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OUR COVER: SAUC's first student missionary, Darrell Chiang, says good-bye to her teacher, Myrtle Fitzgerald, at the Singapore Airport as she leaves for service in Bangkok, Thailand. See story on page 7.

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With All Thy Heart and With All Thy Strength

Evangelist Charles Fitch was preaching a powerful sermon to a large congregation in Cleveland, Ohio, two years before he expected Christ to come. "You who are sorry for your sins, come forward for prayer!" he urged. As many rose to their feet, a big lumbering fellow in the balcony started down the stairs to the center aisle when he stumbled and almost fell. The crowd began to titter. "Never mind, brother," Fitch called out, "it is better to stumble into heaven than to walk straight into hell!"

Charles Fitch was an ardent preacher of the Second Advent, traveling by stagecoach, steamboat, train, horse, and foot throughout the eastern United States. The urgency of his work kept him away from home much of the time, preaching to large crowds as often as three times a day, sometimes at five in the morning. To make the prophecies plain, he devised the first prophetic chart, with pictures of the great metal man and the fearsome beasts vividly portrayed. Three hundred of these cloth charts were manufactured, and soon became standard equipment for preachers of the Advent. Fitch was also the first to design a Daniel 2 image with removable parts, so that as the kingdoms passed away, the head, breast, belly, and legs could be removed, leaving only the feet of iron and clay to be crushed by the great stone.

FROM THEIR SHOULDER

Fitch first became acquainted with the Second Advent Message by reading William Miller's *Lectures* on the prophecies. After painstaking study, he was convinced that Miller was right, and began to preach his new beliefs to the church he pastored. But his fellow ministers ridiculed him so much that he gave up those views for three and a half years. Then his friend, Josiah Litch, urged him to restudy the prophecies. Once again, this time with prayer, fasting, and tears, Fitch examined the evidence, determined to have no will of his own, but to know only the will of his Master. The conviction came to him that this was indeed the truth—that the coming of the blessed Saviour was at the door.

He knew that he would be an outcast to his former associates; but having made the decision, he threw his heart and soul into the work of preparing the world to meet its God. From then on, he had more calls to preach than he could accept.

Early in October, 1844, Fitch, along with Miller and Litch, accepted the view that Jesus would come on October 22, the antitypical Day of Atonement. Only a few days remained. Summoning the last of his strength, he proclaimed



to the people of Buffalo, New York, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet Him!" In response to the call, a large number of new believers requested baptism. Others had not fully made up their minds. Fitch led the believers down to the

BROADER PERSPECTIVE

WE STAND ON THE SHOULDERS OF
THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE.

shores of Lake Erie, and there in the cold autumn waters, baptized them. The north wind was blowing as he began to walk home in his wet garments. But before he had gone far, another group decided they wanted to be baptized to be ready for the Lord's coming. Shivering, Fitch went back to the lake and immersed them also. As he was leaving, he met a third company who begged him to baptize them. Once again the faithful pastor entered the freezing waters to perform the sacred rite.

Charles Fitch had served God with all his heart and strength—and life. By the time he reached home that night, he was seriously ill. Stricken down with pneumonia, he died whispering the words, "I believe in the promises of God." It was October 14, 1844.

The Fitch family did not weep long. One can imagine the faithful wife telling the children, "Never mind, darlings—just eight more days and Jesus will come and call our Daddy forth from the grave!"

What anguish must have rent the heart of that widow and her children when Jesus did not come! But they were not left long without comfort. Just two months later, a 17-year old girl, Ellen Harmon, brought a message from God that cheered their hearts. "The Holy Ghost fell upon me, and I seemed to be rising higher and higher, far above the dark world," she said. She told of seeing the New Jerusalem, with its crystal river and tree of life. And there, under the tree, she saw and conversed with "Brother Fitch."

Yes, Brother Fitch will be there. He served the Lord with all his heart and with all his strength.

And if we want the Lord to come in our day, we must do the same.

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L. E. Froom, *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, Vol. IV, pp. 533-545.

2

E. G. White, *Early Writings*, p. 17

A Streamlined MV KIT for 1974

Starting with the January issue, the 1974 KIT goes to an eight-page monthly. Larger and punched for those who wish to bind it with other youth ministry materials, this new KIT will bring you all kinds of fresh, fascinating, and useful information. Check these regular features. PROFILES of outstanding youth leaders and programs. CAMPUS FORUM for educators to share ideas; and CAMPUS COMMUNIQUE for what's going on on SDA campuses around the world. DISCUSSION; short, stimulating thoughts followed by reading suggestions and questions. PROGRAMS; besides plays, program outlines, and activity guides, the overseas KITS will contain special prepared program inserts. For this regular and superb youth ministry journal, write

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AMY TAN

Mrs. Tan Soo Meng, nee Amy Chan, was born on July 28, 1890 in China. She came to Singapore with her parents Pastor & Mrs. Chan Thiam Hee when she was eight years old. She accepted the Third Angel's Message in 1908 under the ministry of Pastor G. F. Jones.

She was connected with the mission for some years until her marriage to Mr. Tan Soo Meng on July 1, 1915. She and her husband left for Kuching shortly afterwards where her husband practiced dentistry. During her residence in Kuching she engaged in mission work as a lay worker until she returned to Singapore in November, 1931, with her husband.

She rejoined the mission as preceptress of the Malayan Seminary, now known as Southeast Asia Union College, and afterwards as a Bible worker in Youngberg Memorial Hospital until she retired in 1965.

She was ill for the last two years and passed away on October 28, 1973 leaving behind three daughters, Hannah, Gloria, and Josephine and three sons, Daniel, Stephen, and Philip, 15 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren, a sister and brother, and many relatives to mourn her loss.



NEWS FROM THE MISSIONS



THAILAND

Prime Minister Visits Casualties at BAH

Thai Prime Minister Sanya Dharmasakti and the Princess Mother each made a visit to the Bangkok Adventist Hospital during the days following the student demonstrations of October 14 and 15 to visit victims of the shooting, according to a report by Royce C. Thompson, Hospital Administrator. During their visits they presented flowers and gifts to the casualties in the intensive care unit and general ward. Afterwards they personally thanked the hospital staff for the excellent care they had given the patients.

October 14 had been a tense day for the hospital workers as they heard reports of the shooting and prepared for action. A few casualties were brought in during the morning, and by mid-afternoon the emergency room was full. The laboratory took over one end of the out-patient department to collect blood from donors. University students came to control the crowds of on-lookers, and collected 5,700 baht to help with hospital expenses. The total number of patients cared for during the 24 hours of shooting was 33, 17 of whom were in-patients. Three casualties were dead on arrival, and one died later from a wound in the head.



The Princess Mother is greeted by Royce C. Thompson, Hospital Administrator, and Gertrude Green, during a visit to casualties of the recent demonstrations.



VIETNAM

Novak Joins SAH Staff

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Novak arrived in Saigon on September 25, he to serve a term as a physician at the Saigon Adventist Hospital. Dr. Novak, a 1951 graduate of Loma Linda University, has been in private practice in Idaho and California. He and his wife Phyllis spent three years in Indonesia, from 1968 to 1970, when Dr. Novak was medical director of the Rumah Sakit Advent Hospital in Bandung. The Novaks returned to the States to be with their daughters, Cynthia and Renee, during their college years. After both daughters were married last summer, the Novaks volunteered for mission service once more. They were quickly assigned to Saigon, and accomplished the feat of being packed and ready to go ten days after the second wedding. Many more such dedicated workers are needed for our mission hospitals.



Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Novak

Parents Appreciate Branch Sabbath School

Several parents of the 35 children attending Branch Sabbath School in Phu Tho have expressed their appreciation for the change that has come over their children. "They used to be so naughty—but now they behave nicely," the parents said.

For more than two years, Ellen Lee and her helpers have been conducting two Branch Sabbath Schools every week in Phu Tho, one for about ten adults, and the other for the children. They hope to see a church established there soon.

Adventists Aid War Orphans

The war in Vietnam has left behind thousands of orphans. Several months ago Le Cong Giao, acting president of the Mission, learned of a family of 11 children whose parents had both died. The eldest daughter, 15 years of age, was caring for the family.

When Pastor and Mrs. Giao visited the home, they saw that the baby, only a few months old, was almost starving to death. They were so touched by the needs of this family that they begged the oldest girl to let them take the baby and one of the other children to their home for a while. After they assured the girl that the family would not be broken up, she gave her consent. The Giaos took the baby and child into their home, giving them love and care. Later, more of the children came to live with them. They love the Giaos now, especially the baby, and don't want to go back to their dark and dreary one-room hovel. Since Mrs. Giao's father passed away recently, they are planning to let these children stay in his home on the outskirts of Saigon if they can find someone to stay with them. Mrs. Giao beamed as she told how thrilled the children were about attending Sabbath School and church.

The Vietnam Mission now has a plan to help the many orphans in that country. Local church members are seeking out the neediest cases and reporting them to the Mission. The Mission team investigates each case and draws up a report, with pictures. Only US\$7 per month is needed to support one orphan for one month. The money is sent



These 11 children, recently orphaned, wear the band of mourning on their heads. The 15-year-old girl holding the baby was taking care of the family when Pastor and Mrs. Giao found them.

through the Mission office to the local church treasurer, who, in turn, dispenses it to the Adventist family that shepherds the orphans. The "shepherd" makes a written report each month to the Mission orphan coordinator.

Experience has shown that the best way to care for orphans is to leave them in their own culture and environment. In this program, most of the children will remain in the homes of the relatives who have taken them in. The \$7 per month will help these poor families take care of the additional children. Then, after the aid is given, a friendship develops which enables our church members to present Jesus Christ to the family. Already our Vietnamese believers have experienced a new glow in their Christian experience by taking part in this work. Some of the orphans are coming to church now, and several have recently been baptized.

From a report by Robert B. Grady
Southeast Asia Union

Workers Return to Cambodia

All workers and student missionaries were asked to leave Phnom Penh, Cambodia, during several weeks last August when heavy fighting was taking place around the capital. They were evacuated to Saigon, Bangkok, and Singapore.

But they were all anxiously waiting for their first opportunity to go back, and on September 4 Pastor and Mrs. Ng Gan Theow, the young national workers; Pastor Helton Fisher, the new overseas worker, and Gary Wagner, John Meier, and Steve Dunn, the student missionaries who are running the English Language Center, returned to Phnom Penh by air to pick up their work again. Another student missionary, Richard Braillier, had to remain in Bangkok because of an attack of hepatitis. Pastor Grady, from the Union office, and Mr. Elliott, a visitor, flew into the Cambodian capital on the same day to bring a shipment of medicine for the refugees, and stayed another day to help in reopening the Language School.

Pastor Fisher and his family are living in Saigon at present, while he flies into Phnom Penh periodically. It is hoped that by the first of the year it will be possible for them to move to Cambodia permanently.

According to latest reports from the Language School, there are now eight baptized members who are Cambodian nationals, and a class of about a dozen more who are studying for baptism.



SOUTHEAST ASIA UNION COLLEGE

College Course Guarantees \$1000 Scholarship

Would you like to know how you can earn your way through college and learn methods of soul-winning, while at the same time you receive college credit for your work? You can do this by taking the Modern Christian Witness Course.

This course, developed by the College Bible Department and the Union Publishing Department, gives the student a practical education in literature and public evangelism, at the same time guaranteeing him a \$1000 scholarship. The College grants 3 hours of lower- or upper-division credit upon successful completion of the course. Following are the requirements of the course, which takes one quarter plus four weeks of vacation time to complete: one week of intensive class study on salesmanship based on the following books — *Colporteur Ministry*, *Essentials of Christian Salesmanship*, and *Creative Selling*; nine weeks of door-to-door literature evangelism work; and four weeks working with a public evangelistic campaign.

This course, offered for the first time during this fourth quarter of 1973, has never before been offered in the Far Eastern Division. Nine dedicated, enthusiastic students took the challenge and enrolled in the program. After one week of thorough classroom training in salesmanship, they are now working hard in the field, sowing the seed for their year-end evangelistic meetings. At the end of their fourth week their total sales were over \$5,000, with 2,285 pieces of free literature distributed.



Nine students took the Witness Course.

What do the students think about this program? Listen to what they have to say.

"The Modern Christian Witness Course has helped me to realize that the colporteur work is as important as the ministry. Now, as an ambassador for Christ, I can spread the Gospel as well as earn a scholarship. The class itself has been very inspiring. I wish more students would join."

"Being a literature evangelist is the greatest work a man can do."

"This is the best course I have taken so far. I am very thankful to the instructors for their unselfishness and sacrificial service."

"As colporteurs, we are the public relations workers for our church. We can work hand in hand and side by side with the pastors. We should have more of this valuable training."

We praise God for the success of this program which is training our Christian youth to be future leaders in God's work. We plan to offer it again next year. We urge those who are thinking of coming to college to take this course. We assure you that you will gain much in personality development and soul-winning experience, plus the assurance of funds to assist you in your college program.

Danson Ng, Assistant Publishing Secretary
Southeast Asia Union Mission

College Class Assists Five-Day Plan

Fifty-one ex-smokers are being followed up as a result of the most recent Five-Day Plan, held in the Singapore Hilton Hotel. A total of 220 registered, and 135 attended at least two of the five nights. Of that number, 90% quit smoking.

Dr. Roger Heald and Pastor C. H. Damron conducted the series, the sixteenth such program for them, assisted by a faithful cadre of counselors and helpers. Victor Aaen's Health Education class from SAUC attended all meetings and assisted with the audio-visual aids, seating, greeting, and counseling.

At the conclusion of the meeting, two of the participants testified publicly to the power of prayer in conquering their craving for tobacco. One said when he later tried a cigarette it "tasted terrible."

A business man who was trying to quit accepted a cigarette from a customer who was mak-



The "Blockhead" in Dr. Heald's hand smokes a cigarette to demonstrate how much tar is deposited in the lungs.

ing a \$3000 deal with him, reasoning that he couldn't afford to offend the buyer. He took two puffs and threw it away, disgusted with himself. He told the group that in thinking it over later, he realized the sale did not depend on accepting the cigarette.

At the social evening held a week later, 60 ex-smokers gathered to visit and share their happiness. Only two of them had smoked during the week. Many expressed appreciation for such side benefits as better appetite, better knowledge of diet and breathing, and new self-respect. The participants voluntarily donated \$275 toward the expenses of the program.

SAUC Sends First Student Missionary

(See cover picture.)

On September 6, Darrell Chiang, the first student missionary to be sent out from Southeast Asia Union College, boarded the plane for Bangkok, Thailand, to teach in the Adventist English School there. Darrell is serving a three-month term, filling a vacancy left when several student missionaries were able to return to Cambodia. As a volunteer, Darrell receives no salary, but is supplied with food, lodging, and pin money. She left Singapore with mixed feelings of excitement and homesickness. "I've wanted to be a missionary for a long time," she said just before leaving. "Now I'll find out whether I'm made of the right stuff."

At first the going was not too easy. "Boy, was I homesick!" she wrote. "Everything was so different—the people, the school, the classrooms.

There were times when I did nothing but cry." But a prayer session with "Grandma" Bell brought her comfort. She faced some surprises—being asked to teach American history, discovering that some of her seventh and eighth-graders were as old as she was and not inclined to obey, receiving requests to give Bible studies. Darrell finds the students attentive as she gives her personal witness in morning worship and teaches them to sing the stirring songs that she learned on the college choir trip last June. "I believe that some of these students can be won to Jesus Christ," she writes. "I am really convinced that God is leading my life, calling me out of my home, going on the witness trip to West Malaysia, learning to smile and sing, and now teaching in Ekamai. I am learning day by day to trust in God and not my own strength."

Missionary Pilot Conducts Week of Prayer

Pastor Bill Smith, now a missionary pilot for the primitive people of West Irian (New Guinea), conducted the College Week of Prayer during the first week of October. His presentations, colored by his interest in flying, gripped the attention of his audience: stories of brave pilots who sacrificed their lives to bring their crews home safely, and illustrations of the need to stay "on the beam" under the guidance of "the control tower." The theme for the series was "The Gospel is Good News," introduced by the text, "For I decided that I would speak only of Jesus Christ and His death on the cross," 1 Cor. 2:2. In his description of real happiness Pastor Smith said, "Happiness is finding the real thing, and not a substitute." Pastor Smith and his wife, Sue, counseled together with students, bringing deeper spiritual life to the SAUC campus.



Bill and Sue Smith counsel with Rajani Nambiar during the Week of Prayer.



SARAWAK



Pastor Goertzen sings, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me" to the students of Sunny Hill.

Sunny Hill Students Accept Christ

"Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me," was the theme song of the Week of Prayer held at Sunny Hill School in Kuching during the week of September 17 to 21. Pastor Clarence Goertzen, principal of Ayer Manis School, was the speaker. Through the week the students enjoyed the timely messages as well as Pastor Goertzen's singing with his guitar.

On the last day of the Week of Prayer, Pastor Goertzen gave out 110 Way of Life diplomas to the graduates. Over 145 students responded to the invitation to give their hearts to Christ and study further about the Advent message.

Health-Evangelistic Team Enters New Territory

The Reach Out for Life Crusade, conducted by Health Secretary Hugh Johnson and Evangelist Jonathan Ng from September 8 to 30 in the new territory of Simanggang, Sarawak, resulted in 80 decisions for Christ, 22 of which were for baptism.

In conjunction with the Crusade, a Five-Day Plan and cooking class were conducted. Another feature was the "Festival of Song and Music" conducted on week-ends by the singers of Sunny Hill and Ayer Manis Schools. The singers enjoyed their part in the meetings even though they had to travel 120 miles to attend.

During the day Pastor Jonathan Ng gave health

lectures in the high schools of the town on the subject of "Youth and Good Health." The response from students and teachers was very encouraging, with many students coming to the evening meetings as a result.

Working with the Crusade team were ministerial interns John Lee and George Wung, a recent graduate of Southeast Asia Union College.

Simanggang, the capital of the second division of the State of Sarawak, is a new territory for the Advent message. There are 700 Voice of Prophecy students in the town. As a result of the Crusade, we now have more than 30 people regularly attending Sabbath services.

Jonathan Ng, Public Relations Secretary
Sarawak Mission



The Crusade team advertises good health with their BETTER LIVING shirts. From left to right are Eunice Lee, John Lee, Hugh Johnson, George Wung, and Jonathan Ng.

Group Evangelism Causes Phenomenal Growth

Ten years ago Keniong, the first church in the Simunjan District of Sarawak, was organized. Before long the Keniong members began to share their faith in the neighboring village of Melanyok, and within about four years a second church was organized in Kapayong.

The members of these three churches felt a burden to bring the light of the gospel to their friends and neighbors living in a surrounding ten-mile area. There are 38 longhouse villages in this district and, starting less than two years ago, our members have organized Branch Sabbath Schools for

the adults and children in 17 of them. Jungle chapels have been built in nine of these villages and have been followed up with seven lamb shelters for the children. The goal of the churches in the Simunjan district is to establish a church in each of the 38 longhouse villages by 1976. Many of the people living in the Simunjan area are able to read and write both Malay and English. There are a number of young couples among the population who are becoming enthusiastic, dedicated leaders in God's church.

As one village learns the great Advent message they have willingly volunteered to go to the next village and establish a church. As a result "group evangelism" has caught hold.

According to the district pastors, Ambrose, Jaulin, Runje, and Sapok, there are 277 baptized members in Simunjan district now, but each Sabbath finds 1,729 people attending services. Many will be baptized in 1974. Thank God for his faithful and enthusiastic servants who are obeying His command to "Go and teach."

Robert B. Grady, Lay Activities Secretary
Southeast Asia Union



Pastor and Mrs. Runje of the Kenion Church, mother church for the Simunjan District, pose in front of their jungle chapel.



Long-Range Planning Emphasized at Workers' Meeting

Ministers of the West Malaysia-Singapore Mission met from October 14 to 17 in Cameron Highlands, amid a setting of mountains and flower gardens, for a workers' retreat. Mission President T. K. Chong opened the session with a stirring appeal for the pastors to search for the lost sheep—the hundreds of missing members on our church rolls. Deeply inspiring messages were presented during the three-day session: R. C. Williams in his daily devotionals stressed the need to follow the methods of the Master Soul-winner; R. E. Finney presented the high calling of the ministry; Ralph Neall challenged the pastors to harness the power of the laity, who are "a royal priesthood," commissioned for service; C. H. Damron gave practical instruction on church discipline. Wong Yew Chong, Dean of Students at the College, spent several sessions presenting the mechanics of long-range planning in the work of the church. "Too often we go from crisis to crisis, putting out brush fires, without having any definite goals in mind," he said. Then he demonstrated how to plan months ahead with clear objectives, inter-related projects, careful strategies for working with target groups, and a constant evaluation of the effectiveness of one's methods.

The session was unique for the contributions of the younger workers. David Wong told of the needs and problems connected with nationalizing the work, with counsel for both overseas and national workers. Dayton Chong, Alfred Low, Pham Kow Seng, and Sim Chor Kiat led out in stimulating



Wong Yew Chong explains a flow chart for long-range planning.

discussions on how to get along with others, recreation, and new outreach ideas. Special meetings for the pastors' wives were conducted by Verna Finney, Mary Wong, and Beatrice Neall.

At the close of the meetings, the workers testified that they had been deeply inspired by their mountaintop experience, and were now ready to return to the valley of service.

Singapore Pathfinders Hold Fair

The Pathfinders of Singapore Adventist School conducted the first Pathfinder Fair to be held here in fourteen years, according to James Wong, principal of the school. Under the direction of leaders Samuel Teo, Ng Kah Seng, and Peggy Chaw, the boys and girls staged three hours of sporting events on the school quadrangle on Sunday morning, September 16, before an enthusiastic audience. Members of the Gemini, and Orion Boys' and Girls' Clubs had an immense amount of fun demonstrating a pole-vaulting balloon stunt, stilt-walking relay, basketball and football games, and techniques of lashing. The most hilarious event was a gunny sack game in which a row of boys in sacks, jumping or falling together, tried to catch another boy in a sack.

At the close of the sporting events, guests viewed a hobby exhibition and bought refreshments which netted the Pathfinders over \$300.



Pathfinder girls take part in a hip relay.



On August 25, ten new members were added to the Singapore Thomson Road Chinese Church. Eight of the ten are students of the San Yu High School. Three other students were baptized earlier in the year and another baptism is planned for October 27.

Joshua Chong, mission evangelist and educational superintendent, stands at the left, with San Yu Principal H. C. Wang behind him. At the right is Pastor T. S. Pang of the Chinese Church.

Not shown in the picture are the dedicated teachers of the San Yu High School who through their daily witnessing in the classroom are demonstrating the effectiveness of Christian education as an evangelizing agency in our mission schools.

F. H. Hewitt, Educational Secretary
Southeast Asia Union

Front Yard Meetings Win Souls

An evangelistic crusade in a tent attracted up to sixty people each night between August 25 and September 7 in Singapore. Bernie Donato, Missionary Volunteer leader for the Union, was the speaker, and the meetings were organized by Pastor S. K. Ng and the Preachers of Tomorrow Club of Southeast Asia Union College.

When the Preachers of Tomorrow could not find a suitable hall in their target area at Serangoon Gardens, C. K. Tan, a member of the college church, offered his front yard as a site for the tent meetings. Many of the listeners came from nearby homes. The tent was rented from a commercial firm.

Fifteen people responded to the call to accept Christ and keep the Sabbath. Follow-up meetings are being held three times a week by R. E. Neall, college Bible Department chairman.



Pastor Helton Fisher gave health lectures at the Serangoon Gardens meetings.

Special features at the meetings were provided by the college Gymnares, a witnessing gymnastic team under the direction of Ronald Oh. Health talks were given by Helton Fisher, newly-appointed missionary to Cambodia, and the doctors from Youngberg Hospital.

Samuel Money, President of the Preachers of Tomorrow Club, was the moderator for the meetings. He was assisted by Lim Ah Min, Tan Yoke Foh, Lillian Loh and others.

Pastor Takes a Wife

Dayton C. K. Chong, pastor of the Penang English Church, was married to Penna Tan on September 16, at the Thomson Road Chinese Church. Pastor T. K. Chong, President of the West Malaysia-Singapore Mission, performed the ceremony.



Dayton and Penna Chong

Lambs of Bagan Datoh Get Shelter

The little "lambs" of the Bagan Datoh Church no longer have to meet under a tree for their Sabbath School. Thanks to the generosity of Bob and Pearl Dobbins, a lamb shelter has been erected on the church grounds there in the heart of a large palm oil estate. This is the second lamb shelter to be erected in the West Malaysia-Singapore Mission.

C. K. Han, Mission Treasurer, Lian Hoon Peng, Sabbath School Secretary, and Pastors Thevarajulu and Benjamin, officiated at the opening ceremonies on July 14. The managers of the palm oil estate, who had donated the land for the church, heartily approved of the lamb shelter.



Chester H. Damron, Director of the Voice of Prophecy School, presents a diploma to Celina Auber, first student to graduate from the new Light of the World Course. Beatrice Neall, author of the course, and Irene Ng, Celina's instructor, also look on.

New Families Join Youngberg Staff

Dr. L. R. Erich has recently joined the staff of Youngberg Memorial Adventist Hospital as a specialist in obstetrics and gynecology. With him are his vivacious wife, Lillian, and their four children, Kevin, Jonathan, Timothy, and Janine. Dr. Erich was born of missionary parents in Shanghai, China, and has served a number of years in Korea as medical director of Pusan Adventist Hospital and Seoul Adventist Hospital.

The new manager of the hospital is Mr. Arvid Jacobson, formerly administrator of Takoma Hospital, in Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson have a daughter, Sonya, and two sons, Randall and Bradley.



Most kids have one dad. David Lamberton has two. His father, left, took him to Dr. and Mrs. Clark Lamberton when he was a three-month-old addict.

(Right) Dr. Lamberton has cured many opium addicts like this one.



A DENTIST IS MANY THINGS

At least Clark Lamberton is. In addition to running a dental clinic in Chiang Mai, Thailand, he also volunteers for the Thai government's medical aid program, treats opium addicts, teaches orthodontia at the University of Chiang Mai, and helps young people get an education.

Under the auspices of the Thai government, Dr. Lamberton makes about six trips a year into the northern hills of the country to give free dental care to the tribal people. He finds tooth decay highly prevalent among the Meo and Yeo tribes, because of their high consumption of sugar.

When Dr. Lamberton first arrived in Chiang Mai, Thailand's second largest city, he found only five dentists there. Today, since the establishment of a dental school at the University of Chiang Mai, there are 30. Dr. Lamberton serves on the staff teaching orthodontia.

As a sideline to his practice of dentistry, he also treats opium addicts. Nine years ago a father brought his three-month-old son to the clinic for treatment. It seems that after the mother's death, the family had given opium to the infant whenever he cried. By the time he was three months old, he was addicted. The father begged Dr. and Mrs. Lamberton not only to treat the son, but to take him into their own home. The Lambertons adopted the boy, named him David, and raised him to healthy childhood.

Though in the past three years alone Dr.

Lamberton has treated 300 addicts, he feels that opium addiction will soon be a thing of the past among the tribal people since most addicts are old and the young do not use the drug. Also, the amount of opium grown in Northern Thailand has decreased significantly since the government has supplied substitute crops such as beans, peas, potatoes, corn, and sesame to take the place of opium, once the Meos' principal crop.

Another of Dr. Lamberton's extracurricular activities is helping young people from the hill tribes obtain an education. Since the hill schools offer only a fourth-grade education, a number of young people have come to Chiang Mai, boarding at the church and in homes of members, in order to attend the church school. Dr. Lamberton currently is helping 18 of these young people.

Dentist Clark Lamberton is many things. . . .

Dr. Lamberton is accustomed to having an audience as he treats the hill tribes people.

