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God Is Faithful

IN 1949, four years after the end of the war in Europe, little merchandise was available in the shops of Germany, and money was still scarce—especially for the refugees, who had lost all their property during the war and in the political unrest and confusion that followed. But when our members in one area suffer, the great family of Adventists around the world make it evident that God's love lives and works in them. The church in the United States helped our believers here in Germany in a wonderful way.

In those troubled days, an Adventist family—a man, his wife, and their three children—lived as refugees in a village of northern Germany, far away from the nearest town and Seventh-day Adventist church. Conditions were extremely difficult. They could scarcely provide clothing for themselves. The man owned only one suit, which he had to wear on the Sabbath, as well as in his search for work during the week, for he was unemployed. No jobs had been available for months.

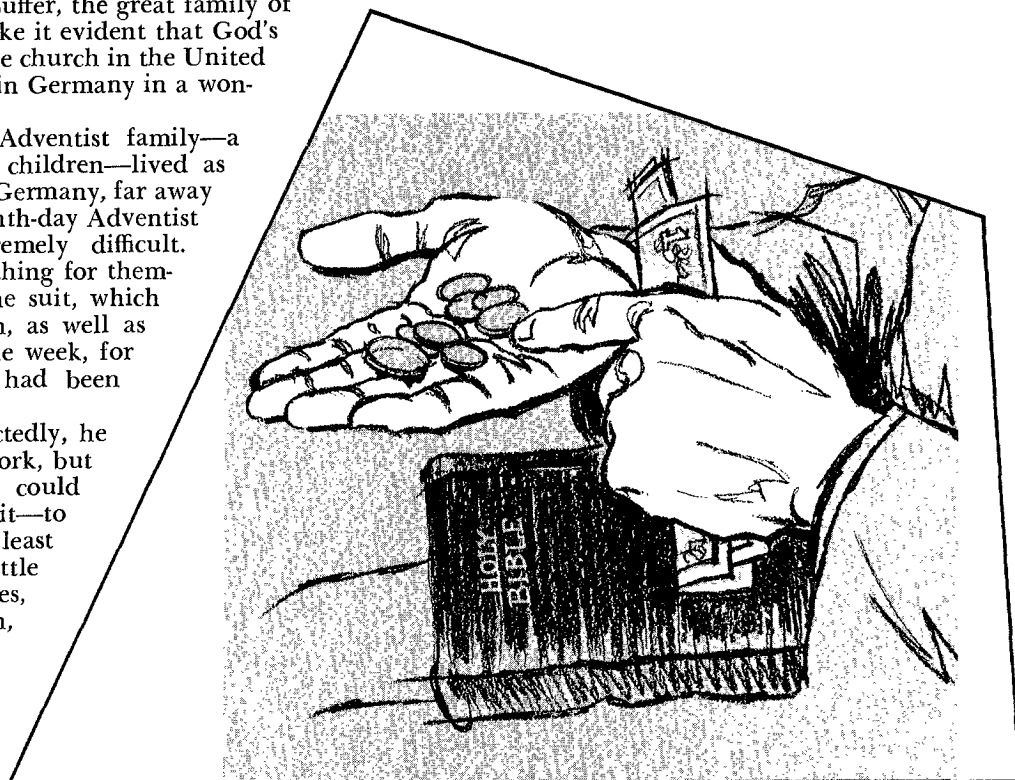
Then one day, quite unexpectedly, he was offered a job. It was dirty work, but he was not proud. Yet he could not wear his suit—his *only* suit—to such work. He must have at least another pair of trousers. But little clothing was available in the stores, prices were unbelievably high, and he had no money. What was he to do?

His wife had laid aside a little money as tithe—God's portion of the last little pittance he had earned. Why not take this and buy another suit, or at least a pair of trousers, for the work he so sorely needed? After all, the clothing was necessary for the job; the job was necessary to bring in more money; and then there would be more tithe to pay. It all made a very logical and appealing argument.

It was a great temptation, a hard decision. The family knelt in prayer and laid the problem before God. As they prayed a decision took shape in their hearts. When they rose from their knees, the wife took the money from its hiding place and walked out of the house, directly to the post office. She bought a money order and sent it on to the local conference office.

How happy they all were at having overcome the temp-

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tation! But he still had no work clothing, and now he had no money, either. But their hearts were light. This was Wednesday, and the new job was to start on Monday. There were still five days for the Lord to work for them. They took their problem to Him, for they knew He would care for them. He had promised.

On Thursday the little family received a visit from the pastor of the district. He knew nothing about their special problem, but brought with him a parcel sent by our believers in the United States. And what did our faithful people find? Some food—and a pair of trousers suitable for the father to wear to his new job!

Can you imagine how thankful

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The Witness of JOHN

A Study in Humility

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"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light. . . . He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light." John 1:6-8.

NO MAN ever entered upon any mission with higher credentials than John. He was not sent from a university or from any of the great centers of philosophy and learning of his day. He was not sent by any king or government, nor did he represent any religious denomination or creed. His only credential was that he was "sent from God" to be a witness. Yet Jesus said of him, "Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist" (Matt. 11:11).

John lived an unpretentious life in an obscure part of the country. The Bible mentions that "John had

his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey" (Matt. 3:4). This was the dress and daily fare of the poorer working classes, but the very simplicity of his life and manner seemed to be a factor that brought his message to the notice of the people.

Life in the cities had taken on more of the "refinement" and sophistication of urban society. Perhaps it was the sterility and emptiness of society's pretentious customs that caused the people to be attracted to John's simple life, his plain dress, his dietary habits, as well as to his straightforward message, "Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matt. 3:2).

There may be a lesson in all of this for God's people today. It is doubtful that sinners are attracted to Christianity because Christians are able to match the lavish and extravagant displays of the world. But it may be that their simplicity of life, which frees them from many of the cares and vices of the world; their plainness of dress, which enables them to preserve the principles of modesty, good morals, and health; their carefulness of diet, which spares them much of the disease and dissipation resulting from improper eating and drinking, are factors the Lord can use to attract people to a spiritual message. This appears to have been the effect in John's day, for the Bible says: "Then went out to him all Jerusalem [the city folk], and all Judaea [the country and small-town people], and all the region round about Jordan, and were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins" (Matt. 3:5). If his humble life was not an attraction, at least it was not a deterrent to the success of his work.

Self-effacing Humility

John's attitude in these matters was characteristic of the humility of his whole life. This was demonstrated at the time when "the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? . . . What sayest thou of thyself?" (John 1:19-22). Such a question is a precarious one to ask almost anyone, for the temptation immediately comes to set oneself forth in the very best light, and to begin a recital of all one's little successes and accomplishments along

Like John, may we all be ready to say, "He must increase, but I must decrease."

the way. Some are eager to do this even without being asked. But it was not so with John. When they asked him, "Art thou the Christ?" his answer was, "I am not the Christ. And they asked him, . . . Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? . . . What sayest thou of thyself?" (John 1:20-22). In effect they asked, "Aren't you some great person?" We don't know what John may have been tempted to say, but the Scriptures do record his unassuming reply, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord" (John 1:23). His personal identity was not important to his message.

John could have said, "Why, I'm a prophet. I receive messages directly from the Lord. I'm the evangelist who draws such big crowds when I speak. Perhaps you've heard that there is no auditorium in all Judea large enough to hold my audiences. I don't go to the people. They come out into the wilderness to hear me. Even the leading officials of the government and of the church, the teachers and leaders of the people, come to hear me. Many prominent people are accepting my message." It might have been natural for John to have responded in that way, but it would have been totally out of character for him to do so.

A Voice in the Wilderness

John might have gained a little prestige by saying he was from Jerusalem, just as people today like to say they are from London, or New York, or Washington, or some other city of note. But John merely said, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness." There was no more prestige in the wilderness of Judea than there is in any other backwoods area. He made no pretension of social position or geographical location or kinship to the high priest or of any other chance circumstance. None of these considerations were to be interposed between him and his message.

On many occasions John was tested on the point of humility. It should be remembered that Jesus and John were cousins, John being the older of the two. It is natural in families for jealousies to arise over the relative success of the children. John had

been a tremendously successful young preacher and evangelist. In fact, he was the most successful young religious leader who had appeared among the Jews for generations, perhaps hundreds of years. Suddenly his younger cousin appeared on the scene preaching with a power and success that rivaled his.

Faced with this turn of events, John told his hearers, "There standeth one among you, whom ye know not; he it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose" (John 1:26, 27). And "the next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (v. 29). He could have said, "Give me your attention and I'll tell you all about Him," but he didn't. He pointed men away from himself to Jesus and recommended Him. Self was not to come between the people and Jesus.

"Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples; and looking upon Jesus as he walked, he said, Behold the Lamb of God! And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus" (vs. 35-37). John began to lose his following. His popularity began to wane. His younger cousin stepped into the spotlight right at the beginning of John's career, when he was little more than thirty years old.

Accepting a Lesser Role

What about John's personal ambitions in a situation like that? In the eyes of the world his whole future was at stake. John put all selfish considerations aside. He realized that "he was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light" (v. 8). He did not allow selfish consideration to hinder the progress of the cause of God. He was willing to return to a place of obscurity. He laid no obstacle in Jesus' path. He rejoiced in the success of Jesus and gracefully stepped aside. His mission had been to prepare the way of the Lord, and when that was accomplished he relinquished his own popularity and ambition. He could have felt, as many do, that a lesser role would not challenge his great talents, but he allowed no such feelings to mar his work. He continued preaching and baptizing in a minor role.

John's followers were not willing to see this happen. The Bible says that some of John's disciples "came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou bearest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all men come to him" (chap. 3:26). The report was only partially true. It was apparently colored a bit to impress John to stand

up and do something about it. Verse 2 of the next chapter explains that "Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples," yet it was true that the multitudes were forsaking John and following his younger cousin. John listened, but was not swayed by their feelings. He replied, "Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him. . . . This my joy therefore is fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease" (chap. 3:28-30).

Their arguments and urging could stir up no jealousy, no animosity, in the heart of John. His pride was not hurt. He indulged in no self-sympathy. He felt no injustice. He did not try to break down confidence in his Successor. He did not feel that he had lost face. Surely, along with Moses, he must have a place among those who were "very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth" (Num. 12:3).

Humility Not a Sign of Weakness

Probably then as today many felt that this display of meekness and humility was a sign of weakness, when it really the opposite was true. These characteristics do not lessen one's strength, determination, steadfastness, manliness—or any other virtue. They merely sanctify these virtues and bring them under appropriate control. Few stop to consider how much trouble and discord in the world, even among brethren, could be avoided if there were more manifestation of these traits of character in dealing with one another.

The high point of John's brief career came when he baptized Jesus, a task he felt unworthy to perform. From that time on his own popularity declined. Within a few months his ministry was cut short by his arrest and imprisonment. While alone in prison his faith in Jesus was severely tested. He didn't lose his faith, but he needed reassurance. Picture this young man, in his early thirties, in a filthy prison with nothing to do but contemplate the bleak future, wondering whether he had really accomplished the mission God had given him to fulfill. Could it be that Jesus too was only a forerunner of the Messiah? He decided to send two of his disciples to Jesus to ask Him, "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?" (Matt. 11:3).

These devoted men found Jesus and asked their question. Jesus' response was not direct. The Bible says, "In that same hour he [Jesus] cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight. Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things

ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me" (Luke 7:21-23).

Jesus' response presented additional evidence upon which John could base an intelligent faith, and counseled him, "Happy is the man who never loses his faith in me" (v. 23, Phillips).^{*} No doubt this was sufficient to strengthen John during the closing days and hours of his life.

A Glorious Tribute

It was not until after the disciples of John had left that Jesus turned to the multitude and paid to John one of the greatest tributes that has ever been given to any man. He said, "For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist." "No one greater than John has ever been born" (Phillips).^{*}

Probably John never heard about this statement of praise. Jesus waited to say it until after the messengers had gone. John probably died not knowing the value of his service to the cause of God. He had to trust in God even in that. So it has ever been with God's servants. *Testimonies*, volume 3, page 185, may give a clue to the reason why: "I would warn my brethren and sisters never to flatter persons because of their ability, for they cannot bear it. Self is easily exalted, and, in consequence, persons lose their balance. I say again to my brethren and sisters: If you would have your souls clean from the blood of all men, never flatter, never praise the efforts of poor mortals; for it may prove their ruin. It is unsafe, by our words and actions, to exalt a brother or sister, however apparently humble may be his or her deportment. If they really possess the meek and lowly spirit which God so highly esteems, help them to retain it. This will not be done by censuring them nor by neglecting to properly appreciate their true worth. But there are few who can bear praise without being injured."

Hard to Understand

Probably it was within about six months of this time that God permitted the profligate Herod to end John's life, in the prime of his manhood, and thus bring his brief and brilliant career to a close. Hard to understand, isn't it? It's still hard to understand similar things when permitted today. A great leader falls in

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death prematurely. A wise man dies, and the benefit of his learning is lost to mankind. A loved one is snatched away with his whole future before him.

It is doubtful that John's family and friends could fully understand why, either, but that was not the most vital consideration. The Scriptures record that "John bare witness of him" (John 1:15). It does not make

much difference when, or under what circumstances, one's life may close, if it can be said that it "bare witness of him." It has been the hope and prayer of Christians ever since that they might so live that someday through the grace and mercy of the Lord they might be united in the kingdom with John and the faithful of all ages whose lives also bore witness of Him.

God Is Faithful

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this little family was—you who have never been in dire want? Again they knelt in prayer, this time praising the Lord, the merciful Father who never forgets those of His children who are faithful, even in times of need and distress.



The Art of Living.....



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by Miriam Hood

Three Generations

A COMPLEX problem being faced by a number of young people has come to my attention recently. Here it is: How can a Christian young person with an essentially kind heart relate himself successfully to three generations in the home—himself, his parents, and elderly grandparents? When elderly relatives become a part of the family circle, how can satisfactory adjustments be made?

Basically, in all fairness, I think we'll need to begin with the concept that the home is under the control of, and financed by, your parents. If *their* parents need to be given shelter, it is both a duty and a privilege for your parents to assume their responsibilities.

Probably, though, friction is bound to develop simply because age and youth have one characteristic in common—they're both quite determined to have things *their* way! And when two ways are diametrically opposite, you have all the elements for a first-class war of nerves. (It occurs to me that your parents may be the ones to be pitied most. Are they ever "in the middle"!)

Contrasts and Similarities

Youth wants excitement; age wants peace. Youth wants late mornings and late nights; age must have early mornings and "chicken bedtimes." Youth loves new things; age cherishes the beloved, familiar past. Youth is burning to learn from experience; age has *already* learned, and is determined to pass on the distilled wisdom of the years in capsule form. We could go on and on listing differences. But you know them well. So let's list the major likeness; namely, that age is obsessed with itself and youth is equally obsessed with *itself*. A great deal of elbowroom is needed.

"But," you say, "I'm not asking anything other than to be *left alone*. When my friends are here, why must grandmother intrude herself into the midst of the group? Why must grandfather tell the same stories over and over and over?"

Well, grandmother and grandfather shouldn't; there is no doubt about it. But they're probably going to; so if you can't relate well, you'll have to sweetly and cleverly outmaneuver them. A frontal approach is out, because it's cruel. Can you really bear the hurt, bewildered look that comes into the dim old eyes when you deliver a scathing rebuke? The trembling old hands? You see, no one ever thinks of himself as truly old. His self-concept is that he's still a vital member of the group. (I'm simply *astounded* how old my contemporaries are looking!)

Back to Strategy

But back to strategy. Careful planning with your parents can work wonders. Before your friends visit, see that the Older Generation has gone for a ride in the country. Or arrange for some friends of their own generation to be invited in, just for them, granted the size of your house will permit it. And even if these little stratagems are unworkable, your parents, if you've manifested an attitude of good will and good manners, will probably be willing to sit and visit with the O.G., thus keeping them occupied in the way they most enjoy.

This is, I realize, only one small phase of the problem. You'll just have to get used to the expression "when I was young" accompanied by appropriate head waggings over the vagaries of the modern generation. Why let it bother you? You don't need to be continually on the defensive.

You can avoid many unpleasant-

nesses, I should think, if you'll make your personal plans when the O.G. is out of earshot. Your parents and you, without being obvious about it, should not permit situations to arise where all three generations are engaged in a struggle to the finish. And if you *must* take vigorous issue with your parents occasionally, be wise enough to "get it out of your system" when the grandparents are safely napping. Remember—your parents are *their* children; they don't take kindly to hearing them verbally abused.

I'm going to resist the temptation of pointing out to you that someday you'll be old and lonely yourself, sooner than you can imagine. I'll even resist mentioning what you already know—that charity (love) has to begin at home if it's to be worth anything. But I must gently remind you that the Bible does say that "with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."

The Fifth Commandment

Basically, though, a young Christian, as he thinks it over, is bound to conclude that the "honor" to parents called for in the fifth commandment simply must include grandparents. There are no qualifying clauses in the commandment, such as "Honor parents when they're young and vigorous; honor grandparents if they are never fretful and repetitious."

For three generations to live under one roof in peace and happiness may not be easy. But it's possible. This may be a necessary skill to be mastered in the art of living.

WE HAVE nothing to fear for the future except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us."—*Testimonies to Ministers*, p. 31.

Seventh-day Adventist history is by no means happenstance. From its beginning our church annals are full of meaning for us. The pioneers of the Advent message lived in a background of watchfulness, prayer, and searching of the Scriptures. It was their common lot to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3). What a debt of gratitude we owe them!

The example of their faith and the evidence of God's providences inspire us who follow them. Indeed, their experiences do more than inspire. They warn us, as well. For many of the dangers they faced we face also.

In its details our church history is peculiar to us. It is our blessed heritage, and a special lesson book for the future. Yet we realize also that in a wider sense the whole conflict with evil has changed little from the beginning of time. Satan alters his tactics to meet the conditions, but his deceptions are not new. As Paul said, "We are not ignorant of his devices" (2 Cor. 2:11).

As a people we are fortunate. But, had we no accurate history of our own, we could still learn much from that of others. The lessons from the experiences of Israel are as pertinent today as they ever were. We may profit too from what we know of the early Christian church. And we can gain

A vital lesson from the past to guide us—

TOWARD OUR DESTINY

By **Louis F. Cunningham**
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much benefit from the great reform churches that make up the bulk of Protestantism. At one time they were known for their high standards and godly living. Their followers were not

always as lax and superficial as they themselves confess so many are today.

I recall talking with a scholarly young minister of a large denomination. He spoke of present-day Christianity with unusual insight for one of his age. I was surprised to hear him say, "I believe there is more need for a reformation now than there ever was in the sixteenth century."

He felt, too, that Christians generally have no idea how serious the situation is within the church. Then, as if to sum up his remarks, he said, "I don't know but that we may have to start all over again." Think of that!

Why Churches Lack Power

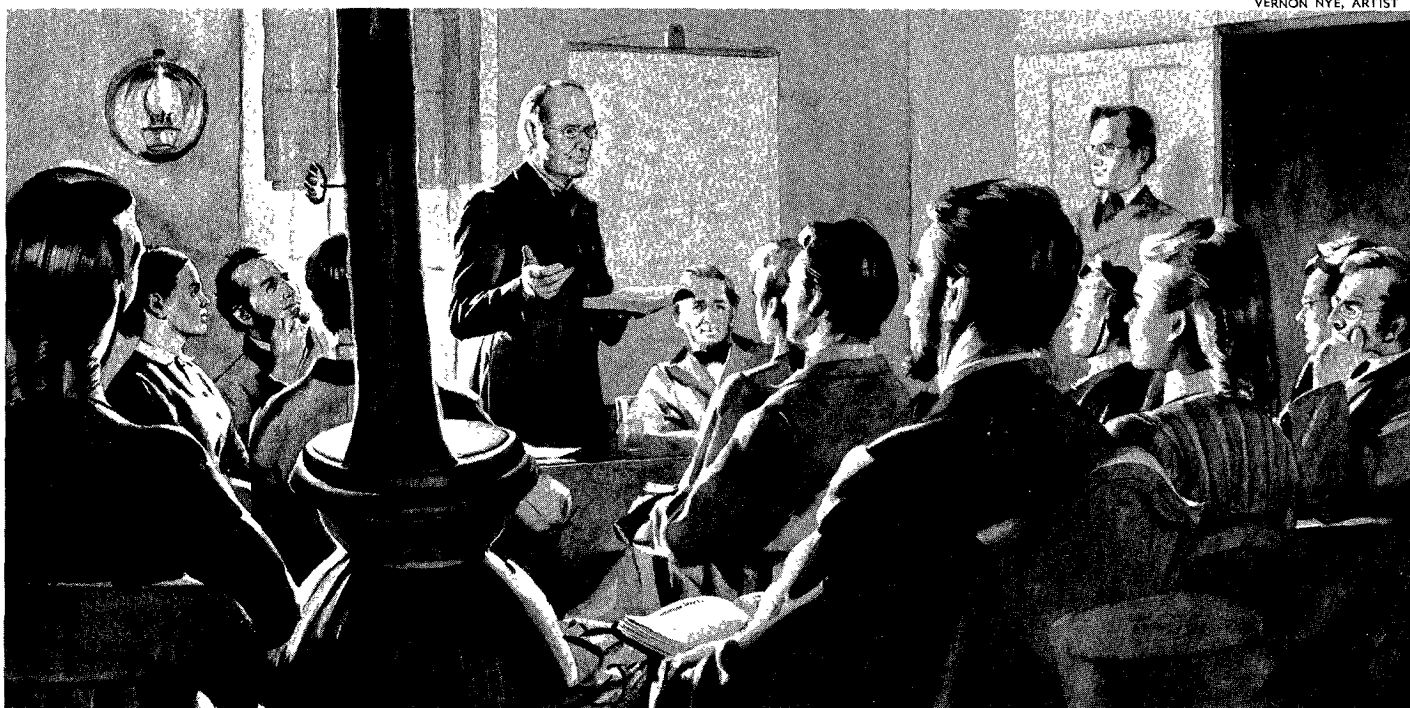
What has brought about such an alarming state of affairs? Perhaps the observation of others will help to answer the question. A veteran non-Adventist minister, looking back to the early days of his ministry, said, "When I began my ministry a person had to prove he was converted before he could join the church. But I'm sorry to say, it isn't that way any more."

Another man, who for 60 years had faithfully served his own denomination, commented earnestly, "There is more seriousness and solemnity in joining a lodge today than there is in joining a church."

The results of this course speak volumes. The major Protestant churches have brought upon themselves such a condition that no one has any conventional solution to the problem. It is not uncommon for the unconverted

The faith and devotion of the pioneers of the Advent message—men such as Joseph Bates, for instance—inspire us to press forward to the finishing of the task to which they gave their lives.

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within their ranks to control church policies by the very weight of their numbers, if not for other reasons of influence.

What appeared at the outset to be a boon to rapid progress in growth and prosperity has now become the church's greatest handicap. The failure of Christendom to discriminate in its standards of church membership has brought it to the brink of disaster. Desire for worldly advantage, the spirit of competition, and the lack of spiritual foresight combined to defeat the purpose of Christ for these great organizations. In their case the Lord had sowed good seed, but "while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat" (Matt. 13:25).

What History Teaches

Had these believers looked back to the history of primitive Christianity how much they might have profited. How much brighter might be their outlook today.

Of the early Christian centuries we are told, "To secure converts, the exalted standard of the Christian faith was lowered, and as the result, 'a pagan flood, flowing into the church, carried with it its customs, practices, and idols.'"—Gavazzi, *Lectures*, p. 278.

"Has not the same process been repeated in nearly every church calling itself Protestant? As its founders, those who possessed the true spirit of reform, pass away, their descendants come forward and 'new-model the cause.' . . . A worldly flood, flowing into the church, 'carries with it its customs, practices, and idols.'"—*The Great Controversy*, p. 385.

The plight of modern Protestantism is a picture to sober the hearts of Seventh-day Adventists everywhere. It is no small thing to us that the hopes and prayers of their founding fathers should fail so much of realization today.

"We have nothing to fear for the future except . . ." No church has more reason to rejoice in its spiritual heritage. Our pioneers were valiant men and women of God. And we have an abundance of Heaven-sent counsel to guide and guard our steps. But these alone will not preserve us, if we forget the lessons of history—our own, and the experience of others who started out with hopes as bright as ours.

The history book is open to all. Its chapters tell of ancient Israel, early Christianity, the churches of the Reformation, and finally, the remnant church. For us everything is at stake. Aside from God's grace, only our own decisions will make our course the opposite of those who fail and our destiny the answer to the world's need.

A Story FOR THE YOUNGER SET

The Best Gift

By Maryane Myers

BRENDA and her three sisters were hopping with excitement. Their Aunt Marilyn was coming to see them. For a long time she had been very sick. So sick, in fact, that doctors were sure she had only a short time to live.

The four girls—Rhonda ten, Brenda seven, Peggy five, and Becky three—prayed for her because the words "incurable cancer" sounded very serious indeed. Their mother had explained that they must pray that God's will be done. "He knows best. Sometimes the answer is Yes, but sometimes it must be No." So for a long, long time they prayed for their aunt. Now she was well and strong—as pretty and sweet as ever. And she was coming to see them that day.

"Marilyn," as they called her, because she seemed young—as if she were almost their own age—was a very special aunt. She could take them for rides in her own airplane, or help

them ride Susie, the donkey, when daddy and mother took the four girls to visit Marilyn and granddaddy on their tiny ranch in Texas.

Marilyn bought each girl a doll house, and liked to play dolls with them. And she made them the best picnic lunches in the world. As far as Brenda was concerned, Marilyn was almost like a big sister. The girls had a gift for her, but Brenda wished she had something special to give to her aunt. But she didn't, so she would just have to stand in line while Rhonda presented the bright head scarf to Marilyn.

It was almost three in the afternoon when granddaddy's car stopped in front of the house. He and Marilyn were hardly out of it when they were surrounded by four happy little girls.

The rest of the afternoon was like a party. There were refreshments. Then Marilyn went into the family room to play with the children. They played dolls, games, sang songs, played on a toy organ, laughed, and talked. The hours slipped by unbelievably fast. It was late and dark, time for Marilyn and granddaddy to leave.

Brenda followed her aunt when she went into a bedroom to get her scarf and jacket. The sight of her putting them on was almost more than Brenda could bear. She ran to Marilyn and threw her arms around her.

"Please don't go," she said, smiling up at the tender face above her. "I love you so very much—I want you to stay with us always."

"I love you, too," Marilyn hugged her.

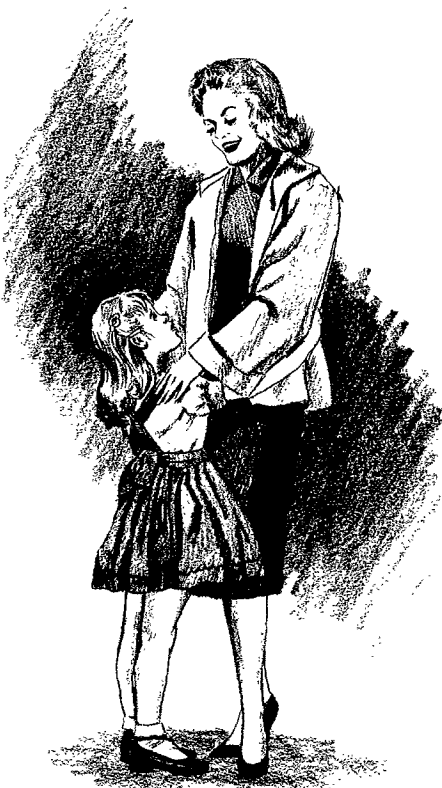
"Please say you'll stay. There's plenty of room here. You can stay in my room. Please?"

Aunt Marilyn bent down and kissed Brenda. "Thank you, darling. I'd like to stay with you, but your granddaddy needs me at home to cook and keep house for him. He doesn't have anyone else. He would be lonesome without me. But now that Jesus has made me well, we'll have lots of good visits together."

There was an extra kiss for Brenda at the front door, and an extra wave for her. Then Marilyn and granddaddy were on their way back home.

Brenda felt unusually happy when she jumped into bed that night. When she had asked Marilyn to stay with her forever, and told her that she loved her, Marilyn had looked far happier and more pleased than when Rhonda had given her the scarf. It was almost as though Brenda had given her a special gift.

Later, when Marilyn told me this story I knew that Brenda was right. She had given a special gift—the gift of love. That is the best gift of all.



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Brenda loved Aunt Marilyn in a special way.



A Father in Israel

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SOME time ago I noticed your picture in the union paper. You had recently been elected conference president, after many years of faithful pastoral work. In the accompanying article, which listed your qualifications for the post, one statement was underscored in my mind—though not in the periodical—for I know its validity. "When asked about his children," it read, "he revealed that the only ones he has are 'the youngsters in the church.'"

I knew I could claim to be one of those youngsters, fifteen years and hundreds of miles removed. At that time you were pastor of a city church, which included the responsibility of two or three smaller congregations in the district.

By your gracious manner you and your wife won the affection of many. Your preaching style may not have been the dramatic oratory of some, but the earnest words of a consecrated vessel convicted hearts.

Coming from a family environment frequently marred by conten-

tion, I was enlightened and inspired by being with you and your companion, who were so pleasant and courteous. You both seemed to take a personal interest in some of us teen-age girls, who had either no father at all or one who was not a church member. Your influence then may help account for the Christian homes we now have.

Through many thoughtful gestures you and your charming companion demonstrated your care for us. Like the time you arranged for another girl and me to attend camp meeting over the weekend (a new experience for me). Then there was the misty Sunday you and your wife took us on a day's outing that included a drive through cloud-curtained mountains. Our destination was a site of historical significance to the denomination. This place will always be linked in my mind with our short visit there that day.

When I was to participate in a special school program, some anonymous benefactors from the church

presented me with a lovely suit, shoes, and a winter coat, as well. No names were mentioned, but I am certain that you had a definite part in it. As opportunities come to me I have tried to pass this and other kindnesses on to others. Thus the circle of Christian benevolence expands.

As our Sabbath school teacher your wife showed her concern for the religious experience of us teen-age girls. She would apply the lesson to us personally. "How did this lesson help you?" she might ask us individually. In this way she encouraged us to offer our testimony, assuring us that our thoughts and expressions were of value. And of course, the effect of giving a simple, sincere statement reacted favorably upon ourselves.

Paul warns against one claiming to be of Paul, or of Apollos, or of any other than Christ. I look to you as a father in Israel, directing me to our mutual Saviour. It was you who approached me about baptism. You visited my home and spoke to my mother about my desire to become a church member. Tears streamed down my face as you prayed for us in our rather shabby-appearing apartment. And it was you who baptized me.

Inevitably, the sad Sabbath came when you announced that you would be leaving to serve elsewhere. We did not keep in touch, but I have never forgotten your, and your wife's, tender concern for us, and the confidence you had in us during those turbulent teen-age years. No doubt there are many more who have been blessed by your ministry and who can vouch that they too are your "youngsters in the church."



God's Family Plan

By LOUISE C. KLEUSER

"Like as a father,"
God's deep creative grace,
With purest love desired
Earth's children to embrace!
Another world appeared
At His command and power,
Far-reaching love foresaw
His family plan that hour!

"Like as a father,"
The great celestial Three
Presented this wise plan
To heaven's family.
How angel creatures thrilled
To welcome this new love,
While universal kin
Joined in with choir above!

"Like as a father,"
Jehovah's parent care
Poured out its loving ways
Upon the human pair;

All nature pealed forth praise
While creatures were at home
In Eden's peaceful bounds,
Not being left alone!

"Like as a father,"
God's kind protective arm,
Whatever creature kind,
Was sheltered from all harm;
God loved the tiny things,
Took pride in noble man,
Nothing escaped His eye—
All in His family plan!

"Like as a father,"
His purposes restored,
The Father seats His own
Around His festive board!
Creative parent pride
Beams from His father heart;
Sin conquered; love prevails—
His children all take part!

H. ARMSTRONG ROBERTS

From the Editors



General Conference Special Issues

The next issue of the REVIEW, dated Thursday, June 16, will be the first of ten special numbers that will report the General Conference session. This will come from the press Friday morning, the seventeenth, and report the opening of the session Thursday night. The second special number will be Sunday, June 19, and from then on daily through Friday, June 24. Following this, there will also be issues on June 26 and 30 and July 7.

Please remember that your REVIEW comes to you by second-class mail. For example, the first issue, which will be mailed to you June 17, may not reach you till seven days later—we do not control the mails. In general, each day's issue will contain almost all of the vital news of the preceding day up to 6:00 P.M. Actually, the delegates at Detroit will receive daily a copy of the REVIEW giving the news of what happened the day before. We are sorry that most of our dear people live far from Detroit and so must wait upon slower mail delivery.

The REVIEW is happy to render this extra service to our subscribers at no extra cost—though the cost to the publishers is very great. We are happy to make this unique quadrennial gift to the cause. The REVIEW was founded to tie all our hearts together. We seek to carry on this tradition. We invite you to read and be blessed by these cheering and official reports you will receive on the great gathering in Detroit.

What Hath God Wrought!

The General Conference was organized in 1863 in the city of Battle Creek, Michigan, a short distance, relatively speaking, from Detroit, where the fiftieth session is soon to be held. Two years earlier we began the organizing of local conferences, with the Michigan Conference the first. To the 1863 meeting came 20 delegates from six conferences—hardly an impressive total, either of men or of conferences. Our whole membership then was approximately 3,500.

We were weak in numbers. We were weak in finance. Much more importantly, we were weak in vision. It is not given to frail mankind to see far into the future. That is a gift entrusted to prophets. In 1848 Mrs. White, in vision, saw a work spreading around the world, and so she declared to the brethren. But it is one thing to hear with the ear, it is another to see with the eye of faith, and to understand with the heart. No, in 1863 the brethren, though dimly envisioning a message for all the world, found it hard to grasp the thought that literally in every land, we were to set up monuments for the Advent message. Let us not chide the brethren of 1863 in view of their small numbers, their small finance, and the bitter opposition they faced. We believe they doubtless had more faith and courage than most of us reveal today.

What we here want to stress is the simple fact of our small beginnings. Let us never forget history. Let us never despise the day of small things. Only as we remember the past can we see the way that God has led us and find a basis for new courage and new strength.

Let us summarize briefly a few key facts by which to make comparisons.

Our 1863 membership of 3,500 has now grown to more than 1.5 million. Whereas in 1863 we were geographically confined to a limited part of one country, the United States, the Advent Movement now has institutions and mission stations in virtually every part of the world. We have been repeatedly impressed with this fact in traveling around the world. No matter where we came down from the sky, be it on a great continent or an island like wild New Guinea, we found missionaries waiting to greet us and to take us to their mission stations.

The Publishing Work Grows

Our first tract—the first to give in any way the collective thinking of a little group of Advent believers, who were later to become the Seventh-day Adventist Church—was in 1847. It was entitled *A Word to the Little Flock*. We began publishing the REVIEW and HERALD in 1850. That was the only journal we had. In a sense, that was about all that we had to hold us together. In 1852, the first endeavor to give expression to any unified thinking on the part of the little group was the taking up of an offering to purchase a small press. It is interesting to note that the sum raised was \$655.84. They bought and installed the press for \$652.93. Certainly this much can be said for the pioneers, they always worked on a cash basis. They had \$2.91 left over.

How great has the growth of our publishing work been. The value of the publications annually runs up into the tens of millions of dollars. There is scarcely any place in the world where we do not find one of our publications, and in the language of the people of that land.

Surely we see today the amazing fulfillment of a prophecy that Sister White gave when she first instructed us to publish literature, to bring out "a little paper." We now see a light encircling the earth.

A Modest Beginning

The 1850's saw the first institutional building erected. In Battle Creek was constructed a building—so modest, so small—the Review and Herald Publishing House. Little did the brethren realize when they dug the foundations and then put on the roof that this was but the beginning of a whole chain of publishing houses that would encircle the world. And as we opened our first little medical center, the Health Reform Institute in Battle Creek in 1866, who envisioned the growth of our medical work that now encircles the earth?

Thus we might go on tracing the growth of one after another of the different phases of the developing work of God.

Truly, what hath God wrought! This is a time to sing and rejoice, for the good hand of our God has been upon us. It is also a time for us to lay greater plans than ever before to finish the task God has given to us. To plan and to pray will be the goal of those gathering soon at the General Conference session in Detroit. Let us all be present with them in spirit as we pray in our churches and in our homes for the blessing of God upon this session. God bless the great meeting so soon to be held!

F. D. N.

Reports From Far and Near

Faithful Stewardship in Trans-Africa

By J. A. Birkenstock
Stewardship Secretary
Trans-Africa Division

A little more than a year ago the stewardship program was launched in the South African Union by M. E. Rees, on loan from the Columbia Union Conference. A number of churches participated in this program and showed a good response at that time. It is possible now to look back and see how God has blessed, and how He has provided in a wonderful way for the regular running expenses of the church, as well as for special needs, such as new church buildings.

But this program has done more than that. It has brought a spiritual renewal to many individual church members and to entire congregations. They have seen in their own experience how God blesses and wonderfully provides in their everyday life. Many have learned to trust God, not only with the salvation of their souls but also with the management of their financial affairs.

Over and over the Lord has honored those who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice. Almost immediately after signing the covenant of entering into partnership with God, people have been blessed by an increase of salary; in many cases, taking care of the full commitment they have made or more.

Many congregations also have seen how graciously God provides when they consecrate themselves and their means to the furtherance of His work. In one town in Transvaal, South Africa, a small congregation was struggling to build a new sanctuary where they could honor and worship God. Then one retired sister, whom no one suspected of having any means to spare, gave her entire life savings for the building of the church. This brought great satisfaction and happiness to her, and before she passed away she saw this beautiful new sanctuary standing as a monument to her sacrificial offering.

One of the most remarkable developments has been the building of large city churches. With the coming of independ-

ence to many of the new African nations, beautiful church buildings have been erected in the capitals of these countries. Other populous centers, such as the copper-belt towns of Zambia and the scattered towns of Tanzania, have also seen the building of new churches representing the Advent faith. Besides hundreds of other permanent, more humble structures in the rural areas, at least 15 beautiful new city churches have been constructed over the past three years.

It is most heartening to notice the accelerating tempo of church-building construction in our Trans-Africa Division. We list the figures below from the time of the inception of the church development program in our division in 1960. The figures below each year show the number of new churches dedicated:

1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
14	21	44	42	53	62

The year 1966 promises to be a record year, with something like 100 church dedications expected. We praise God for what has been done, and pray for His continued blessing upon stewardship and church development in Trans-Africa.

Seventh-day Adventist Medicine in Brazil

By T. R. Flaiz, M.D., Secretary
GC Medical Department

In the second week of March, physicians, nurses, dietitians, administrators, chaplains, and technical workers from our hospitals in Brazil gathered for a council in the beautiful city of Rio de Janeiro. The council was held in the Silvestre Hospital, our Adventist hospital in that city. The hospital is situated on a shelf on the side of a mountain overlooking Rio harbor. Hundreds of feet above the hospital on the summit of this mountain the great statue of Christ looks down on our institution and the harbor.

M. S. Nigri, secretary of the South American Division, had organized the council and served as the coordinator of the session. This was the first medical council to be held in Brazil, and the

workers appreciated the opportunity to study their problems, of which our institutions have their fair share.

We have four major medical institutions in Brazil. In the north at the mouth of the Amazon is our Belém Hospital, under the able leadership of Dr. Zildomar Deucher. This young physician was previously on the staff of our River Plate Sanitarium in Argentina. This hospital, on the south bank of the mouth of the Amazon, is a potent influence for our mission work in the lower Amazon.

Practical nurses are trained in the institution. A dozen young men are studying medicine in the University of Belém and working at our hospital to help meet expenses and to gain practical experience in medicine. It is to these young people that we must look in the future to staff these hospitals in Brazil.

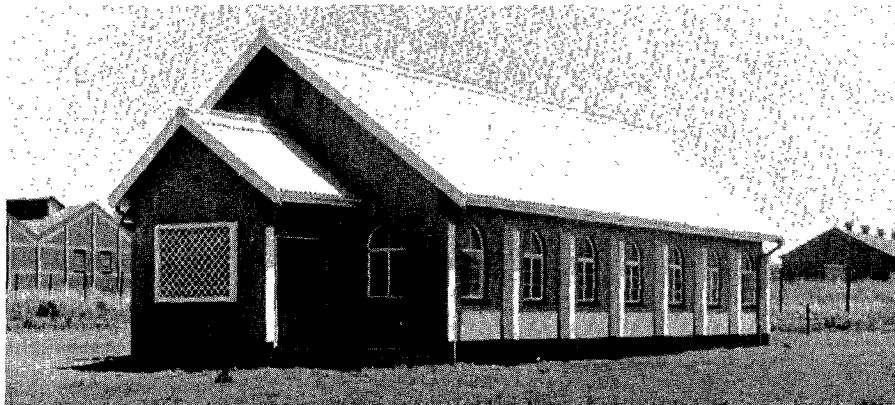
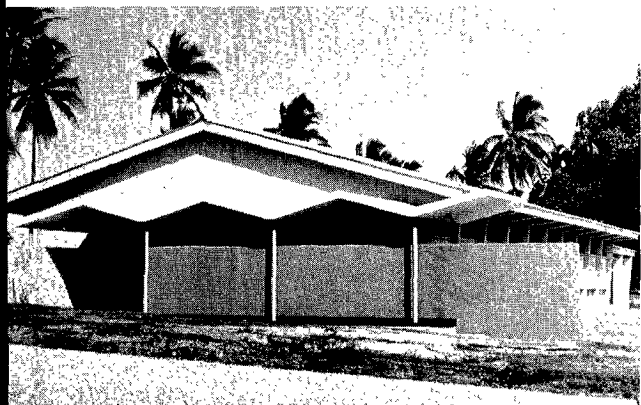
In western Brazil we have the well-known Penfigo Adventist Hospital, where the pathetic victims of the disease "savage fire" are effectively treated. Dr. Gunter Hans is directing the work of this hospital. Many of these sufferers are restored to normal health by the dedicated ministry of the staff.

In the city of São Paulo, the Chicago of South America, we are operating a small hospital. This institution won a large place in the hearts of the community by its ministry to the victims of a serious polio epidemic, somewhat as the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital did in the great polio epidemic in Chicago.

This hospital is being rebuilt—in fact, replaced—with a well-planned modern structure nine stories high. Lack of land makes it necessary to build in the vertical rather than the horizontal. This hospital will provide the clinical base for the new school of nursing for Brazil, which it is hoped will be open in the near future as a department of Brazil College at São Paulo. Dr. B. O. Bergold, medical director of the São Paulo Hospital, has a staff of five physicians.

With national physicians and national nurses fully in charge of our institutions of this rapidly developing country, we expect to see the present strength and development continue till a strong medical work, a work which is an honor to its sponsors, is solidly established in Brazil.

Left: New church dedicated in Dar es Salaam, capital of Tanzania. Right: New church for Indian believers in Durban, South Africa.



Evangelism in Ghana

By Owen A. Troy, *Treasurer
Ghana Mission*

More than 1,000 people were present on the opening night of an evangelistic meeting conducted by C. E. Moseley, field secretary of the General Conference, in Kumasi, Ghana. Kumasi, the capital of the large Ashanti region of Ghana, has not had any public evangelism for many years.

The site of the meeting was the Cultural Center. In the Center there is an outdoor church where thousands of people can sit under trees while the preacher stands in front of a 14-foot cross. This spot had been chosen because it was felt that influential people of the city would attend.

A number of ordained and unordained pastors assisted Elder Moseley in these meetings, along with the workers in the mission office. These helpers carried on a strong visitation program, and as a result of their work the attendance grew from night to night.

Each morning Elder Moseley conducted a training class for the assistants in the meetings. The inspiration of the meetings and classes caused many of those working with him to lay plans to conduct evangelistic meetings in the near future. Many of the large cities of Ghana have few, if any, members, and so the workers are determined to carry on a strong work of evangelism in the cities.

Although Elder Moseley was able to remain in Kumasi for only five weeks, he left behind nearly 100 persons who have determined to join the church. As a follow-up, Elder Moseley suggested that Bible-marking programs be carried out throughout the city. Three classes were set up. One was conducted by the president of the mission, J. K. Amoah, one by I. A. Benson, home missionary secretary, and one by A. Agyei, Sabbath school sec-

retary. These men are assisted by the publishing secretary, the assistant treasurer, and other workers in the mission office.

Nearly 125 persons are attending these classes each evening. Many are keeping the Sabbath. Our first baptism will be held in the near future.

At present the members of the Kumasi church are carrying on an active visitation program, especially among those who are unable to take the Bible-marking classes. They are working hard toward the goal of at least 100 baptisms for the year 1966.

From Home Base to Front Line

Elder and Mrs. Ralph T. Heiner, of Niagara Falls, New York, left New York May 3, going to Frankfurt, Germany. Brother Heiner is to serve as civilian chaplain in the SDA Servicemen's Center.

Elder and Mrs. Henry Niemann and family, returning after furlough, crossed the border at Mexicali, Mexico, May 8, driving to Panama, and flying from there to Bogotá, Colombia. Sister Niemann's maiden name was Hannelor Else Fuss. Brother Niemann is to be pastor, architect, and builder in the Bogotá Central church.

Mrs. Verner Albertsen and two children, of Baltimore, Maryland, left on May 8 en route to Sweden, where they will visit relatives, and then go on to Tokyo, Japan. The maiden name of Sister Albertsen was Saisy Noomy Madsen. It is Dr. Albertsen's plan to leave for Japan in late June, after completion of his internship in the South Baltimore General Hospital. He is to serve as a physician in the Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital.

W. R. BEACH



► The MV student missionary program of Walla Walla College received official assistance when the board of trustees voted two \$400 scholarships, one each to the student missionary from the College Place and the Portland School of Nursing campuses, respectively. Rod Todorovich, a theology student, will spend the summer in Bahia, Sergipe, Brazil, dividing his time with Capt. L. S. Scofield on the river launch, *Luminar II*, and with Evangelist Ron Bottsford. Lorraine Mittleider, senior nursing student, will spend the summer at a clinic in Quito, Ecuador.

► Upper Columbia Academy has won national honors in the 1966 Scholastic Writing Awards. Thousands of entries representing all 50 States were submitted. Wanda Ottman, an English IV student from Brewster, Washington, won First Award for her senior informal article entitled "Paradox of Life," which appears in the May issue of *Scholastic Magazine*.

► Ruth Wang, class of 1966 of Union College, was crowned Career Girl of the Year by the Englewood, Colorado, Business and Professional Women's Clubs. She earned this honor by graduating "with distinction" from the department of nursing and by making a highly creditable record in community activities in the area.

► The Enterprise, Kansas, young people are conducting a Voice of Youth evangelistic crusade in the Salina church. The music department of the academy is providing special music for the services. I. J. Dennison, pastor of the Salina district, will follow up the interests.

A Seventieth Wedding Anniversary!

Elder and Mrs. Meade MacGuire celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary the evening of April 27. About 100 attended the event, which was held in the large fellowship room of the new education building close to the University church in Loma Linda, California. Elder MacGuire is past 91 and his wife is 95. They are still keeping house in Yucaipa, a short distance from Loma Linda, and near many of their old friends in retirement.

Varner Johns, a former Bible teacher in the Loma Linda medical school, now retired, served as master of ceremonies for the anniversary celebration. He recalled interesting incidents in the early life of Elder MacGuire. Alfred Peterson, long connected with the General Conference MV Department, also retired, expressed deep appreciation for Elder MacGuire's guiding influence, resulting in Elder Peterson's years of service for our youth. Dr. Winea Simpson of the university teaching staff told of her indebtedness to Elder MacGuire for his personal help in her youthful years.

It was good to hear Elder MacGuire's response to the several speakers. His convictions are still strong, and his heart is still burdened for the youth and their spiritual welfare. Mrs. MacGuire, incidentally, is a sister of I. H. Evans, for many years a General Conference vice-president.

ERNEST LLOYD



► Judy Provonsha, sophomore English major at Pacific Union College, received first place and a prize in a contest sponsored by Napa Valley newspapers in the designing of a new Napa County seal.

► Cheryl Poulsen, senior at Thunderbird Academy, was recently awarded a \$4,000 scholarship by the Central Newspaper Foundation.

► Student Association president at Pacific Union College next year will be Stewart Bainum, of Silver Spring, Maryland. Editor of the college yearbook will be Marquita Fowler, of Leesburg, Georgia; and Steve Walls, Upland, California, will edit the college newspaper.

► A Battle Creek Academy student was feted at a luncheon attended by Governor George Romney for winning the "Ability Counts" contest in Michigan. This essay contest is sponsored in each State by the Commission on Employment of the Handicapped. Elizabeth Ann Susens was presented a \$100 savings bond plus \$400 in cash to cover travel expenses for herself and her parents to the national dinner held in Washington, D.C., April 28.

► Sherl Stafford, an eighth-grade pupil in the Kokomo, Indiana, church school, has enrolled 104 persons in the Bible correspondence courses. Six months ago the MV department in the church began a campaign to go out each Sabbath afternoon to enroll persons in the 20th Century Bible Course. The first time Sherl went she secured 14 signatures of interested persons, which inspired her to set a goal of 100 enrollments. After her baptism two years ago she enjoyed Ingathering so much that she set as her goal the Jasper Wayne Award, which she has merited now for two years.

► Under the guidance of Dick Hart, MV leader at Walla Walla College, youth from five SDA colleges and universities recaptured and communicated the thrill of summer student missionary experiences at a symposium Friday evening, April 22, in the Walla Walla College church. Each of the following gave a brief résumé of the experiences by word and picture: Canadian Union College, Les Anderson, British Columbia, launch evangelism; Loma Linda University, Bradley Nelson, Chiapas, Mexico, medical clinic; La Sierra College, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones, Hong Kong, teaching; Pacific Union College, Forrest Follett, Borneo, teaching and laboratory construction; Walla Walla College, Diane Hilde, hospital nursing, and Ed Boyatt, evangelism, British Guiana.

► The 32 students of the Canyonville, Oregon, church school worked enthusiastically to earn money (primarily from selling lint brushes which the parents made) with which to buy new equipment for their school. They were delighted to be able to present to the Home and School Association a one-thousand-dollar bill. From the total \$1,369 in the fund they have purchased a Graflex projector, phonograph and records, duplicator, filing cabinet, wheeled chairs for the teachers, a tape recorder, a flagpole, the Bible in Living Sound records, portable stage lights, and flower baskets for use at church, which is held in the school gymnasium.

Condensed News

Educational Standards Rising in Africa

"Westerners had predicted that emerging national governments in Africa would be forced to lower educational and medical standards from colonial levels, but quite the opposite has proved true," a veteran missions administrator said recently.

Robert H. Pierson, president of the Trans-Africa Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, told a medical missions convocation at Loma Linda University that 17 newly nationalized countries in his church administrative territory "not only are not falling behind established African countries but in most cases are raising accreditation standards" both in education and in medical practice. Adventists operate schools, hospitals, and clinics in the Trans-Africa territory.

Elder Pierson appealed to 300 persons, chiefly students in the health professions, to consider overseas mission service. "The trend is for specialists to replace returning general practitioners in many of our hospitals," he said. "Entrance qualifications and graduation requirements at the five Adventist-operated nursing schools in the division are becoming more rigid each year.

"A pilot program for rehabilitation of lepers is scheduled to be in full operation in Zambia by the end of next year," said Elder Pierson. "The church operates four leprosariums in the territory, but this is the first major step it has taken toward full-scale leper rehabilitation."

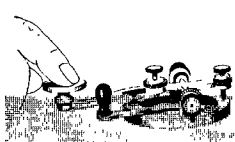
JOHN PARRISH

Food for the Poor in Brazil

In the Bahia Sergipe Mission of Brazil it is the custom in most of our churches about Christmas time each year to have a program and then a food distribution for the poorest people of each town. Among the items distributed are foods essential to the Brazilian diet—beans, rice, oil, and flour for making bread. We have received much help in this program from the Alliance for Progress.

In the town of Cruz das Almas, here in Salvador, the Dorcas women of the church gave out 150 pounds of beans, 50 pounds of powdered milk, 300 liters of oil, 150 pounds of rice, and 120 toys for the children. The needs are many, but one does the best he can with what he has. The Lord certainly blessed the work here in Bahia Sergipe Mission in 1965 and we believe 1966 will be an even greater year for victories.

R. C. BOTTSFORD
Departmental Secretary
Bahia Sergipe Mission



Brief News OF MEN AND EVENTS



Far Eastern Division

Reported by
D. A. Roth

► Sudhir Kumar Dass, from the Southern Asia Division, graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture at Mountain View College on April 24. He is the first Indian to graduate from MVC. Dass was teaching in the Raymond Memorial Higher Secondary School in Falakata, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, when he received the study grant in 1963. He has returned to the Raymond Memorial school to head the agriculture department there. His wife is the Bengali language teacher in that school.

► Dr. Jack Seeley, of Bakersfield, California, has been appointed a staff physician at the Seoul Sanitarium and Hospital, Seoul, Korea. He is scheduled to arrive in Korea sometime this summer.

► Donald Aldridge, principal of the Far Eastern Academy, has been appointed new acting principal of the Sunny Hill School in Sarawak, Southeast Asia Union Mission. He will take the place of James Wong who will go to the United States to further his education for two years.

► Two new science teachers have accepted calls to join the staff of Philippine Union College in the North Philippine

Union Mission. They are Lloyd Wilson, of Union College, and Donald Halenz, of Andrews University. They are scheduled to start teaching in the Philippines in July.

► Ralph Waddell, medical secretary of the Far Eastern Division, has been named Alumnus of the Year at his alma mater, the undergraduate school of Andrews University (formerly Emmanuel Missionary College). He will receive his award at the time of the General Conference session in Detroit, Michigan.

► The new president of the Sabah Mission in the Southeast Asia Union Mission is George Munson, now ministerial and radio-TV secretary of the Korean Union Mission, Seoul, Korea. He takes the place of Andrew Peters, who has returned to the United States. Pastor Munson has served in Korea for the past 20 years.



Atlantic Union

Reported by
Mrs. Emma Kirk

► James Gilley, of the Middletown, Connecticut, district has been assigned to be the pastor of the Fitchburg, Massachusetts, district, taking the place of Walter Kloss. Elder Kloss will connect with the New England Sanitarium and Hospital as chaplain. Richard Coffen, who has served

as assistant pastor of the Worcester, Massachusetts, church for the past year, will be the new leader of the Middletown district. These changes in the Southern New England Conference will be effective in July.

► Recently chosen to serve as station relations director for Faith for Today is Franklin W. Hudgins, radio-TV secretary and public relations director of the Ohio Conference.

► Steven Farley and Elaine Nyirady have been selected as Atlantic Union College Student Association student missionaries for the summer of 1966. They will serve in Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru—all in the Inca Union, South America.

► G. H. Rainey, associate secretary of the Ministerial Association of the Atlantic Union Conference, was the guest speaker for the youth Week of Prayer at the Berea-Nyack church, March 19-26.

► Dr. William Outhwaite has set up his practice in dentistry in the Woodbury Building in Hampton, New Hampshire. Dr. Outhwaite attended Helderberg College for four years and received his B.A. degree. He spent five years in mission service in Rhodesia, and then attended the Dental School at Loma Linda University.



Central Union

Reported by
Mrs. Clara Anderson

► On Sabbath April 2 the Northside SDA church, St. Louis, Missouri, was officially opened for services. W. W. Fordham, Central States Conference president, cut the ribbon, and the ministers, along with guests and members, entered the church. R. H. Nightingale, union president, was the speaker for the eleven o'clock hour.

► B. J. Liebelt, home missionary and Sabbath school secretary of the Colorado Conference, has accepted a call to the Southern Union Conference as Sabbath school, religious liberty, and ASI secretary.

► Elder and Mrs. C. L. Duffield from Long Beach, California, have recently moved to Denver, Colorado, where Elder Duffield is pastor of the Denver South church. To be associated with him is G. L. Henderson. Elder Henderson and family come from Long Beach, California, also.

► Shawnee Mission Hospital in Shawnee Mission, Kansas, a Seventh-day Adventist operated institution, recently opened a new 70-bed wing. This makes a total of 135 beds available for patients.



Columbia Union

Reported by
Morten Juberg

► Members of the Sligo church, Takoma Park, have voted to begin planning work on the final phase of the Sligo Elementary School. Included will be additional classrooms and facilities for teaching practical arts. William Seth, a member of the staff



Philippine Hospital Earns Top Award

Cleanest private hospital in the Philippines—that is the distinction earned by the Manila Sanitarium and Hospital, pioneer SDA hospital in the Philippines. The honor was announced during a special program held in the Department of Health compound at the close of national Clean-up Week. There are 238 private hospitals in the country.

For the year 1964 the hospital received a Certificate of Merit as runner-up for the top award. It seemed logical to the hospital personnel that the thing to do was to merit the top award in 1965. They did—to the credit, especially, of the house-keeping department, headed by Mrs. Concepcion A. Mathay.

Dr. G. C. Eckvall, medical director of the hospital, is shown receiving the first-prize trophy from Dr. Rosalinda Garcia, wife of the Department of Health secretary, Dr. Paulino J. Garcia. It now graces the director's office—"a constant reminder of the challenge to keep MSH the cleanest," says Dr. Eckvall.

Shown between Dr. Garcia and Dr. Eckvall is Dr. Jose C. Denoga, president of the Philippine Medical Association.

B. B. ALSAYBAR
Departmental Secretary
North Philippine Union Mission

and former principal of Richmond, Virginia, junior academy, will become the new principal. He replaces Robert Clark, Sr., who has accepted a call to the Hinsdale, Illinois, junior academy.

► As a part of the expansion program of the Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, work is in progress on the relocation of the emergency room, with a new entrance. The X-ray department also will be expanded. Installation has been completed of the two tele-processing automatic key punch machines. The new units will handle all patient billing.

► C. H. Lauda, president of the Potomac Conference, led out in the organization of the Tappahannock, Virginia, church with 31 members.

► Ground has been broken for a \$50,000 addition to the Fredericksburg, Virginia, church. The new facility will provide space for the pastor's office, library, welfare activities, classrooms, and a social room.

► With the completion of improvements

to the New Hope Adventist church in Canton, Ohio, rededication services were held. Speaker for the services was W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer of the Allegheny Conference.

► At a joint meeting held in Takoma Park, May 8, delegates from the Allegheny and Potomac conferences voted to carry on a strong welfare program in downtown Washington, D.C. This will continue the work begun by Medical Ministry, a group of laymen who initiated the self-supporting program.



Lake Union

Reported by
Mrs. Mildred Wade

► The Hinsdale Sanitarium and Andrews University are entering into a new and enlarged plan of nursing education. The first is a two-year program of study leading to the Associate of Arts degree from Andrews University and to licensure as an R.N. by the States of Illinois or Michigan. There will be one year of study at Andrews University followed by a year of clinical studies at Hinsdale Sanitarium. This will prepare nurses for direct care of the sick and is equivalent to the diploma program previously offered at Hinsdale. The second program will be a four-year course leading to the Bachelor of Nursing degree and licensure with the State as an R.N. Approximately two years of study will be spent at Andrews University and two years of clinical studies at the Hinsdale Sanitarium. This will give the nurse a foundation for positions of teaching, supervision, et cetera.

► A number of years ago Agatha Harold, realizing she was the only Seventh-day Adventist in Columbus, Indiana, contacted the conference officers and asked that an evangelistic effort be held there. When she was told that funds were not available, she and her family sacrificed and saved until sufficient funds were accumulated. An evangelist was sent, a baptism resulted, and a church was established. Today the membership has reached 104.

► A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held March 24 to open a new Health and Welfare Center in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Among the visitors were J. Dunnigan, director of Community Services Council for the county and city of Kalamazoo; W. M. Buckman, Michigan Conference welfare director; and A. W. Bauer, director of welfare work for the Lake Union.



North Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Ione Morgan

► Pastor of the Wenatchee church 23 years ago, William McGhee, recently a missionary to Beirut, Lebanon, and now of College Place, Washington, together with his family presented a Friday evening program, May 20, of music and pictures of exploits of modern youth for God in ancient lands. On Sabbath morning the topic

of his sermon was "The Famine, the Fire, and the Flood."

► The new welfare center in Port Orchard, Washington, was opened to the public April 15. Featured in the ceremony were D. E. Caslow, union conference director of lay activities, and Mayor Nick Repanich. Apart from this new building located on the church property is a working center on another site where clothing, furniture, et cetera, are repaired and stored. Mrs. Gladys Jensen is in charge.

► Miss Gwen Fry, currently teaching at Pendleton Junior Academy, has accepted the position of girls' dean at Milo Academy in southern Oregon for next school year.

► A full-scale Medical Cadet Corps camp will be held at Gladstone, Oregon, August 21 to September 2, according to recent action of the union conference committee.

► Governor Mark O. Hatfield, of the State of Oregon, was a recent visitor to the campus of Laurelwood Academy and addressed the student body at a chapel service. Following the chapel service the governor toured school industries with Principal A. T. Wiegardt.

► More than 250 former students and alumni were on hand for the ninth annual homecoming at Gem State Academy the weekend of April 22 and 23. Officers elected for the year are Max Mace, president of the alumni association; Mickey Meyers, vice-president; Anna May Radke Waters, secretary-treasurer; Nina Stewart Prohaska, assistant secretary-treasurer; Jane Walker Munsey, recording secretary.

► J. N. Barnes, associate professor of religion at Walla Walla College, has been selected as recipient of the Founders' Day Award, top scholastic and achievement honor of the year at New York University.

► The following additions to the Walla Walla College teaching staff were announced by President William H. Shephard following the recent board of trustees' meeting: Norman Maberly, associate professor of education; Mrs. Floyd Murdoch, modern languages; R. E. Stephens and Gary Wiss, English department; Robert Henderson, history and English; John Uhrig, instructor in physical education.

Other employees will be Nancy Knopp, office secretary; and John Rudebaugh, who will head a department in the college bindery.

► Wayne Massengill has been appointed secretary of the trust department of the union conference. He is also connected with the estate planning program of Loma Linda University. For the past two years he has served in the trust department of the Upper Columbia Conference.

► On April 23 the church building in Wenatchee, Washington, was dedicated. The structure, valued at \$250,000, has a seating capacity of 650, with individual Sabbath school classrooms for the adult division, as well as spacious rooms for the children's divisions. A small chapel, with stained-glass windows, is incorporated in the building, serving the teen youth. Participants in the dedication included W. J. Hackett, R. C. Remboldt, and the pastor, Philip L. Welklin. Former pastors present were: Kenneth Fleck, R. J. Kegley, Sr., M. E. Heinrich, Manley Miles, and R. L. Badgley.



Northern Union

Reported by
L. H. Netteburg

► Siegfried Roeske, a 1965 graduate of Canadian Union College, has accepted the pastorship of the Max and Butte churches in North Dakota.

► J. E. Upchurch, who has been serving in the Austin, Minnesota, district, has accepted the pastorate of the Minneapolis Southview church. G. R. Elstrom, who has pastored the church the past eight years, has accepted a call to Northern California to pastor the Hayward church in suburban Oakland.

► Dorcas members of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, aid the American Cancer Society each year by making between 1,500 and 2,000 dressings for the Minnehaha County chapter, and from 40 to 60 gowns.

► Charles E. Felton, Bible teacher and guidance director at Maplewood Academy, has been chosen principal of Oak Park Academy. He takes the place of W. A. Sowers, who accepted a call to

the Madison Academy in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

► Nine people were baptized in Greenfield and Guthrie Center, Iowa, on April 9 as a result of meetings begun January 23 in these cities. Approximately 12 more people are planning to unite with these two churches. This baptism was the climax of a concentrated effort by several churches, pastors, and the evangelist, Don Houghton. R. G. Pollard, district pastor, led in the music program and L. M. Heifner, pastor of an adjoining district, gave strong support in the visitation program at Greenfield.

► V. K. Burgeson, pastor of the Willmar, Minnesota, district, has assumed leadership of the Austin, Minnesota, district.



Pacific Union

Reported by
Mrs. Margaret Follett

► Graduation exercises for the 73 seniors of Thunderbird Academy heard F. O. Rittenhouse, president of Pacific Union College, deliver the commencement address May 29. The consecration speaker was Harold Fagal, of the La Sierra College religion department; and Robert Osmunson, director of admissions and assistant professor of religion at LSC, was the baccalaureate speaker.

► Approximately 1,300 Pathfinders and their leaders, of the Southern California Conference, camped at Soule Park in Ojai, April 15 to 17 for their 1966 Camporee. E. J. Anderson, of the Arizona Conference, and W. E. Jamerson, of the Southeastern California Conference, were featured speakers.

► Friday morning, April 15, the Japan Missionary College choir, on its first American tour, participated in a memorial service aboard the U.S.S. *Arizona* Memorial at Pearl Harbor. Two of the youth from Japan placed a wreath in front of the Memorial chapel during the service.

► The members of the Kerman, California, church held a banquet in April in honor of the 21 new members baptized as a result of the Millet-Stephens evangelistic endeavor.

A New Church in West Germany

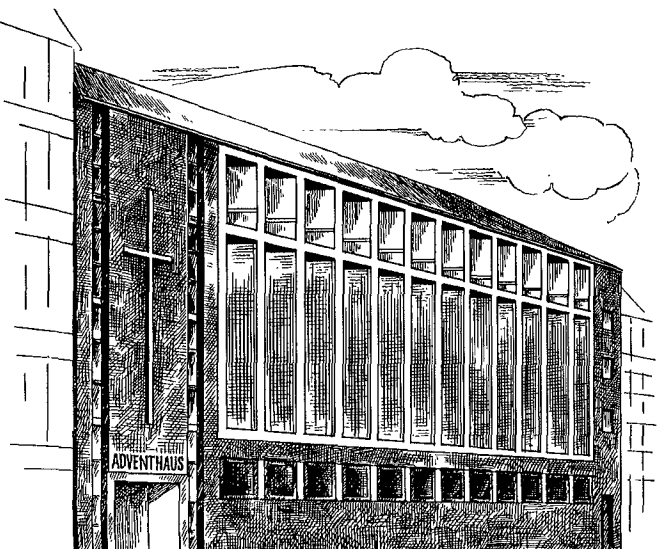
A new Adventist church was dedicated recently in the West German city of Cologne on the Rhine. This city was founded nearly 2,000 years ago as a Roman colony, and even today one can see many witnesses of the history and beliefs held by the Catholic inhabitants. Our church is near the Koelner Dom, a well-known Catholic church. The main auditorium seats 400 persons. On the wall behind the platform is this inscription: "Thy kingdom come —thy will be done."

O. Gmehling, president of the Central European Division, preached the dedication sermon. E. Denkert, president of the West German Union, offered the dedication prayer. About 600 visitors took part in the ceremonies.

We are especially thankful to the General Conference for the overflow of a recent Thirteenth Sabbath Offering, which made it possible to build this Adventist center in Cologne.

The next evening after the dedication the writer began a series of evangelistic meetings in the city.

E. DENKERT





Southern Union

Reported by
Oscar L. Heinrich

► Twenty-two persons were baptized in Pensacola, Florida, as a result of a recent series of evangelistic meetings conducted in the conference airatorium by W. D. Brass, conference evangelist, and D. B. Martin, church pastor.

► The Southern Union Academy Music Festival was held at Forest Lake Academy April 9 and 10, with 11 senior academies participating. Three hundred twenty young people had a part on the week-end program, which began Friday night, with the chorus singing "Bow Down Thine Ear." Choral and band clinicians were guest directors from the University of Florida. The entire program was co-ordinated by Mrs. Pat Silver, head of the music faculty at Forest Lake Academy.

► Five Dorcas federation meetings were held in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference during the week of March 20-24. Many soul-winning experiences were related, climaxed by a report of seven baptisms for 1965. W. E. Peeke is the conference laymen's activities secretary.

► On Sabbath, April 9, members of the Savannah church of the South Atlantic Conference turned in \$4,500 to pay off the last portion of the mortgage on their church building, which was started in 1958 and was completed at a construction cost of \$100,000. Pastors during construction and payment of the debt have been H. L. Cleveland, F. S. Hill, and F. W. Parker.



Southwestern Union

Reported by
J. N. Morgan

► Literature evangelists from Arkansas met for a training and fellowship institute in Hot Springs, May 6-8. W. A. Higgins, associate secretary of the Publishing Department of the General Conference, in cooperation with the Southwestern Union publishing department staff, gave valuable help in the training program for new recruits and seasoned literature evangelists.

► C. E. Moseley, general field secretary of the General Conference, was guest minister of the Dallas, Texas, City Temple church, May 7. Elder Moseley brought great encouragement and spiritual help to the members of the Southwest Region Conference gathered at Dallas for the special one-day meeting.

► W. B. Robinson, of the Oklahoma Conference, has recently accepted the invitation of the Texas Conference committee to be secretary-treasurer of that conference. He takes the place of C. W. Skantz, who accepted a call to become secretary-treasurer of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

► Dick White, of Pasadena, Texas, reports 26 decisions to unite with the remnant church at the climax of evan-

gelistic meetings in the new Pasadena church, March 5-April 16. Already 16 of these persons have been baptized.

► The Laurel Heights church, in San Antonio, Texas, has been cleared of all indebtedness by the cooperative efforts of the church members. A special note-burning ceremony was conducted on April 30.

► The Southwestern Union Conference has just completed its five conference sessions for 1966. Meetings were held for the Southwest Region, Texas, Arkansas-Louisiana, Texico, and Oklahoma conferences. All incumbent personnel were returned to office.

► At the fifty-third conference session in Oklahoma W. A. Dessain and his departmental staff were returned to leadership for the coming biennium. The delegates also welcomed and re-elected R. R. Rouse as conference treasurer, who assumed this responsibility recently when W. B. Robinson accepted the invitation of the Texas Conference to fill a similar position. The conference membership now stands at 3,769.

► R. B. Sheets, 77, of Ardmore, Oklahoma, raised \$5,511.00 during the 1966 Ingathering campaign. To achieve this he worked 77 days, drove 12,000 miles, worked 45 towns, and covered 11 counties. More than 75 per cent of the donations were \$5.00 or less. In the past 18 years Brother Sheets has raised \$55,000.00.



Loma Linda University

Reported by
Sandra Craig

► Loma Linda University School of Nursing completed in May a five-session electrocardiography course for 50 registered nurses from hospitals in a three-county area. Designed to prepare nurses to care for heart patients, the course offered instruction in reading electrocardiograms and in detecting and identifying heartbeat irregularities. School of Medicine faculty members are teaching the weekly community service classes.

► IBM Corporation has given \$5,000 to Loma Linda University. The unrestricted gift will be applied toward construction of the new medical center, said university president Godfrey T. Anderson. The teaching hospital complex is scheduled for completion next spring.

► An affiliated teaching hospital of Loma Linda University, Riverside County General Hospital, has adopted a new name which shows its affiliation with the university. The facility is now called Riverside General Hospital and University Medical Center. Junior and senior medical students are assigned to periods of clinical instruction at the hospital, whose staff includes a number of School of Medicine faculty members.

► Ten School of Medicine alumni who have averaged 40 years of service each were saluted by the school at the annual banquet for senior medical students. The honored physicians are: Walter E. Mac-

pherson, vice-president for medical affairs; Roger W. Barnes, distinguished service professor of urology; Donald E. Griggs, clinical professor of medicine; Orlyn B. Pratt, professor of pathology; and emeritus professors Malcolm R. Hill, Sr., Elisabeth Larsson, Fred B. Moor, Clarence E. Nelson, Ralph J. Thompson, Sr., and Harold M. Walton. The senior class honored the dean of the school, David B. Hinshaw, M.D., class sponsor Robert V. Shearer, M.D., and six other faculty members. Speaker for the evening was George T. Harding, III, a 1928 School of Medicine alumnus and former Loma Linda president.

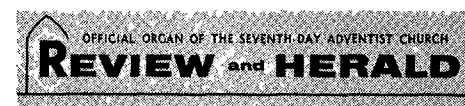
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Correction

A poem on page 8 of the REVIEW for May 12, in the article entitled "The Christian Home," is quoted with the notation "Author unknown." A Review reader has kindly sent us the name of the author, and we are happy to give credit for this beautiful piece of writing to Mary Carolyn Davies. Her title for the poem is "This Is Friendship," and the subject is friendship and not marriage.

Church Calendar

North American Missions Program	June 11
One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary Program	
—American Bible Society	June 25
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering	
(Middle East)	June 25
Medical Missionary Day	July 2
Church Missionary Offering	July 2
Pioneer Evangelism (Unentered Counties)	August 6
Church Missionary Offering	August 6
Oakwood College Offering	August 13
Educational Day	



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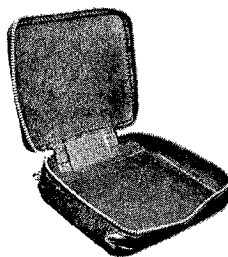
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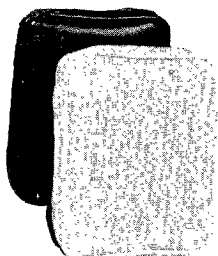
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News of Note

Telecast-Broadcast Releases From Detroit Session

A one-hour telecast, "Global Assignment," a documentary on the 1966 General Conference session, will be aired Sunday evening, June 19, 9:00 to 10:00 P.M. on CKLW-TV, Channel 9, in Detroit, Michigan. The same telecast will be seen in the Washington, D.C., area on Thursday night, June 23, 8:00 to 9:00 P.M.

In addition to local radio coverage throughout the Detroit area, a 25-minute special, "Neighbors to the World," will be featured on the Mutual Broadcasting System. It will be released on the network on June 18 from 11:35 A.M. to 12 noon, EDT. Check your newspaper for time and station.

There will be a daily direct-news feed on three college FM stations—WGTS, Washington, D.C.; KSDA, Arlington, California; and KEMR, Loma Linda, California.

J. O. IVERSEN

Adventist Youth Sweep Contest in Palau

The April 29 issue of the *Palauan Post*, weekly newspaper of the Palau Islands in the Far Eastern Island Mission, carried a feature article captioned "SDA Sweeps Law Day Essay Contest." The article reports that four Adventist high school students took all the awards in the previous week's Law Day contest. The high school students of the island had submitted a total of 50 essays on the theme "What Are Laws For?" All essays were numbered, and the authors were unknown to the judges. An impartial panel of judges who evaluated the essays for coherence, originality, and over-all effectiveness gave the first four prizes to Adventist youth.

We honor these Adventist Palauan young people who have a clear understanding of the place of law in human society.

W. P. BRADLEY

Services for Visitors to Banff National Park

Sabbath services will be held at 10:00 A.M. at the Seventh-day Adventist Camp Rundle, at Canmore, Alberta, each Sabbath during the summer months. Visitors in the area are invited to attend. Canmore is located about 15 miles east of Banff, Alberta.

MILDRED L. FARROW

Large Offering in Georgia-Cumberland

From H. H. Schmidt, president of the Southern Union, has come news that the Georgia-Cumberland Conference set a \$50,000 goal for an advance in evangelism this year, this goal to include the amount assigned to that conference for the Million

Dollar Offering. Elder Schmidt informs us that when the offering in behalf of this goal was taken, a week or two ago, the amount received from the membership of the conference was not \$50,000 but \$86,145.27. We rejoice with the Georgia-Cumberland Conference in this signal move toward greater evangelism and also in their perhaps being the first conference to reach their quota for the Million Dollar Offering.

Investment Honor Roll for 1965

Sabbath school Investment for the world field during 1965 amounted to \$1,414,700.83. Of this total the North American Division gave \$1,246,384.83. The following conferences or missions in North America averaged \$5 or more.

	Per Capita	Total
Alaska	\$13.25	\$ 9,459.98
Upper Columbia	6.06	68,291.28
Idaho	6.03	18,356.06
Hawaii	5.98	14,823.82
North Dakota	5.65	15,520.03
Potomac	5.53	59,573.77
British Columbia	5.29	21,407.76
Montana	5.27	12,370.15
Oregon	5.16	88,953.57
Chesapeake	5.09	18,637.04

The following conferences averaged \$4 or more: Iowa, Alberta, Central California, South Dakota, Nevada-Utah, Wyoming, Arizona, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Colorado, New York, Northern California, Missouri.

Conferences that contributed the largest totals are as follows: Oregon—\$88,953.57; Northern California—\$83,774.72; Central California—\$71,093.35; Upper Columbia—\$68,291.28; Michigan—\$65,533.23; Potomac—\$59,573.77; Southeastern California—\$55,311.22; Southern California—\$50,194.05.

We commend our members everywhere for their wonderful achievements in Sabbath school Investment during 1965. Let us put forth every effort to make 1966 an even better year for the Lord.

G. R. NASH

Northern New England Conference Session

Representatives from the 47 churches in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont convened in the new White Memorial church, Portland, Maine, for the twenty-second biennial session of the Northern New England Conference. Reports by the officers and departmental secretaries were encouraging. Tithe income in 1965 was \$423,000, a gain over 1964 of \$42,017. Two hundred seventy persons were baptized during the biennium, and member-

ship stood at 2,796 at December 31, 1965. For the first time in its history the conference exceeded \$100,000 in Sabbath school offerings for a two-year period.

The session re-elected their whole conference staff, headed by Carl P. Anderson, president, and W. H. Smith, secretary-treasurer.

K. F. AMBS

PR Seminar at Andrews

A compact and comprehensive course in public relations will be offered under the auspices of the Theological Seminary, Andrews University, June 27 through July 7. Coming as it does immediately following the General Conference session, this PR seminar presents a unique opportunity for interested delegates to become acquainted with current practices and techniques in public relations.

Graduate credit will be available for qualified participants, but the course may also be taken on an audit basis.

For further particulars write to the Assistant Registrar, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan 49104, or to the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations, Washington, D.C. 20012.

E. WILLMORE TARR

New Zealand Missionary College Sets New World Record

During the last week of March the faculty and students of the New Zealand Missionary College enthusiastically participated in a precedent-setting Ingathering crusade. W. R. L. Scragg, college president, writes:

"During a period of four days the New Zealand Missionary College raised \$8,520, an increase of \$1,478 over last year. This averages \$77.46 for each of the 110 students. We have been told that our results are the highest per capita of any of our Adventist colleges in the world. Three students received in excess of \$168 each. This year our star Ingatherer is Kim Beets, a non-Adventist girl, who received more than \$182."

J. E. EDWARDS

New Uniforms for Welfare Service Workers

For some time there has been an increasing interest in securing a service uniform to be worn by all Dorcas Welfare Society members and others working in any of the health and welfare service centers or units. In a recent survey more than 1,000 women indicated a readiness to secure such a uniform.

We are glad to report that we have been able to secure such a uniform in the desired color and material with insignia and matching hat, to be made by the company that has been making Red Cross uniforms for years. We look forward to wearing many of our active health and welfare service workers in these uniforms.

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