



“The Lord Forbids”

BY CARLYLE B. HAYNES

SOME have had the mistaken idea that it is the General Conference that has done the forbidding. They are wrong. Others have considered that it was their church which forbade them. They, too, are wrong. Still others have said it is Carlyle B. Haynes who presumed to forbid. That, too, is wrong. It goes beyond all that. It is the Lord who has placed the injunction.

What has the Lord forbidden?

He has forbidden His people membership in labor unions. They are not to join, belong to, or remain in labor unions.

Here is the statement written by the messenger of God fifty years ago:

“Those who claim to be the children of God are in no case to bind up with the labor unions that are formed or that shall be formed. This the Lord forbids.”—*Country Living*, p. 12.

There it is. The Lord forbids it. It is not merely your church, or conference, or pastor. It is the Lord.

And it is always wise, and safe, and best to heed the Lord and follow His counsel. He did not send this counsel to get you into difficulties, to cause you trouble, to make you lose your job. He sent it as He sent a warning to Lot centuries ago, to safeguard you from the trouble He sees coming. It is our wisdom to follow that counsel.

To assist in following it, as well as to make it known to all, is the purpose of the General Conference Council on Industrial Relations, organized years ago.

Information regarding method and procedure will be furnished without obligation if you will address a request to Carlyle B. Haynes, 6840 Eastern Ave., Washington 12, D. C.



Progress in Wichita Falls Church

Evidences of progress have been manifested in the Wichita Falls church through the instrumentality of the members. After considerable toilsome hours and untiring efforts we experienced the completion of the entire redecoration of the interior of our church auditorium. It now has an entirely new and lovely appearance.

Brother W. T. Crawford, our Sabbath school superintendent, who is a professional interior decorator, supervised the work. It was remarkable how his men came from time to time donating their labor. The members willingly gave their time, working zealously to help beautify the worship

house. Already it has created a more quiet atmosphere in the services.

One of the outstanding features of the redecoration is the addition of a choir loft. It was built near a window where hangs a beautiful maroon-and-beige-colored vertical blind which blends harmoniously with the choir robes.

It is my pleasure to say that I am a member of the 15-voice choir which has been organized under the direction of Mrs. A. M. Matar. We appreciate the dignity and solemnity which the choir adds to the worship of God. This choir is pictured above.

BETTY COLLINGSWORTH.

WANTED: Access to a Copy of 1863 Prophetic Chart

The manuscript of Volume IV of *The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers* is now in completed form, and the illustrations are being prepared. One outstanding illustration

not yet available is the James White prophetic chart of “1863,” pictured in M. E. Olsen’s *Origin and Progress of Seventh-day Adventists*, page 234. We have the pamphlet, *Key*

to the *Prophetic Chart* (1864), but need access to a clear copy of an original chart for the wording and for photographing—hence this appeal. Colleges, churches, publishing houses, retired workers, and pioneer workers' descendants, will you not make search and see if you have it?

Here is a description: The symbols of Daniel are at the upper left, and the 2300 year diagram on the upper right. The three angels, followed by the coming of Christ on the clouds, appear at the lower left; while the prophetic symbols of Revelation are on the right. The sanctuary, with its two apartments, is at the lower center, and the inscription or title of the chart is in the lower corner. This apparently reads, "A Pictorial— of the Visions of Daniel and John," with the remaining information about the publisher or lithographer at Boston, and the date, not legible on the photograph in our possession.

If you have a copy of this chart, kindly communicate at once with L. E. Froom, General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Takoma Park, D.C., and arrangement will be made for its safe transmission and return, or for a local photographer to make a good negative for us. Your help in locating a copy will be greatly appreciated.

LEROY EDWIN FROOM.



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Make all wills and legacies payable to the Texas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

Camp Meeting

When this RECORD is received, our camp meeting will be almost over. We ask that you continue to remember these meetings in your prayers.

"Signs" Story from Texas

Those who have seen either of the two wonderful pictures put out by the *Signs of the Times* have been

"Go" Price Change

This is authoritative. After careful study by a special committee and during the 1952 Spring Council, an official action was taken establishing the subscription rate for GO at \$1.25 a year (\$1.35 in Canada), effective with the July, 1952, issue.

Rising production and material costs have made this small increase in price necessary. GO, however, is still a real value and offers ideas, help, counsel, and inspiration that are actually priceless. No missionary-minded individual can afford to be without it.

Be a regular subscriber and reader of GO.

I. H. IHRIG, *Manager*
Periodical Department,
Southern Publishing Association.

greatly thrilled and encouraged by these stories of how souls are won by the reading of the *Signs*. We have experiences just as wonderful right here in Texas. Here is one:

This story, however, starts with the *Present Truth*. In the summer of 1937 Mr. Berg bought a hundred pounds of cotton seed from Mr. Summerous, who was a Seventh-day Adventist and who, as a missionary project, sent the *Present Truth* to all his customers who bought a hundred pounds of seed or more. The Bergs received the *Present Truth*, but they were not Christians and did not care for the paper. They sent it to an aunt who they thought might enjoy it, as she was a very devout Christian.

Mrs. Webb, the aunt, read it, became interested, and wrote in to the publishers, asking what denomination published it. She was told. Then she began to receive the *Signs of the Times*. She became even more interested and began to send copies to the Bergs, urging them to read it. However, she did not send them every copy. When there was an article on the Sabbath or the punishment of the wicked, she did not send it, explaining that while it was a good paper, there were some things in it that she was not sure was truth.

They continued to read the *Signs* for six years; then, in the summer of 1944, they both came to camp

meeting and were baptized. Since then Mrs. Berg's mother and a son have been baptized. They are members of the Salmon church.

The son plans to be in Keene soon. The aunt is an isolated member. When I called at the home some weeks ago she expressed the wish that some layman would come and hold an effort in her community. She lives at Dew, Texas.

Yes, the *Signs* does win souls! If you have friends or loved ones whom you long to see saved, why not send them the *Signs*? It may win them to Christ. Send it NOW. Tomorrow may be too late.

Colporteur News Notes

★ Mrs. A. H. Kelley, who started magazine colporteurship around the year 1912, has been granted sustentation as a result of her faithful work.

★ During April the Texas colporteurs worked 3,867 hours, took orders for \$15,688.81, and delivered \$12,351.56 worth of books. This record leads the union. Brother J. H. Nolan of Dallas led the group. He worked 191 hours, took orders amounting to \$1,869.75, and delivered \$1,209.60 worth of books. We are proud of these records and of our colporteur evangelists.

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★ Around thirty student colporteurs will be entering the field in the next few weeks. We ask an interest in your prayers in their behalf.

★ On Sabbath, May 24, and Wednesday night, May 28, Elder E. Ristau was the guest speaker in San Antonio and Austin. He spoke on the importance of the soul-winning *Life and Health* magazine route plan. The response was good. Around 39 expressed a desire to take part in this soul-winning activity.

Colporteur Experiences

When our colporteurs send in their reports each week, they send us an experience that has especially thrilled them during the week. Let's read a few together:

"I had the pleasure of taking one of my customers to Sabbath school and church this Sabbath. She also came and got me and took me to the home of one of our shut-in members for me to show my Bible study films with recorded lectures. She brought her two daughters along. This lady has accepted the Sabbath and seems to be willing to follow Jesus all the way."—Mrs. R. Lee Davis.

"One lady I called on had just come from Alaska, and the doctor had given her only a few months to live. She was formerly a Hawaiian dancer and entertainer. She told me she felt God had spared her life for a definite purpose. We knelt in prayer and asked God to prolong her life. There were tears in her eyes as she came over and put her arms around me, telling how she had been blessed by my visit. She bought the little book *God in the Shadows* and placed her order for *Bible Readings* for my May delivery."—Leta Brown.

"I called on a Negro man this week who had enrolled in the correspondence course some months past. He has completed the first course and is rejoicing in the truth as he is going right along with the advanced course. He is suffering the effects of a stroke and is not able to walk much, so his friends have been taking him to the Baptist and Methodist churches. When I promised to call the Seventh-day Adventist colored church so they could come after him, he was very happy. I feel sure he attended the church yesterday for the first time. The Lord led me to this man, and he has found two others who are interested."—Mrs. Isabel Lindsey.

"I went to a little town just the other day to see a lady I had been selling *Life and Health* and *These Times* to. When I walked in, she said, 'Thank the Lord you are back. Have you got all the issues I have missed, and can I subscribe?' I told her she could and wrote her subscription out and promised to bring her all the ones she had missed. She also had some more customers for me."—Mrs. A. H. Kelley.

The Lord is impressing hearts to accept this truth in these last days. If you would like a part in carrying the message to these hungry souls, write J. T. Welch, Texas Conference.



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E. L. Moore, Sec.-Treas.

Make all wills and legacies to the Texico Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists.

Press Workshops

A very informative and inspirational series of workshops has been completed in the Texico Conference under the direction of Elder Howard B. Weeks, Bureau of Press Relations, Washington, D.C.

It was gratifying to see the various appreciations expressed to Elder Weeks by press secretaries, pastors, and laymen for the excellent instruction that was brought. A much broader scope of the possibilities of the press work was unfurled to our workshop groups, and we feel sure that within the next few months the news of Seventh-day Adventist churches in West Texas and New Mexico will soar to a new high.

Not every district could be visited in the conference because of lack of time, but press secretaries came to the workshops from many miles' distance. Churches visited were Clovis, Amarillo, Lubbock, Roswell, El Paso, and Albuquerque. More than 40 individuals were enrolled in the workshops and used the workbook especially designed for the instruction by the General Conference. We express our heartfelt thanks to Elder Weeks for the excellent instruction, and trust that he can visit Texico again.

May the Lord richly bless the efforts of our press secretaries throughout the conference as they keep our churches in the news.

D. E. LATHAM, *Press Secretary,*
Texico Conference.

Teachers' Training Classes in Texico

One of the highlights for 1952 in the Texico Conference is the Sabbath School Teachers' Training Course. We are very happy to report that more Sabbath schools are participating in this wonderful plan. We realize that the Sabbath school can only be what the teachers make it, and if the teachers are well fortified in teaching, the Sabbath school cannot help but be a success.

It is our endeavor to have a Teachers' Training Class this year in every Sabbath school in the Texico Conference. I am sure if we prepare ourselves for the work that God has given us to do as Sabbath school teachers, many new members will be brought into the Sabbath school and then into the church as a result of our efforts.

May God bless everyone who is taking this course that he may receive the added light that is so necessary for teaching.

REUBEN F. SCHNEIDER.

Expanded Church School in Lubbock

The Lubbock Church and Church School Board has just announced plans for the expansion of the Lubbock church school to include a supervised correspondence course for the eleventh grade this coming school year. With a sizable ninth and tenth grade in prospect also, and an over-all enrollment of forty-eight at the present time, it was also voted to hire a third teacher. Sister W. A. Stank, who has had several years of successful teaching experience and who is also one of our own local members, has been invited to teach the intermediate grades.

Brother and Sister James Gillespie, our present teachers who began their teaching career in Lubbock a number of years ago and then, after several years of wide experience in our church schools on the West Coast, returned, will remain to continue the good work they are now doing.

Tuition rates for the first eight grades will be \$8.00 a month, while

for the academic grades the rate will be \$15.00 a month, with the eleventh grade carrying the costs of their own correspondence lessons, which are expected to amount to about \$10.00 each per month extra.

F. H. HEWITT, *Pastor.*

A High Day for the San Angelo Church

Sabbath, May 17, was a special day for the San Angelo church. Elder G. A. LaGrone delivered a very interesting message Friday evening, and Sabbath we also were privileged to listen to him.

At three o'clock in the afternoon we continued to honor the Lord by burying an earnest soul in baptism with her Saviour to arise a new creature in Christ. When Brother Fred Murray was colporteur in San Angelo, he left with this lady a card entitling her to a free course of Bible studies. In studying the Holy Scriptures she found that Christ was the truth, the way, and the life.

While here, Elder LaGrone and I visited some of his students who have had twenty or more lessons, and we were pleased to find them very interested. Some would appreciate lessons with pictures, which I assured them would be my pleasure.

JAMES O. McMURRAY,

Happenings in the Clovis District

Sabbath, May 17, was the climax to work that was started in the Clovis district in October of 1951. At that time Bible studies were

started in several homes, using the Twentieth Century films. Brother Arthur Smith, a layman in the Clovis church, conducted one of these home studies, and the district pastor was also conducting other studies in the homes. After several weeks of this work in the homes with the people, plans were laid to begin a series of meetings in the Clovis church early in the spring of 1952. March 30 was the date set for the opening of this series, and that evening the church was well filled. These meetings continued for five weeks, and as calls were made, six took their stand to unite with the remnant church. There is one interesting feature worth mentioning here. At the time this work started in the homes, there were thirteen non-members who attended the studies. Five of this number are among this group of six who took their stand for Christ and this message.

Brother and Sister Don Winger gave us greatly appreciated help in conducting this series. Brother Winger had charge of the music and Mrs. Winger played the piano. At the time of this writing, the Wingers have received a call to the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference to begin their internship for the ministry. Their work as the church school teachers for the Portales church and their excellent work in this series of meetings are very much appreciated by all. As they go to take up their new work, we wish for them the Lord's richest blessings.

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Arkansas-Louisiana:

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F. O. Sanders, President
C. H. Gerald, Sec.-Treas.

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Gems for Thought

"If we love Jesus, we shall love to live for Him, to present our thank offerings to Him, to labor for Him. The very labor will be light. . . . We shall feel the same tender craving for souls that He has felt."—*Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 197.

Christian Education

"Our schools have been established by the Lord."—*Counsels to Teachers*, p. 493. To give further arguments in favor of church school is almost like the lawyer who appeared in court to explain why his client was not there. He said, "He is dead," and then went on to give a long list of reasons why he need not appear.

The fact that our schools have been established by God should be reason enough for the hearty support of every true Christian. God saw the need of Christian education in the early history of His people, as well as in the days just preceding the end of time. To neglect this valuable aid in training our children for God is like leaving a necessary piece of equipment behind as we go forth to accomplish a given task. Training our children for God is our task, and we cannot afford to turn our backs on the most effective instrument God has given us for this work, the instrument of the church school. Do all you can to see that there is one in your community and then do all you can to make sure your children have the privilege of attending. Do not forget for a moment that church schools are God-ordained.

HAROLD E. HAAS.

Bible Correspondence School

The following letter was received from one of our enrollees living in the Northwestern part of our conference: "We had a lovely visit with Mr. Arthur Paul, Fort Smith, Arkansas. His visit was greatly appreciated. He is a very fine

CAMP TEXICO APPLICATION BLANK

June 29 to July 6

Ages 9-15

Mail this immediately with \$1.00 registration fee to Miss Velma Holder, MV Department, Box 1107, Amarillo, Texas.

I hereby apply for enrollment at Camp Texico. If my application is accepted, I agree to abide by all camp regulations.

Name Date Age Boy Girl

Street City State

We are in favor of the above applicant attending the summer training camp and assume all responsibility in case of sickness or accident. Enclosed please find \$1.00 application fee, the balance of \$13.50 to be paid on or before the first day of camp. We will arrange to pick up our children not later than 10:00 a.m., July 6.

Name Address

SDA Church Telephone

NOTE: Fee will be \$15.50 payable at camp if application is not sent in by June 25 to MV Department, Box 1107, Amarillo, Texas. Dollar deposit not refunded.

person, and we both like him very much. We also like Elder H. M. S. Richards and enjoy every sermon.

"Honestly, every time I listen to different sermons and they say, 'Sabbath' for 'Sunday,' I feel like calling them, 'fibber.' After all, if the people break one commandment of God, they are guilty of breaking them all. The fourth commandment is one of the greatest of all. My husband and I both feel that way now.

"People can never fully understand the truth and know the wonderful things that God has in store for them. The main thing is to wake up to the fact, and give God a chance. Thank God, you good Samaritans came to our aid in leading us from darkness to light.

"My husband is a salesman. We travel around a lot and see how badly the Bible is needed. People need to know about God, just as you taught me. If it had not been for the help of God and for your help, I could not have led my husband as near to God as I have. Never, never, did I have peace of mind and heart until after I studied with you."

Several times during her study this dear soul requested prayer for a troubled mind. We do not know how she happened to begin studying with us; however, she has now completed the two courses we have to offer and she is studying the Voice of Prophecy, Daniel and the Revelation.

Continue to remember us in your prayer that many souls will be won to Christ during this 1952.

MAUDE HENDRIXSON.

Wedding Bells

The Gentry Seventh-day Adventist church was the scene at 7:30 Sunday evening, April 13, of a pretty and impressive wedding ceremony, when Miss Ruth Sullivan became the wife of Mr. George Stricker. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sullivan, of Siloam Springs. Mr. Stricker is the son of Mrs. George Stricker, Sr., and the late Mr. Stricker, of Woodward, Oklahoma.

Soft light from the candelabra, together with individual candles in the windows, combined with the traditional wedding music, created an atmosphere of beauty and solemnity. Keith Olsen was at the piano, and Miss Bert Waechter sang "Because"

and "Promise Me." A solo by Mr. Sonney Farwell, "I Love You Truly," gave the musical background for the occasion.

The bride's maid of honor was Miss George Mae Stricker, sister of the groom. Bridesmaids were Vera and Nell Rose Sullivan and Miss Joan Morris. Junior Krebs, of Shattuck, Oklahoma, was the best man. Following the ceremony, the bride's parents were host and hostess to a large number of friends at the reception in the dining room of Ozark Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Stricker will make their home on the farm near Woodward, Oklahoma.

M. L. WILSON.

Missing

Recently while checking over the conference church membership list we found a number of individuals who apparently have moved and for whom we have no correct address. If anyone knows the location of the following individuals at the present time, please send the correct address to the office, Elder F. O. Sanders, Drawer 1821, Little Rock, Arkansas. Following each name we have listed the last city according to our address records.

Mrs. Mary Clark—Jonesboro, Ark.

Mrs. Bertha Alma Settles Parks—West Plains, Mo.

Mrs. J. P. Findley—Vilonia, Ark.
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Meyers—Russellville, Ark.

Mrs. Marie Bush—Epps, La.
Catherine Marie Cheek—Caraway, Ark.

Mrs. Eva L. Jones—Gladwater, Tenn.

Mrs. May A. McNamee—Kansas City, Mo.

Aletha Jaunita Patton—Gentry, Ark.

Leroy Patton—Anderson, Ill.

Mrs. Robert L. Perkins—Blytheville, Ark.

Calling All Members and Former Members!

You are cordially invited to attend the "Home Coming" of the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, S.D.A. church, June 27, 28.

Guest speakers (former pastors) will speak Friday night, 7:30; Sabbath morning, 11:00 a.m.; and Sabbath afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

Sidelighting these events will be an abundance of special music, picnic lunch, and social in the evening (Saturday night).

E. D. NELSON.

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JUNIOR CAMP APPLICATION BLANK

I, the undersigned Junior, agree to abide by the J.M.V. Camp regulations, its spirit and code, and desire to be enrolled as a member.

(Signature)

(Age)

(Street or box number)

(City and state)

I PLAN TO ATTEND THE _____ Camp.
(State which: *Arkansas* or *Louisiana*.)

We are in favor of the above Junior attending the J.M.V. Training Camp and accept all conditions named including release of the conference and camp management from all liability in case of accident or illness. Enclosed find \$1.00 application fee, balance to be paid on arrival at the camp.

(Signature of parent or guardian)

NOTICE!! FREE!! — — — One Junior Camp T-Shirt will be given to each Junior who has his application and deposit in our office on or before June 15, 1952.

Ozark Academy

The Ozark Academy department of music presented Keith Olsen in his senior piano recital in April in the Academy chapel. Besides a long program he gave a generous number of encores.

The second spring recital was given April 19. It consisted of piano and voice numbers with the exception of one violin solo. Three pianos were used for part of the groups.

Those taking part in the program were: Louise Cupp, Delano Gilliam, Claudia Clements, Ruth Hardin, Lou Ann Fink, Glenda Luzader, Loretta Smith, Vivian Markin, Harold Markin, Gaylen Johnson, Dewey Luzader, Bryon Liston, Joan Marie Smith, June Robinson, Joe Corrigan, Christiana English, Dorothy Heft, Marcella Cossey, Ruth Chesnut, Betty Womack, Jerry Pearch, Mary Franks Knouse, Ramona Bayley, Jo Nell Rogers, Noretta Nichols, and Shirley Montgomery. The glee club sang "Barcarolle" by Offenback.



525 N. W. 13th St. Oklahoma City, Okla.
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Third Quarter Lesson Help

Many of our Sabbath school members have been enthusiastic in their praise of the idea of a book to parallel the Sabbath school lessons. We are happy that this will be done during the third quarter. It is time now to plan so that you will have the book in time to begin your study of the first lesson.

The lessons for the third quarter will be on the important and deeply interesting subject of the Holy Spirit. The book to supplement these lessons is entitled *The Holy Spirit*, and has been written by Elder W. H. Branson. It gives you the benefit of his many years of prayerful study on this subject. Here is indeed excellent help for you in the study of the lessons for the entire quarter.

The 160 pages of the book are divided into 11 chapters, each dealing with a different phase of this

subject. It is bound in beautiful Kivar with the title stamped in gold. Price \$1.50. Order at once from your missionary secretary or from the Book and Bible House.

H. A. ILES.

Activity in the Oklahoma Panhandle

March 16 was the opening night of an eight-week series of meetings in Guymon. The attendance from the first has not been large, but it has been steady and continued that way through the last meeting, which was held on May 9. Four people took their stand during these services.

These meetings were a contributing factor in the birth of a new group organized at Guymon. For many years a number of our believers in Guymon have traveled to Hooker, some twenty miles away, and now they are very appreciative of the fact that services can be held in Guymon, for there were those who did not have transportation to the Hooker church. At the

present time the Guymon group are meeting in a church of another denomination, but it is hoped that a building of their own can be obtained. With the blessings of God, this group will continue to grow and develop into a prosperous church.

A new company has been formed in Beaver. For a long time our believers there met once a month in a home, but recently a country church was obtained where they now meet. An announcement was placed in the paper calling attention to the meetings, and a lady who has been receiving the *Signs of the Times* for nearly twenty years has started coming to the services. Another family, realizing the need of following the Bible truths more faithfully than they had in their former church organization, have indicated that they too want to join the Beaver group.

The work is onward in this part of the conference. The members are doing what they can to let their light shine. Remember us in prayer.

H. J. HARRIS.



Baptism at Tulsa

On Sabbath afternoon, May 3, 1952, a beautiful baptismal service was conducted at the Tulsa school. Twenty dear souls gave witness that they had taken Jesus as their Saviour and that henceforth they desired to walk the Christian pathway. As those who had had a part in winning these souls brought their trophies to the baptistry, they led them to Brother John S. McIntosh who in turn led them to Elder Rogers who officiated. As the candidates came forth from baptism, they

were handed beautiful white carnations which were to remind each candidate of the purity of Christ, the beauty of a Christ-centered life, and the joy which was felt in heaven by the angels and the heavenly host.

We anticipate many more such scenes in the near future. Our prayer is for a consuming passion for lost souls and an impelling power that we may lead them to Christ.

L. E. ROGERS.

An Effective Plan

Here is a plan that one of our Oklahoma laymen is personally demonstrating before recommending it to the church. It is a type of neighborhood evangelism which begins with a personal visit to several homes on Sabbath afternoon. He has selected twelve *Good News* tracts and introduces himself as a Christian worker. When he has gained entrance to a home, he presents the first of a series of tracts, asks a few questions about the family, making note of the answers. Then he tells them of the plan he is introducing free to all who wish to enroll.

His idea is that people will read the tracts if presented as a reading course and if personal interest is evidenced on the part of the tract distributor. If the householder states that he would like to take the course (which simply means reading the tracts as they come to him), the brother hands him a neatly printed blank entitled, "Special Instructions to the Enrollee." It reads as follows: "The Voice of Prophecy Free Bible Reading Course consists of twelve tracts, of which two will be mailed to you each week for a period of six weeks. Your Reading Course counselor will call upon you or telephone you after the third and sixth week to check progress and answer questions. He will also assist you at any time upon request.

"If at the end of six weeks you desire to study further into related subjects, a more comprehensive Free Bible Study Plan will be explained, upon completion of which you receive a beautiful certificate of Bible proficiency." Then there is a space at the bottom to sign his name, as counselor; his address, and telephone number.

The first Sabbath afternoon he contacted five families and four signed up for the course. He was out about an hour and a half. The next Sabbath afternoon he contacted six homes and received four enrollments. At each he offered a short prayer just before leaving.

After the enrollees have completed the reading of the twelve tracts, they are encouraged to continue by taking the regular Voice of Prophecy Correspondence Course. The next step is to continue the con-

tacts to see if a series of Bible studies through film strips might be a welcome help in their study. The final step is to invite the enrollees to an evangelistic series conducted by the pastor.

If several members would work a territory simultaneously, a large number of people would be ready at the beginning of an effort to be invited to attend, and thus the fruitage of the plan would soon be realized.

This plan could be instituted in many churches throughout the conference and the evangelistic work be greatly accelerated by this cooperation of laymen and pastor.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.



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Calling All Juniors

If you are OVER NINE and UNDER SIXTEEN, this is FOR YOU.

SOUTHWEST REGION JUNIOR CAMP

June 29, to July 6, 1952

★ Eight glorious days amid the handiwork of God. ★ Capable and considerate counselors to look after you. ★ An interesting and well-rounded program to improve you mentally, spiritually, and physically. ★ Other youth to form friendships with. ★ Good food to sustain you. ★ Best of all—you'll learn to know Jesus better.

Get your application blank from your MV leader and send it to the conference office so you can have a share in the Southwest Region Junior Camp.

An Upward Surge in Magazine Circulation

At the beginning of the year much study was given to the literature ministry in our field and plans were formulated whereby we might be able to evidence more tangibly the work being done by our faithful colporteurs. At that time another associate, in the person of Brother John Smith, was added to the publishing staff to

give strength to the work in parts of Louisiana and Arkansas.

To date the results have been most inspiring. Our colporteurs have increased in number and our sales have doubled, especially with the *Message* magazine. During the month of March the Southwest Region Conference led the world field in the sale of *Message* magazines.

The hand of the Lord is leading in a definite way the promotion of our literature program. Pray for us that we might reach many more precious souls through our literature ministry.

O. DUNN, *Publishing Secretary.*

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SUNSET CALENDAR

	June 6	June 13
Amari ^l o, Texas	7:59	8:03
Brownsville, Texas	7:20	7:23
Dallas, Texas	7:33	7:36
El Paso, Texas	7:10	7:13
Ft. Worth, Texas	7:35	7:38
Galveston, Texas	7:17	7:19
Keene, Texas	7:35	7:38
Little Rock, Arkansas	7:19	7:23
Muskogee, Oklahoma	7:43	7:47
New Orleans, Louisiana	6:59	7:02
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	7:43	7:47
San Antonio, Texas	7:32	7:34
Santa Fe, New Mexico	7:18	7:21
Shreveport, Louisiana	7:20	7:23

SOUTHWESTERN JR. COLLEGE

J. V. Peters, President
J. Randall Sloop, Business Mgr.

Summer Term at S. W. J. C.

The college announces that it will again operate two summer sessions this year. The first will begin June 9; the second, July 17. The courses are so arranged that a college student may complete up to 12 hours of work in these two terms, and the academy student may complete 1½ units of work.

The student who needs to work a major share of his way will be especially pleased with our schedule, which will:

1. Permit him to cut down on hours needed during the regular term by taking 3-6 hours this summer and/or
2. Permit him to pick up such vocational and interest courses as private music lessons, typewriting, etc., during the summer months.
3. Provide uninterrupted morning or afternoon work periods at a variety of work opportunities.

This summer's classes include:

First Term, June 9: Life and Teachings of Jesus, Sociology, Foods, Elementary Typing, Intermediate Typing, Printing, Linotype Operating, Carpentry, Band, Private Lessons, Typewriting I, Typewriting II, American History, English (remedial grammar), Printing II.

Second term, July 17: Pauline Epistles, Educational Psychology, Geography, Elementary Typewriting, Intermediate Typewriting, Linotype Operation, Carpentry, Band, Printing II, Private Lessons, Typewriting I, Typewriting II, Civics, English VI (speech fundamentals).

The following regular staff members will assist in the summer sessions: Evelyn Lindberg, Colin Fisher, M. D. Lewis, Dorothy Dorland, Lorena Wilcox, M. J. Denman, Lawrence Claridge, Lloyd Klopfenstein.

It is not too late to register! Call or write J. V. Peters, President, or Paul L. Wilson, Registrar.

"And a Little Child..."

Have you ever traveled up a steep grade, and as your auto labored up the incline you were startled to have some other car move by rather effortlessly and you subconsciously wondered, What special fuel does

he use since his car is no larger than mine? There is a parallel: Often when we think the load is heavy and the grade steep, some fellow Christian with every bit as many problems and just as hard a road speeds by us with sweetness of spirit and a hidden power! In any moment of discouragement such an experience is a matter of inspiration (often those whom we least expect to, give us our greatest lessons—and our best examples!).

The pastor of a large city church and two of us who had been delegated to assist in the important task of raising funds for a much-needed building in God's cause, a girls' dormitory at Southwestern Junior College, stood talking. The need was mentioned freely, and the problem of urging this felt need upon the membership was being reviewed. Some funds had already been pledged. Others were needed, lest the building be delayed for years and the children scattered or refused Christian training entirely. A few words of temporary discouragement must have slipped from our lips.

Through it all we had another alert listener. A six-year-old boy had shown avid interest in the careful counting of the money on hand, the totaling of the pledges received. Suddenly he slipped away, unnoticed by the men in earnest conversation, and just as quietly he re-appeared. Then, as he still did not receive attention from the men, he spoke quietly and with the assurance in his heart that the work must and would be accomplished. He said, "Here is some money for the girls' dormitory; this is my part!" He thereupon thrust a bill in the hands of one of the men. Full confidence was beaming in his eyes that God's work would be accomplished and that he had had a part in it. As I walked quickly to my car to obtain a pledge card, which I subsequently marked paid in full, I could not help feeling the sting of a tear or two in my eyes as I felt shamed, yet inspired, by the simple faith of a child—who gave because he wanted to help, who gave in sacrifice above his own pleasure, for the money came from an oh, so slowly mounting "big" bicycle fund. (It was to be a Schwinn "Spitfire," he excitedly told me later!

Oh, for the lesson in this to us all! The work will be done—we as leaders must ever know—and in the little and big gifts God will provide the way and the means!

(The boy—Young Jere Webb, age 6; the place—Houston, in the pastor's home; the time—May 17, 1952.)

Clovis District

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As mentioned before, Sabbath, May 17, was a day of rejoicing in the Clovis district. Members from four churches gathered in the Clovis church for an all-day meeting. Elder Howard Weeks, who was with us for this meeting, spoke for the morning worship service. In the afternoon Brother Wilford Burgess, pastor of the Tucumcari, Fort Sumner, and Field churches, spoke to the baptismal candidates preceding the baptismal service. Seven followed the Lord Jesus in the sacred rite of baptism. Six of these became members of the Clovis church and one a member of the Field church. There was also one added on profession of faith to the Field church. The Lord is blessing the work in the Clovis district, and we are truly thankful for those who have accepted this message and have stepped out on the promises of His Word.

Elder Howard Weeks, from the General Conference Bureau of Press Relations, and Brother D. E. Latham, from the Texico Conference office, were with us for this all-day service. At 3:30 in the afternoon a class dealing with the WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY, and HOW'S of Press Relations was conducted by Elder Weeks. Press secretaries from all the churches in the district attended this meeting to receive the valuable instruction that was given. The day's activities were brought to a close by showing the film, "Religion Goes to Press."

There is still much work in the Clovis district to be done, and we know it can never be finished without the outpouring of the Spirit of God and the work of our faithful laymen. Won't you pray for us here that more of the laymen might get on fire for God and this message and launch out in the work of saving souls?

ALTUS L. MAY,
District Leader.