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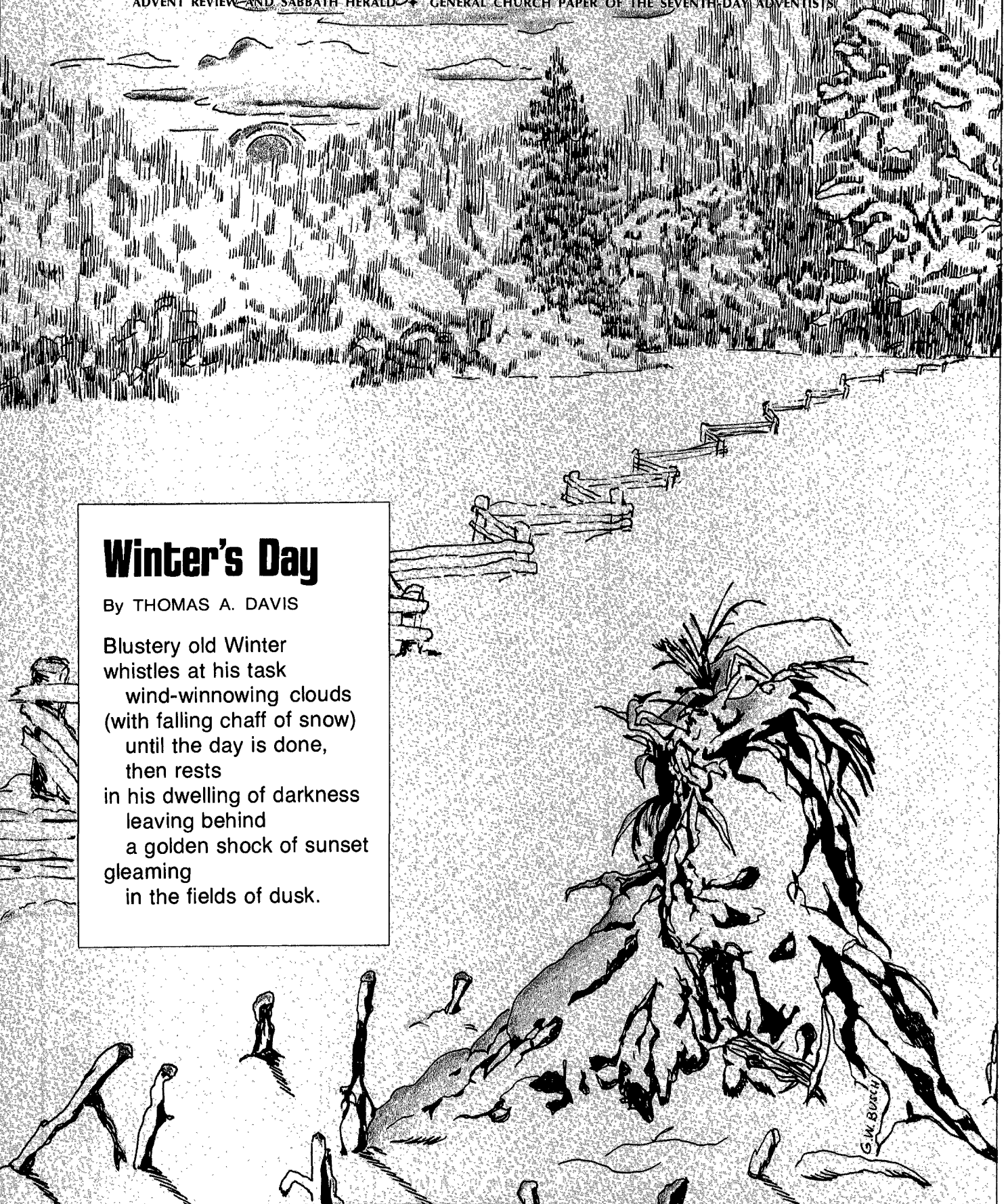
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Winter's Day

By THOMAS A. DAVIS

Blustery old Winter
whistles at his task
wind-winnowing clouds
(with falling chaff of snow)
until the day is done,
then rests
in his dwelling of darkness
leaving behind
a golden shock of sunset
gleaming
in the fields of dusk.



Are You a Worrier?

LOMA LINDA MEDICAL CENTER.—Are you a worrier? If so, I have good news for you. Here is God's special message for you personally.

"Don't worry over anything whatever; tell God every detail of your needs in earnest and thankful prayer, and the peace of God, which transcends human understanding, will keep constant guard over your hearts and minds as they rest in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6, 7, Phillips).

"Worry makes us old before our time," Mary Elsnau writes in *Life and Health*, October, 1971. "It tires us, saps our strength, and makes us ill. How we enjoy worrying. We hug our worries to our breast and take them to bed with us at night. In the morning we feel jaded as we stumble out of the warm covers still gathering together our worries. While dressing we examine each one, and we take them to the breakfast table and on to the day's schedule. Our worries leave flurries of disturbed emotion in people we encounter."

Are you a chronic worrier? Do you sometimes make life a trifle miserable for yourself and perhaps others because of worry? Then read Paul's words over again before you read the rest of my message for today.

Now that you have Paul's prescription for worry—"tell God every detail of your needs" (literally, "let your requests be made known to God") and have your heavenly Father's assurance of help, "the peace of God . . . will keep constant guard over your hearts and minds."

Examining old Greek papyri, Bible scholars found in an ancient contract recorded on papyrus the word *amerimnos*, with the meaning "security." One Greek wrote to another, "And for your security I have issued to you this contract." In another papyrus fragment was the sentence that may be translated, "I am now writing in haste to prevent your being anxious, for I want to see that you are not worried." Here the word "being anxious" comes from *merimnaō*, "have anxiety," "be anxious," "be concerned." *Amerimnos* is related to *merimnaō*, the *a* being a negative prefix meaning "not."

The apostle Paul uses *merimnaō* in Philippians 4:6. This same word appears in Matthew 6:25, in the admonition "take no thought [that is, "do not be anxious"] for your life." It is not God's plan that His people should carry the heavy burden of worry. Jesus would have us place our trust and confidence in Him. If we trust we will not worry. If we worry we cannot trust. The Lord invites us to come to Him and cast all our care upon Him (1 Peter 5:7), for He cares for each one of us.

"There is much needless worrying, much trouble of mind, over things that cannot be helped," the Lord's messenger says in *Appeals for Unity*, page 10 (Pamphlet, 1912). According to a University of Wisconsin statistician's study of matters that human beings worry about, 40 per cent of these worry causers are things that never happen. Thirty per cent are about

situations past and gone, that all the worry in the world could not change. Twenty-two per cent are petty and needless worries, and 8 per cent are items of truly legitimate concern. Someone has said, "If a man can remember what he worried about last week, he has a good memory."

"Those who cherish the spirit of worry and complaint are refusing to recognize His guiding hand."—*Ibid.* The word *worry* comes from an old Anglo-Saxon word that means "to choke." When we worry we are literally "choking" ourselves to death. "The Lord would have His children put their trust fully in Him."—*Ibid.*

There are two days each week when you and I should be free from worry—yesterday and tomorrow. Yesterday is gone, forever beyond our control. It will not help to worry about yesterday. Tomorrow the sun will rise again, either behind a cloud or to flood the world with glorious light, but it *will* rise. You and I may face the morrow with courage and confidence in our God. Whatever is ahead the Lord will see us safely through!

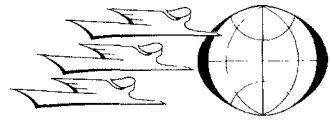
"Whatever your anxieties and trials, spread out your case before the Lord. Your spirit will be braced for endurance. The way will be open for you to disentangle yourself from embarrassment and difficulty. The weaker and more helpless you know yourself to be, the stronger will you become in His strength. The heavier your burdens, the more blessed the rest in casting them upon your Burden Bearer."—*The Ministry of Healing*, p. 72.

How precious are these words from the pen of inspiration: "Worry is blind and cannot discern the future; but Jesus sees the end from the beginning. In every difficulty He has His way prepared to bring relief. 'No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.'"—*Ibid.*, p. 481. This promise is for you!

With such precious assurance we may face the future with confidence—with Jesus. God wants you to be *amerimnos*, that is, without anxiety. Remember, if we worry we cannot trust, and if we trust we will not worry. □



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This Week

Julia Neuffer, an associate book editor of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, asks "What Is a Seventh-day Adventist?" (page 4). A good question. And Miss Neuffer gives a good answer.

Becoming an Adventist after graduation, she taught in Florida, then spent a year in Washington Missionary College, taking courses in Bible and church history. Entering the SDA Theological Seminary, she became its first woman graduate (1947). Her graduate studies changed her career plans from teaching to research and editing, in which she has spent her denominational career working at the Review and Herald Pub-

lishing Association in research and editing.

She joined the house in 1943 as a proof-reader and worked in that capacity for a year before becoming a research assistant to the book editors. She became a research editor in 1954 and an assistant book editor in 1959.

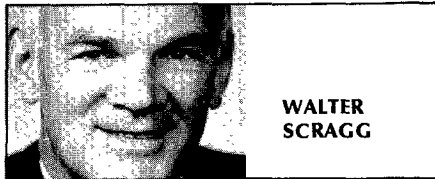
During her tenure at the Review her major contribution has been her work on the *SDA Bible Commentary* series.

In 1972, at the Andrews University alumni homecoming celebration in April, she received a citation for her work as a career research editor. Her article in this paper is the vespers talk she gave to the alumni on that occasion.

This week the REVIEW welcomes to its pages a new columnist—Walter Scragg, who will write the monthly column, *Especially for Men*.

Born in New Zealand, reared in Australia, Elder Scragg was transplanted to the United States in 1966 when he became an associate secretary of the General Conference Radio-TV Department. He became head of the department in 1971, and more recently he was made head of the combined Radio-TV and Public Relations department when the two departments were merged at the Mexico City Fall Council in October. (As yet the official name for the new department has not been settled.)

Elder Scragg received his theology training at Avondale College, and later his B.A. degree from the University of Adelaide. He began his denominational employment



**WALTER
SCRAGG**

in 1948 as an evangelist in the Victorian Conference. He was ordained to the ministry in 1956 in Melbourne. Also that year he became the director, editor, and associate speaker for the Australian Voice of Prophecy.

In 1960 he added to his VOP work an additional load when he became radio-TV secretary for the Australasian Division. And again he added responsibility in 1961 by becoming division Sabbath school secretary. He became principal of Longburn College, New Zealand, in 1965, where he served until he was elected to the GC.

Elder Scragg and his wife, Betty, have three children. Their older son, Greg, is a law student at Sydney University; their daughter, Bronwen, is in nurse's training at Sydney Adventist Hospital; and their younger son, Mark, is an academy senior.

For those wondering what has happened to Roland Hegstad who has written this column for five years, we want to assure you that he will still be contributing to the REVIEW. It will be a new writing role, however, and we will introduce his new feature the first time it appears.

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News Briefs From the Religious World

ATHEIST CENTER IN INDIA PROMOTES MEAT EATING

ST. PAUL—An atheist center in India has been promoting beef and pork parties as a way of overcoming religious taboos, a son of the center's founder reported here. Food habits of caste and communities in India keep people isolated from one another, and the parties are a deliberate effort to bring them together, the son said. He noted that most Hindus will not eat beef, Moslems shun pork, and some other Indians are strict vegetarians.

DAVID HYATT NAMED PRESIDENT OF NCCJ

NEW YORK—Dr. David Hyatt has been named president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, it was announced at a meeting of the organization's national board of trustees here. Currently NCCJ executive vice-president, he will be installed as president at the annual meeting of the board of governors in April. He will succeed Dr. Sterling W. Brown, who has served as president since 1965.

HEBREW-CHRISTIAN CENTER ESTABLISHED IN MADRID

MADRID—Cardinal Vincente Enrique y Tarancon, of Madrid, has established a new Hebrew-Christian study center here. According to an official announcement, the center will serve as a clearing house for information on current Christian-Jewish relations and as a base for the study of the origins and development of Judaism and its historical relations with Christianity. Spain's mainland Jews number about 10,000, concentrated mainly in Madrid and Barcelona.

MARYLAND BAPTISTS URGED TO BOYCOTT LOTTERY

TEMPLE HILLS, Md.—Two resolutions were adopted during sessions of the 137th annual session of Maryland Baptists held here, attended by 500 messengers and visitors. One urged the 84,000 members of the convention's local churches to boycott the State-operated lottery approved by Maryland voters on November 7. Prior to the referendum, the convention took a strong stand against establishment of the lottery.

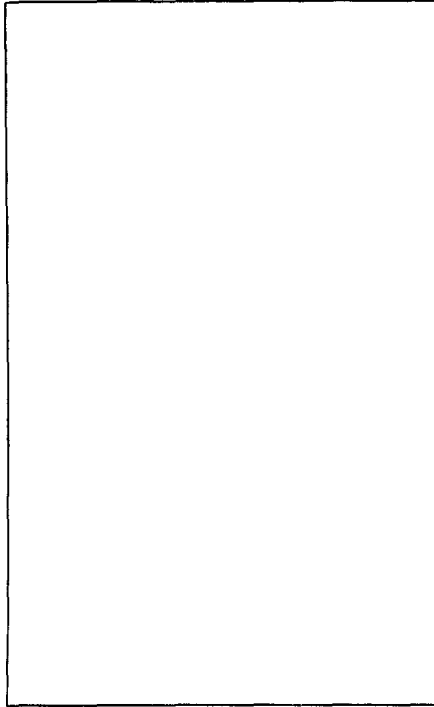
In another resolution, messengers criticized President Nixon and Maryland Governor Marvin Mandel for "their continued efforts to provide funds for nonpublic schools." The Maryland electorate voted November 7 against a State-aid program to parochial and other nonpublic schools.

LUTHERAN AGENCY APPROVES NEW LECTIONARY AND LITURGY

DES PLAINES, ILL.—A new lectionary (series of Scripture readings) and a new baptismal liturgy were approved here for use in North American Lutheran churches by the Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship. According to the Reverend Stanley Schneider, secretary of the Liturgical Texts Committee, the new lectionary is "overwhelmingly" in agreement with the Roman Catholic system.

In the new baptismal liturgy, laying-on of hands, anointing with oil, and presentation of a baptismal candle and white robe are included. Not all of these features have been used by Lutheran churches in baptisms.

WHAT



Is a Seventh-day Adventist?

By JULIA NEUFFER

WHAT ARE THE essentials of Adventism? What makes a Seventh-day Adventist?

Some people say that a Seventh-day Adventist is one who believes in the Second Advent and the seventh-day Sabbath. Then what about the Seventh Day Baptists? They also believe that Christ will come again. What about the Church of God (Seventh Day)? And what about the Radio Church of God?

Julia Neuffer is an associate book editor at the Review and Herald Publishing Association.



They preach the Sabbath and a return of Jesus to set up a millennial kingdom on earth. Are all these Seventh-day Adventists? Ask them, and listen to their emphatic denial.

What is an Adventist (pronounced AD-vent-ist, not AD-VENT-ist)? Ask James White, who went out on horseback at the age of 21 to preach for the original Adventists, who coined the term—the people nicknamed Millerites. He tells us what made the Adventists a distinctive people:

"First, the doctrine of the second Advent as taught by Wm. Miller, or the announcement of the first angel, [Rev. xiv. 6, 7,] the hour of God's judgment come. Second, that strong movement of 1844, occasioned by the proclamation of the words of the second angel, [Verse 8,] which brought them away from the different churches to which they belonged."—Editorial, *Review and Herald*, April 18, 1854, p. 100.

The main pillar of the 1844 movement, says Elder White, was the prophetic period of Daniel 8:14: "Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed."

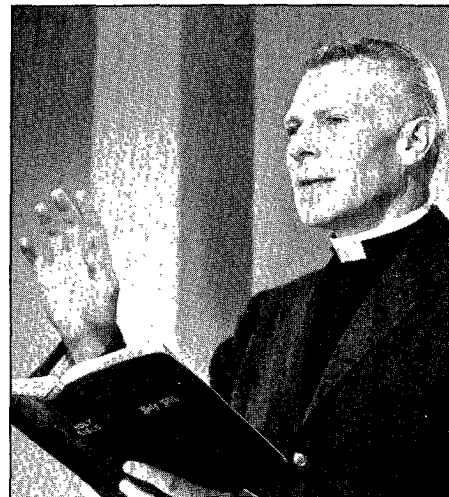
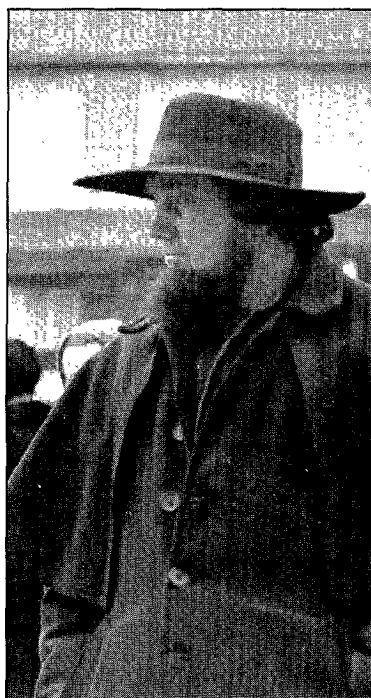
At that time most ministers taught that Christ's return was in the far distant future, after an earthly millennium. But there were many in various countries who preached that the Advent was near, and who looked for the end of the 2300 days somewhere near the date Miller had set. Only the Adventists—the Millerites—taught that Christ's return would end this present world and that the only human beings alive during

the millennium would be the redeemed, in their immortal and glorified state.

The Adventists gave the first angel's message—"the everlasting gospel" of salvation through faith in Christ, and the message that "the hour of his judgment is come"—in connection with the cleansing of the sanctuary, which they thought was the cleansing of the earth by fire at the Second Advent. Many of them, in the summer of 1844, gave the second angel's message, calling believers out of Babylon, and 50,000 left or were forced out of the various churches that scorned them. These messages united them in a new brotherhood, in complete commitment to preparation for the expected return of their Lord. This faith resulted in transformed lives and unprecedented efforts to spread the word. Then came the stunning blow to their faith—the great disappointment of October 1844.

Aside from those who dropped away altogether, there were left three main classes of Adventists. The majority, including most of the leaders, decided within a few weeks or months that the 1843-1844 movement had been a mistake. "Since Jesus did not come," they reasoned, "the three angels' messages and the cleansing of the sanctuary at the end of the 2300 years must be still in the future."

A minority still held to the validity of the 1843-1844 movement. Many of them contended that Christ *had* come, but not personally and visibly. "He has come spiritually, in His saints," they said, "and we who receive Him are



already in the kingdom." Many of these "spiritualizers" went into various fanaticisms.

But between these two extremes there developed a third group, a tiny handful of persons at first, who were to become a new kind of Adventists—the *Seventh-day* Adventists. They considered that

both the other parties had abandoned the original Adventism. They reaffirmed the earlier messages and went on to proclaim the third as the climax and completion of the threefold message. As James White later stated it:

"Certainly that class who have given up . . . the very messages and

influences which called them from the churches and made them a distinct people, should be the very last to claim the name of Adventists!

"We claim to stand on the original Advent faith, therefore do not reject the past movements on this great question. . . . We cheerfully let the providence of God, and plain Bible testimony correct our past view of the Sanctuary, and give us a more harmonious system of truth, and a firmer basis of faith."—*Review and Herald*, April 10, 1854, p. 101.

We all know how this little group of Adventists originated after the bitter experience of October 22. On October 23 Hiram Edson, in New York State, came up with the new heavenly-sanctuary explanation of their mistake: that instead of coming out of the heavenly Holy of Holies, Christ had entered it in the final Day of Atonement phase of His priestly ministry in heaven and would come after the completion of that phase.

In December Ellen Harmon, a frail young girl of 17 in Portland, Maine, had her first vision. In this she was reassured that the "midnight cry"—the 1844 message—was a true light for their pathway. The next spring the Sabbath truth, already adopted by some Adventists in Washington, New Hampshire, came to Joseph Bates in Massachusetts. He and young James White learned of the sanctuary doctrine from Edson and his friends, and Joseph Bates took the Sabbath message to them.

Thus a small group gathered and grew, meeting in small con-

Matt Visits Gram and Gramps—1

By RONAELE R. WHITTINGTON

FOR THE YOUNGER SET

"Hey, there's my plane over there!" Matt said excitedly as he pointed to the big plane out on the runway. "Boy, I surely hope Dad gets off work in time to be here and see me off!"

Matt was about to leave his family in Honolulu to visit his grandparents for the summer in Chicago.

"Let's watch your plane from the big windows over here," said sisters Jeanie and Cindy. "The men are loading it now."

"There's our box of pineapples and the anthuriums going on," said Matt. "How shall I share the flowers?"

"Use your own good judgment," Mother answered. "All your aunts and uncles will be happy to have a remembrance of Hawaii."

The ticket agents were busy checking the passengers. "I wish Dad would come," said Matt.

Then he thought of his dog. "Remember to feed Kalohi while I'm gone."

Kalohi means "mischievous" in Hawaiian. Kalohi would miss his 14-year-old master all summer.

"Well, the steward is ready to take you aboard. Guess you better go ahead. Have a fine trip. Say hi to everybody for us," said Mom.

"Bye, Matt. Say hi to Cousin Peter for me," hollered Cindy. She jiggled up and down a bit.

"Have fun. Aloha, brother," called Jeanie.

Two minutes later Dad walked into the waiting room.

"Oh, Matt just went aboard," Mother exclaimed. "Here, quick, write him a note. Maybe the agent will take it to him."

Quickly Dad wrote, "Have a good trip, son. Sorry I missed you."

The agent was kind enough to take the note to Matt as the family sat sadly watching the plane take on more passengers and cargo.

Then they saw the agent coming down the steps from the plane grinning.

Right behind him was Matt, all smiles.

"Hi, Dad. The agent let me come off the plane to say good-by." Dad and Matt shook hands. Now he could go to Chicago. The agent later said that the plane had been delayed, and that's why it was possible for Matt to come back out of the plane. Matt's dad especially thanked the agent for his thoughtfulness.

(To be continued)

ferences, studying the Bible, guided by the prophetic gift away from various errors and extremes, and proclaiming the Sabbath in the prophetic setting of the three angels' messages.

Ellen Harmon White tells us what changed these Adventists into Seventh-day Adventists: "We are to sound the messages of the

angels which are represented as flying in the midst of heaven. . . . Those who have had the actual experience in the unfolding of the prophecies, have been made what they are today, Seventh-day Adventists, by these prophecies."—*Selected Messages*, book 2, p. 115.

In 1849 James and Ellen White—aged 27 and 21 respectively, and

penniless—stepped out by faith and began to "print a little paper." Later came pamphlets and books. They were joined by other young recruits. J. N. Andrews, at 21, began to preach and to write numerous articles for the infant *Review and Herald*; Annie Smith, 24, came as an editorial assistant; then her brother Uriah, 21, began his 50 years of service to that paper.

As the church grew, the concept of its basic message and its unique mission expanded. The new understanding of the sanctuary—of Christ in the Holy of Holies—threw light on the first angel's proclamation of the judgment, and on the Sabbath commandment under the third message. It took the infant church longer to realize its worldwide commission—"to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." And misconceptions crept in. In 1890 some inquirers had to be reassured that "justification by faith" "is the third angel's message in verity" (*Selected Messages*, book 1, p. 372)—having forgotten that the threefold message of Revelation 14 begins with "the everlasting gospel" and ends with "the faith of Jesus." It was a message balancing faith and works—"the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus."

James White called his first little paper the *Present Truth*. Nowadays a new young editor in his twenties might translate that phrase as "the now message"; he might assert that the first angel's proclamation, teaching our responsibility to the Creator and Judge of the universe, is even more relevant today in a time when sophisticated moderns shrug off both past Creation and future judgment, find new ways to degrade man's God-given body and soul, and—our young editor would probably add—even pollute "heaven and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."

When has there been a greater need for the second angel's message than now, when the presses, the pulpits, the TV, and the music halls bombard us with a Babel of confusion in religious ideas—all the way from "God is dead" to "There is no death" to "Somebody up there likes me"?

And in an age when there are no absolutes and few certainties, the third angel's rallying cry—"the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus"—is the answer to the world's deep need—not merely the doctrines but the everlasting gospel embodied in human lives. □

Let's Talk About Health

By RALPH F. WADDELL, M.D.

Be Wise—Immunize

Many are living in a fool's paradise, feeling snug in a society that has conquered so many of the communicable diseases that have decimated large populations in years gone by. For example, there hasn't been a recorded death from smallpox in the United States since the 1930's.

For centuries polio terrorized the world, leaving death or lifelong crippling in its wake. It hit an all-time high in 1950, afflicting 13,850 children with paralysis in the United States alone. After more than a decade of an intensive immunization program, polio's annual toll dropped to 20 in 1969. None of the 20 had been immunized.

Diphtheria is still a killer. It has been determined that 14 per cent of those who contract diphtheria die of it, and four out of five who contract it are under 15 years of age. This communicable disease, which has nearly disappeared, could be conquered if people would not neglect their immunizations. Between the years 1910 and 1930 the incidence of diphtheria increased markedly in England and Wales. In 1930 these countries reported more than 70,000 cases. Mass immunization was introduced in the early 1930's and has continued to be a preventive practice. Diphtheria began to decline immediately. By 1950 the incidence had dropped to a very small number and now is almost nonexistent. Diphtheria can be carried by healthy persons, and can serve as a threat to all unimmunized children.

Tetanus, commonly known as lockjaw, kills two thirds of all who contract it. It can be prevented by active immunization. Penetrating wounds and even simple breaks in the skin provide fertile soil for tetanus organisms to propagate and liberate their death-dealing toxin. Approximately one half of all tetanus cases seen in hospitals are the result of minor injuries that had gone unnoticed. A recent study of 302 cases of tetanus revealed that all but one of the victims were not vaccinated against the disease.

Measles is a virus disease. It is contracted from a person who is either coming down with the disease or actually has it. There are no carriers, that

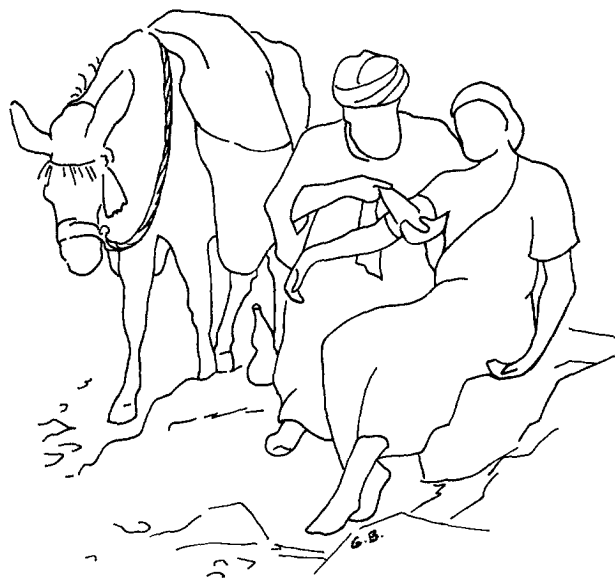
is, no one else can pass it along. If there came a time when no one in the world had measles, the disease would be eradicated. Most mothers have had measles and thus pass along a degree of immunity to their offspring. Unfortunately, inherited immunity to measles does not last long and by one or two years may be totally lost. Children who have not been immunized are targets for this serious disease, which may cause brain-destroying encephalitis. In England there were 600,000 cases of measles reported in 1959. A vaccine is available.

Various Immunizations Available

Whooping cough is a highly communicable disease and probably one of the most serious afflicting babies and small children. It differs from the other diseases of childhood in that it has no rash; it frequently begins as an ordinary cold. The incubation period is from eight to fourteen days and is difficult to diagnose until the characteristic whoop appears. Complications are frequent and usually consist of bronchitis and/or broncho-pneumonia. Unprotected households may have attack rates of 90 per cent. Whooping cough can be prevented through vaccination.

Rubella, or German measles, is not usually dangerous to the child who contracts it. It may have catastrophic effects upon babies born to mothers who contract the disease early in their pregnancies. When the disease strikes, it is too late to vaccinate the expectant mother, since the vaccine has potential for inflicting the same damage upon the fetus as does the actual disease. Epidemics of rubella appear with explosive fury every six to nine years. It has been calculated that the last epidemic in the United States, which occurred during the winter of 1964-1965, cost a total of \$840,014,000 in medical bills and lost earnings. The cost in human life was 2,160 deaths. Furthermore, 52,500 babies were born to mothers who had contracted the disease early in their pregnancies. Of these 10,500 suffered deformities of some sort, one third were deaf, one sixth were deaf and blind, and one thirteenth were mentally retarded.

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protocol or love?

By W. JOHN CANNON

HE WAS A BIGOT—a religious bigot—and a minister as well. Yes, he was a racist too. He felt he was right. The poor man he saw on the roadside was in bad shape, but it was just too bad there was nothing he could do about it. It probably was the man's own fault anyway. Maybe he was getting just what he deserved. It could be, perhaps, that he insulted the muggers. Anyway he belonged to the wrong class. So with just a twinge of conscience, the minister crossed the road so that he would avoid a confrontation.

A little later the poor victim, badly injured and unable to crawl to a place for help, was still lying there. A church elder came along and was as unsympathetic to the stricken man as the minister had been. His conscience hardly bothered him, so he pretended not even to see the wounded victim. There was nothing he could do anyway, so he comforted himself.

It was perhaps an hour later that a stranger came along. He was a foreigner, a citizen of an unfriendly country. He didn't stop to think that the man in trouble was a "despised" Jew. All he saw was blood and he heard the groans. In empathy he felt the pain and misery. He had no bandages and water or antiseptic lotions. But he did the best he could. The oil and wine provided for his journey would at least help. A hu-

"He had compassion on him." Luke 10:33

man soul was in need, and that was enough for him.

By this time you may be feeling quite angry with the minister and church elder. You will, of course, have recognized them as the priest and the Levite of the Bible story. Is it possible you may experience a little righteous indignation? I said "righteous" but perhaps "self-righteous" would be a better word. You could be saying, "I would never do a thing like that!" I wonder. Let me tell you a story of an event that happened recently.

I was the new pastor of a city church and was sitting at the front of the church waiting for Sabbath school to begin. As I looked around I saw a woman who obviously was in great distress. She was a widow battling valiantly to save her rather wayward teen-age son. Her life was hard. Things did not go easy for her. Finances were a problem. She worked hard to keep her home together. What family she had were unsympathetic to her faith. They cold-shouldered her. The week prior to the time of this incident had been a particularly trying one.

"Oh, Pastor," she sighed aloud, "I have looked forward so much to Sabbath this week. At least church is a haven and Sabbath is one day I can forget my cares." With this

she completely broke down into almost uncontrollable sobs.

I extracted the story from others. As she entered the church vestibule the missionary leader was waiting for her. He took her to task, for she had unwittingly invaded someone else's Ingathering territory. She had tried to explain her mistake, but the enthusiastic leader could see only one thing—she had "trespassed." He told her in no uncertain terms it must not happen again.

Modern Priests and Levites

As the missionary leader left, the Sabbath school superintendent was close at hand, and he lectured her concerning Sabbath school since her son, Jimmy, had missed attending several times recently. What he did not know was how much heartache this already was to the widowed mother struggling with a 16-year-old son. He did not know what earnest prayers wrung the heart of mother love. What she needed now was not blame but help with a boy—help that the good Sabbath school superintendent, or someone else in the church, could have volunteered. What she needed then—wounded and heartbroken—was a good "neighbor's" attention. But sometimes in our ardent zeal for protocol or organizational methods we pass by on the other side. Genuine Christian love for others will win when all else fails.

The pastor was making an appeal one Sabbath morning for his congregation to be witnesses for Jesus. A little 12-year-old girl wondered what she could do. She loved Jesus deeply. She was in the habit of let-

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ting her light shine all she could. Then she thought, I'll ask Susie to come to Sabbath school next Sabbath. Susie was already impressed with the sweetness and loveliness of Mary. So when Mary gave the invitation Susie was ready and waiting to respond.

"Yes, I'll come," she said eagerly.

Susie's mother was a little intrigued at Susie's request to go with Mary to Sabbath school on Saturday, but on Sabbath, Susie was all dressed up in her Sunday best as she accompanied her friend to the Adventist church. Susie really and truly enjoyed her visit and *of course* she was coming next Sabbath. Now the mother was curious and wanted to know the score. So on the third Sabbath Susie's mother accompanied the 12-year-old pair to church on Saturday. Now it was mother's turn to become committed to Saturday-Sabbath church. She loved it.

But Susie had a 21-year-old sister. Annie worked on Sabbath. She was puzzled at the new turn of events. The first free Saturday that Annie had she determined to find out what this new Adventist faith was all about. It took only one visit for Annie's heart to be won to the new-found faith. This was all because a 12-year-old girl had a Samaritan's love that could not pass by on the other side.

It seems to me that there are three types of church members in the good Samaritan parable: (1) the priest who was greatly concerned about his religious image and did good deeds as a duty—nothing more than his duty; (2) the Levite who seemed to be so concerned with his religious image that he had no time for deeds of witnessing anyway; (3) the Samaritan whose heart was so moved by a heart of love for others that he was not too concerned for image but was desperately concerned about others. For a wounded man—friend or enemy—he would give his all, thinking not of any reward but only of what he could give.

Giving is living. One United States President said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." Ask not what others can do for you but what you can do for others. Honestly now, to which class of the parable do you belong? Priest? Levite? or Samaritan? Do you wish to change your class? We do need more Samaritans.

"Lord, help me live from day to day,
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray,
My prayer shall be for others." □



While Winter Weeps With Snow

By NICHOLAS LLOYD INGRAHAM

While winter weeps symbolic tears of snow
And January leaps the fence of time,
Within my heart I feel a silvery glow
Foreshadowing the realms of the sublime.
My roots of hope begin to warm with sap
Against the sunny day when gentle showers
Awaken nature from her winter nap
And buds begin to bulge among the bowers.

So let these cold foretokens now evoke
The warmth in me and turn my soul about
To follow righteousness and wear a cloak
That covers smut and chokes the cockle out.
So let this new year further my adorning
For life beyond the resurrection morning.

Does It Matter What One Believes?

Does it matter what one believes so long as he is sincere in what he believes?

To such a question Seventh-day Adventists would respond in loud chorus, It does matter what one believes. And they might add, It is possible to be sincere in the darkest of errors.

To the critics' quip that the Bible is like a fiddle on which one can play any tune he desires, Adventists reply, This is not so; God's message comes through unambiguously if one applies proper rules of interpretation.

Why, then, we inquire, do Adventists frequently resort to devices that convey the impression that it may not be all important what one believes?

There are several such devices. First we refer to the habit of some of belittling doctrines. "Doctrines cannot save," it is asserted, "only Jesus Christ can save." While this statement is true, it can and often does leave the wrong impression. It tends to endorse the "only believe" slogan, for doctrines become associated with works, which, it is asserted and correctly so, of themselves cannot save.

But doctrines are the teaching of the Bible. No one disputes the fact that these teachings per se cannot save. But these teachings point to the One who can save and tell the searcher how he may obtain salvation. And they tell the one who has found Christ how to live as Christ lived.

Jesus Is the Author of Doctrines

The Bible is the voice of the one who saves. "Search the scriptures," He says; "they are they that testify of me" (John 5:39). It was the "Spirit of Christ" that was in the prophets inditing their messages (1 Peter 1:11). Therefore what the prophets say is the testimony of Jesus, that is, the testimony that Jesus bears (Rev. 19:10). In the Bible one hears the voice of Jesus.

Therefore the one who belittles doctrines, belittles the Bible. What he ought to do when he finds someone who tries to live by the teachings of the Bible but who does not have Christ living in his heart is not to demean these teachings, but to lead the one trying to

live by the Bible to Christ. The one who finds Christ will want to study Christ's message all the more, and he will find in Christ the enabling power to keep the Bible's precepts.

"These ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone" applies in the situation we are discussing. "Ye ought to have accepted Christ and not diminish any from your devotion to doctrines, which are the teachings of Christ."

In exalting Christ it ought never to be necessary to depreciate doctrines. It is the purpose of the plan of salvation to restore in man the image of God. God has chosen to reveal that image through the written Word and through Christ. And we learn about Christ also through the written Word.

If we misunderstand that Word, we misunderstand God, and to the degree that we misunderstand God it becomes impossible to reflect His image. Therefore it does matter how one understands and what one believes.

God did not give us the Scriptures (His doctrines) to take or leave as we choose while assuring ourselves that so long as we have Christ we have all that really matters. God went to great pains to give us that Word. Men have given their lives for that Word. God gave it for a specific purpose.

Speaking of the "holy scriptures," Paul told Timothy that they "are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Tim. 3:15). The Scriptures hold a most important place, as he goes on to explain. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (verses 16, 17).

We ought, therefore, never to give the impression that doctrines (the Scriptures) are not important. Each element in the Christian faith must be allotted its proper place and we must never exalt one of them at the expense of depreciating another.

There are other devices to which Adventists resort, doubtlessly innocently, that convey the impression that it may not be so important what one believes. These we shall consider in subsequent editorials.

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(Continued January 25)

Letters

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PROPER PRAYER FORMULA

With reference to the Letter to the Editor (Nov. 23, 1972) entitled "Making Prayer Sensible" I wish to add that the author is not alone in feeling disturbed by hearing many, even ministers, terminate their prayers with "we ask in Thy name," in prayers addressed to the Father. Others close their prayers with "we ask for Jesus' sake." Some say, "We ask in Jesus' name and for His sake." Why add this phrase to what Jesus specified? Has "In Jesus name"

become trite to our ears? The Bible authors do not prescribe prayer "for Jesus' sake."

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INSPIRING READINGS

The articles for the Week of Prayer are always very good, but the ones for 1972 were excellent. They were soul inspiring. May God bless every author of those readings.

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CORRECTION ACCEPTED

On page 9, October 5, 1972, appears the reference *Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 486. This should be *Prophets and Kings*, p. 486.

Through the years, during 32 years of

connection with Book and Bible House operation we have recommended the REVIEW many times and continually do so. It is doing a good work. In our prayers we remember our periodicals and those who prepare them.

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WORLDLY ENTERTAINMENT

For Saturday night entertainment some of our educational institutions have contracted with worldly entertainers. When night-club entertainers are engaged, we get night-club entertainment—dirty jokes, dancing, jazz, and vaudeville.

It is hard to fathom our thinking. Do we think we can hold our youth by providing them with Satan's entertainment?

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PRESCHOOL PARADISE

By JANET FAYE MINESINGER

"WHAT'S THAT THING, Mommy? Let me feel it. Let me hold it. Can I play with it?" chattered three-year-old Christopher as I produced a newly purchased bright-orange and chartreuse feather duster from the cleaning closet. The plumed utilitarian household cleaning implement looked like some kind of exotic bird to a toddler.

Many of the everyday objects in our homes can stimulate the curiosity and encourage the development of preschool children. Parents should not only answer cheerfully the endless questions of their children but also provide answers through visual experiments or illustrations. Ellen White tells us that home should be the first school and she warns parents not to let their children "sit in idleness or do that which is of but little account, which requires no exercise of the mind" (*The Adventist Home*, p. 283).

At baking time my blond boys

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rush to bring their small orange-and-yellow chairs to the kitchen counter. Five-year-old Kenny balances on one side of me while Chris perches on the other. Each boy takes a turn, helping me measure correct amounts of flour, sugar, and the other necessary ingredients. Pouring cups of flour and carefully emptying teaspoons and tablespoons of ingredients helps to develop coordination. It also provides a natural motivation for learning fractions—even to preschoolers—and the children can eat the delicious, chewy results of their correct measuring.

Experiment With Bean Seeds

Last winter we grew some bean seeds in small plastic cups on the window sill in our dining room. One container we treated with extreme care, giving it proper water and light. One container we never watered. One we kept away from all light. And one we watered too much. The boys watched the daily changes and immediately discovered the differences occurring in our small beanstalks. When summer arrived, the boys helped their

father in a real garden and put to practical use much of the knowledge gained during the winter from the little seeds on the window ledge.

In this television and medium-is-the-message age, parents must understand that children are curious about many things that the parents were *not* curious about as children. We underestimated Christopher's curiosity when he was only two.

A nearly total eclipse of the sun was in prospect. Several times before eclipse day, my husband talked with four-year-old Kenny, explaining what would happen to the sun and the moon and why it would happen. When the predicted day arrived, we observed, along with the fascinated little boys, how dark the day became at noon, how our front street light turned on automatically, how the outdoors became silent as birds and squirrels hushed their singing and chatter. The four of us took our cardboard viewer to the front yard so we could see the crescent of the sun on the cardboard.

A few days later Chris began



one of his important conversations with me. In his baby-but-almost-a-boy voice he informed me, "When the moon goes in front of the sun it 'clipses.'"

Somewhat startled, I said, "That's right, honey. How did you know?"

A Child's Interest Underestimated

His reply was, "Kenny told me." Obviously we had underestimated Chris's interest and curiosity and should have included him in the pre-eclipse sessions with his older brother.

Our boys have been excited about every Apollo moon shot and have watched countdown and liftoff with keen interest. When

the explosion took place on Apollo 13, the boys joined us in listening intently for progress reports telling of the spacecraft's precarious journey back to earth. When re-entry and splashdown occurred, Kenny and Chris cheered and clapped. A few days later I listened as they played. Their "rocket" was in trouble and they were heading back to earth in a chair that had paper controls and dials taped to its back.

Many children—certainly my own—would rather play with discarded household products than with expensive new toys. To capitalize on this, we give our children empty thread spools, cardboard from the backs of scratch pads or from shirts returned from the laundry, and the small plastic

containers that soft margarine comes in. Small children are endowed with impressive creative impulses. They derive intense satisfaction from using their imagination to "make" things.

In direct contrast, few toys nowadays require creative play in the child. A doll that talks and walks, or a doll whose hair grows, does not provoke the same kind of response in a little girl that a soft, cuddly, baby doll does. A baby doll needs attention, protection, love, and warmth from its "mother." The same type of situation exists with boys. If they have a toy car that runs by itself, there is no need to "drive" it over the mountains and valleys of the shag rug or the grass outside.

For young children life is a great adventure. As parents, we can direct this development and encourage the adventure. Ellen White describes children accurately when she says that "the minds of children are active, and if not occupied with that which is good and useful, they will inevitably turn to what is bad. . . . See that they have employment suited to their years."—*The Adventist Home*, p. 284.

Christian parents can make home a preschool paradise. The measure of their success will largely determine how their children later relate to school and to life itself. □

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FOR MEN

By WALTER SCRAGG

The Role of the Male

Alfred, our German shepherd, shifts roles successfully moment by moment. Sudden footsteps startle him into being a watchdog. A postman's uniform transforms him into a snarling sentry. Herman, next door's poodle, turns him into a romping playmate. A ball changes him into a tireless athlete. Moments inside the house convert him into a tail-wagging, affectionate friend.

In the conditioned relationship of master and pet, each role has its place. But outside that discipline the same animal may become a menace or a slaving nuisance.

However it isn't as easy for humans to shift roles. Most of our spiritual, moral, and social problems develop because of the many roles we must fill.

If ever a period of history etched the role of the male sharply, we are not living in it. The role of husband—that almost universal destiny of the male—should be simple and understandable. Yet modern society pressures that role continually with stresses and thrusts no previous society experienced. Urban migrations, mass media morality, small mobile families, hyperbolic affluence, secure and private places, all add their own force to the strains.

How can we maintain a strong Christian stance in a world where values alter so rapidly? Only by relating ourselves to the ideal of the perfect manliness we see in Jesus Christ. This is why Paul challenges us with these words: "Till we all come . . . unto a perfect

man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ" (Eph. 4:13).

A Christian man can preserve consistency in the many roles modern society demands of him. When Christ enters his life his vision clears. With His help he may discern right from wrong. "The Lord has made ample provision that the hearts and lives of all His followers may be controlled by divine grace."—*The Sanctified Life*, p. 39.

Let's be specific. Impure thoughts and even actions, frequently disrupt the attitude a Christian man should demonstrate toward his female acquaintances, friends or strangers. Satan seeks to implant an immoral role. Often, imagination forces his mind to fabricate sinful acts. All too easily he may be drawn away of his own lusts (James 1:14).

By contrast, a Christian man sees himself as protector, as a highly principled adviser, as a Christlike friend.

As the Perfect Man enters the life, actions and attitudes follow His pattern. A parental tyrant becomes the friend of little children. A neglectful husband discovers himself as "one flesh" bound in love to his wife. The sharp operator in business weighs with measures pressed down and running over.

Remember that the Son of man was confronted with relationships far more difficult than any we shall experience. He had to thread His way through complex situations without offense or transgression. He was never a manipulator of people for His own ends.

For every role that we play, Christ went through a matching situation. He knows what it's all about—what we are personally facing. That's why it's so important to take Christ into every role, each relationship.

Paul described the life of the Christian this way, "I have been put to death with Christ on his cross, so that it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me" (Gal. 2:19, 20, T.E.V.).



TWELVE CHANGED LIVES

By
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JACK WAS A BACKSLIDER. He grew up with his basic roots firmly embedded in the Protestant church. His mother and father raised him on Bible-based moral standards. Since high school Jack experienced the drug scene. On his own, he felt he could finally do his thing. Then Jack joined the Army. Why? He didn't know. He just wanted to do something different.

I met Jack when he was assigned to my company to take his 13-week X-ray technology course. While waiting for classes to begin, he was put on detail in the company area. It was when he cleaned my office that he noticed the book *Steps to Christ*. He asked whether he could borrow it. I said he could. I asked him whether he was a Christian. "I used to be," he said shyly. I talked with him at length about his life and how much Jesus wanted him back. We spent an hour covering the Bible's plan of changing his life, and before he left, Jack turned over his life to Jesus.

I prayed that the Lord would send me someone I could help or witness to. Now that prayer was answered. Jack became the first of the four partners for God. It was about five months since I had conducted a Bible study in the company. Now, with Jack, I would go back to work for the Lord.

I was determined to begin a new Bible study. I sought the Lord's guidance as with Jack I planned the details of the new study. In prayer, I asked the Lord to send me others, like Jack, who desired to know a better life. Men that I could use as partners to help enrich the lives of others.

The new Bible study was conducted in my office. As a guide to our discussion of the Bible I used *Steps to Christ*. At the first meeting Bob, another backslider, was stirred by the study of the chapters on "God's Love for Man" and "The Sinner's Need of Christ." He asked a lot of questions. At the end of the next meeting, Bob gave his life to Jesus. Now there were three partners.

Carefully I worked with Jack and Bob. Each was able to contribute significantly to the Bible study. Each one shared his own experiences of how he came to know Jesus, which enhanced the interest and effectiveness. Together we planned a program of Christian witnessing

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—personal experiences of the power of God to change lives—that would reach more of the men in each barracks. This, coupled with our invitations to attend the study, we hoped would inspire more of the men to attend—men God could empower to overcome their offensive habits and self-devotion.

Attendance rose dramatically at the fourth meeting. Here we became better acquainted with Nat. He was not a backslider. He led us in prayer and he responded to questions fired at me by the newest members of the Bible study. His replies demonstrated his profound trust in the Word of God. Nat became the fourth partner.

The Bible study was scheduled to run for nine weeks. The goal of the study and the goal of the partners was to lead each participant to a personal, saving relationship with the Lord, to help him experience the altered, transformed, and remolded life that Jesus is able to give. The study, Christ-centered, was strictly nondenominational. Nat, Jack, Bob, and I each professed belief in a different Protestant denomination.

Heaven-sent Gift Fills Urgent Need

Soon after his conversion Jack came to me with a personal request. He felt a pressing need to be alone with God. He wanted a private room in the company area. Jack's need prompted a question in my mind. I knew I would have to move the Bible study out of my cramped office soon, but where?

All the private rooms in the barracks were occupied. I decided to help Jack and solve my need as well. I tried to obtain permission to use the post chapel after hours, which proved fruitless. When I told Jack that I couldn't come up with anything he told me a large upstairs room in his barracks was empty. He pleaded, "Can we convert it into a company chapel?" Excitedly, he said he would do the work himself. I agreed. I felt the Lord provided for our common need. Jack realized his private room and the Bible study inherited larger quarters. It was a Heaven-sent gift.

We partners renovated and transformed that ugly room into a beautiful chapel. We adorned it with gold curtains, freshly painted walls, and a large velvet painting of Jesus that depicted the crucifixion. A partition set off a small section that we put to use as a private

prayer area. Chairs and tables, a religious literature rack filled with a variety of tracts, and 50 *Good News for Modern Man* New Testaments completed the chapel. It was finished! To our knowledge, our chapel is the only one located within a company area in the United States Army. What a privilege and a blessing to have it.

The new chapel opened officially for the fifth week of the Bible study. At that meeting 18 people shared in the study on the subject of faith. After that meeting a change in the atmosphere became apparent. At first, observers applied such terms as Jesus freaks, religious nuts, and weirdos to us. Now the majority of the men respected what the Bible study tried to do. The men began to respond to the chapel program in a positive way. The partners made numerous contacts and invited everyone to attend the study. By the seventh week seven people took their stand for Jesus and gave their lives to Him. The Lord poured His blessing upon us. Men learned that Jesus does change lives. The word spread.

Jack, Bob, Nat, and I met the hour before the Bible study to have prayer and fellowship. We prayed for the working of the Holy Spirit on specific people and prayed that the Lord would make us more effective. I initiated a visitation program to the married and single men of the company who lived off post. It was a great joy when the Lord used us to win five of those to Him.

The final meeting of the Bible study neared. Jack, Bob, and Nat graduated from their X-ray technology course and would leave the next day. I wanted to make this meeting special. Bob played a religious song on his guitar, which he had arranged. All of us joined him in singing it. That meeting we prayed, we sang, and we studied as never before. It was our best meeting as partners.

As a direct result of the Bible studies 12 people experienced changed lives. Twelve people underwent a reversal in habits and desires. Twelve people realized life could be better, and in a most profound way, when they depended on Jesus.

All seems quiet now. My partners are gone. Before he left Jack said, "I want to be an evangelist now." Bob indicated he aimed to study for the ministry. Nat said he intended to use his life in whatever direction the Lord led. I plan to continue the Lord's work in the company with new partners. Already I have one! □



To meet the challenge of reaching the 17 million people in the metropolitan area of New York City, the Metropolitan New York Evangelism committee has made it possible for qualified Seventh-day Adventist laymen to have a part. Some readers will wish to become participants.

New York City Mission Program Challenges Adventists

By W. R. BORNSTEIN

NOWHERE IN THE NORTH American Division is there a greater challenge and opportunity for soul winning than in the great metropolitan area of New York City. This area covers northern New Jersey, New York City, Long Island, and southern Connecticut. One out of every ten Americans lives within commuting distance of Manhattan. But while there are 17 million people living there, only about 18,000 of them are Seventh-day Adventists. On the average, the rest of the United States and Canada has twice the percentage of Adventists for their population.

Ellen G. White carried an exceptionally heavy burden for New York City. There is probably more in her writings about working that place than about any other city in the world. At the turn of the century she wrote: "I point you to the city of New York. One hundred workers might be laboring there where there is but one. . . . A few faithful

workers have been trying to do something in this great, wicked city."—*Review and Herald*, April 14, 1903, p. 7. This statement is as applicable today as it was then. Much of this tremendous metropolis is still virtually unentered territory, a vast mission field at our doorstep.

New Yorkers Can Be Reached

There are ways to reach New York City people. Fresh approaches for reaching New Yorkers in their homes have been developed in recent years, and the Lord has blessed these approaches with success. And we are learning methods on the job here that have application in other great cities of North America. Through personal instruction and in field training we can learn how to recognize and develop a real interest, how to lead a person to Christ, how to start and continue Bible studies successfully, how to help a person overcome tobacco and other habits, and how to get decisions for baptism. This could be the most spiritually profitable years of our lives.

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But we need consecrated people to help us apply what we have learned to as many people as possible in this vast area. We need lay missionaries for this real mission field. And we are making it possible for lay people to help in this challenging project. Any qualifying Seventh-day Adventist can participate.

A Need for Lay Workers

If you would like to be a full-time gospel worker and be taught how to do effective soul-winning work, the opportunity may be yours if you enroll as a self-supporting city mission worker in a new program being launched in New York City.

If you are more or less financially independent and are in good health, this announcement may be for you. You should be at least of college age. You can be in your retirement years so long as you are still active. The New Jersey and Greater New York conferences are currently providing the opportunity for select Seventh-day Adventist lay people to come to New York City or its metropolitan suburbs and be trained by experienced ministers as full-time gospel workers.

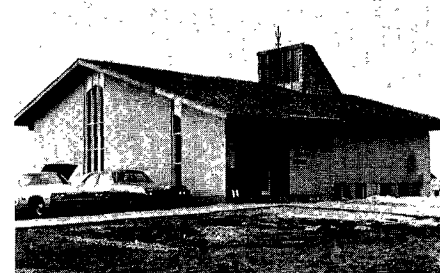
It is hoped that most of the volunteers coming will be able to be self-supporting. But where really necessary the conferences will provide room and board for those who are accepted. Since much effort will be required to train each worker, this invitation is extended to those who can arrange to serve for a minimum period of 12 months, or, in the case of college students, a period of two school semesters.

Those interested who feel they may qualify, please write immediately to: W. R. Bornstein, Coordinator, Metropolitan New York Evangelism, The New York Center, 227 West 46th Street, New York, N.Y. 10036, or telephone (212) 586-3202. □

CHURCH IN SASKATCHEWAN IS DEDICATED

The new Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Seventh-day Adventist church was dedicated recently. J. W. Bothe, president of the Canadian Union, presented the dedicatory address. J. E. Pascoe, mayor of Moose Jaw, John Skoberg, Member of Parliament, and Gordon Snyder, Member of the Legislative Assembly, participated in the services. Lyle Bergey is pastor of the Moose Jaw church.

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German Youth Experience Revival

By PETER JOSEIT

WHAT BEGAN AS A REGULAR three-week-long young people's summer recreational retreat in Norway for 50 youth of the Hansa Conference, Germany, became a time of prayer, conversion, and witnessing that convincingly demonstrated the work of the Holy Spirit upon hearts.

The vacation was held at Tyrifjord Høyere Skole, an Adventist high school about 40 miles from Oslo. Accompanying the group of 15- to 22-year-olds was A. Patzke, president of the Hansa Conference, the conference MV leader, and two young pastors.

The youth went on the trip to enjoy the beauty of the lake near the school, and to take advantage of the institution's gymnasium, sports field, indoor swimming pool, and sauna. There was nothing special about the group that was evident. Most of them were baptized members of the Adventist Church. A few did not come from Adventist homes and had never been inside an Adventist church.

During the first week nothing unusual happened. There was Bible study in the morning with the theme, "Christ Our Destiny." Most of the time was at the disposal of the young people. There was much swimming and sports activities, some walks, and discussions on almost every theme youth are interested in.

The first Sabbath afternoon some of the group went to the nearest town to conduct a street campaign, testifying for Christ. There was a small brass band and a large singing group with guitars. Nothing special happened that afternoon except that some of the group requested a prayer circle after supper to thank God for the experience.

The Revival Begins

A prayer circle of seven met near the lake an hour or so before the vesper service. They started to pray and soon God came very near. His nearness was felt.

One of the boys confessed his sins, and all the others followed. One prayed for another and for those in the large group who did not enjoy a personal experience with Christ. Time slipped away, and when the final Amen was spoken, three hours had been spent in prayer.

Such a joy and peace was experienced that the group returned to the school with reluctance. They knew they would not go back to Germany the same as they had come.

The group prayed that others would join the prayer band the next day.

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Those prayers were answered. A number joined the circle. The spirit of prayer and self-surrender swept through the whole group. As a result many employed at the school and some others visiting the school, accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

Soon afterward prayer bands were formed, meeting in the morning, afternoon, and at night. Most of the groups met for from two to four hours. Some groups prayed through the night. Each day victories over sin were experienced. Each day there were young people who testified of the great work of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Youth Choose Prayer Rather Than Sports

The prayer bands continued to grow larger. Plans for a two-day tour through Norway were canceled, and the whole planned program of the retreat was forgotten. The youth chose to pray together rather than participate in sports. Their prayers were for the unconverted in their group and for sanctified lives for themselves. And the Lord answered their prayers.

Typical of what happened is the experience of a young law student, a very critical man. He had tried prayer and Bible study, but it had not seemed to help. He tried modern theology, which told him that there is no personal God, that Christ was nothing more than a teacher of ethics, and that the Bible is a

book of mistakes and myths. These were his beliefs when he went to Norway with the group.

One afternoon after playing volleyball with some others, he found himself alone. Then he remembered there was a prayer band somewhere near the lake. Later he told us that he did not know why he joined it, perhaps it was just curiosity. But the prayer group he joined knew. They had been praying for him, and God had led him to them.

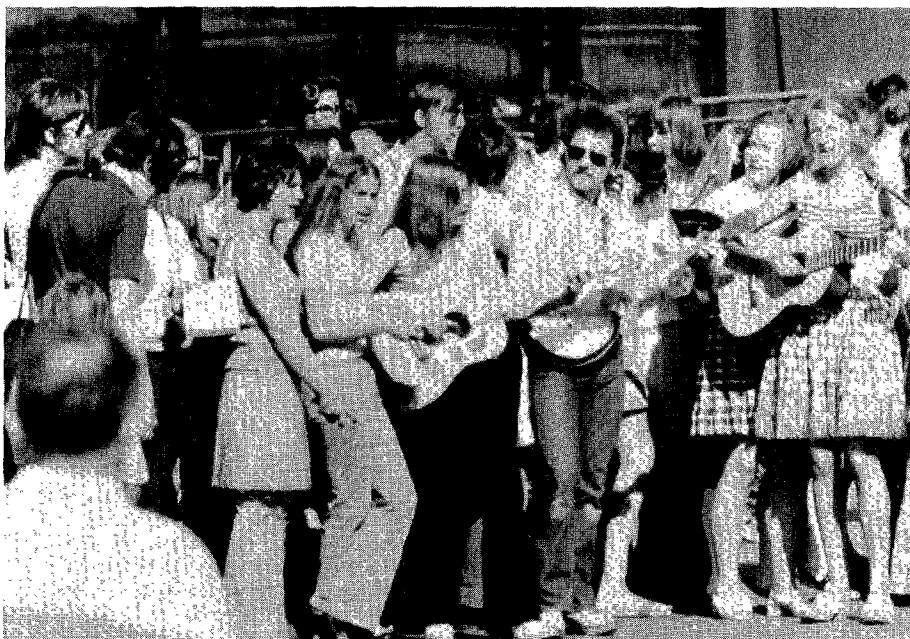
He sat on the grass with the group for perhaps an hour when suddenly he began to pray. In broken tones, he said: "Dear Lord Jesus, You know that I have come here to Norway ready to become an atheist. I had finished with You and with God and the Bible. But you have been stronger than I. Here I am now. Forgive me and take me as Your child."

"If You Can Change Him You Can Change Me"

When later he gave his testimony before the whole group, others who knew a miracle had happened also surrendered their lives to Christ. One of these prayed, "Lord, it is too much for me to understand this. I can't understand that this could happen to Detlef. I could have understood it with anyone else. Lord, if You are mighty enough to change him, You can change me, too!" And God did!

Some of those young people decided they should witness in front of the University of Oslo to the hundreds of tourists, students, hippies, and drug addicts in the area. They prayed for transportation because there was no way for 20 to 30 youth to get to Oslo at night with only one car available. God provided cars.

While some of the group remained at the school to pray, others went to Oslo. That evening from 150 to 200 young



German Adventist youth witness to their faith in public following revival experiences at the Tyrifjord Høyere Skole, Norway. The group of 15- to 22-year-olds had gone to the school for a recreational retreat. Their experience has started a revival in the lives of many in Germany. The revival began with a 17-year-old girl whose life Jesus changed and who witnessed to others.

people were contacted, many of whom gave their addresses. Many were prayed with on the side of the busy Oslo road.

The group started for Oslo about 7:00 P.M. and arrived back at the school at 2:15 A.M. They wondered whether anyone was still praying for them. But when they opened the door to the lounge, they knew why God had blessed so wonderfully; the lounge was full of youth on their knees pleading with God to be with those who had gone to the city.

During the retreat in Norway the group of young people confessed every known sin to God. They spent whole nights in prayer which brought a great joy and real peace into their lives. They experienced a longing to tell others of God and of His love to sinners. They felt the need of Bible study. They searched the Scriptures for God's promises and prayed until He fulfilled His promises.

One by one those of the group who had not been baptized were convicted by the Holy Spirit that they ought to follow Jesus completely. By the end of the three weeks five young people asked to be baptized.

A Spreading Awakening

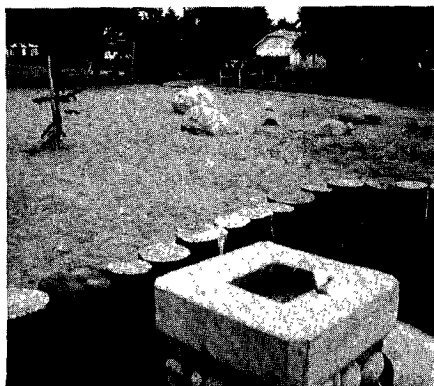
We experienced many miracles in changed lives. Now, after more than two months have passed, we can testify of many young people in our churches who live a life of victory in Christ, who inspired their parents to have family worship and their churches to start anew with long-forgotten prayer bands. They now obey the command of their Lord, "Go and tell the good news of a living Saviour."

Since the return of the group to Germany the Holy Spirit has led many other young people to a new life. Adventist churches have awakened. People who it was thought could not be changed have been converted by the power of God. The youth are going into the streets to talk to people of the love and power of Christ. God is blessing the seed that is being sown. There will be a rich harvest for His kingdom.

But how did the revival begin? A few months before, a 17-year-old girl had found a personal experience with her Saviour that changed her life completely. She started to read the Bible and to be greatly blessed by it. Bible study and prayer were the things she now loved most. Her life was one of joy in Christ, and she witnessed of it to others.

When this young woman heard of the young people's retreat to be held in Norway she began to pray earnestly for a revival and an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the group, which she joined. The first day in Norway she invited others to pray with her, but at first nobody wanted a prayer circle. She continued pleading with the Lord that He would fulfill His promises and send a revival. God answered her prayers.

And so a revival and reformation has come to many people in Germany. And God is ready to begin a revival among our youth and older people everywhere if they will earnestly seek Him. □



A two-lot "minipark," bought and prepared by a group of students from Upper Columbia Academy, Spangle, Washington, provides a recreational area for residents of the East Side of Spokane, which had no parks.

WASHINGTON

Academy Students Make Park for Spokane

Residents of Spokane, Washington's East Side, have a new, well-designed, two-lot "minipark" as a result of the efforts of a group of Upper Columbia Academy, Spangle, Washington, students.

Last fall the students called at Mayor David H. Rodgers' office and asked for a service project they could do, something in the way of a small park in the east area. The matter was referred to assistant Parks director Rod Zoske, who recommended they do something about what he termed a "void area" between Sprague and the East-West Freeway, where no parks existed.

The students scouted the area, selected two or three possible sites, and contacted owners. They finally selected two lots at Second and Cook, which the students purchased for \$1,500 of their own money. After the land was acquired they signed it over to the city in an unimproved condition.

With the help of the Parks staff, a design for the park was completed. It included benches, picnic tables, a horse-shoe court, and about 50 per cent grass.

The students built the equipment in their shops at school, including items such as benches and play apparatus.

In preparing the lots for a park the students removed parts of old car bodies, tree stumps, weeds, and dumped cans and bottles. They hauled off eight truckloads of debris.

The park's equipment amounts to \$2,000 in materials alone.

R. E. ECKERMAN

PR Director

Upper Columbia Conference



CHOIR OF BUGEMA COLLEGE, UGANDA, PERFORMS ON NATIONAL TV

The 31-member choir of Bugema Adventist College, Kampala, Uganda, presented a program of sacred and secular music on Uganda TV on October 10. The choir was directed by Chile Caspe, a graduate of Philippine Union College. Lynn Belleau was at the piano. The program was videotaped on the grounds of the Nile Hotel and International Conference Center in Kampala on October 4.

Television program directors pronounced the performance excellent. A special gift was made by the directors to the choir. The program drew so many favorable responses from viewers that it was replayed on October 15. The choir had previously performed on Uganda radio.

ALDEN W. FOLLETT

English Instructor

Bugema Adventist College

UGANDA

Evangelistic Meetings Win Twenty-one

Evangelistic meetings conducted at Hoima, Uganda, by teachers from Bugema Adventist College, Kampala, and workers from the Uganda Field, have resulted in the baptism of 21 people, with 30 others preparing for baptism.

The meetings were held in a large tent near the main street. Its location and the advertising posters around it attracted a great deal of attention.

The tent was filled for the first meeting, and attendance was sustained throughout the six-week series. Many other religious denominations were represented by those attending. Two men were baptized who had been leaders in one of them.

R. EZRA MPYISI

Bible Instructor

Bugema Adventist College

LATVIA

2,000 Adventists Look for Jesus' Appearing

There are some 2,000 Seventh-day Adventists in the country of Latvia, which is across the Baltic Sea, east of Sweden. Before World War II there were twice that many Adventists in the country, but for various reasons the number has dropped to its present level during the past 30 years.

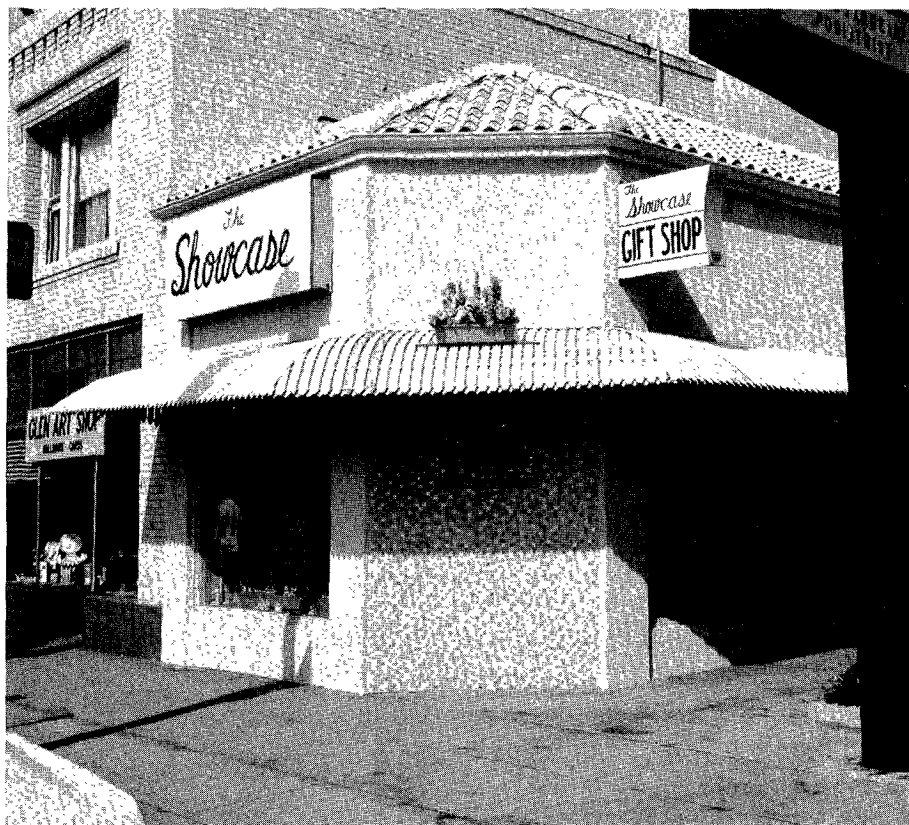
Before the war we had a mission seminary near Riga. This large property was needed by the State. Our church buildings are also the property of the State. However, church groups are able to rent the buildings. They are also expected to keep them in repair. Rent and repair costs are covered by the offerings of our Latvian people. Occasionally our leaders are able to hold workers' meetings.

Seventh-day Adventists in Latvia are strong in the faith. They have learned to lift their eyes above earthly possessions and seek spiritual wealth. They are earnestly looking for the soon appearing of the Lord Jesus.

AUSTRA BALKA



A group of Latvian Seventh-day Adventist ministers who met together for a convention at Riga, Latvia, several months ago.



VOP INAUGURATES NEW CONCEPT OF WITNESSING AND FUND RAISING

The Voice of Prophecy has begun a new concept in witness with the opening of the Showcase Gift Shop in downtown Glendale. The shop, which was dedicated recently by H.M.S. Richards, Sr., is an extension of the many-faceted witnessing programs of the organization.

The gift shop's purpose is twofold. In addition to witnessing, it is also a fund-raising endeavor. Radio broadcast listeners throughout North America make and send a variety of gift items to be sold in the shop. Because the shop is staffed and operated by volunteer workers, all proceeds are used for the Voice of Prophecy's ministries. Handmade, handcrafted, one-of-a-kind articles given to the shop make it unique among other shops. Its customers frequently express their pleasure in shopping at the store because they can select gifts that are different from the usual type.

C. ELWYN PLATNER

Associate PR Director, VOP

HUNGARY

Pastor Visits Country After 42 Years' Absence

Recently I visited Hungary after an absence of more than 42 years. During my visit I celebrated my fiftieth year in the ministry. I had worked there from August, 1922, until December, 1929.

It is difficult to describe the emotions I felt when I met with some of those whose shepherd I had been so long ago. Now they are quite aged. And those I had known as children and young people are now of advanced years. I met the sons and daughters of these people. They seemed to know me, evidently through their parents.

I arrived in Budapest on a Friday evening and went directly to the Central church, where 46 years earlier I had married my Danish bride. The next morning I preached to a large congregation in Hungarian. The following day I was taken to the excellently administered Adventist Recreation Home

on the shores of Lake Balaton. This home has a capacity of 65 and a well-balanced program for our people. I was kept busy answering endless doctrinal questions asked by a group of Adventist ministers.

Over the weekend I was taken to Békés and Békéscsaba, my first large district after my ordination. The area has 11 churches and groups with several pastors and Bible instructors. This was the high point of my visit. I preached twice there, first to 200 and then to some 600 members.

Hungary has progressed much since I left there so long ago. The advance is evident in the development of the cities, the highways, and industrial growth.

In my estimation, Budapest is the most beautiful city in Europe, with the majestic Danube River dividing Buda and Pest. The tourist traffic was enormous, and on weekends the roads can hardly accommodate the steady stream of cars from other European countries, in addition to the growing number of cars driven by Hungarians. Hotels are

very good, and the Hungarian cuisine lives up to its reputation as one of the finest anywhere.

As an American visitor, I had no problems whatsoever. The Hungarian officials were courteous and friendly. I was also highly pleased because I could move about with absolute liberty and address large congregations. This I greatly appreciated. To speak with the people in their mother tongue after 40 years was a heartwarming experience.

The Hungarian Government wisely grants the privileges of religious freedom. This results in loyalty on the part of the church.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church in Hungary has capable and intelligent leaders and ministers. However, they need more than an occasional summer seminar with a review of doctrines with which they are well acquainted. They are wanting a deeper knowledge of the meaning of this message for today with an exegetical understanding of the Scriptures that provides them with answers to the problems of the human heart and especially of the young people. This desire was constantly expressed by the ministers with whom I came in contact. We hope that something can be done in this line for our pastors and administrators in Hungary.

I left Hungary, the land of warm-hearted hospitality, with a mixture of joy and sadness. Joyful because I had been with such a wonderful people; sadness because of their great unfulfilled spiritual needs. May God bless that country and its people with happiness and His light.

CARL G. TULAND
*Retired Minister
Santee, California*



PENNSYLVANIA CHURCH IS DEDICATED

Members of the Hillside church, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, officially opened their new, 300-seat church and dedicated it debt-free on Sabbath, November 11.

The church, which had its origins in the 1920's, was organized in 1932. A previous sanctuary burned in 1967.

Edward Dorsey, president of the Allegheny East Conference, spoke at the dedicatory service, which climaxed a week-long series of special night meetings.

L. R. PRESTON, JR.
*Pastor, Hillside Church
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania*

Dateline Washington

A Monthly Roundup of Happenings at General Conference Headquarters

By F. C. WEBSTER

MERGER. During the closing weeks of 1972 the combined staff of the Radio-Television and Public Relations departments worked together preparing the way for the merger of the two departments on January 1, 1973.

Previous scheduling had called for the annual advisory committees of these departments to meet during the same week in mid-February. They will now convene as one. The meeting will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Further details of the merger, as it will affect unions and local conference organizations, will be clarified at that time.

This merger is a further step being taken to reduce administrative expenses and aid the church in becoming more effective in its world witness.

RECEPTION FOR AMBASSADOR OF TANZANIA. Ambassador Paul Bomani of Tanzania visited the General Conference as one of his first official functions after arriving in Washington. E. W. Tarr hosted a luncheon in the Ambassador's honor held in the tenth-floor dining room of the North Building.

Ambassador Bomani received his education in Seventh-day Adventist schools in Tanzania and is a member of our church in the city of Dar es Salaam.

AMERICANS UNITED LUNCHEON. On November 28 the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department hosted a luncheon for Dr. Glenn Archer, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, and the other officers of the organization. During the luncheon the Autumn Council's action regarding church/state relations was discussed, as well as other matters of mutual interest.

CHILEAN VISITOR. Werner Mayr, lay activities, public relations, and Sabbath school secretary of the Chile Union, visited Washington during the latter part of November. He was a guest of the program known as the United States Agency for International Development, with which our church has cooperated in Chile.

For a number of years the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service (SAWS), working in South America as OFASA (Obra Filantrópica y Asistencia Social Adventista), has served the Chilean people as one of the voluntary agencies distributing food and clothing and participating in other humanitarian endeavors. Elder Mayr, who is connected with SAWS, remained in the United States approximately one month and visited on both the East and West coasts.

Elder Mayr spoke to both the General Conference officers and the General Conference Committee regarding an experience he had prior to his de-

parture from Chile. He and several other clergymen were called to the Presidential palace during days of extreme national emergency. During the interview with President Allende, Elder Mayr requested permission, and was given the privilege, to pray for the President that he might successfully lead the nation through the days of emergency. A few days later Elder Mayr participated in the organization of a special national day of prayer. Elder Mayr believes that God heard the prayers of that nation in distress and brought peace out of what had appeared at the time to be an unsolvable problem.

DISTINGUISHED ASIAN VISITOR. On November 20 the General Conference was honored by a visit from Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Koshi, of the Christian Medical Center, Vellore, India, where Dr. Koshi serves as director. For many years Seventh-day Adventist doctors have served on the staff of this teaching center. A number of Seventh-day Adventist physicians who were trained at Vellore serve in our several medical institutions across India.

Dr. Koshi spoke to the General Conference staff during the morning worship period. Following this Dr. Ralph Waddell, secretary of the General Conference Health Department, accompanied the Koshis and other friends of the church as they visited some of our institutions in the Washington area. Dr. Waddell also served as host at a luncheon that was held in the executive dining room in the North Building, at which Dr. Koshi was guest of honor.

OTHER VISITORS. Elder and Mrs. Humberto Araís, of Chile, visited the church's headquarters en route to Spain, where Elder Araís will serve as MV and temperance secretary of the Spanish Mission.

Elder and Mrs. M. V. Jacobson, of California, were in Washington for several days during November, at which time they visited headquarters with friends with whom they had worked in previous years. Elder Jacobson is health-education secretary of the Southeastern California Conference.

Elder and Mrs. Dale M. Ingersoll, in Washington attending lectures, stopped by the General Conference to visit friends. Elder Ingersoll is temperance and youth leader of the Pennsylvania Conference. Mrs. Ingersoll serves as office secretary in the conference office.

Cheryl Jetter, church school teacher from New Orleans, Louisiana, stopped briefly at the General Conference headquarters early in December during a visit to Washington.

news notes

Afro-Mideast

► New plans to utilize the Voice of Prophecy correspondence school in the division have shown encouraging results. In one city in the division, 50 per cent of all baptisms came from contacts made through the school.

► More than 390 people were baptized in the East African Union during the first three quarters of 1972. These resulted from contacts made through the Voice of Prophecy correspondence school, reports R. H. Henning, radio-TV secretary of the division. In all of 1971 only 115 people were baptized.

► Nineteen young people were baptized at the Bugema Adventist College, Uganda, a few weeks ago.

R. W. TAYLOR, *Correspondent*

Australasian

► The Papua-New Guinea Union Mission has for a number of years operated a hostel for Adventist students attending the University of Papua, New Guinea. These students are mostly young people who have completed high school studies at an Adventist school, and who are continuing their studies in subjects not presently offered by our union training college. The students are presently carrying on an evangelistic campaign and also a branch Sabbath school in the local prison. Recently nine prisoners requested baptism. Most of the Adventist university students are preparing to enter the work of the church in various capacities, reports B. H. Brinsmead, chaplain to the 31 students.

► More than 1,000 people recently witnessed the landing of the first plane on the new airstrip for the SDA mission headquarters at Kolombangara Island. The Piper Aztec was piloted by Colin Winch. Bob Holloway, a student volunteer, supervised the building of the strip. Twelve more strips are planned for various parts of the Solomons.

M. G. TOWNEND, *PR Secretary*

Euro-Africa

► Most of the items on the agenda for the division's annual meeting held recently had to do with MISSION '73. All departments and institutions are uniting to make this evangelistic outreach an outstanding success.

► A new Ferguson tractor received by the Cameroon Training School,

Nanga-Eboko, Cameroons, will enable the school to raise peanuts, maize, and sweet potatoes on a large enough scale to supply the kitchen needs.

► A course in French entitled "The Work of the Church Elder" has just been prepared by the French branch of the Home Study Institute.

► Representatives from the Socialist countries of Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, and Yugoslavia were present at the annual division council. National workers were also present from the Cameroons, Madagascar, and Angola.

► Accurate statistics from the Socialist countries are not available, but indications are that the goal of an average of 1,000 baptisms per month in these countries was reached by December 31, 1972. The membership of the Euro-Africa Division was 190,279 as of September 30.

► Efforts are being made to begin literature evangelistic work in the Senegal Mission. Claude Masson, of the West Cameroon Mission, has six bookmen in Dakar.

► Missionary Henri Walder has just opened a new mission station in Garoua, the capital of the Cameroons.

► Joseph Nkou, the first African sent by the Equatorial African Union to the Cameroons, has returned there, having gained his theological license at the French Adventist Seminary, France. He has begun evangelistic work in Douala.

► The first annual meeting of the newly created Southern European Union Mission took place in Rome, November 27-30.

EDWARD E. WHITE, *Correspondent*

Inter-American

► More than 100 people attended the first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking to be held in Barquisimeto, Venezuela. Ninety per cent of them reported at the close of the plan that they had quit smoking.

► Fifteen people have been baptized as a result of a health and temperance clinic held by Elder and Mrs. Norberto Restrepo in Antioquia, Colombia. More than 350 people attended the meetings.

► *Movement of Destiny*, by L. E. Froom, is to be published in Spanish by the Inter-American Division. The foreign-language book publishing committee voted publication recently.

L. MARCEL ABEL, *Correspondent*

Northern Europe-West Africa

► During the past four years the membership in the Liberian Mission has increased by 1,000 members. Liberia has seven national ministers and one overseas evangelist, but laymen have joined hands with the ministers to pro-

duce the result. W. Helbig, a retired minister with more than 40 years of service, conducted not less than three campaigns during 1972.

► S. Gustavsson, president-elect of the new Nigerian Union, plans to make 1973 a year of total evangelism. Ministers and laymen are planning to conduct not less than 300 evangelistic campaigns across the union. The ministers will all begin campaigns on March 4. In August they will assist the laymen in nationwide campaigns. Nigeria has at the present time a population of more than 60 million people. The SDA Church has a membership of 25,000.

► The Advent Publishing House, Accra, Ghana, is operating 16 hours a day to keep up with the demand for literature in the languages used in the West African Union. This literature had much to do with winning about 5,000 new members in 1972, Thorvald Kristensen, president of the West African Union Mission, reports.

► By the close of November, 1972, 320 new members had been accepted into the churches in Finland, according to a report from Wiljam E. Aittala, president of the Finland Union Conference. It was expected that a total of 350 would be reached by year's end. This will be the best result for any year in the past 15 at least.

► Iceland Secondary School has an enrollment of 85, which is the highest ever. Approximately 50 per cent come from non-Adventist homes. Another 100 applications had to be turned down. A number of young people are baptized at the school yearly.

► The first Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking to be held in Iceland will be conducted in February as a part of the MISSION '73 program. It will also include several major evangelistic campaigns, reports Svein B. Johansen, president of Iceland Conference.

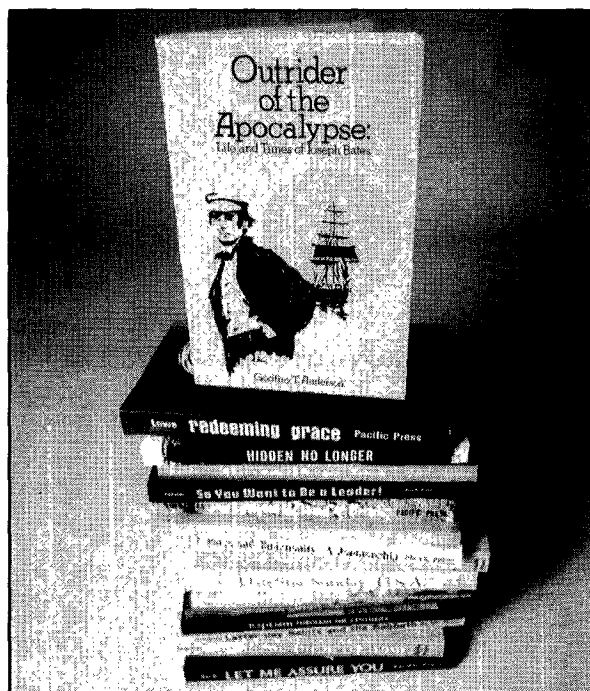
► The Naerum church, Copenhagen, Denmark, will be open day and night during the nonstop reading of the Bible January 15-20. This will mark the beginning of MISSION '73 outreach. It is estimated that the reading will take 81 hours. In conjunction with the reading there will be an exhibition of perhaps the best Bible collection in Denmark. Special showings are planned for school children. Børge Schantz is pastor of the Naerum church.

J. P. SUNDQUIST, *Correspondent*

Southern Asia

► A two-night cooking school was held in Bangalore, India, some weeks ago by Dorothea Jones and Ella May Stoneburner. Many people of the community gave evidence of much interest at that time. Subsequently, another school has just been completed. Dorothy Watts, Goldie Down, Betty Cooper, and Lamorna Riches led out in the planning and implementing of this school. Approximately 120 Hindu, Moslem, and other non-Adventists were in attend-

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ance at the school. The average attendance was 75 per night. Five consecutive nights were planned with lectures and food demonstrations. As a result almost all those attending enrolled in the Voice of Prophecy health course.

► During an Ingathering visit to the town of Chintamani, South India, a Kannada Section worker, S. B. Raju, found 180 Hindi families who expressed a desire to become Christians. At his own expense he hired a small hut and has been holding meetings with a large attendance. Expectations are that more than 100 will be baptized. D. R. Watts, president of the South India Union, writes that this is one of the most encouraging situations seen in the Kannada Section.

► M. Dhason, South India Union MV secretary, conducted meetings last year in the Kolar gold fields, in an area previously unentered by Adventists. At the conclusion of the meetings he started a Bible class that was attended by 60 people, 90 per cent of whom were youth of college age.

► V. D. Christudas is conducting meetings in Kottur, South India, and is expecting to baptize some 50 people.

► There are 154 branch Sabbath schools in the Central India Union, with a total membership of more than 3,670.

► More than 4,500 students are attending Seventh-day Adventist schools in the Northern Union, India.

A. J. JOHANSON, *Correspondent*

Trans-Africa

► A Better Living Center was opened in Johannesburg, South Africa, November 14, 1972. Five-Day Plans, weight-control clinics, cooking schools, heart clinics, and home-nursing classes are among the programs carried on there. The center was officially opened by the mayor of Benoni and was attended by more than 200 prominent people. The center is being directed by H. G. Stevenson.

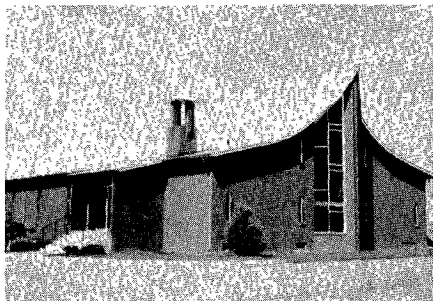
► During a union administrators' and departmental secretaries' council held at Johannesburg, South Africa, some weeks ago, strong emphasis was placed upon revival and evangelism.

DESMOND B. HILLS, *Correspondent*

North American

Atlantic Union

► One hundred and sixty-one students and faculty members from 17 academies and intermediate and public high schools attended the Atlantic Union Bible Conference held at Camp Berkshire, October 5-8. Featured speakers were Dr. Hans La Rondelle, from the SDA Theological Seminary, Andrews University; Dr. Malcolm Maxwell, of the School of Theology,



CHURCH IS DEDICATED IN DENVER, COLORADO

The 450-seat Aurora Seventh-day Adventist church, Denver, Colorado, was dedicated October 7. The church had its beginning in 1904 with seven charter members.

Speakers for the occasion were H. V. Reed, Colorado Conference president, and Varner J. Johns, who is the oldest living former pastor. Chalmers G. Fisher is the present pastor.

LORICE HANSON
PR Director
Colorado Conference

Walla Walla College; and Dr. Richard Neil, a physician from up-State New York.

► On October 31 the Camden, Maine, church school children, supported by some of their friends, collected 2,000 cans and packages of food from neighbors in the Camden-Rockport area. The food was used to make up boxes for deserving individuals and families at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

► Two changes were made in departmental responsibility at a recent Atlantic Union Conference committee meeting. W. E. Peeke was asked to give leadership to the radio-TV department, and L. E. Smart was asked to assume responsibility for the temperance department.

EMMA KIRK, *Correspondent*

Canadian Union

► Parkland Furniture, an industry of Canadian Union College in Lacombe, Alberta, has purchased a substantial amount of new equipment, including a new table saw, a press drill, and a radial arm saw. A 1973 Chevrolet truck, capable of handling a 24-foot van has been ordered. Furniture factory sales during the past three months have exceeded predicted sales by \$18,000.

► The Fraser Valley Academy in Langley, British Columbia, consolidating the Chilliwack, Mission, Langley, Aldergrove, and White Rock schools, was officially opened last fall with George Preston, mayor of Langley, as a guest speaker. The school offers grades 1-10 and has an enrollment of 99.

► George Vandeman conducted three It Is Written rallies in British Columbia over the weekend of November 18. Total attendance at these meetings was approximately 2,000 with the at-

tendance restricted due to the limited seating capacity. The rallies were held in Victoria, Vancouver, and Rutland. British Columbia has one of the most complete It Is Written TV coverages in North America, with about 95 per cent of the population of the province having access to the program.

► A new conference office for the British Columbia Conference is now under construction. It is being built on an acre and a half site adjoining the Abbotsford interchange freeway. The new structure will have an area of 6,700 square feet with 143 feet of building facing the freeway. Occupancy is planned for May, 1973.

► A total of 80 people have been baptized since the It Is Written campaign began in Toronto, Ontario, September 24, 1972.

► Anita Joyce Pankratz, Miss Illinois of 1971, who is an accomplished vocalist and pianist, combined her talents with those of her brother Raye, professor of strings at Wheaton College in Illinois, to give two benefit programs at the North York Branson Hospital in Toronto, November 18 and 19. Proceeds from the programs aided the anti-smoking campaign being conducted by the hospital.

► D. J. Handysides, pastor of the Kingsview church in Etobicoke, of the metro area of Toronto, and his wife were guests of honor at a banquet recently during which Mayor Edward A. Horton and the city aldermen spoke words of appreciation for his radio program, "Moments of Meditation." This program has been on radio station CFRB for approximately six years. Pastor Handysides has now been transferred to the College Park church in Oshawa but will continue his program in Toronto.

► One hundred and one new members were added to the West Toronto, Ontario, church by baptism, profession of faith, and transfer during the first nine months of 1972. E. J. Parchment is the pastor.

► Robert Prouty, of Oshawa, Ontario, a senior student at Andrews University, has been selected as a candidate of the university for the 1972-1973 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. He is one of 28 students at AU recommended for this honor.

THEDA KUESTER, *Correspondent*

Central Union

► Each month more than 1,300 journals are given away at Porter Memorial Hospital by the chaplain's office. At present seven persons are receiving Bible studies who were contacted in the hospital.

► The Cedarvale school serving the Kansas City area offers grades one through ten. There are 158 students in attendance this year with 76 per cent in the elementary grades and 24 per cent in the junior high.

CLARA ANDERSON, *Correspondent*



SIX ARE ORDAINED IN SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

One of the largest number of men to be ordained in the Southeastern California Conference in recent years were set apart for the ministry on November 18 in the Loma Linda Campus Hill church.

Ordinees were (first row, from left, with wives): Wallace D. Minder, Carlos R. Malan, Gary L. Case. Second row (from left, with wives): Gerry E. Thompson, Dr. Mervyn G. Hardinge, dean, School of Health, Loma Linda University, M. Grey Banta. Participating in the service were (third row, from left): Lester E. Park, educational secretary, Southeastern California Conference; Paul C. Heubach, instructor, Division of Religion, Loma Linda University; J. B. Bogle, treasurer, Southeastern California Conference; W. J. Blacker, president, Pacific Union Conference; Melvin L. Lukens, president, Southeastern California Conference; D. J. Bieber, president, Loma Linda University; and Andrew Peters, principal, La Sierra Academy.

S. A. YAKUSH
Departmental Secretary
Southeastern California Conference

Columbia Union

► A Pathfinder leadership-training course was held recently at Blue Ridge Youth Camp, Montebello, Virginia, for the Potomac Conference. Clayton Child is the conference MV secretary.

► D. W. O'Fall, pastor in the Potomac Conference, reports the recent baptism of 30 in the Culpeper, Virginia, district.

► Faye Roberts, a laywoman of Central Hills church, Clarksburg, West Virginia, presents her own television

show on Clarksburg's channel 3, cable television. Currently the show runs 15 minutes and is based on the public-relations religious news release Date-line, Religion. The program is identified as presented by Seventh-day Adventists.

► Twenty-three baptisms have resulted from the Amazing Facts crusade conducted recently by Joe Crews at the Mountaintop church of Oakland, Maryland.

► Construction has begun on a new boys' dormitory on the campus of Pine

Forge Academy, Pine Forge, Pennsylvania. The new all-masonry structure will accommodate about 92 students, apartments for the dean and assistant dean, worship room, and a multipurpose room.

MORTEN JUBERG, Correspondent

Lake Union

► The Michigan Conference youth-activities department has launched a dime campaign to collect funds for a new nature building in Camp Au Sable. Merrill Fleming, campaign director, hopes \$20,000 will be collected. Awards will be given to individuals bringing in various amounts of dimes at the Pathfinder Fair next May.

► The Lake Region Conference culminated National Education Week with a program on Christian education conducted at the Davison Avenue school in Detroit, Michigan. Guest speaker was Dr. Garland J. Millet, associate secretary of the General Conference Department of Education.

► Twenty-one people were baptized in the Glendale, Indiana, church on Sabbath, October 28, making a total of 50 who have been baptized there this year.

► Almost 600 people attended the Pathfinder-youth rally in Kokomo, Indiana, on Sabbath, November 11.

GORDON ENGEN, Correspondent

Northern Union

► Richard Habenicht, dean of boys at Shenyne River Academy, has been selected for inclusion in the 1972 edition of *Outstanding Young Men of America*.

► An Amazing Facts crusade, with Joe Crews, speaker, opened November 4 in Minot, North Dakota. More than 200 attended the first meeting.

► The baptism of 19 people resulted from meetings held recently in Rapid City, South Dakota, by Evangelist W. D. Brass. He was assisted by W. J. Clemons and Richard Holmes.

► Roger Eno, Minnesota Conference publishing secretary, reports an increase in sales over last year. Several

RELIEF ORGANIZATION VANS IN BANGLADESH PUBLICIZE SAWS

N. D. Roy, Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Services (SAWS) coordinator for Bangladesh, examines a license plate that publicizes that organization.

When the Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Services in the new country of Bangladesh took delivery of two donated light trucks, the question of registration, which was necessary to procure insurance, was discussed. Up to that time no relief vehicles had been registered in the country. When our SAWS representatives approached the government, they were assigned the first licenses for relief vehicles and given the Bengali letters "SAWS" with the numbers 1 and 2. Soon all relief vehicles in Bangladesh were required to register, and each was given a "SAWS" license plate with the exception of the Red Cross organization. Thus all voluntary relief organizations in Bangladesh, both private and church-sponsored, carry a license plate publicizing Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Services.

R. M. NEISH
Lay Activities Secretary
Southern Asia Division



families are attending evangelistic meetings or church services as the result of the literature ministry.
L. H. NETTEBURG, *Correspondent*

Pacific Union

► A non-Seventh-day Adventist, wanting to do something for the church of his Adventist doctor, has donated \$7,000 to Salt Lake City Junior Academy.

► Douglas H. Versteeg has come from Pacific Union College to be associate pastor at Anaheim, California.

► Radio and TV personality Art Linkletter is completing the taping of a new health telecast for Southern California called "It's Your World." The format combines interviews with an entertainment personality and a Seventh-day Adventist physician. Healthful menus are discussed and dishes prepared under the supervision of Rose Ludlow, of Glendale Adventist Hospital. Armond Lamont, an Adventist, is the show's producer.

SHIRLEY BURTON, *Correspondent*

Southern Union

► Investment funds for 1972 for the Oakwood College Sabbath school totaled \$2,028. In addition to this amount, hundreds of food labels have been turned in to be redeemed for cash and applied toward the final total figure.

► The Carolina Conference reached its 1973 Ingathering goal of \$142,450 on November 11. Many churches reported a large overflow.

► Workers of the South Atlantic Conference met for the annual fall workers' meeting at Jekyll Island, just off the coast of Georgia, recently. As of the time of meeting, 950 baptisms had been reported for 1972. Several ministers were on the way to being centurions.

► The Florida Conference closed the third quarter of 1972 with 14,620 members, a net gain of 128 for the quarter and 906 for the first three quarters. Total baptisms for the year have been 1,228.

► Dr. Phil Morrison, of Bristol, Tennessee, reports that more than 1,000 calls a month are made to the recorded telephone devotional message sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist church of the city. Offered for the past four years, the message program is in operation 24 hours a day.

► More than 60 persons were baptized in Greeneville, Tennessee, as the result of a Voice of Prophecy crusade conducted recently by Evangelist Bill Hoffman.

► A new church of 31 charter members has been organized in Beersheba Springs, Tennessee, by A. C. McClure, Ministerial secretary of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

OSCAR L. HEINRICH, *Correspondent*

Health Personnel Needs

NORTH AMERICA

2 supervisors (O.R., medical-surgical)
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1 physical therapy aide
1 physical therapist, registered

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To New Posts

W. D. Brass, conference evangelist (South Dakota), from same position (Carolina).

Robert Rider, lay activities secretary (Oregon), from same position (Texas).

John Robertson, staff, Atlantic Union College, formerly pastor, Vallejo Drive church, (Southern California).

Deaths

KEELER, John S.—b. May 9, 1892, Little Valley, N.Y.; d. Oct. 28, 1972, Mount Vernon, Ohio. He was an employee of the Review and Herald Publishing Association for 25 years and of the Loma Linda Food Company for five years. Survivors are his wife, Josephine; sons, Laurence, Donald, and Paul; and daughters, Lauretta Clark and Betty King.

NEWKIRK, George V.—b. March 3, 1895, Ethel, Mo.; d. Sept. 28, 1972, Smithville, Mo. For many years he was a member of the executive committee of the Missouri Conference. Survivors are his wife, Mellie Dee; a son, Clifford, principal of Forest Lake Academy; four daughters; a stepson; three step-daughters; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and four sisters.

Literature Requests

Africa

Publishing Secretary, South-East Africa Union, P.O. Box 951, Blantyre, Malawi.

Mrs. Earle Brewer, Inyazura Secondary School, Box 56, Inyazura, Rhodesia: felt aids, books, pictures, magazines, *Primary Treasure*, *Little Friend*.

Ghana Conference, P.O. Box 480, Kumasi, Ghana, West Africa.

North Ghana Mission, P.O. Box 74, Tamale, Ghana, West Africa.

J. U. Okwandu, MV Secretary, Seventh-day Adventist Church of East Central Nigeria, Private Mail Bag 1115, Aba, Nigeria, West Africa: *These Times*, *Message*, *Signs*, *Review*.

Pastor Emmanuel Abbey, SDA Teacher Training College, P.O. Box 30, Agona, Ashanti, Ghana, West Africa: *Reviews*.

Pastor Elijah E. Njagi, Central Kenya Field, Box 41352, Nairobi, Kenya: D&R prophetic charts (cloth) and other missionary materials.

Australia

Eileen Bazley, Box 124, Monto, Queensland, Australia 4630.

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, 40 Stubbs Rd., Hong Kong: *Listen*, *Smoke Signals*.

India

Pastor C. B. Hammond, SDA High School, Roorkee, U.P., India: *Little Friend*, *Primary*

Bulletin Board

Treasure, *Guide*, *Insight*, *Signs*, *These Times*, *Earliten Quarterly*, *Junior Quarterly*, Bibles.

Evangelist R. Raja Kembeera, 22/Sundar Vinayager St., Pettai 627004, Tirunelveli-4, Tamil Nadu, India.

Nicaragua

Sullivan Parrilla, Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua, Central America via New Orleans: *Review*, *Signs*, *Guide*, *Insight*, *Little Friend*, *Life and Health*, cards and tracts (English and Spanish), readers for grades 1-8, academy Bible textbooks.

Coming

Adventist Laymen's Emphasis	January 13
Liberty Magazine Campaign	January 20-27
Religious Liberty Offering	January 27
Gift Bible Evangelism	February 3
Church Lay Activities Offering	February 3
Faith for Today Offering	February 10
Christian Home and Family Altar	February 17
Christian Home Week	February 17-24
Listen Campaign Emphasis	February 24
Tract Evangelism	March 3
Church Lay Activities Offering	March 3
Sabbath School Visitors' Day	March 10
Spring Missions Offering	March 17
MV Week	March 24-31
Educational Day and Elementary School Offering (Local Conference)	March 31
Thirteenth Sabbath Offering (Northern Europe-West Africa Division)	March 31
One Million New Pulpits (Missionary Magazine Campaign)	April 7
Church Lay Activities Offering	April 7
Loma Linda University Offering (Alternates With Andrews University)	April 14
Literature Evangelism Rally Day	April 21
Children's Day	April 28
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No SDA's Die in Nicaraguan Quake

No Seventh-day Adventists died or received serious injury in the earthquake that devastated Managua, Nicaragua, December 23, according to latest reports. The office of the Nicaragua Mission and the Central church were completely destroyed. One other unidentified SDA church was also destroyed.

The Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service (SAWS) set in motion machinery to aid the quake victims. A medical team and SAWS representatives were on the scene shortly after the quake struck. SAWS has voted \$12,000 for relief to be matched with an equal amount from the Inter-American Division. The money is being used for food, which is the urgent need at this time. Family-size tents, cots, and blankets have been airlifted to the quake victims.

The General Conference has already received contributions from concerned church members for the earthquake sufferers. Others wishing to contribute may do so through their local church and conference. Contributions should be marked "SAWS—Nicaragua."

H. MARVYN BALDWIN

Calendars With Monday as First Day

An official calendar has been adopted and published in Scandinavian countries which starts the week on Monday and ends on Sunday. Consequently, Sunday is listed as the seventh day of the week. An association based in Geneva, Switzerland, is urging the adoption of this calendar by all countries. All religious connotation is denied. The claim is advanced that placing Monday as the first day of the week is advantageous to business interests and also is an aid to computer programming.

SDA's in Scandinavian countries are being advised to keep copies of 1972 calendars. This will offer proof of the date of the change should the question be raised in the future as to which is the true seventh day of the week.

M. E. LOEWEN

Hospital Receives \$100,000 Gift

A check for \$100,000 was received December 19 from the Kresge Foundation in Michigan by the new Seventh-day Adventist-owned-and-operated Hackettstown, New Jersey, Community Hospital. The grant came in recognition of excellence in local support from the townspeople and New Jersey SDA's. The latter group contributed \$210,000 of the \$2.7 million received in voluntary support.

With the opening date for the hospital set for February 4, SDA nurses and other personnel are needed.

CHARLES O. ELDRIDGE

Student Missionaries in Trans-Africa

The Trans-Africa Division voted at its recent annual council to begin its own student missionary program immediately. Two young people were named as its first student missionaries. Helderberg College, South Africa, and Solusi College, Rhodesia, are involved in the program.

"That student missionaries will be going to mission fields from South Africa is a significant step forward," remarked division youth director Desmond Hills.

CHARLES MARTIN

Publishing Successes in Two Lands

Reports of gratifying results in the circulation of Seventh-day Adventist literature come from Kenya, Africa, and Brazil, South America.

Donald C. Swan, manager of the Africa Herald Publishing House, Kenya, writes that in October his house had topped the one-million-shillings (US-\$143,277) mark for the year 1972. Four years ago sales for the year were shillings 550,000 (US\$77,030). At that time a goal of one million shillings in sales was set to be reached in four years. This goal was exceeded. Mr. Swan writes that his house hopes to double this last goal in the next four years.

A letter from P. S. Camacho, South American Division publishing secretary, reports that almost 100,000 copies of *The Great Controversy* were sold in Brazil from March to September, 1972. Many people have already been baptized there as a result of reading the book.

D. A. MC ADAMS

Mission School Gets Overflow

"We are extremely grateful to the Sabbath school for the large Thirteenth Sabbath Offering overflow that was received and will shortly be coming to the Indian Mission School at Holbrook, Arizona, for their vocational training purposes," writes John V. Stevens, president of the Arizona Conference. "Our first boy graduate from Holbrook, in the Class of '72, is presently working for \$6.50 an hour as a welder at Page, Arizona. He graduated from the vocational training program. The other graduate from the same class, a young woman, is working as a secretary and will soon be going to junior college."

The overflow for the second quarter of 1972 amounted to \$182,983.37. The Indian Mission School receives \$54,894.98.

FERNON RETZER

N.A. Ingathering Report—6

Total raised at the end of sixth week: \$6,635,100.22. This is a per capita of \$14.43 per member in the North American Division.

Raised on the sixth week: \$725,742.89 as compared with \$1,048,049.89 raised in the sixth week of last year's campaign.

Last year's total at the end of the sixth week was \$6,235,763.22, which indicates a gain of \$399,337 this year over the comparative period last year.

Columbia Union has joined the Southern Union in reaching the \$1 million mark. Eight conferences have earned Silver Vanguard:

New York	\$27.85	Chesapeake	\$25.82
Newfoundland	27.34	Alabama-Mississippi	25.76
Oklahoma	26.94	Illinois	25.68
Pennsylvania	25.96	Texico	25.00

The ten unions and 50 conferences show gains this week. Nineteen conferences have exceeded last year's final totals.

C. C. WEIS