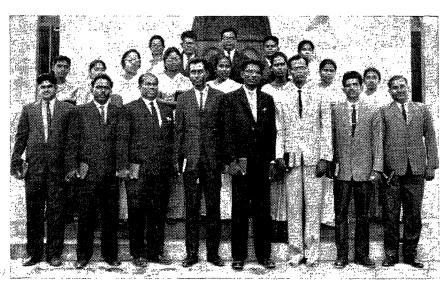
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Forty-one Are Ordained During First Quarter Constituency Meetings

MRS. C. B. GUILD



G. W. Maywald was the speaker at the ordination of 11 workers, March 15, at the Tamil Section constituency meeting. The ordination prayer was offered by M. E. Cherian, the charge administered by A. J. Johanson and the welcome given by D. R. Watts. Included in the group are, front row, left to right, with wives standing behind: A. Devadas, evangelist, Palaniappapuram; Dharman Balraj, Vellore; E. S. James, secretary-treasurer, Tamil Section; John Wilmott, pastor-evangelist, Madras; E. V. Samuel, evangelist, Arkonam; Devanbu Rajarathnam, evangelist, Valpari; Manuel Sundaram, pastor-evangelist, Tiruchirapalli; S. Monickam, evangelist, Pulicugudi.

Back row: S. David, Erode; M. K. Selvaraj (wife not present), Udumelpet; V. Benjamin, assistant auditor, South India Union.

This group of 11 workers prior to ordination won 1,500 people for Christ.

ORTY-ONE workers were ordained to the gospel ministry during seven first quarter constituency meetings held in three unions.

The highest number of ordinations took place, March 8, in the Kerala Section. In years of service the 12 are: L. C. Samuel, 27; K. J. Mathew, 24; P. S. Ninan, 20; John Jestus, 20; K. P. Philip, 19; Samuel Daniel, 16; Stanley Hutton, 15; P. C. Thomas, 13; V. J. Azariah, 13; C. I. George, 11; E. L. Gilbert, 11; P. L. Manuel, 9. These workers have been instrumental in bringing 2,027 people to Christ. At this ordination service, held at Trivandrum, D. R. Watts spoke, prayer was offered by G. W. Maywald, A. J. Johanson gave the charge and the welcome was given by P. C. Mathew.

Six Andhra Section men were ordained at Narsapur, March 29. They are: K. John Prasada Rao, Mitnasala Prakasa Rao, S. J. Satyanandam, I. D. Devadas, Injeti Joseph, Kukkla Prasada Rao. R. D. Riches preached the ordination sermon, R. S. Lowry offered the prayer, A. J. Johanson gave the charge and M. D. Moses the welcome.

Samuel Lakra and Cecil B. Hammond were ordained, February 15, at the Khunti East India Section constituency. G. J. Christo spoke, R. S. Lowry offered the ordination prayer, W. G. Lowry administered the charge and a welcome was given by P. D. Kujur, section secretary.

The April issue of the SOUTHERN ASIA TIDINGS reported three men ordained in South Maharashtra and four in the Assam Section.

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Speak unto the People

A COLUMN FOR THE OFFICERS



"And the Lord said . . . speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward" (Exodus 14:15).

Dear Church Member,

Church membership is a right, a privilege and a responsibility. The church member is a unit in a concern, and as such has as many rights as any other member whether rich or poor, high or low. He takes part in receiving and dismissing members. At the proper time he helps elect church officers. Whether he is an officer or not, he is fully informed of matters of church business when the annual church meeting is held and the yearly reports of the church clerk, church treasurer, and other church officers are given. If there is a church school, he has a voice in its operation. He may be sent as a delegate to constituency meetings.

The church member also has the privilege of taking spiritual nourishment from the good discourses which he hears, the Sabbath school classes which he attends. He also enjoys the fellowship of the finest society in the world. He lives close, as it were, to well-trained religious and educational leaders.

It is the responsibility of the church member to uphold the church standards as he pledged to do upon entrance to the church. He will use all the means offered by the church to maintain his spiritual experience in an ever ascending state of readiness for Christ's return. This example will be a witness to the community in which he lives. Although the members of the church have not yet reached a state of perfection, he will protect them individually and the church as a whole from any blemish on their good name. To the extent of his ability he will contribute financially to the support of the church, and will indicate his loyalty by paying a faithful tithe on his earnings.

The member will accept to the best of his ability the responsibility of church office, thus freeing the minister, if there is one, to carry the gospel to others. He will also join in soul-winning activity of the church, as it will take the co-operation of every member to finish the work of God.

The rights of the church member, his privileges and responsibilities are one. His right to participate in church affairs is his responsibility. His responsibility to join in church activity is his right and privilege.

"The work of God in this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers."—Gospel Workers, p. 352.

It is a great privilege to be a member of Christ's body—that is, the church.

Your fellow-member,

C. B. Guild

CHURCH CALENDAR 1969

May 3* Health and Welfare Evangelism May 10 (4) Disaster and Famine Relief Offering May 17 Spirit of Prophecy Day Bible Evangelism Crusade June 7* June 21 (1) Communion Service and Poor Fund Offering June 28 Stewardship Day MV Evangelism Day July 5* July 1-31 MV Evangelism Month July 12 July 19-26 (3) Bible Society Offering MV Week of Prayer (1) MV Offering "Our Times" Evangelism Day July 26 August 2* August 1-31 "Our Times" Subscription Campaign (3) Lay Congress Expense August 16 Offering Sept. 6* VOP Visitation Evangelism Sept. 1-30 VOP Evangelism Month Sept. 13 (4) Mission Extension Offering Sept. 20 (1) Communion Service and Poor Fund Offering
(4) VOP Offering Sept. 27

October 4* Neighbourhood Evangelism
Day
October 4-10 Health Emphasis Week
October 11 Sabbath School Visitors' Day
October 18 Literature Evangelist Rally

November 22
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*On the first Sabbath of each month the offering goes to the Lay Activities Department.

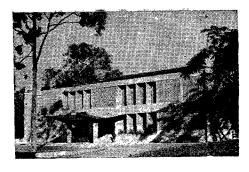
partment.

The number against the offering indicates where it goes: (1) Local Church; (2) Section; (3) Union; (4) Division.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERINGS
June 28 South American Division
September 27 Far Eastern Division
December 20 Southern Asia Division

Taking advantage of the threemonth special price reduction on Spirit of Prophecy books to Adventist workers. Southern Asia workers ordered 6,049 volumes. The ministerial department processed this order which includes: The Adventist Home, 211 Counsels on Diet and Foods, 193; The Ministry of Healing, 188; Life Sketches of Ellen G. White, 182; Child Guidance, 180; Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, 164; Early Writings, 158; Index to the Writings of E. G. White, a three-volume set, 158; Testimonies for the Church, a nine-volume set, 157; Gospel Workers, 157; Christ's Object Lessons, 148; Education, 137; The Conflict series, a set of five volumes, 119; and Evangelism, 104. The choices include 87 different titles.

Poona Log-Book



- I. D. Higgins, principal, Vincent Hill School, is appointed acting president of the Northwestern India Union following the permanent return of E. A. Streeter, July, 1960
- Between April 17 and May 27,
 Lois Votaw, in company with
 S. G. David and Joan A.
 Lynsdale, is assisting in three institutes and workshops for elementary teachers, being held at Kottarakara, Narsapur and Tanjore, South India.
- Two evenings of closing exercises brought the English Elementary School year to a close. The first evening, March 30, was a parent-teacher association meeting featuring C. H. Tidwell, M. E. Cherian and V. Raju as speakers. During the programme of the following evening, Mrs. R. S. Lowry distributed prizes for sports events of the year. This was followed by a variety entertainment given by the students. Under the direction of D. Sukumaran, the school year closed with a favourable financial balance.
- R. S. Lowry left Poona April 17, to spend ten days with the evangelistic group at Gobi Chettipalayam, Tamil Section.
- Margaret Kurian, diploma graduate of Spicer Memorial College, has joined the secretarial staff of the Southern Asia Division Sabbath school department.
- Sustentation was granted, April 9, to the following workers of long service: C. N. John, B. S. Kakade, Jacob Pedapudi, P. R. Phasge, Y. G. Thomas. The total service for these five workers totals 175 years.
- The Oriental Watchman Publishing House Board voted, April 9. to purchase matrices and mould for monotype, 14 pt., Telugu type at a cost of Rs. 14,000. They also authorized the printing of five

thousand copies of The Prince and the Rebel in the Malayalam language.

• While awaiting the appointment of a principal, C. H. Tidwell is acting principal at Pakistan Union School, Chuharkana, Pakistan. Mrs. Tidwell, Connie and Michael joined him there during the Spicer College vacation months.

• Eighty-three English Elementary School students were invested, March 21, at the Salisbury Memorial Church.

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FAMINE and DISASTER

RELIEF OFFERING

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OUR UNIONS REPORT



R. D. Riches spoke on the Call of Jeremiah at the March 22 Sabbath afternoon ordination service. The prayer was offered by C. B. Guild. A. J. Johanson administered the charge and D. R. Watts the welcome.
Receiving ordination were from left, Rudyard Lord, dean of boys, Lowry Memorial Higher Secondary School; Peter L. Parker, pastor, Bangalore Seventh-day Adventist Church; Granville Sharp, evangelist, Mandya. Nineteen other ministers were present for the ordination service.

First Quarter Ordinations

From page 1

The two accompanying pictures tell of 11 ordained at the Tamil Section constituency and three at the Kannada Section meeting.

These newly ordained brethren, while leaning heavily upon God's power, are expected to take a leading part in finishing God's work in Southern Asia.



Tamil Members Meet in Constituency

HE day was a typically warm summer day in the far south at Tirunelveli. I had travelled in an overnight train from Vellore and Villupuram. Now the train was two hours late and the next available train to Nazareth left in the mid-afternoon of March 14. Wait-

ing in a third class bogie, suddenly a Signs of the Times magazine appeared before my face.

"Would you like to read this?" a voice asked. Two Seventh-day Adventist young men, from Madras, were on their way to the Tamil Section constituency meeting. So we had a pleasant visit for the next two hours.

Preceded by a workers' meeting, the delegates of the Tamil Section met in biennial constituency session, March 13 to 15. The meeting was held at Prakasapuram which was frequently mentioned as "ground of the pioneers." The first Adventist church built in Southern Asia is located there. "Behold Thy King Cometh" was the Session motto.

Tamil Nadu has a population approaching forty million. Seventh-day Adventists have 179 stations with 58 organized churches and a working force of 105. One thousand eighty-four baptisms in 1968 brings the present Adventist mem-

bership to 6,891. Lay members' tithe of Rs. 90,577 was nearly double that of the workers' tithe. Investment offering for the year amounted to Rs. 6,502 as compared with Rs. 3,009 for the previous year. Two thousand rupees of the 1968 amount was raised by Pondicherry Sabbath school members.

One church leader with 67 churches under his charge accepted Seventh-day Adventism. After an evangelistic series in Kanakanpalayam where 110 were baptized, requests for meetings came from 40 different areas.

A very poor church member in Coimbatore received Rs. 30 to start a business. He bought a barrel of kerosene. Selling it at a gain of Rs. 5 he paid half a rupee in tithe. God's promise to bless the faithful tithe-payer is fulfilled in his behalf for, continuing to buy and sell kerosene, he now pays Rs. 20 in tithe each month.



Mr. Abraham, left, is named the 1968 Tamil Section Layman of the Year. Paul Ebenezer, right, is Lay-Evangelist of the Year for the Tamil Section. At Sankarankoil, 35 people were baptized as a result of his work in 1968. Seventeen were baptized this year prior to Bro. Ebenezer's coming to the Tamil Section constituency meeting.

F. Gomez, principal, Madurai church school, visited in the home of a five-year-old pupil. "My daughter reproves me for worshipping idols," said her father. Jesus is the only God and we should pray to Jesus only, the little girl says.

Dr. W. G. Thomas, of the self-supporting Nalwazhi Hospital reports 150,324 patients treated since 1947. Eleven thousand in-patients were cared for and 4,401 babies delivered. Four thousand two hundred patients were treated at Palaniapapuram by Victor David. Paramanatham, lay-preacher of Vadanathempatty, brought 30 people to Christ in 1968.

-C. B. Guild

Kannada Workers Aim High

EXCEEDING all expectation, the Bangalore Spencer Road chapel proved too small for the Kannada Section constituency meeting held March 20 to 22. For the Sabbath services four hundred people crowded the hall and perhaps one hundred were outside.

With D. R. Watts filling a dual post of Union ministerial secretary and president of the Kannada Section, the burden of preparing for the meeting fell on V. T. Thomas,



When Jaya, right, went to live with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jayapaul, centre, who is a Seventh-day Adventist, she would have nothing to do with the worship in the home. Gradually Jaya became dissatisfied with her non-Christian ways. Bible studies were given by Mrs. Joan Parker, left. Jaya was one of nine in the March 21 Friday evening baptismal service. M. D. Kodan baptized seven of the candidates. Among the two baptized by I. K. Moses was his own mother-in-law.



J. Daniel and his family are on their way to Sabbath school. The Voice of Prophecy sign in the background features courses in four languages.



K. J. Joseph, evangelist, Pollachi, is known as one who prays for the sick. Twenty-five people were brought to Christ in 1968 as a result of his work.

secretary-treasurer, Kannada Section. For the first time delegates were requested to pay a ten-rupee attendance fee. This seemed to increase rather than diminish the attendance.

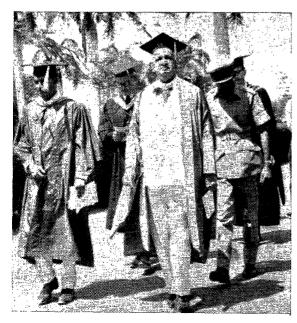
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Here seen seated on the platform during the commencement service are, left to right: Dr. J. D. Brailsford, professor of Physics and Mathematics; Dr. B. S. Lowry, chairman, S.M.C. Board; His Excellency Dr. P. V. Cherian; Dr. M. E. Cherian, president, Spicer Memorial College; J. I. Crawford, dean, Spicer Memorial College; backed by 44 members of the faculty and guest lecturers.



In his baccalaureate address T. R. Flaiz expressed confidence in today's heroes and heroines.



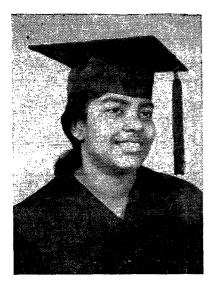
Spicer Memorial College officers accompany the Governor to the chapel.



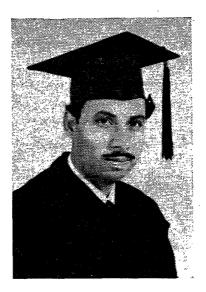
When B. Deep Thapa, Spicer's first graduate from Nepal, called for consecration, the graduating class stood as one.



G. S. Wilson, of Bombay, asked for light-bearers in a dark world.



June Dorcas Louisa Peter
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Vice-President



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Pakistan

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Governor of Maharashtra Gives Commencement Address

Flaiz and Wilson are Sabbath Speakers

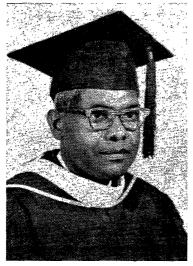


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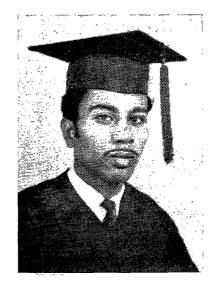
—Religious Philosophy

Nepal

Pastor



M. Amirtham, M.A.



Ponraj Maharajan
—Management
Tamil Nadu
Treasurer

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Franklin Mathi Moses
—Secondary Education
Andhra Pradesh

*Puliverty Adam Prasad
—Secondary Education
Andhra Pradesh



BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION DEGREE

Grace Swinitha Gnanasigamony Class Secretary

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Ganta Solomon Robert Clive
—Management & Economics
Andhra Pradesh

Daniel Jacob James
—Accountancy
Tamil Nadu

Jonnakuty Satyanandam Paul
—Management
Andhra Pradesh

Rafiq Inayat
Class President

*Archie Maxwell Khan —Management Pakistan

Ponraj Maharajan Class Treasurer

Michael Sathya Veera Rathnam
—Management
Maharashtra

*Belbourn Rimsu Momin
—Business Administration
Assam









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Lydia Anne Wallang
—Home Science
Assam

Sushila Thai Poddar
—Home Science
Maharashtra

Muriel Jannet Moses

—Home Science &
Secretarial Science

Andhra Pradesh

*Ramesh Wamen Nirmal
—Applied Arts
Maharashtra

BACHELOR OF LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE







Maxwell Justin
—Religious Philosophy
Pakistan

Joel Israel
—Religious Philosophy
Tamil Nadu

Poovelingam Ramasamy Solomon
—Religious Philosophy
Tamil Nadu







T. Jesudas Sannath Lazarus —Religious Philosophy Andhra Pradesh

Andrew Zimran Bbosa
—History
Uganda, Atrica

Jaladi Jones Christopher David —Biology Andhra Pradesh

†Zablon Fenner Ayonga —History Kenya, Africa

*Gnanaraj William Kore —Religious Philosophy Tamil Nadu

*Dennis Marang
-Religious Philosophy
Assam

June Dorcas Louisa Peter Class Vice-President

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—Biology
Andhra Pradesh

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—Religious Philosophy
Ceylon

*Gilbert Devadas Jacob —Religious Philosophy Kerala

*In Absentia
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—Biology

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—Biology
Malawi, Africa



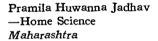


TWO_YEAR CURRICULA CERTIFICATES

Eric Sunny Kujur
—Agriculture
Orissa

Mary Tolath Chacko
—Elementary Teacher Training
Kerala

Abirman Puri
—Bible Instructor
Nepal



Daniel Selvanayagam Samuel
—Industrial Arts
Tamil Nadu

Merophiny Koksi Sangma
—Elementary School Training
Assam

Chandravilas John Isaac —Industrial Arts *Kerala*

Margaret Ann Kurian
—Stenography
Kerala

K. Jeevarthnam Sam Nirmal
—Industrial Arts
Andhra Pradesh























Sinceberyl Sweetly

—Home Science

Assam

*Ruby Chand
—Home Science
Rajasthan

*Dickson Hungyo
—Bible Instructor
Nagaland

*Ashok Jayantilal Patel
—Industrial Arts
Gujerat

*Florine Juanita Arleen Peiris
—Elementary Teacher Training
Ceylon

*John Sunderraj
—Elementary Teacher Training
Tamil Nadu

*In Absentia

IFTEEN two-year certificates and 32 bachelor degrees were bestowed on Spicer graduates. College Memorial March 31, by President M. E. Cherian. His Excellency Dr. P. V. Cherian, Governor of the State Maharashtra. gave the commencement address. Mrs. Tara Cherian accompanied the Governor Cherian expressed appreciation for the S.M.C. choir number "Send Out Thy Spirit" sung early in the programme and paid tribute to the work of Spicer Memorial College.

Dr. George R. Jenson, dean of the School of Theology, presented two certificate and nine degree candidates with majors in Religious Philosophy. Other candidates were presented by Dean of the College, J. Ivan Crawford. Two members of the class graduated from the Five-year Secondary Education Course.

An under-graduate quartette sang 'Still, Still With Thee' to wish God's presence with graduates who are leaving Spicer's halls for service.

G. S. Wilson, pastor, Bombay Seventh-day Adventist Church, spoke at the March 28, Friday evening, consecration service. Taking his topic from the class motto: "Arise Shine" and Isaiah 60:1, he called attention to the need for light-bearers in a world dark with crime and pleasure-seeking. In Adventist history the story of pioneers is the story of sacrifice by youth. Mr. Wilson appealed to graduates to shine their light in the place where the greatest need exists. B. Deep Thapa, class pastor, led the class in a united consecration.

Baccalaureate speaker, Dr. T. R. Flaiz, has never lost interest in Southern Asia since his first arrival as a missionary 50 years ago. He said a college graduate spends 18,800 hours in study and classes but credit must be given to teachers and parents. Success depends on continual progress, emphasized Dr. Flaiz, A Christian graduate becomes a royal courier. Education is an entrusted treasure to be traded with in service for less fortunate people. Dr. Flaiz commended a desire for still further progress but warned against tarrying long in distant lands where the need is not great and the goal of service may be forgotten. Dr. Flaiz does not subscribe to the concept that the "good old days" and its heroes were especially superior but believes that the heroes and heroines of 1969 are more effective as well as far more numerous than those of 1919.



Members of the present Spicer quartette took their last opportunity to sing together.

The Sabbath school programme of March 29 featured the Spicer College quartette, of which two members were in the graduating class.

As a preface to the graduation week-end formalities the final social programme of the school year was held the evening of March 27. This was under the direction of A. M. Perus, chairman of the social activities committee. Farewells were expressed to two faculty families: Mr. and Mrs. Stanley David who are sponsored for higher studies, and Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Brailsford who are leaving permanently for the United States.

The programme was high-lighted when the Oreodoxa, the college annual, was presented by W. G. Johnsson, Mervyn John and the Oreodoxa staff. This 1969 annual is dedicated to Robert L. Rowe, senior teacher of the Spicer staff.

During this programme the officers of the senior class presented the class gift—an automatic stage curtain control for the college chapel.

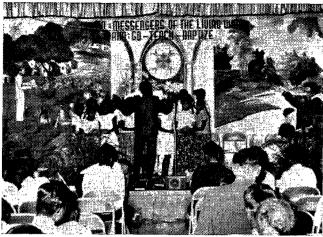
—The Editor

Kannada Constituency

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The constituency meeting was preceded by a workers' meeting. These workers who have realized total baptisms of one hundred per year for several years now set a 1969 goal for 482 baptisms.

Educational work in the Kannada Section is enhanced by a large number of children supported by the Christian Children's Fund of America. The Spencer Road High School, under the principal-ship of Joan A. Lynsdale, is self-supporting and is government recognized. Five hundred ten students are enrolled in that school. One hundred thirty-five Kanarese students study at Lowry Memorial



K. Madaiah, assistant farm manager, Lowry Memorial Higher Secondary School, led the Kanarese junior choir during the March 22 Sabbath school song service. The backdrop, featuring Session motto and aim, was prepared by K. Joseph Wilmott, Its lifesize figures blend with platform participants. Lowry Memorial Higher Secondary School is in the Kannada Section.

Higher Secondary School, 47 at Spencer Road High School and 15 at Spicer College.

Church groups are established in Mandya and Kolar. Church buildings built at Kamagere and Mysore bring the total number of



T. K. Murthy and his two sisters sang and played at the March 22 Sabbath school in Bangalore. When T. K. held a branch Sabbath school, his brother, T. Y. Ramu, attended to oppose and abuse his brother. But T. Y. stood, accepting Christ, when J. Daniel called for consecration. Today T. Y. Ramu is the Sabbath school leader of the Bangalore city church. Sarojama (Spicer student not shown here), Padma and Shanti, T. K. Murthy's three sisters, also attended the branch

Sabbath school and are baptized,

church buildings to five. The Section employs 47 workers, Adventist members number 1,333.

When Yohanappa visited his brother in Ranibannur, he found a Voice of Prophecy card on the floor near the dust-bin. Yohanappa picked up the card and sent it to the address indicated. When the lessons were completed, Yohanappa wrote to the school asking someone to come to teach the



Danielraj was driven from home when he became a Christian two years ago. Without other employment he did janitor work in Madras for one year. Danielraj worked for his former collegemates at Tiruchirapalli. Five of them accepted Christ.

Bible to his neighbours. D. R. Watts and J. Daniel conducted a night meeting there which 50 non-Christians attended. This one meeting intensified their desire to understand the Bible. "Please come and teach us," is still the invitation.

---C. B. Guild



• Esperanza Roda, dietician, Karachi Hospital, left March 18, for permanent return to the Philippines. She served in Karachi since January, 1963. Filipinas Roda also left on March 18 for permanent return after a term of service as nurse at the Karachi Hospital from September, 1966.



Nurse Sarfraz Lazarus, of the Karachi Seventh-day Adventist Hospital, lights a cigarette for Cigarette Saleem. This smoking model, assembled in Lahore, made his first public appearance in the Karachi Five-Day

Plan to Stop Smoking.

Two Thousand Police View Temperance Film

N anti-smoking campaign, conducted in two cities of West Pakistan, culminated with a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking in the Karachi Seventh-day Advertist Hospital.

The campaign began with a series of film programmes in the cultural city of Lahore. These programmes, arranged by Austin John, former pastor, Lahore Seventh-day Adventist Church, used the veteran temperance film, One in 20,000.

Among the people viewing the film and hearing the brief associated lecture, were two thousand officers and men of the Pakistani Police Force, Screenings for them were shown in two police training centres:

In Lahore, One in 20,000 was sereened for dectors, nurses and patients at the United Christian Hospital and the Mayo Hospital. People from two village areas also saw the film in their own local screenings.

The Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking in Karachi, conducted from March 9 to 13. attracted a registered attendance of 89 people who wanted to give up smoking. Pre-Plan arrangements organized by Beverly Davis, of the hospital staff, featured the doctor-minister team of Everett Jones, hospital anæsthetist, and the writer.

The star attraction of the Five-Day Plan, held in the Health Education Room at the Karachi Hospital, was Cigarette Saleem, the Pakistani version of Smoking Sam and Puffing Billy. Assembled in Lahore and making his first public appearance, Cigarette Saleem quickly demonstrated the danger of smoking tobacco.

A survey conducted at the conclusion of the Five-Day Plan revealed that 75 per cent of the people who attended the group therapy programmes gave up smoking. The survey figures also disclosed that two-thirds of the people attended because of the advertising done by the planning committee and one-third of the attendance was drawn from the readers of the article appearing in the Karachi daily Dawn.

Announcement was made at the conclusion of the Karachi programme that, circumstances permitting, Five-Day Plans are scheduled for all major cities of West and East Pakistan.

-Adrian M. Peterson

Karachi Village BSS Matures

WENTY-SIX people became charter members, March 29, of the first organized Urdu-speaking village church in Karachi. The Mahmoodabad Seventh-day Adventist Church is the outgrowth of a branch Sabbath school, conducted for nearly twelve years.



Seven members were added to the Karachi church by baptism on March 1. Mehbub Khan, left rear, and Yaqub K. Dean, right, assisted George M. MacLean, centre rear, in preparing the candidates.

Leading out in the church organization service were O. W. Lange, president, Pakistan Union; Mehbub Khan, Karachi suburban district leader; Yaqub K. Dean, assistant pastor, Karachi S. D. A. Church, and the writer. Representatives from the Karachi Hospital departments who supported the Mahmoodabad branch Sabbath school each week were also present. They are: W. R. Chapman, medical director, Karachi Hospital; Elwyn Gerrans, superintendent of nurses: Edna L. York, director, school of nursing; and G. Reiter, maintenance, Karachi Hospital.

A church history, read by Mehbub Khan, mentioned those who fostered the little group through the years and who, more recently, helped the believers in Mahmoodabad erect a building of cement blocks for their worship.

Five other branch Sabbath schools are conducted each Sabbath afternoon by Karachi Hospital workers. One group is now building a place for worship.

-George M. MacLean



Baptismal Candidates Take Lay Training

WO laymen, a Rs. 100 thank offering, and a goal of 225 people to be won to Christ were

the highlights of the Northwestern India Union Layman's Training School held, March 28 to April 5, at Hapur. Twenty delegates came from the three sections of the union.

G. W. Maywald, secretary, Division lay activities department, was assisted in his teaching by I. M. Chand, S. M. Mall and P. G. Mathews, lay activities secretaries of the Northwestern India Union, Upper Ganges and North India sections respectively. Other speakers during the programme of the week included E. A. Streeter, J. M. Campbell, P. K. Peterson, from the Union; L. D. Paul, Central India Section; S. Chand, North India Section, and Lal Singh and P. C. L. Popkiss, Upper Ganges Section. Physical arrangements for the session were cared for by the Upper Ganges Section office staff. Mrs. S. M. Mall prepared healthful and tasty meals.

Stressing the aim of the church and its members, G. W. Maywald challenged lay members and workers to a co-ordinated effort to finish the work of God in the earth. Referring to the apostle Paul's question, "How shall they hear without a preacher?" I. M. Chand led the delegates into a sense of urgency to preach the sure word of God.

Each day's programme consisted of classes on soul winning methods and practice periods in which the delegates each presented a sample evangelistic sermon.



Twenty lay-preachers received training, March 28 to April 5, at Hapur.

Timid and unaccustomed to speaking in public, they hesitated to take part at first. But after practice and coaching, they were able to present a sermon with confidence. Among those who spoke was 14-year-old Emmanuel Samuel of Hajibabad, U.P. When Emmanuel first came to the institute with his mother, he was so shy that he would scarcely lift his eyes when speaking. All were surprised when he delivered, in a clear, loud voice, a well-organized sermon with a touching appeal. During the Friday evening vesper service. Emmanuel responded to the call to consecration and was baptized Sabbath afternoon along with Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Thomas' acquaintance with Seventh-day Adventists goes back to the year 1920 when he was influenced by M. M. and O. O. Mattison. Now Mr. Thomas is a retired railway pointsman. Mr. Thomas came to the meeting, April 5, accompanied by members of his family and carrying a change of clothes. He also brought a thank offering of Rs. 100.

Laymen present at the closing meeting set a goal to win 225 people to Christ by the end of October, 1969 when they plan to meet again in another lay congress.

• Peter Cooper, with his family, arrived in New Delhi, Feb. 28, to enter upon his new post as director of the New Delhi Seventh-day Adventist Centre.

Prohibition Delegates Approve Adventist Health Principles

HE annual National Convention on Prohibition was held, March 9 and 10, in the New Delhi Seventh-day Adventist Centre. The Convention was co-sponsored by the Gandhi Smarak Nidhi in con-

nection with the Gandhi Centenary. The Convention met to formulate plans to promote prohibition from both the political and educational viewpoints.

One hundred sixty-five delegates from various parts of India, including members of Parliament, former chief ministers and governors, met under the chairmanship of Dr. Sushila Nayyar, M.P., former minister for health, Government of India. Shri K. Kamaraj,



E. A. Streeter escorted Deputy Prime Minister Morarji Desai to the 11 Hailey Road, Adventist Centre for the closing session, March 10.



Dr. Sushila Nayyar accompanied Shri K. Kamaraj at the time of the opening session of the National Convention on Prohibition held, March 9, at the New Delhi Seventh-day Adventist Centre.

former Congress president, inaugurated the Convention, stressing the need to educate today's youth against the evils of alcohol.

Rev. Deyo, of the Nagaland Baptist Church, and the writer represented Christian views on prohibition.

Deputy Prime Minister Morarji Desai delivered the closing address. With characteristic wit and philosophy, Mr. Desai reasoned that to abolish prohibition because of much drinking is the equivalent of abolishing criminal laws when crime is prevalent. He was confident that 80 per cent of the population will vote for prohibition in a referendum. He added that India is extremely well suited for prohibition as only 15 per cent of the people drink liquor.

During the Convention Mr. Rashiklal Parikh, chairman of the sub-committee for social programmes, Gandhi Smarak Nidhi, in proposing a vote of thanks, paid tribute to the healthful principles of Seventh-day Adventists. He called our Centre "Prohibition Centre."

On their arrival, delegates to the Convention were given a card which read, "The Seventh-day Adventist Centre welcomes the National Convention on Prohibition." Adventist health principles were mentioned, including abstinence from alcohol, tobacco, and even tea and coffee. Although delegates were requested to refrain from smoking in the Centre, it was found very few smokers were among them.

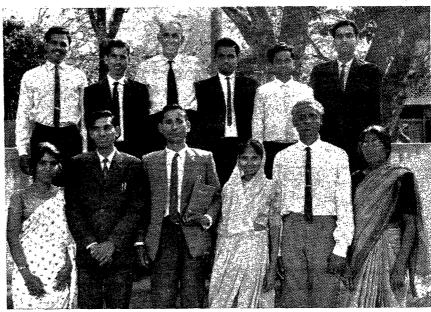
The Centre staff gave a practical turn to Adventist principles by serving "cereal" drink to the delegates at the afternoon "coffee break."

E. A. Streeter announced a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking to be held in the Centre immediately following the Convention.

-P. Kailas Peterson

Seven Complete One-year Training

been baptized in Dehra Dun through the combined efforts of students and staff of the Junior Evangelistic Training School.



Closing exercises for the members of the Junior Evangelistic Training School were held, March 21 to 23, in Dehra Dun.

Front row, from left: Mr. and Mrs. Babu Singh, Mr. and Mrs. Raj Kumar, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Paul.

Second row: Anthony Alexander, Makhan Masih, D. K. Down and Shish Pal Chand (instructors), Younus Francis, Earnest Gordon.

Closing exercises for the training course were held, March 21 to 23, in Dehra Dun when D. K. Down, director of the school, presented seven candidates who successfully completed the specified course.

Taking part in the closing programme were Lal Singh, president, Upper Ganges Section; B. M. Isaac, secretary, ministerial department, Northwestern India Union; and the writer.

Following the closing of the school the trainees are associated with evangelistic meetings in the various sections before taking up their own evangelistic assignments, July 1. The assignments are:

Central India Section: Anthony Alexander and Earnest Gordon.

North India Section: Younus Francis and Makhan Masih.

Upper Ganges Section: Raj Kumar, H. A. Paul and Babu Singh.

The school began March 1, 1968 with 11 students enrolled D. K. Down has directed the school and co-ordinated the evangelistic activities. Instructors associated with him include R. S. Massey, A. B. Massey, L. R. Burns and Sish Pal Chand.

—James M. Campbell

Jullundur Workers Help Needy

REELY ye have received; freely give," commands
Jesus in Matthew 10:8.

Following this instruction, Dr. and Mrs. G. T. Werner, Adeline Mathews, Mrs. Moses and the writer, on a recent Sabbath day, visited a camp of two hundred poor people who live behind the Jullundur railway station. We told a short story of Creation and had prayer. Then some food was distributed. The children hesitated at first to take the food for they had never had such an experience in their young lives. Fresh milk was given for the babies, many of whom were suffering from malnutrition.

The following week the same group visited a leper colony where 170 lepers reside. Here again both spiritual and physical food were given. A disliked and neglected people, the crippled lepers, with crutches and sticks, formed a long line to shout a welcome to Dr. Werner and his group from the Ruby Nelson Memorial Hospital.

A few lepers were brought to the hospital for treatment and minor surgery where some cotton, gauze and medicines were given.

-John D. Moses



- Church leaders in Burma have experienced difficulty in recent years in purchasing grape juice for use in the communion service. To supply this need, Kyaw Din II planted grape vines in the Loikaw church compound in Kayah State. The juice of the fruit is preserved for the use of the churches.
- Six hundred Seventh-day Adventist members attended the annual meeting of the Upper Burma Section held, March 5 to 12, at Tahan. Twelve people were baptized at the close of the meeting. The session was divided into three parts: first for the workers, then for church officers, and finally for all members. Exceeding any previous attendance, the 600 members represent 46 different villages! Ten choir groups graced the meeting with music.



Lakeside Celebrates National Day

EYLON celebrated her Independence Day, February 4, with government celebrations centred in Kandy. The Seventh-day Adventist Lakeside Medical Centre is situated along the route taken for the march-past that morning and the historical pageant displayed on floats that night.

The co-operation of the Centre in operating a first-aid post, and opening the lawn to public and selected government personnel gained goodwill.

Grasping the opportunity, Centre personnel placed a raft on the lake with cartoon constructions of various vital body organs. The raft was captioned: Guard Your Health Like Your Country.

_M. E. Fernando



Seventcen youth were baptized by U Maung Twa, left,, December 18 at the Rangoon Seventh-day Adventist Church.



NORTHEAST UNION

Kathmandu Merchants Break Record

RUPEES 25. I'm sure you can do much better for such a wonderful work!"

The appeal was to no avail. So Rs. 25 it was. Small? Perhaps at the time, yet it became our miracle gift many times over.

Dr. Richard Clark and the writer were pressing toward the Ingathering goal of Indian Rs. 2,500 for the second year in the multitempled city of Kathmandu, Nepal. This year the work seemed more difficult. Last year's receipts were in the name of individuals instead of in the name of a business. By the end of the first week we barely had a third of our goal.

As we passed the busy shop of our Rs. 25 donor late one afternoon I thought I would stop in to see the proprietor once more. I spoke to him the second time about the work of Seventh-day Adventists. Again stating that he was not able to give more, he suddenly suggested a name and asked if we had called there.

"Never heard of him," said Paul Raj, my partner.

"Then let me give you a few names. Tell these individuals that I sent you. Be sure to ask for large amounts for they are able to give," instructed our friend.

Painstakingly we located the first man who promptly asked to

see our donor list. With no sizable donations heading a list we stuck to the appeal of one or two thousand. "I will have to see my directors," he said in dismissal. The following day, in company with Dr. Keith Sturges, we tried again. After some deliberation the man signed for Rs. 501.

Now to the second name on the list! This man said he would give Rs. 201 but changed his mind when he saw what his friend gave. He, too, signed for Rs. 501. It was here that the miracle broadened for, from six names on the list came five who gave Rs. 501. Two other names were recommended which made seven donations of Rs. 501. Added to that were two firms who taking courage from the growing list, added their names. Another man asked us to put him down for Rs. 2,000.

"I'm a member of your organization," declared a large gentleman to whom I was talking: "I paid my fees in Rangoon a long time ago." I nodded agreement with a smile and appealed to him to renew "membership" again. He turned to his employee and ordered Rs. 201. "How can you do that?" I remonstrated, handing him the Rs. 500 list. "All of your friends have given much more." He looked at the list for a moment. Without moving he said, "Give Rs. 501."

Regretfully I left Nepal, bursting with a fresh appreciation of the Lord's care for His work and its needs. In all we had three small donations, six over Rs. 100, eight over Rs. 200, nine over Rs. 500

[•] Twenty-six people recently baptized are the result of five series of evangelistic meetings held in Nawalapitiya, Matale Ratnapure and Hendala.

and one for Rs. 2,000.

It all began with a Rs. 25 donation and a list—a miracle list!

-Ronald M. Neish

Donor Gives Ten-fold

Nongtdu and I were doing Ingathering [March 10] at Dibrugarh, Upper Assam. Because of a slump in business several former good contributors refused to give this year. Others cut their regular donations. After working hard for one week and soliciting only Rs. 350 in this town we felt discouraged.

One morning after prayer we went to contact an old donor. He listened to our appeal and then asked, "How much did I give you last year?"

"Rs. 51," we told him hesitatingly, fearful that he, too, would reduce the figure or not give at all as others were doing. Instead he said, "This time I will give Rs. 501."

We could hardly believe it! Perhaps it was a slip of the tongue so we asked again: "How much?"

"Please take Rs. 501," he said, "because I am convinced that you are doing a good work." At once we wanted him to sign our donor's list, but to our dismay, we found the highest figure on our list was for Rs. 200. So we opened up a new card for him and got him to sign for Rs. 501. Then we issued the receipt.

Giving us cash he said, "Please come back next year when I hope I can give you Rs. 1,000!

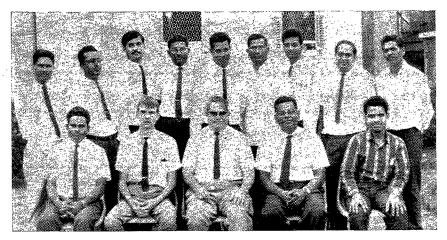
-B. Nowrangi



Constituency Meets at Lasalgaon

OR the first time the North Maharashtra Section constituency meeting was held, April 2 to 5, at Lasalgaon. Delegates willingly travelled the extra distance for a total attendance of 280.

The Section had a membership of 966 at the close of 1968. There are 28 workers.



Three new recruits joined six regular literature evangelists in the Western India
Union institute held, March 25 to 29, at Bombay.

Seated, front row, from left: A. I. John, Ian Grice, J. A. Soule, V. P. Muthiah, Sadanand Mahapure. Bro. Mahapure is Western India's new book depot manager.

A. K. Kandane is asked to revive Adventist work at Akola-Amraoti. His place at Aurangabad is taken by U. R. Ananda Rao.

Three hundred Bibles for use in evangelism were distributed among workers in a brief ministerial institute conducted, April 6, by E. G. Conley. The Section goal of three hundred baptisms was divided among the churches. Each

of the 15 pastor-evangelists pledged to do his share.

Akola, Shri Rampur and Bombay are among the cities for which larger evangelistic meetings are planned. At the end of the one-day institute, E. G. Conley presented each pastor-evangelist with a set of five hundred sermons by Frederick F. Schwindt.

-G. S. Wilson



Three workers were ordained, April 5, at the North Maharashtra Section constituency meeting.

From left: A. K. Kandane, Akola-Amraoti; G. S. Wilson, Bombay; M. D. Gaikwad, Gangapur. C. B. Guild spoke at the morning worship hour, followed by the ordination service in which V. P. Muthiah offered prayer, E. G. Conley gave the ordination charge and S. B. Gaikwad the welcome to the ministry.

S.M.C. Listener

• Eight candidates made up the March 22 baptismal group at Spicer Memorial College. Six of the group were students, one a press worker, and one from the Marathi church.

• Under the sponsorship of E. G. Fernando, 23 juniors held an investment-food sale, March 26, gaining a net profit of Rs. 270.

- Fifteen students selected for vacation Bible school work took part in the workshop held, March 26 and 27, by Gloria Thomas. Four of these have proceeded to the Northeast, three to Western India and eight to South India to conduct vacation Bible schools during the vacation months. The cost of scholarships for these students is shared by the unions concerned and the Division Sabbath school department. Outside of North America, the Southern Asia Division ranks second in the number of vacation Bible school students. The Far Eastern Division comes first.
- Twenty college students were invested, March 29, as Master Guides. Having had a part in their training, E. G. Fernando presented the candidates. J. I. Crawford, V. P. Muthiah and M. L. Gaikwad led out in the investiture service.
- Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Cherian, Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Jenson, Mrs. Barbara E. Jenson, Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Lowry and Pastor and Mrs. R. L. Rowe were guests of His Excellency Governor P. V. Cherian and Mrs. Tara Cherian at luncheon, April 1, at the Governor's mansion in Poona.
- Eighteen S.M.C. staff members teach 213 enrollees in a six-week summer session which began April 4.
- "Elder W. A. Spicer protrayed, better than any man of my acquaintance, the qualities of a true



Christian," said T. R. Flaiz in his baccalaureate address, March 29. Citing a personal experience with the namesake of Spicer College, Dr. Flaiz related:

THE man for whom Spicer College is named was one of the truly great among Seventh-day Adventists. Those of us who were privileged to associate with Elder W. A. Spicer were deeply impressed by his 'down to earth' Christian humility.

"Following the Bangalore meeting in April, 1922, Elder Spicer was scheduled to visit some of the local fields. He wanted to see how the missionaries and the other workers were living and what were their needs. Leaving the Calcutta Mail train at Nidadavalu at about seven o'clock in the morning, I explained to Elder Spicer that our usual plan of travel to Narsapur was by boat. But since he, W. W. Fletcher, the Division president, and G. G. Lowry, the South India Union president, were with us, perhaps we should see if a motor car might not be available for the trip. I explained that the boat trip would be long, hot and tedious but that it would be less expensive than the trip by car. Elder Spicer assured me that the boat would be fine with him.

"At the canal bank we selected the best looking of the two or three mail boats and loaded the very considerable baggage of my family and of the visiting brethren into the rear portion of that boat.

"At this early morning hour the temperature was pleasant and a favourable wind sped us along our way at five or six miles per hour. The upper reaches of the Nidadavalu canal were flanked on either side by expansion fields, sugar cane and coconuts. The im-

mediate canal banks were shaded by great flame of the forest, banyan and tamarind trees. The beauty and the adventure of the situation, after an hour or so, nearly overwhelmed the Elder. He exclaimed, as he waved his arms expansively toward the beautiful landscape, 'Where in all the world would you find such a sight, such an experience!'

"Toward noon the wind died down. The six pullers, with their ropes, went to the bank of the canal and we started the slower pace to the accompaniment of the work-song of the pullers. The sun was now beating down mercilessly upon the tarred roof only a couple of feet over our heads. In the early afternoon the heat became nearly unbearable. Collars and ties came off. Shirt sleeves were rolled up. Handkerchiefs could not keep up with the freely flowing perspiration.

"Late in the afternoon Elder Spicer turned to Elder Fletcher. When you get back to the office,' he said, 'I want you to call your committee together and authorize the purchase of a good Ford car for the Narsapur station.'

"When still 15 miles short of Narsapur, my wife and I left the boat and went ahead in the speedier transport of a jatka [horse-cart] to prepare supper. The rest of the group arrived at Narsapur about ten o'clock that night.

"It was a very weary but understanding General Conference president who sat down to the wellspread table. While enjoying the good meal, he said, 'The experience of this day has been a bit rough and enlightening but that is the very reason I am here. I want to know how you people live, what your needs are and how we can help you.' Turning to Elder Fletcher, he added, 'And don't forget that Ford car you are providing to this station.' And he didn't!

"Graduates of 1969, if you seek for greatness, pattern your search on the illustrious namesake of your College, who, not seeking it, showed his greatness in his kindness, his gentleness, and in his humility in his service for God and for mankind."