfaithfulness when the judgment shall sit. . . . Children who are thus brought up undisciplined, have everything to learn when they profess to be Christ's followers. Their whole religious experience is affected by their bringing up in childhood."—*Ibid.*, p. 219.

## God Calls for Intelligent Action

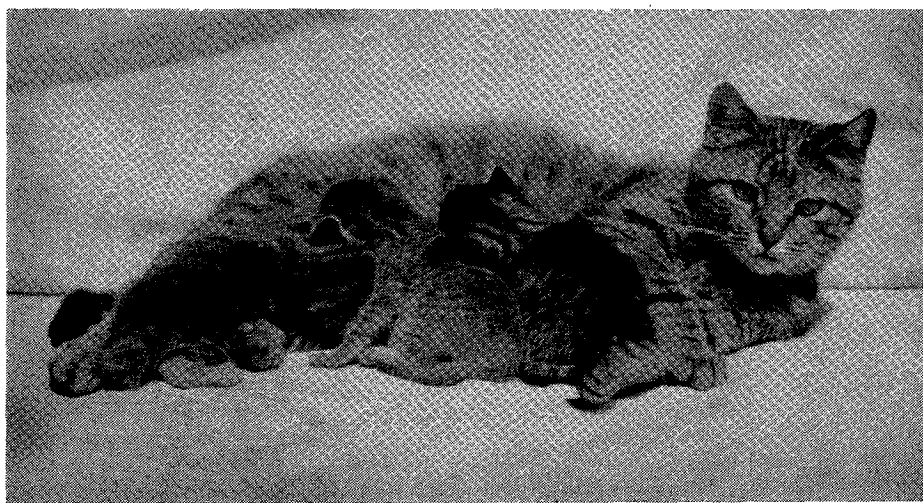
This age is known as an unholy and unthankful generation. It will take some praying, thinking, and action on the part of the parents of this generation if they hope to see their children saved.

Parents should never criticize the church school teacher before their children. Don't spoil the reputation of the teacher, the minister, or the church officers before your children; that is, if you want them to stay in the church.

"The names of God's chosen servants have been handled with disrespect. . . . The children have not failed to hear the disrespectful remarks. . . . Thus many infidels are educated in the family circles of professed Christians."—*Ibid.*, vol. 4, pp. 195, 196.

Ministers, teachers, church workers occasionally make mistakes. God has only human hands to do His work today. Parents whose children have difficulty in our schools should not take the part of their children, but first visit the teacher. They should find out how they may better cooperate for the best interest of their children.

Some doting parents have said, "I will not stand for my child's being wrongly accused." May I say that no great harm can



Kittens, Like Children, Learn Obedience Best When They Are Very Young

come from being wrongly accused. Jesus was wrongly accused all His life. Would you like to have your child grow up to be like Jesus? Parents, your girl may grow up to be a church school teacher or your son may become a minister. It would be a sad thing for them if they did not know how to conduct themselves under such circumstances. It is tragic for parents to make babies out of their children. Children should be taught early to face life.

Before we entered this generation the child that disobeyed and was punished at school received another spanking upon reaching home. So it was—only thirty-five years ago, I remember well a father who said, "If you can't get along with the teacher I will fix it so you can." And he did. There was no criticizing of the teacher around the supper table in those days.

"Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6:4. This text does not mean that if your child becomes angry while being corrected, you should stop. If your child kicks and hits back and becomes angry while being corrected, it is a sure sign that you have not given him enough. Parents, under such circumstances, better finish the task up right or they are surely losing ground. In this generation our children need consistency more than ever before. "A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother." Prov. 10:1. "A foolish son is the calamity of his father." Prov. 19:13.

#### Parents Must Do Their Part

Parents cannot expect that their children will be saved by some miraculous means unless they are willing to do something about it themselves. Parents today need to examine themselves. They need to get down to earnest business and fulfill their responsibility to their children.

"I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children." Isa. 49:25. Is not that the object we seek, parents? We need the help of God, and need it badly today. If we expect help in this hour, then we must do our part and follow the instruction given in God's Word. We all want the prophecy given in Isaiah 65 to come true for us and our children. "They are the seed of the blessed of the Lord, and their offspring with them." Verse 23. What a pity it would be for parents to be saved in the kingdom of God and not have their children with them, all because they did not receive the proper training in early life.

We should be in earnest and teach our children to respect and obey. How can we expect God to save our children if we continue to use a slipshod method of training in our homes?

"In these last days children are so noted for their disobedience and disrespect that God has especially noticed it, and it constitutes a sign that the end is near."—*Ibid.*, vol. 1, p. 217.



## The Man Who Built a City

By Leslie Hardinge

The camel swayed rhythmically across the desert. Its young rider's mind stretched forward impatiently to a distant city, and an unfinished task. He urged his beast onward at its best pace. The long journey from the king's palace in Persia to the ruined walls and Temple in Jerusalem was nearing its end.

While serving in the king's palace Nehemiah had heard the call of God to serve. Reports of the great need for someone to do something about the conditions in Jerusalem and the land of God moved the young prince to dedicate himself. Realization of need has ever been the call to service. But he was a stranger in a far-away land. His official duties chained him near his king. He prayed for a way out. His very concentration and dejection appeared written across his face. The king sensed an emotional crisis in the mind of his servant, and inquired the nature of the problem. "So I prayed to the God of heaven. And I said unto the king, . . . Send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it." Neh. 2:4, 5.

Across rivers and mountains, deserts and valleys, the young prince rode. "So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days." Verse 11. Watch him by night, with the moon casting a silver sheen over all, exploring the ruin left by Nebuchadnezzar's armies. The very progress of his trip is punctuated by mysterious mileposts: "The dragon well," "the gate of the fountain," "the king's pool." About him was utter desolation. For more than a hundred years the erosion of weather and the crumbling of decay had continued ceaselessly. It was a scene to quench the enthusiasm of any man. But it served only to fire the zeal of

Nehemiah. In the piles of rubble he could discern the possibility of firm foundations. God was calling this young man to fulfill a divine plan. Nehemiah did not quail. Building operations began at once. The flagging zeal of those who had made some beginnings before was roused to great efforts. Even the women helped in building the walls! (Neh. 3:12.)

But the enemies of Israel stirred up opposition. Armies were arrayed against Nehemiah and his faithful band. Propaganda was directed to undermine their morale. The chief propagandist, Tobiah, used all his sarcasm to dishearten. Said he, "Even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall." Neh. 4:3.

#### Nehemiah Calls Upon God

Nehemiah meets this temper-raising crisis with prayer. His soul exclaims, "Hear, O our God." Verse 4. In the Bible there are recorded more prayers by Nehemiah than by any other man before Christ. Thirteen times did this young prince lift his heart to God for comfort, poise, power, and help. There is no crisis for which he did not first ask succor. (Here are the passages; review them to discover the various occasions which called forth prayer: Nehemiah 1:4; 2:4; 4:4, 9; 5:19; 6:9, 14; 9:5; 12:40; 13:14, 22, 29, 31.) It is no wonder after such praying that the walls were rebuilt and a great revival accomplished by the Spirit of the good Lord. "So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work." Neh. 4:6.

But now the greatest danger of all faced Israel. This danger was far more severe than any which might stem from the enemies without. The job was half done. At this point in any task the thrill of beginning has waned. The fever of completion has not begun to make the blood race and the heart rejoice. "The midst of the years," when the sweat and the grind, the discipline and the sacrifice, have to be maintained without the glow of a new venture, is the most difficult.

It is right at this time that Satan attacks. "But it came to pass, that when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, and that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth." Verse 7.

It has never been any different. When the adversary sees progress in building the

### Before the Light Breaks Through

By MARY GUSTAFSON

God sometimes sends the shadow  
Before the light breaks through,  
To give a clearer vision  
Of that He'd have us do.

There are thorns upon the brier,  
But the rose has sweetest scent,  
For the pain we had in getting  
Leaves its essence of content.

When your way is of His making  
He will lead you through the night,  
For He always gives the morning  
To those precious in His sight.



wall and repairing the breach, he stirs up the traditional foes of God's people. These are the troubles and weaknesses and enemies that they failed to destroy when they first entered the Promised Land. These ever remained to harry their journey to the kingdom.

The record continues, "And conspired all of them together to come and to fight

against Jerusalem, and to hinder it." Verse 8. There is only one thing to be done to meet this confederacy of evil. Nehemiah and his friends did that one thing. "Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night." Verse 9. And how they did work! Nehemiah declares, "None of us put off our clothes, saving that

every one put them off for washing." Verse 23.

Can you see these young enthusiasts? They have traveled hundreds of miles to rebuild the city on its ancient foundations and to repair the breaches. Advent youth, God has entrusted us with this job. We must restore the breach in the law of God. We must build upon the ancient foundations.

The enemies attacked Nehemiah and his friends. Their hope was in prayer and watching and working. Can you see them, with a trowel in one hand and a sword in the other, working with unflagging zeal against a relentless and ever-awake enemy? Is it any wonder that they made progress!

The great Master Builder left this word for His band of workmen: "Watch and pray." Nehemiah did just this. First he prayed. His prayer was for inner peace in the face of ridicule and open opposition; for guidance as to conduct; for strength to travel the road and do the tasks which came to hand; for trust in obscurity and for light in darkness.

And the watch Nehemiah maintained would look inward as well as outward. His own heart's needs would be carefully observed; tendencies toward wrong and weakness of every kind accurately marked; "the sin which doth so easily beset" guarded against. The watching would look outward to discern the approach of the enemy as well as the advancing providences of God; to detect the encroachments of compromise and worldliness as well as the almost imperceptible indications of the road spelled out by the "still small voice." This watching would encompass the road already traveled for experience in solving present problems and for advice to detect future mistakes; and it would also look to the road ahead for waymarks of progress and the many pitfalls of distress.

Young man, young woman, how do you watch? How do you pray? How do you work? Are your eyes on the Master Builder and His cause? Are your prayers ever being directed to His throne for help in every time of need? Are you laboring night and day to finish the task and complete the temple, so that "the desire of all nations" may bring His glory into it?

Devotion! Enthusiasm! Consecration! Intercession! Vigilance! These glowing words describe the youth Nehemiah. They point the way to his success under God. Today our Master calls us to work on His temple and to repair His wall. Our prayer should be Habakkuk's, "Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years." Hab. 3:2. May this revival begin in our hearts, Advent youth. The task is nearly done. There is opportunity for all. In spite of the adversaries, God guarantees ultimate success. "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." 1 Thess. 5:24. The Master Builder cannot fail. Rise up and work; the King would enter His temple and garnish His walls.

## A Story for the Children

BY ARTHUR W. SPALDING



True Fairy Stories—4

### Fairy of the Moon

Such a beautiful evening it was, clear and balmy. A light breeze was blowing from the south, bearing the perfume of flowers and all the woodsy things. The full moon rose over the hills, bathing all the land with silvery light.

The twins had been put to bed, and the older children were almost ready to go to slumberland too. With mother and daddy, they were gathered in the living room, to hear daddy's story of a real angel who long ago came out of the heavens to talk to Daniel, a man of God.

Suddenly there came a little light tapping on the windowpane.

"Oh, look!" cried Angela. "There's an angel at the window now!" And Angela ought to know about angels. But did she?

They all went over to see what Angela had called an angel. There, clinging to the windowpane, was just the loveliest creature they had ever seen. A butterfly? No! Something like a butterfly, but larger, with a plump silvery body, feathery antennae, and velvety light-green wings, each one with a many-colored spot like a beautiful eye in the middle. Around all four of the wings ran a purple band, and the two hind wings trailed off into tails three or four times longer than the swallowtail butterfly's. Every once in a while the creature fluttered its wings, drew away, and came back, plumping against the window. It was this that made the tapping sound they had heard.

Almost whispering, mother said, "It's a Luna moth." It was so beautiful it would take your breath away.

"Do you know what 'Luna' means?" asked daddy.

"What?" said all the children at once. "It means 'moon.' So this is the moon moth."

"Did it come from the moon?" asked Elvie.

"Hardly! The moon is more than two hundred thousand miles away, and the Luna moth couldn't fly that far."

"It doesn't look like the moon," George said.

"Doesn't it? Look out on the earth now. It's nighttime, and some nights you can't see anything. But tonight you can. Why?"

"Cause the moon's shining," said George.

"Isn't it beautiful? Soft and silvery light, making a fairyland of all the earth. And out of this fairyland comes our Luna moth, like

the moon, soft and silvery and delicate green. So it reminds us of the moon, and we call it Luna."

"Why doesn't it come in the daytime, so we all can see it?" asked Elvie.

"Yes, the twins," chimed in Angela. "Larry and Lucie would dance. Isn't it wonderful?"

"But then daddy wouldn't be here," said George.

"Well," said daddy, "there's another good reason why it comes only at night. And I think it's a better reason, though I'm thankful to see Luna."

"Well, what?"

"Two or three reasons, but they may all be put in this one: God made the butterflies to work in the daytime, and the moths to work at night."

"Work!" exclaimed Elvie. "I didn't know butterflies and moths work. What do they work at?"

"Everything God has made has a work to do," answered daddy, "butterflies and bees and moths just as much as boys and girls and big folks. They work for a living, but in doing that they help us too. When the butterflies and bees visit the flowers, to get the nectar, which is their food, they gather up some of the pollen that the flowers make, and carry it to other flowers. Flowers have to have pollen to make seed and fruit, and they have to make seed and fruit for us to eat. Some of this pollen is carried by the wind, but some of it has to be carried by the butterflies and bees and moths. The pollen carriers work in shifts. The butterflies and bees have the day shift, and the moths have the night shift."

"And then too," said mother, "the moths escape their enemies better by flying at night. Look at this Luna moth. What a big plump body she has, and what big velvety wings. She is a slow flier and a poor dodger. Butterflies are slender, and they can dodge quickly."

"What do they have to dodge?" asked Elvie.

"Boys and girls," answered George.

"Birds and cats," said mother.

"Why?"

"We'd better sleep on that," said daddy.

"It's a big story. Up to bed now. Good night!"

With a kiss all around, each one said, "Good night! Good night!"

# Rest and Recreation

By H. W. Vollmer, M.D.

"Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest awhile." The desert place to which Jesus invited His disciples was a quiet place amid the scenes of nature, removed from the busy thoroughfare of traffic and crowds of people. It was not a barren place as we think of a desert today. Jesus had experienced the need for times of rest and recreation and had learned where to find them.

The activities of body and mind create a need for rest and recreation. When proper periods for rest and recreation are not provided for, the body is forced to call on its reserve powers. These reserves are for use in meeting emergencies and not for overwork and dissipation, and when drawn on repeatedly without time for restoration, they become depleted, and result in a breakdown in health.

The accumulation of waste products, such as lactic acid, that are formed in the tissues during activity gives a sense of fatigue. This is nature's way of suggesting rest and sleep. The average adult should have eight hours of sleep each night. For many a fifteen-to-thirty-minute period of relaxation during the midday affords refreshment. Little children need at least ten to twelve hours of sleep at night and a rest period during the day. Children should not be too closely confined to the schoolroom and the study of books. For the first eight years of life nature is the best textbook and the best schoolroom. It is well for all from time to time to turn aside from ordinary occupations and daily cares for periods of rest and recreation. Such occasions afford refreshment and restoration for body and mind and enable one to again take up his work with renewed vigor.

In our modern way of life, with the many things to detract, it seems impossible to avail ourselves of all these privileges. However, all may have access to worship and communion with God through prayer and study of His Word. Doubtless many might spend more time in contact with the beautiful things in nature if they would plan for it.

It is the Creator's plan that our work should afford recreation as well as exercise.

"To the dwellers in Eden was committed the care of the garden, 'to dress it and to keep it.' Their occupation was not wearisome, but pleasant and invigorating. God appointed labor as a blessing to man, to occupy his mind, to strengthen his body, and to develop his faculties. In mental and physical activity,

Adam found one of the highest pleasures of his holy existence. And when, as a result of his disobedience, he was driven from his beautiful home, and forced to struggle with a stubborn soil to gain his daily bread, that very labor, although widely different from his pleasant occupation in the garden, was a safeguard against temptation, and a source of happiness."—*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 50.

## A Garden for Recreation

The contact with nature and the God of nature that came through work in the garden—planting, cultivating, and gathering the fruit; and the propagating of new plants, fruits, and flowers—brought a satisfaction that was in turn recreation to the entire being. What a blessing it would be if all might have a garden and orchard for this same purpose as well as to enjoy the fruit therefrom. It is worry and not work that tears down the life forces and creates a need for recreation in the sense in which we ordinarily think of recreation. There is a very intimate connection between the mind and the body. The health of the body is to a large extent affected by the mental attitude toward the problems of life. Many are passing the sickness of their mind and their soul to their body. Writers of both ancient and modern times recognize this truth.

Dr. Samuel McComb, of Boston, has truly said:

"It is high time for the minister to realize that man is not a soul without a body, and it is also high time for the physician to realize that man is not a body without a soul."

## Ten Times as Efficient

About one hundred years ago Professor Henry hung an ordinary large magnet from a rafter. It lifted a few hundred pounds of iron. When he wrapped the magnet with wire and charged it with battery current, the magnet lifted three thousand pounds.

So it is with people. It is estimated that we use only one tenth of our powers. Those who "charge" their minds with facts, knowledge, faith and sincerity will multiply their everyday powers and place themselves as far ahead of the average as Professor Henry's charged magnet was ahead of the ordinary one.—*Selected*.

"Sickness of the mind prevails everywhere. Nine tenths of the diseases from which men suffer have their foundation here."—*Counsels on Health*, p. 324.

A right philosophy of life and a wholesome sense of humor will go a long way in helping us to meet life's problems and disappointments with a minimum of wear and tear on life's forces. If we have a right philosophy of life, we will not be unduly disturbed by those things which annoy. Just make sure that you are relating yourself to the problem in the right way and are acting wisely to the best of your ability.

We need to guard carefully the avenues of the soul. We may accomplish this through wholesome reading and by prayer, Bible study, and the study of God's handiwork. All will serve to create a greater desire for the best in life.

"Just to the degree in which the word of God is received and obeyed, will it impress with its potency and touch with its life every spring of action, every phase of character. It will purify every thought, regulate every desire. Those who make God's word their trust will quit themselves like men and be strong. They will rise above all baser things into an atmosphere free from defilement."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 136.

## Recreation in Service

Jesus said, "I am among you as he that serveth." There is real recreation in service. The Bible teaches the truth that doing good to others affords recreation. "Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward." Isa. 58:8. "The pleasure of doing good to others imparts a glow to the feelings which flashes through the nerves, quickens the circulation of the blood, and induces mental and physical health."—*Testimonies*, vol. 4, p. 56.

Those doing mental work will find recreation in some kind of physical activity, whereas those who are engaged in physical work will find their recreation in some form of mental diversion. Often a temporary change in occupation will serve as recreation far more than a vacation without a definite aim in mind or time spent in aimless sight-seeing.

## Real Purpose of Recreation

In planning for our recreation we should keep in mind the real purpose of recreation and our need for recreation. Recreation that is not planned for with this in mind will often result in mere selfish pleasure seeking.

Parents should provide opportunities for recreation for their children right at home. Such well-planned seasons will serve as a safeguard against the forming of wrong associations and tend to stem the tide of delinquency. Families and church groups, more often than they

do, might profitably provide for occasions when busy cares are put aside and wholesome recreation is enjoyed.

On such occasions wholesome games may afford relaxation, but they should not be of such an exciting nature, nor should competition be so keen that the benefits to be derived are lost. Any form of amusement that tends to make us "lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God" is not wholesome recreation. We do well on such occasions to be on our guard, so that our recreation and our food are in harmony with the principles we profess.

We should keep in mind these words of admonition: "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Cor. 10:31. Obedience to God's law and consecration will bring recreation in its truest sense.

"All who consecrate body, soul, and spirit to His service will be constantly receiving a new endowment of physical, mental, and spiritual power. The inexhaustible supplies of heaven are at their command. Christ gives them the breath

of His own Spirit, the life of His own life."—*Ministry of Healing*, p. 159.

We must seek this experience for ourselves.

"All who are under the training of God need the quiet hour for communion with their own hearts, with nature, and with God. In them is to be revealed a life that is not in harmony with the world, its customs, or its practises; and they need to have a personal experience in obtaining a knowledge of the will of God. We must individually hear Him speaking to the heart. When every other voice is hushed, and in quietness we wait before Him, the silence of the soul makes more distinct the voice of God. He bids us, 'Be still, and know that I am God.' This is the effectual preparation for all labor for God. Amidst the hurrying throng, and the strain of life's intense activities, he who is thus refreshed, will be surrounded with an atmosphere of light and peace. He will receive a new endowment of both physical and mental strength. His life will breathe out a fragrance, and will reveal a divine power that will reach men's hearts."—*Ibid.*, p. 58.

## Questions From Youth

ANSWERED BY ARCH A. O. DART



### Drive-in Theaters Versus TV

*My father, who is not a member of the church, tries to get mother and me to go with him occasionally to a movie for a little diversion. He argues that going to a drive-in, where we are all together as a family, is no different from staying at home and watching the television. Some of the same pictures given at the drive-in are also shown on the TV. Just how can I answer him when really I can't see much difference myself?*

The main difference between attending a drive-in theater and watching a television in your own home is that you can control one, and the other you cannot. If you go to a drive-in to see a certain picture, you see other pictures besides the one you went to see, or the advertisement may have been misleading. That which you thought was to be a historical sketch or a worth-while scene turns out to be a murder plot, or a love triangle. Perhaps the music is degrading. In the drive-in you have no choice, but with your own television it is different. When one program is bad you can switch to another channel, or cut it off entirely.

If a program is bad, it is bad no matter whether seen on TV or in a drive-in. In judging a program on television we apply the same standards we use in making any other decision in life. Is it in harmony with the Ten Commandments and the life of Jesus? The Decalogue is the one and only safe and sure measuring rod mortal man can use. It is not necessary to watch the program from beginning to end before coming to a decision. No one eats every morsel

of a bad egg before coming to the conclusion that it is spoiled.

If a picture is built around the breaking of one or more of the Ten Commandments of God, it is bad. Sin is not amusing. Transgression of the law is not entertaining to the Christian. Would it amuse me to hear someone curse my mother? Could I be entertained by seeing someone mistreat her? Perish the thought! Even the idea of such a thing is repugnant, for I love her and cannot bear to see her made unhappy. When I love God I cannot bear to see Him made unhappy. Do I enjoy seeing a fight? Am I entertained by murder? Do anger, hatred, malice, envy, lust, adultery, robbery, deceit, hold a fascination for me? If they do, I had better fall on my knees immediately and pray that God will give me a new heart, for no one can love God and be entertained with sin.

The movies show a complete disregard for the commandments, especially the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth. The more they are broken, the "better" the program. Some comedies, so called, trample the third and the fifth commandments into the dust. Cursing, using the sacred name of God in jest, showing disrespect to parents, or contempt for law and order, is never funny; it is sacrilegious. No program that shows disrespect for the Ten Commandments can be entertaining to the Christian, whether seen over TV or anywhere else. Better avoid drive-ins and use consecrated judgment in controlling the knob of your TV set.

## Thinking God's Thoughts After Him

By R. L. Klingbeil

Sabbathkeeping can be successful only when we follow in the footsteps of the great God, think His thoughts after Him, and imitate His acts. Let us try to understand more fully the profound meaning of God's holy day of rest.

In creating the world God was giving expression not only to His infinite power but also to the urge of divine love, to share with others what He possessed. His heart leaped for joy as He designed, balanced, and wondrously furnished the swiftly moving orbs of space. Was He not sharing with others His own happiness?

Angels who reflect the Creator's image also shouted with unfeigned joy as they contemplated additional opportunities for mutual happiness.

This I conceive to be one purpose of the blessed Sabbath. On the seventh day of creation week God gave this holy day to the representatives of the human family. They were instructed that the Sabbath, which closes the weekly cycle, was dedicated to the happiness of all men, who are created equal in their right to life and happiness.

Never can this equality be more highly exalted than when we go out, like God, to bless both the righteous and the unrighteous in deeds of love. Let us keep the Sabbath holy by imitating the Creator's example, and ever spread joy by sharing our faith, sympathy, and possessions. Let us perpetuate the dedication of this holy day in our lives by devoting our energies to the welfare of others and thus thinking God's thoughts after Him.

Our Sabbathkeeping will also be refreshing if we, like God, take breath when viewing the endless wonders He has made.

But there is another purpose in Sabbathkeeping. It is the spiritual purpose. But this purpose is not fully understood. The creative work concluded, God could have bade farewell to our world and its creatures. He remained with us, however, one more day, to engage in spiritual communion with those created in His image. God rejoiced over us. "He will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing." In doing so He awakened in the heart of His children a love akin to His own. It was a friendship of the noblest kind, intended forever to keep man from falling to the level of the brute.

To the material-minded of our age the Sabbath seems but an annoying interruption or pause in the merry-go-round of pleasure seeking and sensual living. God reminds us that man does "not live by bread alone." Communion, is man's noblest activity.

May we all resolve to think God's thoughts after Him, and thus experience the blessing He has for us on the Sabbath day.

# Opening of the London Campaign

By W. W. Armstrong

We are happy to report a most gratifying beginning for the London evangelistic endeavor Sunday, September 21. In fact, we could say the opening success was phenomenal and beyond our dreams.

Since G. E. Vandeman and his family arrived, now nearly two months ago, there has been a growing solid interest, and in consequence our plans have had to expand. Our first intention was to fill the beautiful Coliseum every Sunday with 2,500 people. Then as the interest deepened it was necessary to plan for two services. Within forty-eight hours of our planning, the applications for reserved seats showed us it would be wise to conduct three services, at 4:30 P.M., 6:30 P.M., and 8 P.M.

As we approached the theater at 3 P.M. on the opening Sunday, hundreds were already queueing. By the opening time about seven thousand people had gath-

ered. Extra police were called to control the crowds, and some unpleasantness from a minority group occurred when it was realized that only a portion could get in. Nevertheless many queued for the second session and waited for hours. The theater was full for the second and third time to hear the appealing and powerful address given by G. E. Vandeman and also to hear Ben Glanzer as he sang his solos and led the mixed choir of 150 voices.

Screen pictures of distant suns and worlds were shown as a prelude to the speaker, captivating his audiences with a description of the might and wisdom of God, who controls with marvelous precision the intricate movements of the heavenly bodies. The great audiences were hushed into almost breathless silence as a strong appeal was made to all to be acquainted with their God. As one ob-

served these thousands from all ranks of life one could not but feel that the new hope being presented was driving out the specter of fear and bringing the blessed gift of peace to many.

At the back of the big revolving stage many newspaper reporters were giving the speaker and his associates no rest between the services. Every day this week there has been a steady stream of telephone calls and visits to obtain more and more information. Although some of the matter publicized has been a little confused and inaccurate, it has given us a prominence that our funds could never have bought. In order to bring the truth to nine million people in one city, something in the nature of a "shock" had to be administered, but which would be pleasing and satisfying in its aftereffects. For this we prayed, and the answer has come in a most unexpected way. The "wealth of the Gentiles flowing in" need not necessarily be in the form of cash. It can be in the form of "cold print." We are serving a God who can do for us "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." Keep London on your heart and in your prayers.



Partial View of the Coliseum on the First Sunday Night of the London Evangelistic Campaign



# EDITORIALS



## Are You in the Faith?

We hear a great deal about the dangers of introspection, and we are told to forget ourselves, but God's command is "Examine yourselves."

Self-examination is a very important need in Christian growth. This is not to be an aimless brooding over human weaknesses, which may be disastrous to the development of character. It is a work with a purpose. The Scripture says, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." 2 Cor. 13:5.

It is much better to prove or judge ourselves than it is to judge others. That is a work we are not called upon to do. Rather than spend time in examining the mistakes of others, we should use that time in looking over our own life in the light of the faith that we profess.

The guide to self-examination then is *the faith*. This is the mirror into which we should look periodically to see how we compare to the profession we make.

Each morning before going forth to the work of the day we examine ourselves in the looking glass. Then we make the alterations in our appearance that are called for by certain standards. If that is so necessary to do, should we not feel the need of seeing how we appear in the light of the faith we hold?

### Take Time for Reflection

This is not to be merely a cursory look that we give ourselves frequently. It is a more deliberate and purposeful examination that we should enter into at certain intervals. Who shall say how frequent they should be? Surely they should not be attempted in the hurry of meeting morning appointments. We should find a time when we can be alone over a sufficient period that the work will be effective. The morning and evening sessions with God are most important, but this is a longer time, perhaps, when we can review the fundamentals of our faith and the standards reflecting that faith, and under the illumination of the Holy Spirit see how we meet those requirements.

The Ephesus church was at first a pure church, but something happened, and God had to write, "I have somewhat against thee because thou hast lost thy first love." Then He counseled, "Remember therefore from whence thou hast fallen, and repent, and do the first works." Rev. 2:5.

The trouble with this period of the church was, they did not take time to "examine" themselves, to see whether they were still clinging to "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" or were rather getting farther and farther away from it.

If they had only stopped to "remember" and "examine" how far short they were from their first works, the history of that church would have been different.

The Ephesus church had lost its first love. They were told to go back and find out where it had been lost. They waited too long to do this, and complete apostasy came in.

The sooner a person searches for a lost object, the more likely he is to find it. When one drifts along with the tendencies of the times, without thought of the way he is going, he may be turning farther and farther away from the point of his first love and first works.

This was the experience of the early church, and this is the way it happens in our personal experience. First we lose our ardor, then we lose our perception of truth, and before we know it, we have departed from the very faith which we profess.

How important it is, then, that we heed these admonitions of the Lord. "Examine yourselves." "Prove your own selves." "Remember . . . from whence thou hast fallen." "Do the first works." These are words every Seventh-day Adventist should take to heart.

### Beware Lest You Depart

We have been told that a departure will take place in the last days, even among the professed remnant people of God. Some will drift so far away from the original faith of the Advent believers that they will someday find themselves out among the people of the world. Of this we read:

"Those who have yielded step by step to worldly demands, and conformed to worldly customs, will then yield to the powers that be."—*Prophets and Kings*, p. 188.

"As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message . . . abandon their position, and join the ranks of the opposition. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they have come to view matters in nearly the same light."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 608.

We are admonished:

"All who value their eternal interests should be on their guard against the inroads of skepticism. The very pillars of truth will be assailed."—*Ibid.*, p. 600.

"None but those who have fortified the mind with the truths of the Bible will stand through the last great conflict."—*Ibid.*, pp. 593, 594.

Brother, sister, how do you stand in the light of the faith which you profess and the living standards reflected in that faith? This is a question every one of us needs to consider in sincerity and in truth.

F. L.

### Humanity Hailed as God—3

## Deceptive Character of Spiritualism—Part 2

The false doctrine of Spiritualism is founded upon the equally false doctrine of soul immortality. There is a widespread belief that man has an immortal soul that survives the body at death. If we assume this, it is not difficult to accept the belief in communication with departed spirits.

Spiritualists point to the phenomenon of spirit forms returning with messages from the occult world to prove that the dead are not dead. They do not find it difficult to make converts, but rely upon what is known as super-sensory experience in the practice of their religion. They do not walk by faith. They walk by sight.

We recently received a letter from a well-known Spiritualist editor who is acquainted with the Adventist position on the state of the dead. He knows that we attribute the work of the spirits of Spiritualism to the great deceiver. He said, "If the only stand that you can take is your interpretation of Bible passages, you would not have a chance as compared with statements made by me

after years of experience in the séance room. You would charge and supercharge, but unless you attended the same séance with me, you wouldn't have a leg to stand upon. If you think that the dead cannot return and prove their identity, then my dear sir, wait until you are dead and see."

Now, we do not expect to die right away, but if we do, we know from a reverent study of the Scriptures that we will not become a spirit when we die. However, we do not intend to wait until we are dead to learn the truth about the state of the dead. It would be too late then. The Bible declares that "the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing. . . . Their love, and their hatred, and their enmity, is now perished." Eccl. 9:5, 6.

The shadowy spirits of "the dead," floating trumpets echoing with familiar voices, mysteriously moving objects on ouija boards, tipping tables, ghostly materializations, and other eerie phenomena have convinced thousands that Spiritualism speaks with authority, but they can never influence the Christian whose faith is founded upon the Scripture, which declares, "The dead know not any thing." The dead may falsely be given credit for the acts of intelligent spirits, but the Scriptures declare that the dead are dead until the resurrection morning, and the resurrection morning is still future. Whoever are posing as the spirits of departed loved ones returning to speak in the séance rooms, are misrepresenting the facts. They are not loved ones at all. They are the spirits of devils.

#### Making Light of Spiritualistic Phenomena

Those who make light of the claims of Spiritualists do not know what they are talking about. There is considerable trickery in the séance room, to be sure. Spiritualism has its frauds and its impostors, but it is utterly impossible to explain certain manifestations at séances unless we give credit to supernatural forces.

## Others Have Said



It's amazing the heights a man can attain by remaining on the level.—*Hoard's Dairyman*.

Willingness without action is like a cloud without rain; there may be lots of thunder and lightning, but no parched ground is watered.—*O. B. Blackledge*.

For adult education nothing beats children.—*Banking*.

It is not only the IQ, but the I WILL which is important in education.—*Ogden Reporter*.

We have committed the Golden Rule to memory; let's now commit it to life.—*Franklin Field*.

How quiet it would be in this world if one could silence slanderers.—*Antonin Viguer*.

A smile is a light in the window of the face which shows that the heart is at home.—*Ensign News*.

A great speech is measured by its depth—not its length.—*Banking*.

That all of us should think alike is unthinkable, but it would help a lot if all of us would just think.—*Nuggets*.

When we let others take over a job we should do ourselves, we hand over one of the great joys of living—the satisfaction of personal accomplishment.—*Frank W. Abrams*.

Whoever you are, there is some younger person who thinks you are perfect.—*Rota Pilot*.

Our reason for discussing Spiritualism in the columns of the REVIEW is to warn our people against this deception and to help prevent, as far as we can, its dissemination by encouraging a widespread teaching of the truth concerning immortality only in Christ.

We refuse to enter into any form of debate with Spiritualists over this question. It would be presumptuous for us to bring a railing accusation against the spirits. The Lord must rebuke the lying spirits of Spiritualism as He rebuked Satan when he was contending over the body of Moses. We would advise against any adventuresome inquiries of spirit mediums in an effort to discover whether or not there is anything to their claims. Such consultations would be sheer presumption.

The strongest of human personalities are no match for the spirits of devils, and we had better face the facts. Our Lord Jesus Christ is a match for the enemies of truth and uprightness, and if we are brought into circumstances where we must face the enemy, He will be with us and give us the victory, but He has not promised to go with us when we deliberately go to forbidden places. An early minister of the church scoffed at similar warnings from God, and became a confirmed Spiritualist. Remember Moses Hull. (See *Testimonies*, vol. 1, pp. 426-437; *The Great Controversy*, pp. 558, 559.)

The subject is important to us because of the growing power of Spiritualism, which is to challenge the truth of God in the final struggle of the church. Writing with prophetic foresight, Mrs. E. G. White said, "Except those who are kept by the power of God, through faith in His word, the whole world will be swept into the ranks of this delusion."—*The Great Controversy*, p. 562. We are beginning to see how this prophecy can be fulfilled.

An investigation of the so-called Declaration of Principles of the Spiritualist movement reveals at once that both Catholics and Protestants may join one of the cults and still retain many of their former concepts of religion. But a wholesale withdrawal from the established church bodies of Christendom is not likely, though many will become out-and-out Spiritualists as time goes on.

Doubtless the greatest influence exerted by Spiritualism will be felt within the ranks of the Catholic and Protestant churches themselves. One may be a Spiritualist in belief and still belong to the established churches. One prominent Spiritualist estimated that as many as one half of all Protestants and Catholics believe in the Spiritualist concept of communication with the dead. (See REVIEW of September 25.)

At the present time, interest in Spiritualism is increasing. Ministers of numerous Protestant churches have openly avowed their faith in what they call "immortality" and communication with the dead. We know that we are not far from that crisis hour when the prophecy will be fulfilled about which we have read for years:

"Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of Spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of Spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience. . . .

"Papists, who boast of miracles as a certain sign of the true church, will be readily deceived by this wonder-working power; and Protestants, having cast away the shield of truth, will also be deluded. Papists, Protestants, and worldlings will alike accept the form of godliness without the power, and they will see in this union a grand movement for the conversion of the world, and the ushering in of the long-expected millennium."—*Ibid.*, pp. 588, 589.

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# News From the World Field

## Religious Liberty in Italy Threatened

By Alvin W. Johnson, *Secretary*  
*Religious Liberty Department, General Conference*

John the revelator tells us that "the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed." Rev. 12:17. Evidences of the fulfillment of this prophecy are apparent in different parts of the world.

Some time ago two of our churches were closed in Sicily. Officials of the Italian Government were endeavoring to close a third, this one in Italy proper. Their attempts to close this third church have been abandoned, at least for the present. The closing of churches has not been confined to Seventh-day Adventist churches alone, but the Italian Government has closed a Baptist church, a Waldensian church, and between fifteen and twenty Pentecostal churches. A number of Pentecostal ministers have been imprisoned; one spent nine days in jail recently for preaching without a "permit." Police have forbidden Pentecostal evangelists to enter certain communities. Reports of acts of physical violence in holding evangelistic efforts have been mounting steadily in recent months.

More recently, according to an Associated Press report, an order has been issued by the Italian Government closing twenty-one churches, or all the churches operated in Italy by the American Church of Christ. These churches are all in, or in close proximity to, the city of Rome.

The feeling exists among many of the people in Italy that the closing of these Protestant churches is a sort of trial balloon, which may serve as a guide for the future. If the closing of these churches proves successful, it is anticipated other orders will follow closing additional churches in an effort to stamp out Protestantism in Italy, a program similar to that announced in Spain and in other countries.

Despite efforts that have been put forth by the various denominations concerned to reopen these churches, as well as by others interested in the cause of religious liberty, they still remain closed. Technically these churches have been closed by the government on the basis that they do not have a permit authorizing their existence. But when a permit is requested for a church to be organized,

such permission is invariably refused by the government; hence it is impossible to comply with the law.

The Lateran Pact entered into by Mussolini and the Vatican in 1929, which resulted in establishing the state of Vatican City, virtually recognized the *status quo* so far as churches and religious communities in Italy were concerned. In laws adopted by the Italian Government subsequent to the Lateran Pact and to help implement that document, is the stipulation that a church must secure a permit from the government authorizing its existence.

This law is variously interpreted in different communities by different government officials as to its precise meaning. In some instances the statute is interpreted to mean that a permit must be secured before a local church building may be erected. In other instances it is interpreted by the local officials to mean that permits must be secured before a local congregation may meet for the purpose of worship whether in a rented hall, in a chapel of its own, or even in a private home. Requests for such permits are invariably denied. Reasons for such denial, if any are given, are frequently that either the congregation is not of sufficient size, or, if a permit is sought for the construction of a chapel, it fails to qualify.

This denial of religious liberty is being made despite some very laudable statements that appear in the newly



## Extending the Message in Cuba

All the workers and a large number of the laity in the East and West Cuba conferences met in general meeting at the Colegio Antillano in Santa Clara, Cuba, August 12-17, 1952.

In addition to these representatives of our message in Cuba, C. O. Franz and his staff of Antillian Union workers were present; also, E. J. Lorntz, from the General Conference; Braulio Perez, of the Spanish Voice of Prophecy; and L. L. Reile and Arthur H. Roth, of the Inter-American Division.

The main purpose of this gathering was for the consideration of soul-winning objectives, plans for the evangelization of Cuba, and the spiritual preparation necessary for

such a work. At the time of the General Conference session held in San Francisco in 1950 there were 3,750 Adventists on the island of Cuba. The Advent people of Cuba have consecrated their hearts and energies to the task of bringing the membership on their island to 7,500 by the time of the General Conference in 1954. Surely God will reward the work and prayers of our Cuban brethren as they strive to build up the Advent cause on their island. They have asked that those who pray for world missions please remember the message in Cuba when voices turn heavenward.

ARTHUR H. ROTH,  
*Secretary, Inter-American Division.*

framed constitution of the Republic of Italy approved by the Constituent Assembly on December 22, 1947, and effective on the first day of January, 1948.

For example, Article VIII stipulates that "all religious confessions are equally free under the law.

"Religious confessions other than Catholic have the right to organize themselves according to their own statutes in so far as they are not at variance with the Italian legal system.

"In accordance with the law, their relations with the State are regulated on the basis of agreements with their respective representatives."

Article XIX specifies: "All persons have the right freely to profess their own religious faith, in any individual or collective form, to proselytize on its behalf, and to perform in private and in public acts of worship, provided the rites are not contrary to public morals."

Although the Constitution gives the Catholic Church a priority status, certainly Articles VIII and XIX in particular grant to all churches in Italy religious liberty so far at least as paper guarantees are concerned. But, as one high government official remarked to the writer in commenting upon these constitutional provisions, "These constitutional stipulations have little meaning and are largely empty words."

In the light of these constitutional guarantees and the commitments made by government officials, it is evident that the realities are quite different from the fine-sounding phrases that appear on paper. The practical aspects of this matter are recognized by Protestants in Italy today.

Businessmen, financial leaders, and not a few government officials deplore the efforts in Italy to deny religious liberty. This element is obviously a minority group but is endeavoring to make itself heard. Men of that spirit are not unmindful of the opposition. We must pray that their voice will be heard in Italy.

#### Progress in Spite of Handicaps

But despite the problems and difficulties that surround our work it is marvelous to see how the third angel's message is growing in Italy. The writer recalls very vividly visiting Rome twenty-seven years ago, when it was reported that there was one woman who had recently accepted the truth in the city of Rome. She is still a faithful member. But today we have a representative church of nearly a hundred members on the banks of the historic Tiber River, only a short distance from the Vatican. Today the Italian Union Mission has a membership of more than two thousand baptized church members.

An energetic and consecrated group of workers under the excellent leadership of L. Beer, the president of the union, is giving direction to our work. God is

blessing their endeavors. Down in Sicily, where our two churches have been closed, our members are by no means discouraged, and our work is going forward. Our workers are alive with the message. Though our people in Italy are greatly in need of chapels and meeting places, in Messina, as in a number of other places in Italy, we have a beautiful representative church with a fine congregation.

Our school, Villa Aurora, an excellent institution in a beautiful location in a suburb of Florence, is indeed the dawn of a new day for our people and our work in Italy. It is a place where our young people may become rooted and established in the principles of God's Word and where workers may be trained and prepared to have a part in the proclamation of the gospel story. A loyal student body under the instruction of a scholarly and consecrated faculty are availing themselves of the opportunities that are theirs and are diligently preparing themselves for a part in God's closing work. Certainly the Italian Training School is a real asset to our work.

Likewise our publishing work is making a new emphasis. Our colporteurs

have long been active in carrying the printed page from door to door. They serve as the vanguard of our work.

Especially significant is the way our lay workers have addressed themselves to the task of carrying the story of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Saviour to their neighbors. Our workers in Italy are few; their means are limited, but every church member is a working member. It is a most thrilling experience to attend these lay meetings and listen to the reports that come in from the different members telling how, apart from their regular employment, they are busy giving Bible studies, passing out literature, and holding public meetings wherever possible. One such report told how thirty members were brought in and baptized into the church last year through the efforts of one lay brother and his good wife.

In Italy, despite the difficulties that confront our people, God's work is growing and His Word is being multiplied. The honest in heart are being sought out and are turning to the light. Our Italian brethren solicit our prayers in behalf of their needy work.

## Bolivia Training School

By R. V. Vinglas, *Principal*

In the last four years Bolivia Training School has gone through many changes. In 1949 it was removed from its former location near Karcajes, where it had functioned for eighteen years, to a farm at Vinto, about twelve miles from Cochabamba, the second city of Bolivia. Since then a completely new plant has been constructed. Three years ago there was only an old house on the school property. Now there are three fine new brick buildings: a boys' dormitory; a girls' dormitory in which are also three apartments for teachers and, temporarily, a library and four classrooms; and a third building, which houses chapel, director's and treasurer's offices, dining room, kitchen, and a teacher's apartment. The new school plant is a credit to the denomination.

The water tower and tank were completed last year, so that now there is running water in the students' dormitories and teachers' apartments. The school also has a small electric power plant, which furnishes lights to all buildings.

On February 4, 1952, Bolivia Training School opened its fourth year at the new location, with 96 students—78 in the secondary grades and 18 in the primary grades. In previous years all the students have come from our Indian churches of the Bolivian Altiplano. This year there are 20 students representing

the capital city of Bolivia and five other towns.

The school is favorably known throughout Bolivia, not only by members of our own churches but also by those of other denominations. The school has aroused a lively interest among well-educated people. Many teachers and other officials have visited it, and have received the best impressions of the work we are doing here.

The progress of our school has also favorably impressed the educational authorities of the Bolivian Government. Last year, for the first time, our students sat for final examinations before examiners named by the head of the educational department of Cochabamba. Shortly before this our school was inspected by the inspector of the secondary schools of Cochabamba, who visited all classes and was so favorably impressed that he reported to the head of the educational department that our school is functioning in excellent condition and the work of the teachers is efficient.

After his visit the inspector gave a chapel talk especially stressing the differences between our school and other schools. Having seen and talked with our students, who do not smoke or have the habits of worldly-minded students, he compared our school with an oasis in the desert of the world.

A few weeks later the head of the edu-



cational department of Cochabamba, with his family, came out to see our school. They spent the entire afternoon here, going from room to room. Before they left, the official told us that our school is one of the best in Bolivia.

In June of this year our school was given official recognition, with a supreme decree signed by the president of the Republic of Bolivia. For years it had been our desire that the certificates of scholarship we issued to our students could have the same value as the certificates of the state schools. This official decree has fulfilled our desire. Now we have a school with fully accredited primary and secondary courses that have the same value as those of the state schools.

How the longfelt need to get official recognition for our school was realized reveals the intervention and the guiding hand of the Lord. Having fulfilled all conditions required by law concerning the recognition of private secondary schools, we had presented our request in October of 1951. In January of 1952 the government decree to grant official recognition to our school was drafted, but the minister of education was not ready to sign it. Months passed, with no signs that the minister would change his mind. Then suddenly, in April of 1952, a revolution swept over the country, and the president and all his ministers were put out of office. After the revolution was over, we had to start anew with the procedures for official recognition, since nobody knew where our petition with the unsigned decree had lodged. Being convinced that the recognition of our school was a necessity for our students, we presented a new petition; and our venture in faith came to fruition in one week, when the new president and the minister of education signed the official decree of recognition. We feel that the Lord worked in our behalf in this important matter.

We have many reasons to be thankful to God for His leading and protecting care during these pioneering years in this new place.

## Operation Evangelism

### A Soul-winning Plan

By J. Ernest Edwards

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**PROJECT.**—Launch lay offensives in every community this autumn. Plan simultaneous campaign of evangelism this autumn and winter. Visit every home with the message, gaining beachheads in new territory. Open closed churches in the rural areas of the United States and Canada. In its survey, the American Mission for Opening Closed Churches found that today there are sixty thousand closed churches in America, most of them in rural areas.

These empty and desolate churches that once resounded with songs of praise to God present a marvelous opportunity for our trained lay evangelists, armed with the Bible and a projector. Meet the challenge of these closed churches by planning an effort this fall.

**STRATEGY.**—Staff council of church officers map strategy for advance into new territory: literature barrage, spearhead attack, visitation commandos blanket homes with *Survival Through Faith*. Tactical use of welfare approach, efforts for children, softening up through the Bible correspondence course, and invasion with projectors.

**ORDERS.**—Advance into new territory!

**COMMANDANT.**—Christ, our heavenly Commander, heads the united laymen's advance.

**COMPANIES.**—Thousands of teams of commandos, armed with the Bible, tracts, and the Bible course enrollment cards find openings. Squads with projectors then take over.

**CAPTAINS.**—Pastors and district leaders plan, direct, and follow through the evangelistic strategy outlined for successful invasion of unentered dark counties and visitation campaign to reach every individual.

**CALL FOR RECRUITS.**—Enlist every-

one, young and old, to carry truth into enemy territory—towns never entered with Bible message. Remember victory ahead. Memorials will be established in every village if we advance under Christ.

**COMMISSIONING.**—November 1 is Witnessing Laymen's Sabbath. Reports will be received from visitation teams and projector squads will determine to progress toward the objective, "A doubled membership by 1954." The climax is a commission service and the presentation of the "120" emblem.

## Adventist Dentists Hold Annual Meeting

By J. A. Buckwalter

*Executive Secretary, C.M.E. Fund-raising Committee, General Conference*

The annual meeting of the National Association of S.D.A. Dentists (NASDAD), held at the Hotel De Soto in St. Louis, Missouri, September 5-7, was a successful and inspiring occasion. This splendid group of Adventist dentists and their wives are a wonderful asset to the church and to the cause of God. The meeting was marked with a spirit of fellowship, consecration, and sacrifice.

Dr. Gerald A. Mitchell, of Atlanta, Georgia, has taken the lead among NASDAD members in raising funds for the new dental college at Loma Linda. Dr. W. Ross Stromberg, president of NASDAD and associate dean of the new dental college, called upon all the members to support the new dental school project with a minimum contribution of \$1,500 each to the fund-raising program. The wide and strengthening influence of Dr. Webster Prince, dean-elect of the dental school, was felt by all.

After the president's address Doctors Teters and Guenther and others gave excellent speeches in support of the fund-raising program. Ralph E. Crawford and Carl Sundin gave much encouragement to the group.

Immediately following a few remarks by the writer, Carl Sundin called for the pledge cards to be handed out. For a few moments practically everyone was busy writing. All who had previously pledged and all new donors were asked to sign, in order that those present might hear the total sum they had invested in the C.M.E. fund-raising program.

Twenty-four new pledges were received, totaling \$35,000. Four doctors increased their former pledges, which added another \$3,415 to the total. This \$38,415, added to the \$30,385 previously pledged by the group, made a grand total of \$68,800 pledged by forty-seven of the sixty who were in attendance. A number of checks were received as initial payments on the pledges made.

If this is a sample of the spirit of consecration and achievement to be found



Students and Teachers of the Bolivia Training School, Cochabamba, Bolivia, 1952

among our physicians and dentists everywhere, then indeed we may look forward to a most successful culmination of this dream of progress.

Dr. Walter Dorn, vice-president of NASDAD, was the capable master of ceremonies at the rally. All were conscious of the efficient work of the secretary-treasurer, Dr. Franklyn C. Nelson.

The names of those who contributed to the success of this fellowship meeting are too numerous to mention. One and all seemed to radiate the fine Christian spirit of the Advent message. We pay tribute to the consecrated, sacrificing spirit of NASDAD.

## The Davis Indian Work

By R. E. Delafield

August 13 was an important day in the British Guiana Mission. On this day Elder and Mrs. R. E. Brooks, after fourteen years of service among the Davis Indians in the hinterland of British Guiana, returned to civilization. It was on August 10, 1938, following days of intensive travel through the jungles that Elder and Mrs. Brooks and another faithful worker family reached their destination at the Paruima Indian Mission, almost four hundred miles in the interior of British Guiana. The Brookses were accompanied by their children, and how thrilling it is to hear Elder Brooks tell how they endured the rigors and hardships of jungle travel to reach their destination.

Now Elder and Mrs. Brooks are back. Elder Brooks will serve as the assistant pastor of the churches in the Georgetown district. He has left more than six hundred members in the five churches of the Indian mission. About eighty of these live on the border of British Guiana, actually at Santa Elena, Venezuela, but the only way these Indians have been able to receive instruction was from our faithful native Indian lay preachers. N. A. Premdas will now be in charge of our work there, and assume the mantle of leadership among the famous Davis Indians. Under the General Conference double-the-membership plan, our goal for souls in our Indian missions is one thousand.

It is amazing how these dear Indian people, actually living in raw heathenism,

are won to the gospel of Christ. Elder Premdas has a burden on his heart to enter the six or seven remaining tribes of native Indians who have not as yet been reached with the truths of the third angel's message. Pray for the work among the Indians in British Guiana.

## A Visit to Paraguay

By Frank L. Baer

Manager, Buenos Aires Publishing House

I am writing these lines from the picturesque capital city of Asunción, Paraguay, where it has been my privilege to spend several days with the brethren of the Paraguay Mission. Many years have passed since it was possible for the publishing house at Buenos Aires to send its manager to visit this country and to observe firsthand the literature sales potentials that are here.

Years ago, long before the days of Latin-American independence from Spain, the city of Asunción was the glamorous capital of Spanish culture and rule in the southern part of the continent of South America. The galleons of Spain sailed proudly past the little stockade settlement on the western bank of the Río de la Plata (river of silver) that has now grown into the modern sprawling metropolis of Buenos Aires, and after many days of sailing up the tranquil stretches of the Paraná and Paraguay rivers, they would finally drop anchor in the harbor of Asunción.

With the advent of the revolutionary movement that culminated in the liberation of the South American colonies from Spanish rule, the glory of Asunción began to wane. However, today it was my privilege to witness parades and other civic demonstrations in memory of the founding of the city of Asunción in 1538. Much of the pride and ancient glory was again revived, and the indomitable spirit of the Paraguayans was again made evident.

Through the years the Seventh-day Adventist work in Paraguay has suffered the effects of ebb and flow. Our membership has increased, and then again we have seen it dwindle and the light almost flicker out. In years gone by the country has been torn by revolution and strife. But

today one finds the picture somewhat changed. The present government is making a sincere attempt to better the living conditions of its citizens. Asunción is beginning to shake off its lethargic indifference. The city is being treated to a face lifting. New and modern buildings are beginning to appear here and there. Great emphasis is being placed on better schools and education for the masses. We are happy to report that this spirit of progress is also being reflected in the advance of the third angel's message in this land of opportunity.

From time to time we have had workers stationed in Asunción and in other cities and towns of the interior, but our work had never really been placed on a stable footing until the Paraguay Mission was organized five years ago. With the coming of E. J. Kanna from Sweden, with his wife and their three lovely children, to take over the presidency and direction of this new field, the work has been stabilized, and prospects are excellent for the future of the work here. We now have a suitable Adventist church building of our own in the city. The mission headquarters are located at the rear of this property, and construction is under way on the new church school building, also to be housed on the rear of the church property. We have a little church school where our children are being given the basic training of a Christian education.

### Medical Work Established

We also have a small clinic here in Asunción, which has been operating very efficiently for some time. Plans are being made to enlarge this medical work as a result of the great need, and this is being made possible by the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow that was allotted to Paraguay several quarters past. A first-class medical institution in this city will do much to break down the prejudice that must be met in all of the Latin-American cities.

D. E. Iuorno, the local pastor of the Asunción church, has been holding evangelistic meetings for several years in this city and has added many souls to the church register. He has several interested persons at present who are studying and whom he hopes to baptize shortly.

In the city of Concepción, which is some distance upstream from Asunción, we have another interest springing up under the direction of Alejandro Arn. In Villa Encarnación, on the Paraguayan side of the Paraná River, Brother and Sister Bert Elkins have developed a lively interest, and a church has sprung up in that part of the field.

Our literature work is being hampered by the very unfavorable exchange rates that are in existence at this time. However, there has been much gospel seed sown by our colporteurs in recent years, and the Lord is watering this seed with His Spirit.



Pastor and Mrs. R. E. Brooks and Anita Kenswil at the Ruinveldt Ramp on August 13



Pastor and Mrs. N. A. Premdas and His Seven Children Just Before the Take-off on August 13



Colporteur-Evangelist Riley Chesnut and Grandma McCown, Age 92, of Greenmount, Kentucky

## Hunting for Souls

By D. A. McAdams

The following experience, which we recently received from Colporteur Riley Chesnut, of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference, proves once again that colporteur evangelism is a soul-winning work:

"One day during the spring of 1951, after having worked hard, I succeeded in taking only one subscription to the *Life and Health* magazine. Naturally this was a disappointment for me, but the next day I continued my work from where I had finished the day before.

"The first house I could see was about half a mile off the main road. Looking about, I observed that before I could reach the house on the hillside, I must cross a deep valley with many briars and barbed-wire fences. There seemed to be no road—and I just did not seem to have the courage to walk over such rough ground.

"I bowed my head in prayer, and a voice seemed to say, 'Go forward.' After a tiresome walk I arrived at the house. In the home there were an aged mother in a wheel chair and her daughter and son-in-law. These people were so nice to me that I forgot the disappointment of the day before.

"They purchased a Bible and a copy of *Drama of the Ages*. When I delivered the book the woman asked what church I belonged to. I told her, and she seemed very happy. Later I visited the family, and finally took my pastor to visit them. He gave them a Bible study on the Sabbath, and now the aged mother (ninety-two years old) and her daughter are faithfully keeping the Sabbath."

The canvassing work is a most successful way to win souls to Christ. There is a place in the work of God for you. Perhaps it is the colporteur work.

## Science and Mathematics Teachers' Convention

By Claude E. Thurston

The fourth quadrennial science and mathematics teachers' convention sponsored by the General Conference Department of Education met on the campus of Walla Walla College, Walla Walla, Washington, August 26 to September 3, 1952. More than fifty delegates and guests attended this nine-day session, and pronounced it the best that has been held. Those in attendance came from twelve of the fourteen Seventh-day Adventist senior and junior colleges in the United States and Canada.

The convention was called to order by the general chairman, Julian L. Thompson, of La Sierra College. George W. Bowers, of Walla Walla College, extended a welcome to the delegates. Keld J. Reynolds, associate secretary of the General Conference Department of Education, outlined for the group the purpose of the convention and the objectives it should achieve: to strengthen the professional competence of teachers, to promote Christian and professional fellowship, to establish agreement regarding basic principles, and to harmonize teaching methods and subject matter with the general aims of Christian education.

General sessions for all delegates were held each morning and afternoon, during which time special topics were considered. The first involved contributions which science and mathematics teachers can make along spiritual lines: to provide scientific confirmation of the Word of God, to exalt the glory and majesty of God, to reach men of science with the Word of God, and to establish the faith of students in God as their Creator. Other topics dealt with departmental problems and procedures, such as budgets, laboratory programs, correlation of courses among departments, teaching methods, science clubs, field trips, and methods of departmental development. The final sessions were devoted to the preparation of reports, drafting of resolutions, and

summarizing of the work accomplished during the convention.

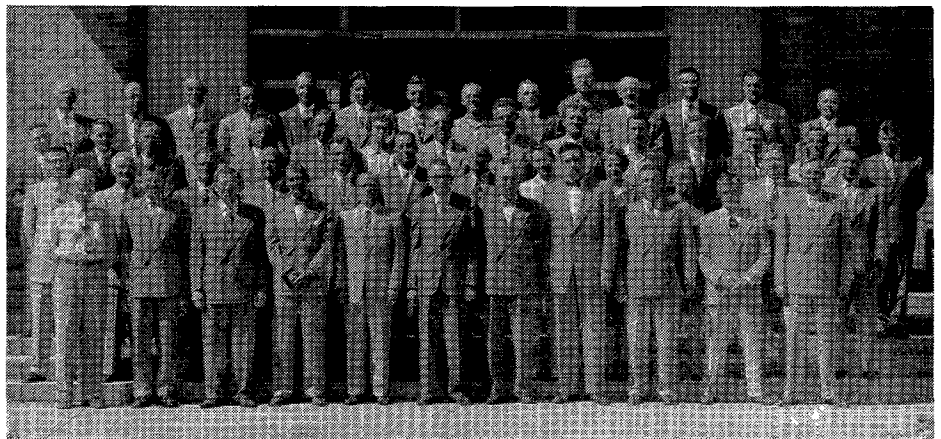
Each day the program began with a devotional study which was a real inspiration to the delegates. Sectional meetings were held each morning and afternoon for the teachers of chemistry, physics, biology, and mathematics, in which specific topics were considered. Emphasis was placed on new methods of teaching and better ways of conducting class and laboratory work. One important and helpful feature was the informal exchange of ideas and reports on what was being done in the different schools and how specific problems were handled. Here course requirements were compared, and their subject matter and textbooks were discussed. Scholastic standards, enrollment trends, and the adequate preparation of students received special attention.

Delightful weather, a friendly spirit, a scientific attitude, and an efficient program schedule all contributed to make the convention an outstanding success. The delegates left the convention with deep appreciation for the privilege of attending the meetings and with greater courage to do a more effective work in the educational program of their respective schools.

## Blood Donors at Oklahoma Camp Meeting

By W. H. Bergherm

Seventh-day Adventists humbly give for the needs of humanity when they are in a position to do so. This was well demonstrated at the Oklahoma Conference camp meeting recently held in Oklahoma City. When the call for blood donors was made by Kenneth Moore, nearly two hundred responded, offering to give a pint of blood on Friday afternoon. The president of the conference, H. C. Klement, was first to volunteer. Promptly at twelve noon the Red Cross blood caravan, with its complement of nurses and attendants, reached the campground and took charge.



Science and Mathematics Teachers' Convention, Walla Walla College, August 26 to September 3, 1952

From noon until six in the evening this unit received a steady flow of donors. Some, however, were found to be Korean veterans, and these were not permitted by the Red Cross to give again of their precious blood and strength. Others, after a careful examination, were rejected because of health reasons. They were willing to give, and their willingness was greatly appreciated.

Finally, when the last pint of blood had been taken, it was found that 130 persons had freely given blood for national defense. We were told that within four days this blood would be in Korea, ready to perform its mission of saving life.

The local newspapers sent out an official photographer and carried a report of this splendid gesture of loyalty and patriotism. The Red Cross officials were very grateful. We believe no people on earth should be more eager to give a helping hand in humanitarian services than Christian people. We believe that loyalty in meeting our Government's need, so far as conscience can permit, will always characterize faithful Seventh-day Adventists, and we want to commend Elder Klement and his corps of workers and believers for their faithful demonstration of this service of love in behalf of needy dying men.

## With Our Teacher-Evangelists in East Africa

By K. J. Berry

In Kenya Colony, East Africa, during each year there are three one-month school holidays between the three school terms. One month is actually a holiday for the teachers, but the other two months, if not required for teachers' institutes or refresher courses, are used in public evangelism. The teachers are called teacher-evangelists.

During August the mission director of Chebwai Mission and about twelve young native teachers went out in a demonstration effort for their training in future evangelism. In this work the mission director does not use his usual equipment, such as a slide projector, public-address system, or any other material which the teacher-evangelists will not have access to when they are holding efforts on their own. The only equipment used consists of Sabbath school Picture Rolls and the Bible itself.

The effort was held among the Wangoma tribe. Although the Wangomas had been taught Catholicism, they had never before heard the three angels' messages. The meetings were held at two o'clock every afternoon, and the crowds steadily increased for three weeks, until it was necessary for the teachers to return to their teaching responsibilities in their schools. In this short time more than ninety adults, many from heathenism and

others from Catholicism, together with numerous children, gave their hearts to Jesus and joined the first year baptismal class.

The elders of the tribe who had attended faithfully, staked out and gave a four-acre plot on which they plan to build their church. This effort served to bring the message to still another tribe who had not yet received the truth of God.

## Welfare Advance in Greater New York

By J. Ernest Edwards

At the first camp meeting ever held in the Greater New York Conference a Welfare Hour was conducted. The parade of thirty-six Dorcas Welfare societies with their special banners, the varied program with reports of clothing drives, interests discovered using Jesus' methods of ministry, the practical demonstration, "What to Do With Excess Materials and Cloth," the presentation of two health correspondence courses offered by the New England Sanitarium, and the excellent exhibit—all contributed toward making welfare history in this important center of North America.

On this feature program Mrs. M. Ulloth the president of the conference Welfare Federation for the last nine years, and her two able assistants, Mrs. A. B. Heiser, the Upstate Federation president, and Mrs. F. Knowlton, who is the Metropolitan Federation president, related experiences that revealed how workers and members in this field, on the march for Christ, are using

the kindness approach in breaking down prejudice, in making friends, and in winning souls.

During the past two years more than 170,000 persons have been helped through the welfare centers in the Greater New York Conference. It is interesting to note that 288,000 garments were distributed by these relief workers who gave 318,000 hours of volunteer labor.

Since the opening of the Health and Welfare Service Center in Woodside, Long Island, this summer, the Welfare and Dorcas activities in the conference have made marked advance. J. A. Toop, the home missionary secretary of the conference, has worked untiringly to bring about the organization and the opening of this central health and welfare service, as well as to strengthen the work of the thirty-six welfare units throughout the entire conference. "This welfare center," he stated, "can be compared with an experimental station at which place new methods of ministering to the needy are tried, and if efficient and successful, are shared with welfare units in the various churches for use in their missionary territory. The welfare center in New York has successfully combined a drive for clothing for Korea with the Ingathering campaign. People have not only given clothes for the destitute in Korea but also contributed to our worldwide Ingathering program."

The vision of the leaders in the welfare work and the devoted service of the members have made this new health and welfare center project an outstanding success. The motto of our welfare workers in Greater New York, "Win With Welfare Work," is becoming a reality.

## Brief Current News



### OVERSEAS

#### Southern Asia Division

● W. L. Barclay and C. B. Israel, secretary and assistant secretary respectively of the Sabbath school department of the division, led out in a successful council at Poona, September 5-9. The union Sabbath school secretaries were in attendance.

● T. J. Joseph, a layman of Paruthipally, Travancore, organized a Sabbath school of 30 members after his lay evangelistic effort. One earnest seeker for truth, who lived at a distance of nine miles from where the effort was held, walked to and from the meeting night after night to attend all the thirty-six services. This unusually faithful man and 13 others make up the baptismal class resulting from the effort.

● B. S. Moses, president of the South Telugu Mission, reporting on the effort held at Cadappah, states that after the tent was pitched, a heavy storm blew it to the ground. The tent was again pitched, and once again was blown down in another strong monsoon rain. He states that the brethren felt that the Lord had a great work to be done in that place; so after earnest prayer they joined hands in constructing an attractive place of worship with the sides of the tent for walls and thatch for roof, and launched their effort on time. The people greatly admired the courage and the determination of the workers and came in large numbers to the services. At the end of the seventh week 50 people had expressed their determination to obey the truth and 20 were asking for baptism.

● Simla, the summer headquarters of the government of India, has had opportunity



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to again hear God's last warning message. Two brothers, W. G. and R. G. Jenson, assisted by the Simla Sanitarium and Hospital staff, have just concluded a series of meetings. Among those in the first baptism were two well-educated employees of the government, with one nurse, a woman professor of mathematics at the Himachala Pradesh College for Girls, and one retired army colonel.

## NORTH AMERICA

### Atlantic Union

● Four were baptized in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, by C. M. Pike on August 23. One of the four first learned of the message at the Fuller Memorial Sanitarium, where he was employed as a painter. One of our laymen gave him studies, and he attended the Attleboro effort last spring.

● Six were recently baptized in Webb Lake at Camp Lawroweld, Maine, by L. R. Langworthy, in the first of a series of baptisms culminating a busy summer of Bible studies and visitation. These new members joined the Dixfield church, where the congregation plan to dedicate their new building in October.

● New staff members of South Lancaster Academy this year include Mrs. E. C. Harkins, registrar; Mrs. Olive L. Roberts, teacher of English; and Maurice Taylor, teacher of music, theory, and piano.

● Miss Rowena Purdon, who has been a faculty member of South Lancaster Academy for many years, is at present completing the manuscript of a book on the history of the academy and college in South Lancaster.

### Central Union

● Edith Middaugh Kimmel has the longest record of continuous Sabbath school participation in the Central Union. For 84 years she has been a member of the Sabbath school in the area of Fremont, Nebraska, and during that time she taught a class for 65 years. Only recently, because of her age, she asked to be excused, but she still reviews the previous week's lesson or gives the mission challenge whenever asked to do so.

● The other conferences in the Central Union honored Emma Shaw Eames, of Colorado, and Elizabeth Lausk Orahod, of Kansas, for their record of 79 years of Sabbath school membership; Ruth Chapman Dougherty, of Missouri, for her 72 years of Sabbath school fellowship; I. S. McCann of Wyoming, who has been attending Sabbath school for 54 years; and Mrs. Mary Barry, a member of the Central States Sabbath schools, for 45 years.

### Northern Union

● D. H. Madison has accepted a call to the Iowa Conference to be district pastor at Ottumwa. He was formerly in Nebraska.

● Oak Park Academy, at Nevada, Iowa, reports the registration of about 100 students this year. Marilyn Jensen will head the English department and Alvin John-

son, formerly from Maplewood Academy, is the new farm manager.

● New members on the faculty at Maplewood Academy, Hutchinson, Minnesota, include Lyndan Davis, Edgar Ortner, Don Sherwood, and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Burgeson. B. G. Butherus reports the registration of 140 students.

### North Pacific Union

● L. E. Biggs participated in two important events in the Grants Pass district of the Oregon Conference on August 2. In the forenoon a church of 50 members was organized in Glendale, where only a year ago Earl Dristy and Dr. Howard Ferguson organized a Sabbath school. In March of this year construction was begun on a church building, which already is being used. The dedication service took place in the afternoon for the new building at Grants Pass. Our church is the largest in the city of Grants Pass, and has the largest week-end attendance of any Protestant church in that city. In a little over a year the membership has increased by almost 100.

● An evangelistic campaign has been launched in the Bellingham district of the Washington Conference, the main point of concentration being the city of Everson. Interest was aroused through the Lending Library plan. The evangelistic team is made up of Pastor and Mrs. R. J. Winders and Brother and Sister Harold Hall.

### Pacific Union

● The members of the church at Oakdale, California, are rejoicing that on August 2 they were able to use a new baptistry recently installed in their church. Nine persons were ready for baptism. One youth united with the church as a result of work done by the local Pathfinder Club. He is the only Seventh-day Adventist in his family and will attend Monterey Bay Academy this year.

● The Southern California Conference sponsored a temperance booth at the Los Angeles County Fair, September 12-28. A large whisky bottle was displayed, and all who passed by were invited to guess how many such bottles could be filled if all the alcoholic beverages consumed in California in 1951 were bottled in containers of that size. A gift was awarded the winner of the contest.

● A spearhead effort conducted in the Arcata church by Weiland Henry and his evangelistic company, assisted by Clarence Williams, the pastor, resulted in the baptism of 30 persons, and an additional 25 are studying in preparation for that rite.

### Southern Union

● M. C. Guest, M.D., graduate of the College of Medical Evangelists, class of '47, has recently connected with the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital as one of the house physicians. Dr. and Mrs. Guest, with their two little daughters, have already settled in Orlando.

● Miss Doris Davis, of Alabama-Mississippi Conference, has accepted a call to

work in the Greater New York Conference office.

● On Sabbath, August 30, 3 persons interested through the Bible Correspondence course were baptized by Z. R. Currie, in the Grove, Kentucky, church. One was from the Southern Union school and 2 were from the Voice of Prophecy. Another person interested through the Bible school was baptized on September 6 and became a member of the Chestnut Hill church.

● As a result of colporteur contacts by L. F. Rowe, of the Carolina Conference, and Bible studies by Sister Rowe, E. M. Chalmers, pastor of the Raleigh, North Carolina, church baptized 4 on August 9.

### Southwestern Union

● Ozark Academy in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference has an enrollment of 123, which is the largest the school has ever had. The new members on their staff are as follows: Mrs. Velma Woodruff, musical instruments and band; Donald Woodruff, science and mathematics; George Fisher, history and Bible; Gene Armour, dean of boys; and Mrs. Armour, librarian.

● Southwestern Junior College opened its doors to approximately 400 college and academy students on September 4 and 5. Late enrollees and special students will swell this total to well over the 400 mark. This is the first year that overflow housing has been necessary for young men. But accommodations are being arranged for all!

● Stanley C. Harris opened his evangelistic effort in Houston, Texas, on Sunday, September 7. One meeting was held in the afternoon and another at night, with a combined attendance of around 1,500. Please remember this new effort in your devotions.

## NOTICE

### First Annual Meeting of Members of Faith for Today, Inc.

In accordance with the charter of Faith for Today, Inc., the first annual meeting of the members of said corporation is called to convene at the offices of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Takoma Park, Washington, D.C., on November 6, 1952, at 10 A.M.

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## Church Calendar for 1952

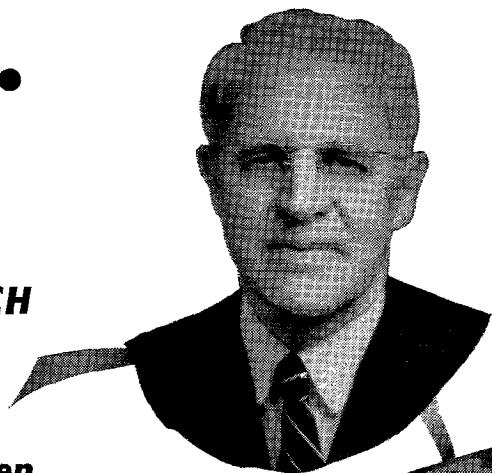
Oct. 11-18	Message Magazine Campaign
Oct. 25	Temperance Offering
Nov. 1-22	Review and Herald Campaign
Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 29-Dec. 6	Week of Prayer and Sacrifice
Dec. 6	Week of Sacrifice Offering
Dec. 27	13th Sabbath Offering (Southern Asia)

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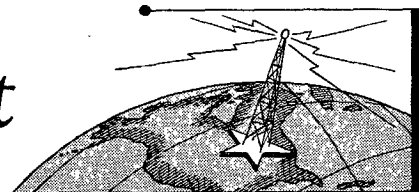
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# Items of Special Interest



## Associate Secretary, International Temperance Association

For many years Henry F. Brown has been an active worker in the cause of temperance. This he has carried along with other duties, but on Thursday, October 2, the General Conference Committee invited Elder Brown to accept an appointment as associate secretary of the International Temperance Association. He enters upon this work with zeal and brings to it a wealth of experience. For some years he has been an associate secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department.

## Further News on London Effort

Last week we presented on this page a brief preliminary word regarding the large London effort that began on September 21. On page 12 of this issue we present further news about the opening services and a picture of the large auditorium in which the meetings are being held. The report was sent to us by W. W. Armstrong, president of the British Union Conference.

A further word, just received from R. D. Vine, of the British Union, reports that on the second Sunday afternoon, September 28, despite continuous heavy rain, the attendance was three thousand. About four thousand interested persons have given in their names, and three thousand have enrolled as Voice of Prophecy students. The newspapers have given the meetings wide publicity.

## Literature Sales in West Africa

According to a recent letter from D. L. Chappell, publishing department secretary of the West African Union, good gains in our publishing program are now being made in that large and interesting field.

"You will be glad to know that we had an 80 per cent gain during the first half of this year over the deliveries of the first six months of 1951. Our goal for this year is 10,000 pounds, and we already have a little over 5,000 pounds. Our deliveries last year amounted to 7,200 pounds, and the year before to 4,200 pounds, so the Lord is blessing us. We have delivered \$47,000 worth of literature during the last two and a half years.

"Both the Gold Coast and the East

Nigerian missions now have an assistant publishing department secretary. Brother Davidson has organized colporteur auxiliary bands in his mission. They delivered 65 pounds' worth of books during the first six months of this year. We know of several people who are keeping the Sabbath and getting ready for baptism as a direct result of our colporteur ministry."

D. A. McADAMS.

## Recent Missionary Departures

Miss Edna Mae Christoph, of Erie, Pennsylvania, sailed from New York on the S.S. *African Crescent* for Cape Town, South Africa, September 20, on her way to connect with the teaching staff at Lower Gwelo in Southern Rhodesia.

Dr. and Mrs. Hubert F. Sturges, of Santa Rosa, California, left New York for London September 30 en route to Ethiopia, where they will engage in medical work. Dr. Sturges was born in the Belgian Congo when his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Sturges, were missionaries there.

D. E. REBOK.

## More Clothing for Korea

In a recent meeting of the Famine Relief Committee it was voted to request our World Welfare and Relief Clothing Depot on the West Coast to ship immediately twenty tons of clothing to Korea. This is in addition to the individual packages that hundreds of our Dorcas Societies and individual members are sending to Dr. George H. Rue. Our warehouse just shipped 54,977 pounds of clothing in 265 bales to Korea which is appreciated and needed so urgently.

The St. Helena Sanitarium welfare group has been working through the summer drying fruit, eight tons of which will be sent to our orphanage in Seoul, Korea.

In the same Famine Relief Committee meeting it was voted that ten tons of garments be shipped to Pakistan, five tons to the Philippines; and the Dorcas Societies in the Eastern section of the United States are being asked to send packages of clothing to the refugees who are streaming into Western Germany at the rate of one thousand a day.

Never before has this denomination undertaken such an enormous welfare program. Every member is invited not only to search his own wardrobe but to invite his neighbors to do the same, so that these garments may protect suffering humanity from the inroads of winter.

HENRY F. BROWN.

## Death of Dr. Everette W. Dick

A cable has been received in the General Conference office telling of the sudden death in Singapore on October 4 of Dr. Everette W. Dick, who left America on September 7 to connect with the Youngberg Memorial Hospital in that city. Dr. Dick was stricken with polio, and after a very brief period of illness suffered a relapse, resulting in his death. This tragic loss will bring great grief to Dr. Dick's family and perplexity to our medical workers in Singapore. A life sketch will appear later.

W. P. BRADLEY.

## World Temperance Day

Sabbath, October 25, has been designated by action of the General Conference Committee as Temperance Day. The annual temperance offering is to be received on that day.

God-fearing men and women stand aghast at the headlines that announce dope peddling, drug addiction, bootlegging, corruption, crime, murder, and suicide. After a more careful investigation it will be found that 90 per cent of the crimes were committed by men who were intoxicated.

"As we face these things, and see the terrible consequences of liquor drinking, shall we not do all in our power to rally to the help of God in fighting against this great evil?"—*Temperance*, p. 233.

We have been further admonished by the Spirit of prophecy that "the temperance question is to receive decided support from God's people."—*Ibid.*, p. 249.

Temperance Day will give every Seventh-day Adventist an opportunity to support this work, and thus make its influence felt for the cause of temperance. This offering will help keep the American Temperance Society in the forefront of the battle. At least \$100,000 is needed to support the various projects sponsored by the American Temperance Society. *Listen* magazine, the Institute of Scientific Studies, the preparation of attractive posters and other publications have placed us in a leading position in the temperance-reform movement in this country.

We trust that our people will respond liberally on World Temperance Sabbath, so that this phase of the work may be properly emphasized in our churches during the coming year.

R. H. ADAIR.