



## State Department Makes Strong Protest Against "World Calendar"

SOME time ago we urged people to write to the Secretary of State requesting that he oppose the proposed "World Calendar." This suggestion was made to help counteract a world-wide campaign launched by the World Calendar Association, in which they encouraged people to write to Secretary of State Dulles and to their congressmen, urging the adoption of their proposed calendar.

Our people responded to the suggestion in a marvelous way. Actually thousands of letters were written to the Secretary of State expressing opposition to the so-called "World Calendar." As a result of articles appearing in the *Reader's Digest*, the *Catholic Digest*, the *Saturday Review of Literature*, *Sunshine Magazine*, and scores of other publications, as well as programs that appeared over the radio, television, and those that were given in business and professional organizations urging their readers and listeners to write to the State Department and to members of Congress urging the adoption of the "World Calendar," the great majority of letters and messages that were first received by the State Department were in favor of calendar reform and the "World Calendar" in particular.

Then the opposition to the proposed "World Calendar" began to be heard from increasing numbers. Hundreds and thousands of letters began pouring in to the State Department expressing opposition to the "World

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General Conference Department  
of Religious Liberty*

Calendar," or to any form of calendar change that would disrupt the weekly cycle.

A number of organizations also sent in their protests. Among them was the National Association of Evangelicals, representing a number of denominations. Various Jewish organizations made their protest, as did the Seventh-day Baptists and other Sabbath keeping organizations. The Lord's Day Alliance of the United States protested the disruption of the weekly cycle. Many institutions sent in letters of protest to the Department in behalf of their particular organization, and a letter from Elders R. R. Figuhr and W. R. Beach, as President and Secretary of the World Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, protesting the adoption of the proposed "World Calendar," and any change of the calendar that would result in disrupting the historic weekly cycle, was also lodged with the State Department.

Some hundreds of thousands of copies of the pamphlet, "Do You Know How the Proposed World Calendar Will Affect Your Life?" were placed in the hands of professional and influential citizens throughout the country. Programs appeared on Faith for Today, the Voice of Prophecy, and the American Religious Town Hall Meeting. Many personal contacts

were made with government officials and other prominent men.

We not only want to take this opportunity of expressing appreciation for the wonderful way in which you good people responded in this important endeavor, but we want you to know that the Lord greatly blessed your efforts which resulted in a marvelous report by the State Department of the Federal Government in its answer to the questionnaire sent out to all nations to ascertain their attitude toward calendar reform and to the proposed "World Calendar."

I have the text of the United States reply to the Secretary General of the United Nations before me. It specifically states that "the United States Government does not favor any action by the United Nations to revise the present calendar." It goes on to say that "large numbers of the United States citizens oppose the plan for calendar reform that is now before the Economic and Social Council. Their opposition is based on religious grounds, since the introduction of a 'blank day' at the end of each year would disrupt the seven-day sabbatical cycle." It then declares, "Moreover, this Government holds that it would be inappropriate for the United Nations, which represents many different religious and social beliefs throughout the world, to sponsor any revision of the existing calendar that would conflict with the principles of important religious faiths." In conclusion, the Govern-

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ment recommended that no further study of the subject should be undertaken, declaring, "Such a study would require the use of manpower and funds which could be more usefully devoted to more vital and urgent tasks," and that "any additional study of the subject at this time would serve no useful purpose."

We are indeed grateful to God for this magnificent report. Again the efforts of the proponents of calendar reform have been overruled. While we do not have final reports, it appears that a number of nations have expressed their opposition to the proposed "World Calendar." Some nations have refrained from making any report. It should, however, be said that a number of countries have expressed themselves in favor of calendar reform and of the "World Calendar."

These reports from the various nations are now in the process of being compiled by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The complete report will then be turned over to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, which will be studied by that body at its resumed 19th Session, scheduled to convene in New York in May. The Economic and Social Council is, in turn, to make its recommendation to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

We must not assume that as a result of this splendid report made by the State Department that our work has been completed. It is not likely that the proponents of calendar reform will give up yet. We must continue to educate the people as to the results that the "World Calendar" would have upon the people of the world if it were to be adopted by any country. The great majority of people are not acquainted with, nor do they understand, how the "World Calendar" disrupts the weekly cycle by the use of the so-called "Worlds-day," or "blank day," and that its adoption would result in multiplied economic, social, religious, and political confusion.

With the position taken by our Department of State that a mandate to modify or change the calendar must come from the United States Congress, a bill may be introduced into that body at any time, proposing the

adoption of the "World Calendar."

When that is done we shall have to turn our endeavors to the Congress. For the present it does not appear that there is any particular need to send any more letters to the Department of State, and we suggest that you wait for further word before launching an all out campaign on Congress. However, it will be helpful to continue the general program of education in informing neighbors, friends, professional people, and all people in general concerning the evils of the proposed "World Calendar."

We are endeavoring to keep in close touch with developments and will try to keep you informed concerning them. We thank you for your assistance in this matter and express to God our humble gratitude for His blessing.

### Farewell

The end of the month of March marked the termination of nearly ten years of my service with the Southwestern Union. As we take our leave we look back on these ten years with the greatest satisfaction and appreciation for the fine friends and associations that we have found here in this union. We feel that a great part of our lives is wrapped up in the Southwest and the roots have gone down so deep they will never be cut.

We will be moving to Lincoln, Nebraska; and while it may seem a long ways away, there are several points in the Southwest farther from the headquarters than Lincoln, Nebraska is. Our thoughts and our prayers will be with each of you and we shall continue to enjoy the great strides of progress that will be made throughout the Southwest in the days to come. We solicit an interest in your prayers and you can rest assured we will be remembering you at the throne of grace.

As Elder Nesmith arrives a little later to take over the departments that I have represented, I think you will find him an excellent leader with a vision for real progress. I solicit for him the same fine spirit of cooperation that has been granted to me during my work here in the union.

We shall always remember each of you with the finest of memories.

ELDER AND MRS. W. A. HOWE  
AND MYRNA ANN.

### 100th Million Dollars By April 23, 1955

During the fourth quarter of 1954 our 19,262 Sabbath schools around the world donated for missions at the average rate of \$136,219.64 per week.

The 98th million-dollar mark was reached December 17, 1954, and took eight weeks and three days to raise.

If the offerings continue coming in at the average rate of the first and second quarters of 1954, the 99th million dollars will have been raised by February 17, 1955, and the 100th million dollars will be raised by April 23, 1955.

Seventh-day Adventists began giving offerings for missions in 1886, when we only had 813 Sabbath schools and 23,362 Sabbath school members in all the world, and it took us twenty-five years to raise our first million dollars. By this time—1911—we had 4,149 Sabbath schools with 102,869 Sabbath school members.

It took us only three years and three months to raise our second million dollars.

In 1920, our 6,215 Sabbath schools with 202,547 members gave over a million dollars in one year.

In 1942, our 14,129 Sabbath schools with 644,101 members gave over two million dollars in one year; and the very next year, 1943, we gave over three million dollars.

By 1946 we had 14,142 Sabbath schools with 702,009 members and we gave over five million dollars in one year.

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In 1951 with 17,373 Sabbath schools our membership passed the 1,000,000 mark and we gave over five million dollars to missions in that year.

In 1954, with 19,262 Sabbath schools and 1,257,209 members we gave almost six million dollars for missions.

The largest offering ever given in one day was the 13th Sabbath of the fourth quarter of 1954 when the Sabbath schools around the world gave \$279,934.56, resulting in an overflow for Formosa of \$65,986.91. With a little extra lift I believe we could give half a million dollars on April 23 to celebrate the raising of our 100th million dollars for missions.

ERIC B. HARE,  
Gen. Conf. S. S. Dept.

### Medical Missionary Day, May 7

Once each year Medical Missionary Day comes to our people to help us to realize the importance of this work and its place in the Third Angel's Message. A program has been provided for this day, and we should like to call your attention to the fact that First Aid and Home Nursing classes and the reading of Elder D. E. Robinson's book, *The Story of Our Health Message*, are all a part of our program for this next month.

We hope that each member will, upon this day, catch a vision and deeper understanding of the Great Physician who went about doing good and healing all who were afflicted.

J. WAYNE MCFARLAND, M.D.  
Medical Dept., General Conf.

### 1955 MCC Camp

Have you heard of the coming Medical Cadet Camp at Camp Desmond Doss? If you haven't, all young men of draft age should plan to attend. The date is June 28 - July 12.

Just in case you do not particularly believe in the efficiency of this training program, you will find below a few quotations from men who are presently in the service. These men are from the European theater. We will try to get some testimonies from those in other areas.

"This training helps us, that is, those of us who are privileged to get it. You could see those who have had the training head and shoulders above the rest in basic."—Pfc. Joseph T. Ontko.

"The denomination, the leaders of the MCC, and the men whom they have trained are certainly to be commended for the good work they are doing. I certainly recommend it to young men soon to enter military service."—John Harris, 1st Lt. M. C.

"I think that all young SDA boys should take the Cadet training to be ready for the Army."—Phil B. Sheets, Pfc.

"I took this training and I think it helped me a lot. It puts a man ahead of the rest, which keeps the men from looking at you and saying, 'He needs it worse than I. Why let him off all the time.'"—Pfc. Baptist.

W. A. HOWE.

### Institute of Scientific Studies For the Prevention of Alcoholism

The sixth session of the Institute of Scientific Studies for the Prevention of Alcoholism will be conducted at Loma Linda, California, July 11-22, 1955, according to announcement by W. A. Scharffenberg, chairman of the Board of Directors.

Dr. Winton H. Beaven, formerly of the University of Michigan, associate secretary of the National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism, will serve as the director of the Institute.

An outstanding program, consisting of lectures, forums, and field trips, has been planned for the sixth session. The lectures will be devoted to a scientific presentation of the physiological, neurological, psychiatric, social, economic, moral, legal, and educational aspects of the alcohol problem. Visits to the Norwalk State Hospital, the program under the auspices of the Los Angeles Police Academy, and the visits to the Los Angeles courts, will correlate with and supplement the lectures presented at the Institute. As the trend in modern medicine is toward prevention rather than mere curative procedures, emphasis will be placed on a practical discussion of public health, religious, and educational measures that will effectively prevent the rise and spread of alcoholism.

The Institute of Scientific Studies is conducted under the auspices of the National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism. Dr. Andrew C. Ivy, chairman, Dr. Haven Emerson, vice-chairman, and other distin-

guished physicians, judges, and educators will participate in the Institute.

An announcement and application form may be secured from the National Committee for the Prevention of Alcoholism, 6840 Eastern Avenue, Northwest, Washington 12, D. C.

## ★ Texico

1522 Van Buren St., Amarillo, Texas  
M. D. Howard, President  
H. P. Evens, Sec.-Treas.

### "Golden Treasury" News

The El Paso Church — S. W. Sincomb writing:

"We had a fine prayer meeting this week, and it would have done your heart good to have seen the folks taking home the *Golden Treasury* books after the meeting. We all think it a wonderful plan, and I am sure it will be a great thing for our educational work."

Hereford, Texas:

Mrs. Floyd Fortner reports having contacted a business man in Canyon this past week. After looking at the book *Golden Treasury* for just a moment or two, he said, "Why, this book sells itself."

Amarillo, Texas:

*Golden Treasury* books are selling in Amarillo. Mrs. L. Ockander has sold four of them. Other members report an easy sale of the books.

Clovis, New Mexico:

"Will this book sell?" asked a member of the Clovis church.

"Yes," replied another sister (a colporteur). "I have sold over a hundred of them."

### News Notes

Elder and Mrs. H. P. Evens visited Clovis and Littlefield on Friday and spent the Sabbath at Lubbock, Elder Evens preaching at the worship hour in the morning. He reports an unusual experience in teaching a newly formed Sabbath school class of young married couples where one of the couples had come into the services in search of a church to which they might join themselves.

Elder and Mrs. M. D. Howard attended services at Hereford where Elder Howard gave the message of the morning. The church is working



hard to finish their Welfare Center which will be dedicated Tuesday, April 5.

Elder Carl Rose reports 70 people in attendance at his first meeting in the Artesia effort on March 27. The meetings are being held Friday, Sabbath, and Sunday nights.

Elder W. K. Mansker is holding a series of meetings at Upper Valley.

The meetings in Abilene conducted by Elder Reuben Schneider and Brother Joseph Espinosa are being well attended. Pray for the success of these meetings.

### What I Expect To Receive From the Congress

As a member of the "Little Rustic Church" of Carlsbad, I have been chosen as a delegate to the Laymen's Congress. I am thankful to be able to go. Having been a Seventh-day Adventist but a short time, I am looking forward to going with great anticipation.



As Dorcas leader I feel that I will be able to learn so many new things and gain new ideas that will help us in our society.

LOIS DEVINE.

### Why I Plan To Attend the Congress



Being chosen as delegate to the Laymen's Congress is one of the greatest privileges I know. I have been a Seventh-day Adventist less than a year, and I feel very inadequate for the position of Home Missionary leader which I accepted this year.

I know that I will have the privilege of learning many new things that we as a church can put to use, and will bring many souls to the Master. May the Lord go with us who have been chosen as delegates and help us to bring back to Carlsbad the plans and instructions to help our church become a more live, working, Spirit-filled church.

GLEN TIDWELL.

## ★ Arkansas-Louisiana

1215 Marshall St., Little Rock, Ark.

I. M. Evans, President  
C. H. Gerald, Sec.-Treas.

### Faithful Laymen

June 21-25 is the date for our Laymen's Congress in Kansas City. What a wonderful thing it would be if every delegate chosen could have a good experience in soul-winning like the one revealed here in the picture and story that follows, of the good work of seed sowing by our faithful laymen like Brother and Sister G. A. Shain. Here is a demonstration of what faithfulness on the part of both the layman and the minister will accomplish when accompanied by the Spirit of God in their work for the Master. We believe there are hundreds of people waiting and praying for light and truth, understanding of God's will and purpose as was the experience of these dear people. Let us each be faithful to our calling in witnessing and serving for the Master.

I. M. EVANS, President  
Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.

### "Sowing Seeds" Saves Souls

"Seven people were brought into the message" will read the official report of the series of meetings just finished in the small church at Empire, near Parkdale, Arkansas, but to Elder Ray Stephens, to Brother and Sister G. A. Shain, and to the church folk at Parkdale and Monticello, it will have an altogether fuller meaning.

About two and a half years ago, Sister Shain sold a used sewing ma-

chine to a good lady not far from her home. In the drawer was an old copy of a tract named "Survival of Faith." The good woman read it, studied it, and enjoyed its truths. She called Sister Shain a few days later to inquire about the tract, and if she should return it. "Keep it, yes, and I'll bring you more," was Sister Shain's ready reply. And so Mrs. Lola Wright started a chain reaction, in her husband, his brother and wife, and another family next door. Brother and Sister Shain started Bible studies, special prayers, and trips back and forth bringing these interested ones to visit the services. After a year and a half or more, four were baptized, and moved away to Monticello.

This past month, Elder Stephens held a series of meetings in the Parkdale church. The first week, with no advertising except personal invitation, the attendance started with fourteen and ended with forty. The second week mimeographed handbills were passed out for advertising, resulting with the attendance increasing to seventy. The hall was full and overflowing and benches were placed outside. The people were impressed by our message. The third week progressed with personal visitation daily by the pastor making contacts that meant jewels for eternity, and an attendance that stayed to full capacity.

It was the writer's privilege to attend the last night. The sermon, beautifully illustrated, was a forceful presentation on the remnant church. A call was made for the last time of the series, and besides the seven who had been studying with Brother and Sister Shain, two more stepped forward to signify that they wanted to



Elder Ray Stephens (left) and Brother and Sister G. A. Shain (right) shown with seven precious souls won to Christ through faithful lay evangelism.



join the ranks of the remnant church! Three others put up their hands that they desired union with the church but wanted further study! The hundreds of miles of driving, the hours of extra work, the visitation of the past three weeks, and the many "extras" that went into this added work seemed well rewarded as the results of an earnest endeavor to "spread this message" were totaled.

Sabbath, March 12, joyful hearts praised God, as in the Monroe, Louisiana church, Elder Stephens, with Elder I. M. Evans, our conference president, Brother and Sister Shain, and many other members from Parkdale and Monticello, with the Monroe believers, watched Brother and Sister Lee Wright, Brother and Sister Aaron Wright, Brother and Sister John McGathy and their daughter Ema Gene, and Sister Gloria Hawthorn (from Monroe) take the step that joined them with this ever-marching remnant church. Do tracts and papers handed out pay? Do Bible studies, invitations to services, trips bringing friends and neighbors to Sabbath meetings—do these really matter? Ask these new believers! Ask Brother and Sister Shain! And yes, friends, when we get to the courts above, ask any of the perhaps countless thousands who will be there as a result of someone's prayers, perseverance, and faithfulness in handing out papers, tracts and booklets! It pays now, later, and forever!

MORRIS M. GUTMAN, *Teacher*  
Monroe, Louisiana.

## CENTRAL ARKANSAS SINGSPIRATION

at the

Hot Springs, Arkansas

S. D. A. Church

Singspirations are getting bigger and better. We expect to have a very special attraction. Join us for a good fellowship together. Everyone!

C. F. ADAMS, *Chairman.*



El Dorado, Arkansas church school students and their teacher, Mrs. G. E. Boatwright.

### El Dorado Church School

During the summer of 1954, the members of the El Dorado, Arkansas Seventh-day Adventist church realizing the need of a church school, arose and met the challenge. When school opened in September of last year there were sixteen pupils ready to greet their teacher, Mrs. G. E. Boatwright.

The accompanying picture shows the pupils and their teacher standing in front of the El Dorado church.

Under the excellent guidance of the teacher, the students have a very progressive MV Society, presenting many interesting and varied programs each week. The children are working toward an Investiture program in the near future. At the present time they are all busy practicing in the "Symphonette Band," and at times they are joined by their parents. This is the first year of church school for many of the students, but they have all cooperated in the programs of the church, each one raising his part in the Ingathering. Several are selling *Life and Health* magazines each month.

The writer just held a very encouraging MV Week of Prayer with the school, with many students gaining victories in their spiritual life.

These students and their teacher are looking forward to a very successful school year, and are praying that in the future many more children will be enrolled in the modern well-equipped school.

W. J. LIDTHAIL, *Pastor*  
Camden District.

### Hot Springs Dorcas News

The Hot Springs Dorcas Society will soon realize its dream of opening a real welfare center. The whole church stood behind the program of raising funds for this purpose. During the horse racing season there is a great influx of people in Hot Springs. Taking advantage of this, the ladies had a bake sale every nice day for three weeks. They had a good location in front of one of the stores on the busy main street. The Lord blessed and they cleared over \$300 to add to the \$200 already set aside for the establishment of the center. During the sale our story was told and retold. Many good contacts were made. Our ladies became quite famous for their good whole wheat bread and other products.

We are looking forward to the time when the doors will be opened to the needy of our area whom we can point to the great Supplier of all our needs.

MARTIN C. SHAIN, *Pastor*  
Hot Springs District.

### Systematic Giving Brings Man Into Closer Relationship With God

"God does not compel men to give to his cause. Their action must be voluntary. He will not have his treasury replenished with unwilling offerings. His design in the plan of systematic giving was to bring man into close relationship with his Creator and in sympathy and love with his fellow-men, thus placing upon them responsibilities that would counter-



act selfishness and strengthen disinterested, generous impulses. . . .

"As to the amount required, God specified one-tenth of the increase as his due; but other offerings should be made, and while the directions are definite enough for all to understand their duty, there is room of the judgment and the conscience to have free play. Says the apostle, 'Let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him.' The tithing system is beautiful in its equality and simplicity. It gives all an opportunity to help carry forward the precious work of salvation. Every man, woman, and child may become a treasurer for the Lord."—*Signs of the Times*, March 18, 1886, Vol. 12, No. 11, page 161.

## ★ Oklahoma

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W. A. Dessain, President  
E. L. Moore, Sec.-Treas.

### There Is No Turning Back

The spirit of the conference workers and the churches in reaching new heights in Ingathering, is very commendable. Many are so near their goal that there is no turning back now.

New churches that have reached the Minute-Man goal in the past week are: Hominy, Follett, Sand Springs, and Tulsa. We do not have the official report, but we hear the Claremore and Achille churches have their goals. The outstanding victory this week was reported by Elder Dale Aalborg. His district is now a full Minute-Man district with \$9,500.00 raised. This district is comprised of Tulsa and Sand Springs.

Congratulations to this list of new Minute-Man churches.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

### "A Good Investment"

"It is 'A Good Investment,' brethren and sisters to subscribe to the *Signs*," said our General Conference President, Elder R. R. Figuhr in a recent address. Of course each of you in Oklahoma wholeheartedly agree with Elder Figuhr, because you know from your own personal experience that the *Signs* offers a most effective agency for winning souls.

The response last year from our Oklahoma churches was most gratifying in the *Signs of the Times* campaign. Many of our members sent subscriptions to their relatives and neighbors with good results. The *Signs* crusade is in full swing. Some of our churches have had the opportunity of seeing the thrilling *Signs* film, "The Revival of Lay Evangelism." For those churches which have not as yet seen this film your opportunity will soon come, and we strongly urge you to see it without fail. You will be sorry if you miss seeing it.

The regular price of the *Signs* is \$2.25 a year, but during this crusade the reduced rate for missionary purposes is only \$1.70 per year for single subscriptions, and \$1.60 for clubs of five or more to one address. *Signs* Reading Rack: During the 1955 Crusade one of the beautiful *Signs* display racks will be mailed, if requested, to any church or individual members where a club of 25 or more *Signs* is ordered for one address:

Special Projects: May we also suggest that as the Lord has blessed, you provide the means of sending the *Signs* to "Gilt-edge" names in the files of the "Voice of Prophecy" and "Faith for Today." Also, our missionaries and national workers overseas are in great need of *Signs* to enhance their work. Why not sponsor a club of *Signs* for this worthy purpose? Clubs are mailed overseas at only \$1.85 each. Remember, all orders are handled through your church Missionary Secretary or your Book and Bible House.

Your church Missionary Secretary will be happy to renew your *Signs* missionary list that you turned in last year. Just phone or write your Missionary Secretary to please renew your *Signs* list for you. Do it today.

G. E. GREENE, Manager  
Book and Bible House.

### Oklahoma City Cooking School

March 29th was the opening date of the Oklahoma City Cooking School class. Dr. A. A. Tucker organized the school and Mrs. M. L. Mooers and Mrs. Ray East are leading out in the instruction in cooking and preparing healthful meals.

The attendance at the opening class period was sixty-five, which bespeaks a fine interest on the part of our members of procuring further instruc-

tion in healthful food cookery, in agreement with our health principles.

The night of the final class period, a banquet will be served by the ladies, after which certificates will be presented to those who have successfully completed the required course of instruction. This is the third cooking school conducted by the Oklahoma Conference in the past few months.

J. C. CHRISTENSON.

### News Notes

We were happy to have as visitors in our office this past week the following individuals. Brother and Sister Royal Birth from Edmond, Brother D. E. Reilly from Guthrie, Mrs. Bertha Smith of Guthrie, Mrs. Mary Riffle, Mrs. Alberta Joyner, Mrs. Hannah Lewandowski, and Mrs. Dowers of Enid.

We welcome you to our office. Drop in to see us when you are in the city.

## ★ Texas

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N. R. Dover, President  
O. J. Bell, Sec.-Treas.

### J. D. Spiva Goes to Texico



J. D. Spiva, associate publishing department secretary in the Texas Conference for over four years, has accepted a call to the Texico Conference for publishing department work there.

Brother Spiva has given the Texas Conference outstanding leadership in the publishing field, having served both the northern and southern sections recruiting, instructing, and encouraging our literature evangelists. Before being called to leadership in our conference, he worked for a number of years as a literature evangelist. One church was raised up as a result of his work as a colporteur.

Although the loss of Brother Spiva's leadership in our field will be felt, we are pleased to see our good Texas leaders called to greater responsibility in the cause of God.



## Baptisms

The following is the report of baptisms by our ministers in the first quarter of 1955:

H. T. Anderson.....	1
Henry Barron.....	1
R. R. Biloff.....	4
C. E. Fillman.....	3
L. R. Holley.....	5
Charles Keymer.....	5
Edward Koenig.....	32
J. W. Lehman.....	9
V. J. Maloney.....	3
A. M. Matar.....	22
C. B. Messer.....	7
B. K. Mills.....	4
Marvin Montgomery.....	1
R. D. Necker.....	1
R. R. Patzer.....	1
Ralph Pueschel.....	1
Gayle Rhoads.....	1
Harold Richards.....	2
L. G. Scales.....	2
J. H. Wardrop.....	2
R. L. Winders.....	2

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The completion of the Ingathering campaign, the Union Session, and other special activities have occupied so much of our attention in the first quarter that we have not been able to devote as much time as we desire to public evangelism. We hope and pray that the second quarter will show a marked improvement over the work of the first quarter.

N. R. DOWER, *President.*

## Conference Sponsors Cooking School

Doctor and Mrs. Vollmer, outstanding denominational food and nutrition writers and lecturers, will be in Dallas the week of April 17-22 to conduct a cooking school for our North Texas churches.

Courses will include lectures and demonstrations on the principles of general health, healthful living, and basic principles of nutrition. Demonstrations on how to conduct a community evangelistic course in nutrition and healthful food preparation will be included in the instruction. Classes will be at 1:00 p.m., Sunday, and continue daily until Friday noon. Location will be the Dallas Seventh-day Adventist church, 4009 N. Central Expressway. Cost is \$5.00, which includes \$3.25 text material. See your

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## Nearly Ten Tons in Texas

OVER \$66,000 worth of books have been ordered by the TEXAS CONFERENCE as Crusade for Youth Campaign enters third week.

Over 6,000 books have gone into the churches, with Valley No. 1, Lufkin, and Fort Worth districts placing orders for SECOND SHIPMENTS. Elder Findley, pastor Valley No. 1 wrote, "Many of my folks are out of books already. Rush some more!"

Elder R. D. Necker, pastor of the Lufkin district, signed his letter, "Dedicated to the Golden Opportunity to selling many Golden Treasury," watch Lufkin, Nacogdoches Salmon, and Rusk churches!

Mrs. Gene Adams Jereau of Corpus Christi gave her four books to her husband to sell for her. He is a Catholic, plays ball for the Lutherans, married to a Seventh-day Adventist, and sold his wife's four books to employees of the Texas State Optical Company.

Conference church members are ordering books to sell in isolated territories. Mrs. W. E. Clark of Jacksonville wrote a letter wanting a part in this three phase missionary program.

R. W. Crawford, assistant business manager of SWJC, took four copies of "Golden Treasury" to Indiana. Last Sunday night he turned in \$43.00 from the sale of these books. He has placed eight more books.

## THE PLAN FOR EACH MEMBER

1. Sell at least 4 "Golden Treasury" Deluxe at \$10.75, or
2. Purchase 4 "Golden Treasury" at \$10.75 for gifts, or
3. GIVE \$20.00.

## CAMPAIGN CLOSES JUNE 18

All funds to be used for good of our Youth.

OUR GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY, SELL  
"GOLDEN TREASURY"



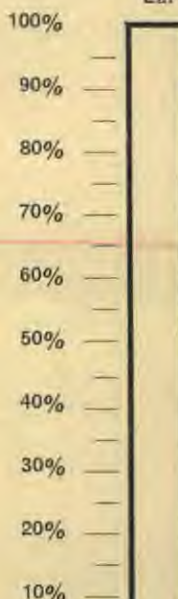
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## PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

In the Amarillo paper, under the column "All Around the Town," was a section called "Out of the Mouths of Babes." This related that a mother in the city was endeavoring to get a younger child to learn a prayer. An older child had learned a little prayer that went like this: "God is great, God is good. Thank you for this food." The younger child recited his prayer as follows: "God is great. Thank you Furr Food."

The happening was relayed to the personnel office of the Furr Food Stores, Inc., in Amarillo where Mrs. Emandine Ockander is employed.

The department wanted to do something for the little child who had used the firm's name in his prayer. The personnel director suggested a Bible for the child from the firm, and the Mrs. Ockander recalled that the *Golden Treasury* campaign had just been launched in her church. Quickly she suggested a Bible story book. Her idea was enthusiastically received, and the president of the company personally autographed the volume, and it was delivered to the mother and child, who received it with great surprise and pleasure.

Mrs. Ockander had a few days previously placed a copy on the desk of one of the officers for inspection, and he immediately stated that he wanted it. Two other officers saw the volume on the desk of the first officer, and they now desire copies of the books for their grandchildren. Mrs. Ockander does not know where the chain will stop but she feels that the whole program was more than just a coincidence.

D. E. LATHAM, Elder  
Amarillo, Texas

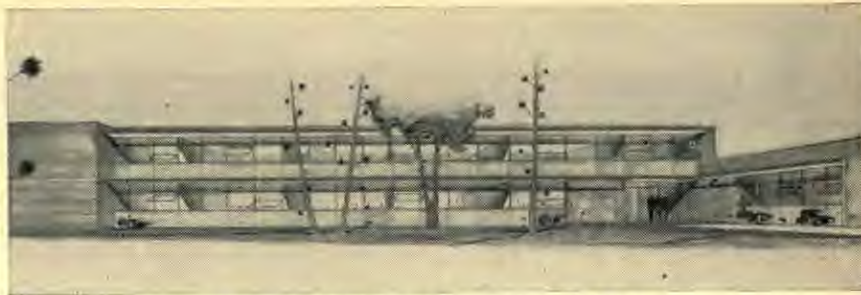




# APRIL 26

## IGN IS ON!

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Proposed Administration Building at SWJC

### UNION-WIDE FIELD DAY

At the launching of the United Crusade for Youth campaign during the Union Session, a field day for Southwestern Junior College was part of the proposal. April 26, 1955, has been set aside for this large event, when the student body will enthusiastically participate in the union-wide field day from which the college will greatly benefit.

There is a growing desire on the part of conferences to make April 26 a union-wide field day. This is your invitation to enter enthusiastically into the activity of that day—that it be union-wide.

From the pen of inspiration we read, "After we have, by sanctified energy and prayer, done all that we can do in the work for our schools, we shall see the glory of God. . . . If it is made in a free, willing spirit, God will make the movement for the help of our schools a success. . . . If all will take hold of the work in the spirit of self-sacrifice for the sake of Christ and the truth, it will not be long before the jubilee song of freedom [completed building project] can be sung throughout our borders."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 477.

God grant us the spirit of the pioneers for April 26—that it be a high day in the Southwestern Union for the United Crusade for Youth!

BRUCE M. WICKWIRE, *Pub. Secy.*  
*Southwestern Union Conf.*

### PUBLISHING HOUSE IS HAPPY TO COOPERATE

er in Succeeding Weeks.

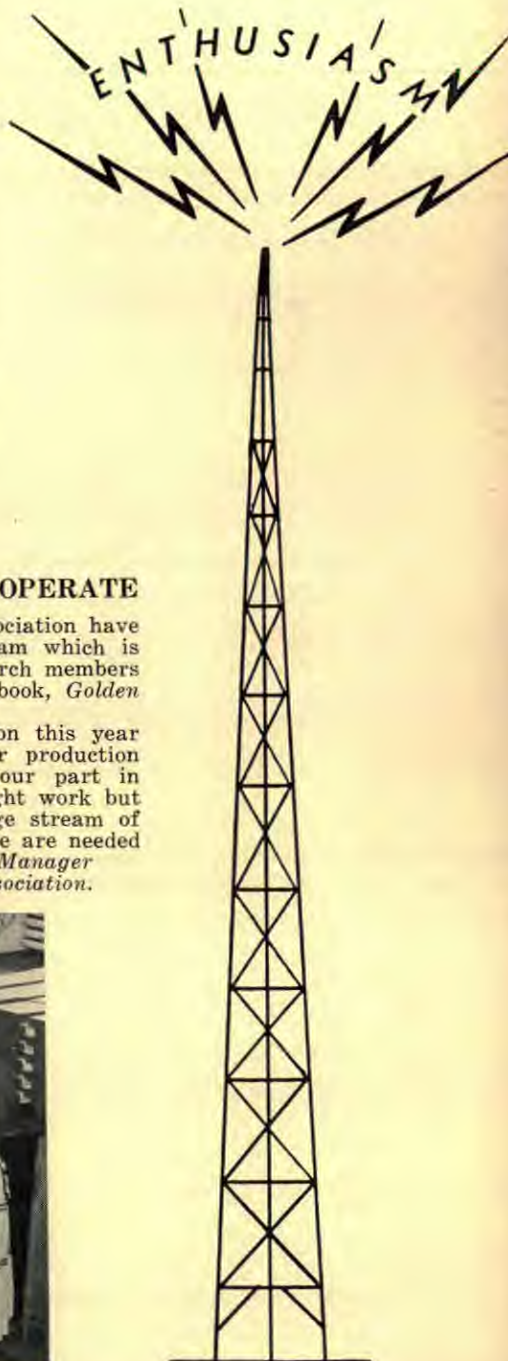
The workers at the Southern Publishing Association have been thrilled to learn of the far-reaching program which is being carried on by our leaders, workers and church members in the Southwestern Union for the distribution of the beautiful new book, *Golden Treasury of Bible Stories*, by Elder A. W. Spalding.

The intensive program being carried on in the Southwestern Union this year for the distribution of this book will make heavy demands upon our production facilities but we will heartily cooperate with our people by doing our part in providing books as they are needed. This may involve overtime and night work but the publishing house workers cheerfully do this in order that the large stream of literature may continue to flow into the field as the supplies of literature are needed to carry on the campaign.

E. A. MOON, *General Manager*  
*Southern Publishing Association.*



A full crew working to fill the orders for "Golden Treasury of Bible Stories."





## Cooking School

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pastor for details. The school is sponsored by the Texas Conference, and every church should have a representative group or individual present for these courses.

## Spirit of Prophecy Reading Urged

We should like to call the attention of our people to the special discounts that are now being offered on the writings of Mrs. E. G. White. These wonderful books ought to be in every Adventist library, and should be read and re-read by every member. If we value God's light and determine to benefit by it, we shall devote regular periods each day to the searching of the inspired counsel God has given this people.

Between now and the first of September, a 20% discount is offered on all the writings of the Servant of the Lord. What a splendid chance for every home to purchase many of these wonderful volumes and make them part of the study and prayer life of the entire family!

Let me personally commend to you the *Desire of Ages*, *The Great Controversy*, *Ministry of Healing*, *Counsels on Diets and Foods*, *The Adventist Home*, and others of practical value to all. If the counsel these books contain is followed, we will be a better people and more fully prepared to meet our soon coming Saviour.

N. R. DOWER, President  
Texas Conference.

## "Golden Treasury" Big Week

Colporteur Big Week is April 17-23, and we are calling upon all of our members to join with them in making this the greatest BIG WEEK in the history of our denomination. We urge every church member to sell his copies of *Golden Treasury* during this week. Think what it will mean to the cause of God!

N. R. DOWER, President.

## Special Announcement

The next North Texas Dorcas Federation will be Sunday, April 24, in the Dallas church. Elder L. R. Holley will be the guest speaker.

MRS. ROBERT COOK,  
Federation Secretary.



Valley Grande Academy Officers

## Valley-Grande Academy Re-elects Teachers

The Valley Grande Academy Board at its bi-annual meeting unanimously re-elected Principal A. R. Tucker and his staff of fine teachers. Broad future plans for the operating of a better and larger academy were voted. A Planning Committee with Doctor Henry Forcher as chairman was elected to give study to future growth of the school plant.

Valley Grande Academy situated in the beautiful Rio Grande Valley of Texas offers a fully accredited Christian education. The Rio Grande Valley soil ranks with the best and richest in the world. A new dam on the Rio Grande River has brought the

answer to past water problems. The finest citrus in America is plentiful on every hand. The climate is tropical the year around furnishing a twelve-month growing season. Eleven Adventist doctors have settled in this beautiful valley, and others are arriving every year. The members of the church are in seven English churches spread along the longest main street in America reaching from Mission to Brownsville. The children of the members are brought to the Valley Grande Academy in school operated buses. The future of Christian education and the Three Angels' Messages is bright here in this tropical Eden of this great country.

W. B. FINDLEY, Pastor  
Valley District No. 1.

## Voice of Prophecy At Campmeeting

Elder H. M. S. Richards, Voice of Prophecy speaker, and the Kings Heralds Quartet will be guests at our Texas Conference Campmeeting to be held at Keene, Texas, June 2-11.

The Voice of Prophecy group will be at our Campmeeting over the first week end. Their outstanding programs are eagerly looked forward to by our people. Make your room reservations early. Mail requests to Elder O. J. Bell, 2838 Hemphill, Fort Worth, Texas.

## It Happened In Texas

Elder James Gray reports that in spite of the cold weather and no heat in the tent, 500 people were present

for the opening of the Detamore-Turner-Holley meetings in McAllen.

Dr. L. L. Harrop of the Harlingen church, mailed out 180 *Great Controversy* books with a personal holiday season letter to members of a club of which he is the president. He has received a number of outstanding letters in appreciation for his excellent gift. Dr. Harrop says that "This experience has given me a joy and satisfaction that I have never experienced before."

M/Sgt. Jewell Brown, Victoria church leader, reports that both newspaper and radio station announcements are made for their church services each week free of cost. For about two weeks the 20th Century Bible Course was offered on the air at no charge to our church. Victoria





Elder Brooks Findley is shown with his Valley Pathfinders inspecting the Harlingen Airforce Base at Harlingen, Texas. Pathfinder clubs in Texas are doing outstanding work for our boys and girls.

COME TO THE  
**PATHFINDER FAIR**  
Texas' First

APRIL 17 KEENE, TEXAS  
in Turner Auditorium  
From 1:00 to 5:00 P. M.

- ★ JUNIOR BAND
- ★ TUMBLING EXHIBITION
- ★ ACTIVITIES DISPLAYS
- ★ DEMONSTRATIONS

**Visitors Welcome**

is making plans for a new church building.

Elder Cree Sandefur was guest speaker last Sabbath in the Keene church. As recent pastor of the Long Beach, California, church Elder Sandefur is the newly elected president of the Hawaiian Mission and will be leaving soon for the mission field.

Doctrinal ads appearing in 20 newspapers throughout North America brought 1,000 replies in the first three days. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram and the Houston Chronicle are carrying these ads in the Texas territory. Our people are showing great interest in this method of telling folks about Adventists.

Elder R. R. Patzer enthusiastically endorsed the UNITED FUND FOR

TEXAS Plan before the Keene church last Sabbath. He stated that putting \$1.00 per month for each member of his family in the envelope with his tithe remittance greatly simplified his responsibility to Texas evangelism, buildings, church schools, and other offerings covered by the plan. Get the UNITED FUND habit!

When You Pay Your Tithe  
REMEMBER  
**United Fund For Texas**

\$1. per month per member  
This plan takes the place of 26  
Sabbath offerings a year.

## Decision Reversed

There has just come to my desk here in Washington a very interesting letter from the state of North Carolina. It is from a good, faithful reader of the *Review and Herald* who stated in her letter:

"This past issue — my, it's hard to say which was best, but the whole issue seemed to me the best for a long, long time and that issue settled it. I mean, I had meant to let my subscription go for a while and depend on reading my sister's. I am using part of my last money, not knowing where or when our next money is coming from, to order the *Review*.

"I want to say to you, Thank you, thank you, thank you, for these papers mean a lot to us. Maybe you would be interested to know how we got started reading the *Review*.

"When we were newly baptized, Elder... offered all the new believers a three-month subscription to the *Review and Herald* for only 25 cents. My, from the start we read it eagerly, and felt by the time the three months ran out that we must have it regularly. And, if I may add, I have often wished that each newly baptized member or family would be given the same start on the *Review*. I believe we would have a lot more *Review* readers.

"Thank you again."

There you have it, brethren and sisters—a reversal of decision in favor of the *Review and Herald*. If you have not ordered the *Review and Herald* for 1955, and if you are not sharing its senior Sabbath school lesson helps as they appear week by week, it's not too late to order the *Review*. The *Review* alone is only \$4.75 a year, or if you wish a greater saving, order the Family Group for \$12.95. Place your order with your church missionary secretary, or the Book and Bible House.

R. J. CHRISTIAN,  
*Review and Herald*,  
Washington 12, D.C.

## Caution Please!

Our schools, churches, and other institutions are receiving what is termed a "recommended" list of feature films for SDA's or "films approved for SDA's." These lists are published by a large film corporation that deals in 16 mm. films produced



primarily for regular theater showings in 35 mm. and merely reduced to 16 mm. for so-called non-theatrical presentations.

**DO NOT BE MISLED**—This company is sending out information on the basis that any film which has been ordered by a Seventh-day Adventist church or school at least three times is accepted by the denomination, and the title of that film is placed on this list in spite of the fact that those ordering such films, after previewing them, may never have shown them.

For the sake of our youth, please preview any and all films which you intend to show, even though you have heard such a film has been shown by one of our churches, schools, or institutions. They may regret having shown this film, but you would have no knowledge of this fact.

The General Conference has published a leaflet (MV No. 47) entitled, "Motion Pictures and Television" which gives you the needed information in determining standards by which your preview committee can adequately decide on a film. This leaflet may be obtained without charge from your Union MV Department.

To date the General Conference, the Union Conferences, and the local conferences have not published any recommended list of feature films portraying emotional story plots, such as are shown in the theaters. On the contrary, we have consistently condemned such films.

The Pacific Union Supply offers a catalog of sound films in 16 mm. carefully selected by the film preview committee. In some cases they have made them appropriate by deleting objectionable portions, and in others the films have been made appropriate by the producers shooting special scenes to comply with our standards. You will not find these special versions in any other film library, though the titles be the same.

These character-building motion pictures are suitable for schools, evangelistic services, church socials and other gatherings of our people. You will find a variety of subjects such as educational, health, nature, recreation, temperance, travel, doctrine, and mission. These films are available on a rental basis. The catalog gives a description of each film,

its running time, rental price, and whether available in color or in black and white, with instructions about ordering. For your free catalog, or further information about these films, write to the Pacific Union Supply Film Rental Library, Box 432, Glendale, California.

### German Signs Wins Souls!

We just received a news flash from my son, Elder J. G. Penner of Fort Wayne, Indiana, that Elder F. J. Dittmar of Cleveland had asked him to visit a German Catholic family in the Fort Wayne district. This family had recently come from Germany in company with some Adventists who settled in Cleveland. This Catholic family desired to see an Adventist minister. When they were visited a few days ago an interesting story was discovered.

These people had been introduced to our German missionary paper "Zeichen der Zeit" in Germany by a member that distributed them from house to house. They had learned much about the Adventist truth from reading the paper for two years. Soon after arriving in America, this good family started reading the "Zeichen der Zeit" again. They are so much in love with the paper that they can hardly wait till this messenger from God comes every week. They attended a Catholic church near their new residence for awhile but could not feel at home or get satisfaction for their souls.

When Elder J. G. Penner came, they were happy to meet the son of the editor of "Zeichen der Zeit," the paper with the truth they had learned to love. They promised to attend the Adventist church. Now they are taking Bible studies and getting ready for baptism. A married daughter is also interested, and the men of the families are trying to arrange their work so they can keep the Sabbath and join the church. Such occurrences are reported frequently by "Zeichen der Zeit" readers. This paper speaks to the hearts and convinces them of the truth, winning them to the Advent message.

Five thousand Germans are coming into our country from Europe every month to settle in all parts of North America. God sent them here to receive the light. Let us not neglect

them in our missionary endeavors. Send them subscriptions to the German *Signs*, "Zeichen der Zeit." Your Book and Bible House can supply literature in 20 languages, including missionary periodicals in Swedish, Italian, Ukrainian, Spanish, French, and Jewish. Remember this especially during the present *Signs* campaign.

J. B. PENNER, Editor  
*Zeichen der Zeit.*



### Why Stars Have Five Points

Three Christian workers were gathered around a table in a San Francisco restaurant during the recent General Conference, discussing the amazing progress of God's work. Before long, someone raised a question concerning the problem that God must have in properly awarding stars for the crowns of the saints. Immediately, someone suggested that perhaps this might be the reason why stars have five points, each point representing a contributing influence to the winning of a soul.

Every day at The Voice of Prophecy, we see the value of each point of the star. We are thrilled that the broadcast has been on the air during the past thirteen years; that there have been baptized more than thirteen thousand persons, in the winning of whom The Voice of Prophecy has had a part, together with many other influences such as the pastors, the Bible instructors, and the laymen.

A typical story starts with a despondent man and wife, on the very brink of discouragement, who accepted the invitation of an ardent Seventh-day Adventist youth to listen to the Sunday morning broadcast of The Voice of Prophecy. Listening to the broadcast, they took advantage of the opportunity to enroll in the Free Bible Correspondence Course as offered over the air. When they have

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# Parents' Exchange

Sponsored by the General Conference Department of Education, Archa O. Dart, Assistant Secretary

## How I Did It

(We wish to thank the parents who have contributed to this page. Your ideas and suggestions are appreciated for this Exchange.)

### WHEN THE CHILD IS SICK

**Parent No. 1.** I used to have a time with my child when I wanted to see his throat. It was a struggle for both of us. Now I use a lolly-pop for a tongue depressor. We both enjoy it more.

**Parent No. 2.** My neighbor phoned asking me to help her put some iodine on her little girl's sore arm. I found the little child crying, and very nervous indeed. The two older children, in trying to hold her while the mother applied the iodine, had received the benefit of the medicine themselves. I said, "Oh, goodie, this is iodine. You can draw the cutest pictures with it." I drew a puppy on my arm. I drew a rooster on brother's arm. By this time little sister wanted a kitty on her arm.

**Parent No. 3.** When one of my children is ill and has to spend the day in bed, I put his day clothes on just the same. Somehow, being dressed helps him to feel better. It also keeps the hours from seeming too long when he makes a change in his attire.

### WHEN THE CHILD IS DESTRUCTIVE

**Parent No. 1.** The kind of toys a child has can teach him to be de-

structive. When he is given flimsy, fragile playthings that break and pop and come to pieces easily, he thinks things are supposed to be that way. Good, sturdy, unbreakable toys are best for small children.

**Parent No. 2.** Don't permit too many temptations to be in the child's path. He should have liberty to play with things within a prescribed area.

**Parent No. 3.** Every child must learn that certain things are his to play with, and there are other things that he is not to touch. If he disobeys and plays with forbidden objects, a switching will help him to understand.

"Let it be your first aim to make a pleasant home."—M. H., p. 369.

## Tiny Thinkers

**Mother:** Junior, come to dinner.

**Junior:** Do you mean the food is on the table?

**Mother:** Yes, what is strange about that?

**Junior:** Well, I don't see how you did it. I have had your can opener all morning.

## CHILD GUIDANCE

A child should be trained to obey the first time he is spoken to.

### TRY THIS



If he has heard and does not obey, go quietly and bring him in without saying a word. Once inside the house, say calmly, "Sit here until you can learn to come when I call you."

### NOT THIS



Repeating a request over and over weakens the child's ability to control himself. Yelling at him, or scolding him, confuses but never helps him.

## Right Around Home

"Why did it rain today," wailed Theresa; "Daddy is home now and we wanted to go walking in the Big Woods."

"Well, it's a good thing we have rain once in a while," said Daddy, or we wouldn't have any Big Woods to see. But, even if it is raining, we can have lots of fun."

Mr. and Mrs. Kidwell looked upon home-making as a joyful privilege as well as a God-given responsibility. They considered it a pleasant task to teach their children of the love of God through object lessons, pictures, stories, songs and games. Rainy days had been planned for as well as sunny ones. Good books were considered just as necessary for the growth of young minds as was wholesome food for young bodies.

So, on this rainy day, after the household chores had been completed, they all gathered around the family "Book Corner" for a happy time together. Pictures of clouds, rain and snow were of special interest at this time. Daddy explained God's wonderful plan for making things grow. God knows that the Big Woods needs plenty of water. He speaks to the Round Sun, and the sun sips up the water from the pools, rivers and lakes, and makes them into little rain drops. He speaks to the Strong Wind and the wind blows these rain clouds far, far over the land across the hills and valleys. God speaks again, and the rain clouds open their doors and hundreds of raindrops come parachuting down to the ground to water the thirsty flowers, the grass, and the Big Woods.

## Did You Know That —

One person in ten is likely to have a severe mental illness?

Much of this illness could be prevented?

The National Association for Mental Health, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y., offer an excellent leaflet and a poster on, "What Every Child Needs," and other materials at very low cost?

This same Association will be glad to recommend some very timely films on mental health?

That May 1-7, 1955, is Mental Health Week?



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completed most of the lessons, the Seventh-day Adventist pastor called on that home; and to make a long story short, brought them across the line to decision, and they were baptized. During the time in which they were making the decision, some of the church members again manifested practical Christianity by inviting them to their Sabbath services and showing themselves friendly.

While some individuals who find Christ can trace their conversion to the efforts of some one person in particular, we are confident that there will be many in the kingdom of God, such as those who hear the Voice of Prophecy broadcast, who will trace their conversion to the combined efforts of the ministry, the laity, the broadcast, the literature, and to a friendly smile. All these work together in the common interest of bringing souls to Christ. How God will actually distribute the stars in the crowns, as rewards for soul-winning, is beyond our finite minds to comprehend or understand, but we feel that perhaps this is one reason why God has five points in the star—sufficient for each having a part in bringing a sinner to Christ.

May we suggest to our readers that each of you can enrich your crown with additional stars by having a part in the winning of souls in a very definite way through The Voice of Prophecy. Following are some suggestions:

1. Divide, in a systematic way, the names in your telephone directories, and each Sunday morning call these individuals a few minutes before the broadcast time and invite them to tune in, giving them the station and the time.
2. Ask your church missionary leader for a supply of our new attractive 1955 radio logs and enrollment cards, or you may send directly to The Voice of Prophecy, Box 55, Los Angeles, California. Then you, in turn, can distribute them to your friends and neighbors.
3. Enroll your friends in the FAITH, or JUNIOR, Bible Correspondence Course. Send also for "Bible Lessons for Alcoholics" to give to those whom you feel should be helped.
4. Prayer is still the greatest

power in the universe. Continue to pray for the broadcast and its influence on the lives of men and women. Pray for the pastors and the laity, the Bible instructors and all those concerned with bringing these broadcast interests across the line into God's kingdom.

J. O. IVERSON,  
Associate Speaker.

### "Signs" Wins Jamaican Prisoner and Others

"Thou art found guilty of death, and thou shalt be hanged by the neck until thou art dead, and may the Lord have mercy on thy soul." In a personal visit with the young man on whom the death decree had been pronounced some years ago, on the occasion of my recent visit to Jamaica, I heard one of the most thrilling *Signs* stories of recent years.

The story had its beginning a little more than ten years ago when Aston Samuels became involved in a defensive altercation with a drunkard who had attacked him. The drunkard died as a result of the struggle and Aston was dragged into a Jamaican court and pronounced guilty of murder in the first degree. Some of his friends interceded in his behalf, however, and as a result he was granted a retrial. Abundant evidence was produced to prove that he was not guilty of premeditated murder in the first degree, and his sentence was finally commuted to fifteen years in the Jamaican Penitentiary.

Elder E. H. Schneider, the Home Missionary Secretary of the British West Indies Union, in a recent letter to my desk presents the thrilling story of subsequent developments through the intervening years in the following message:

"Brother Samuels was committed to the state prison which is the General Penitentiary in Kingston. He was there eleven months and then was transferred to the Richmond Farm prison at Richmond in the parish of St. Mary.

"While there on the prison farm a Seventh-day Adventist passing by threw a *Signs of the Times* over the fence, which landed near Samuel's feet. He picked it up and read of the return of the Lord with great interest. He noted in that *Signs* that a free correspondence course was offered to the readers of the *Signs*. He immediately wrote to California ask-

ing that he be enrolled. His name was returned to the British West Indies Bible School who sent out the course to Samuels and which he pursued from beginning to end in the most diligent manner.

"During the course of his study he was contacted by a number of our ministers and Bible School workers and a real friendship developed. He was anxious to enroll the other inmates of the General Penitentiary to which he had been returned after a brief stay on the prison farm. He enrolled 180 of these including a number of the warders (guards), one of whom accepted the third angel's message and is now a member of our North Street, Kingston, church.

"After serving ten years as a model prisoner his case was reviewed and he was released from prison in April, 1954. He immediately contacted the church and told them that he had been keeping the Sabbath for about seven years. He has applied for baptism and will soon be a baptized brother, journeying toward the kingdom of heaven.

"Immediately upon his release he contacted more than 300 members of the deceased's family asking their pardon in the offense that had been committed ten years before. He enrolled many of them in the British West Indies Bible School.

Thus *Signs* continues its glorious ministry of bringing light and conviction and salvation to human hearts everywhere. Shall we not during this 1955 crusade make a larger dedication in behalf of those we love and who are on our prayer lists, and provide for them during the coming year the weekly ministry of our great "silent evangelist?"

H. K. CHRISMAN,  
Circulation Manager.

### The Union College Alumni Association

Cordially invites all alumni and former students to be present on the campus for the annual Alumni Homecoming, May 6-8. Activities will include the hanging of the golden cords, guest speaker J. L. Dittberner for the Sabbath service, a buffet supper in the gymnasium on Saturday night, and a senior skit after supper.



## Until Morning Dawns

SPINDEN, Emma, was born August 20, 1896 in a German settlement in Russia, coming to this country with her parents at the age of two years. She passed away Sunday, March 13, at a local hospital and was buried at Guymon, Oklahoma.

Sister Spinden was baptized in September, 1950, and joined the Hooker, Oklahoma church and remained a faithful member until her death. Her kindness and sympathy for others made her loved by all.

She is survived by a son, Lettroy Hohweiler, a daughter, Mrs. Ida Akers, four sisters, three brothers, two grandchildren and four step-children, besides a host of nephews and nieces.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer on the glorious hope and reunion that the second coming of Jesus will bring to all our sleeping loved ones.

E. A. Lemon.

MILLER, Abraham Lincoln, was born near New Castle, Indiana, on August 10, 1863, and passed away on February 23, 1955, in his 92nd year. He was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1899 and preached this message for over 55 years. In January, 1955, he gave an outstanding sermon on religious liberty in the Fort Smith, Arkansas, church.

He held many positions of responsibility in the Seventh-day Adventist organization, such as secretary-treasurer of the Indiana Conference, beginning in 1895. He was director of the northern half of the Indiana Conference beginning in 1896. Later, in 1905, he became auditor of the Ontario Conference. For a number of years he served in the religious liberty work. In 1912 he was elected president of the Alabama Conference and was transferred to the Iowa Conference in 1918 where he served for many years.

On August 11, 1887, he was married to Clara O. True who passed away on February 20, 1930. To this union four children were born, two of whom survive. Later Elder Miller was married to Flora V. Dorcas, of the Iowa Conference, who preceded him in death February 7, 1950.

He leaves to mourn: Two daughters, Pearl E. Wilson, of Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Ada Mason, of Davenport, Iowa; five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, five sisters, and two brothers.

A great leader in God's cause has fallen asleep, but his works do follow him. Funeral services were conducted at Fort Smith, Arkansas, by Elder I. M. Evans, president of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, and at Knightstown, Indiana, by Elder V. G. Anderson, president of the Southern Union Conference, who labored with Elder Miller for many years in the Iowa Conference. A son-in-law, Elder M. L. Wilson, assisted in the services. Interment was at Knightstown, Indiana.

V. G. Anderson.

DILLARD, William Ford, was born September 12, 1890, and died March 2, 1955 at Los Angeles, California. Brother Dillard gave his heart to God in his early youth and remained faithful until his death. He sleeps in the little Adventist cemetery at Bonnerdale with many he loved and who, with him, loved the appearing of their Lord in glory. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Ethel Dillard, two sons and a daughter to cherish this "blessed hope."

M. C. Shain.

SIEBENLIST, David Henry, was born in Russia on the 4th of January, 1869, and passed to his rest suddenly in his home on the 10th of March, 1955, arriving at an age of 86 years, 2 months and 6 days. Brother Siebenlist accepted the Lord in the days of youth and was a faithful member of the church for nearly 70 years.

In 1888, while still in the land of his birth, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Bernhardt, and to this union

3 children were born: Dave; Mollie Ehrlice of Brighton, Colorado; and Lydia, Dave and Lydia preceded their father in death. Brother Siebenlist came to America with his family in 1892 and settled in Hillsboro, Kansas, where he lost his first wife in death in 1899. Shortly before leaving Kansas, he was married to Miss Amella Laubhan, and to this union 4 children were born: Jonas of Alva; Mrs. Emma Chambers of California, who passed to her rest on the 30th of December, 1954; Carl and Martha, both of Shattuck.

Brother Siebenlist came to Shattuck in 1901, and spent the remaining years of his life here. He was one of the charter members of the Shattuck Seventh-day Adventist Church, and held many offices in the church during his faithful years of service.

In his passing he leaves behind his wife, 4 children, 14 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, as well as many other relatives and friends that learned to cherish his presence and good example. At the end of a long, full and faithful sojourn the Lord called him to rest in the Blessed Hope.

Funeral services for Brother Siebenlist were conducted from the Shattuck Seventh-day Adventist Church and he was laid to rest in the Adventist cemetery to await the call of the Lifegiver at the first resurrection. A large number of people were present for the funeral, conducted by Pastor A. G. Streifling, and Dean Williams of Southwestern Junior College.

A. G. Streifling.

JONES, Lily Burnside, died February 11, 1955. Her life was filled with hope, joy, affection and deep understanding. She had the gift of faith, and had been saved from death many times through prayer. Her life was inspiring. She served as church treasurer many years. She was placed to rest by the side of her husband, Joseph W. Jones, in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Chaplain Carl Holden conducted the services. She is survived by one brother, two sisters, and one nephew.

TACKER, Mrs. Ada Cora, was born September 16, 1881 and died at the age of 73 on March 15, 1955. She was a member of the Conference Church. She is survived by her husband, her daughter, five sons, and a brother. The services were conducted at Sulphur Springs and she was laid to rest at the Arbala Cemetery.

ENGLAND, Minnie Lee, was born in Crenshaw county, Alabama, July 1, 1874 and passed to her rest on January 19, 1955 in Stockton, California. At an early age she moved with her family to the state of Arkansas. Most of her girlhood was spent in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Mrs. England became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church in 1919 and lived a faithful, positive life until the time of her death. She was a member of the East Stockton church.

On May 16, 1945, she was married to O. H. England. Soon after their marriage they moved to California and they have been residents of Stockton most of the time.

Those left to mourn besides her husband are two brothers, two stepsons, and two stepdaughters.

DAY, John Thomas, was born June 20, 1886 in Grimes County, Texas, and died Sunday, March 20, at his home in Deville, Louisiana.

Brother Day and his wife learned about the Third Angel's Message in 1948 and that same year were baptized. He remained faithful to the end of life's journey.

The funeral services were conducted by Elder W. H. Westermeyer, assisted by Rev. Jarrell, pastor in the Holloway Baptist church of Deville, Louisiana.

Our brother was laid to rest in the Hickory Grove Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, four sons, and four daughters.

W. H. Westermeyer.

STEVENS, Thad Earl, was born at Linwood, Kansas, March 10, 1888, and died March 15, 1955 while visiting his son at Sherwood, Oregon.

Brother Stevens was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist church in his youth and remained faithful throughout his life. He was a cheerful and courageous Christian, enthusiastically joining in the work of spreading the gospel.

On November 20, 1915 he was married to Agnes Burke. To this union was born two children, one son, Thad, Jr., of Oregon, and one daughter, Mrs. Kay Findley.

He is survived by his wife, two children, one sister, five grandchildren, and many friends.

Harold Clark.

McKEE, Mrs. Emma Marie, died on March 14, 1955, at her home in Weslaco, Texas, at the age of 85 years. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church most of her life. She is survived by her husband, S. I. McKee, and fourteen children.

W. B. Findley.

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## SUNSET CALENDAR

	Apr. 15	Apr. 22
Amarillo, Texas	7:19	7:25
Brownsville, Texas	6:52	6:58
Dallas, Texas	6:57	7:02
El Paso, Texas	6:35	6:40
Fort Worth, Texas	6:59	7:04
Galveston, Texas	6:45	6:49
Keene, Texas	6:59	7:04
Little Rock, Arkansas	6:41	6:47
Muskogee, Oklahoma	6:53	6:59
New Orleans, Louisiana	6:27	6:31
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	7:02	7:08
San Antonio, Texas	7:01	7:05
Santa Fe, New Mexico	6:37	6:43
Shreveport, Louisiana	6:45	6:50



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## Transfer To CME School of Dentistry Difficult

A caution comes to us from the School of Dentistry in the College of Medical Evangelists. Because of lower tuition costs in some universities, some Adventist young men are registering for their dental education in such schools with the hope that if they later encounter Sabbath class problems they will transfer to College of Medical Evangelists School of Dentistry without serious loss of time. Dr. M. W. Prince, dean of our

School of Dentistry, issues helpful information regarding this possibility. We quote from Dr. Prince's Letter:

"Another problem of the School of Dentistry is the Adventist student who deliberately enrolls in another dental school, believing that he can transfer at any time if he encounters difficulty. Such optimism is unwarranted. Curriculums in dental schools vary widely, likewise sequence of courses. It is not easy to accept transfer students, and the School of Dentistry strongly urges students to enroll at CME at the beginning of the course, thus eliminating the possibility of losing perhaps a year of effort."

T. R. FLAIZ, M.D.



White Memorial Hospital's New  
Addition

## New CME Addition Completed But Has Yet To Be Paid For

White Memorial Hospital's new \$4,500,000 addition (including equipment, nurses' housing, and property purchase) on the Los Angeles campus of the College of Medical Evangelists was inspected and approved

## Loans Appreciated

The SOUTHWESTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE is desirous of obtaining the use of money for a time. Interest at 3 per cent will be paid. Any who would care to place funds with the college for a year or longer are invited to correspond with the president of the college, C. N. Rees, Keene, Texas.

last week by City, County, and State officers of the Public Health Department and is now ready to be occupied.

The only problem confronting the business administrators of the school is how to pay current bills. Included in CME's vital expansion program is the \$1,000,000 school of Dentistry building (with equipment) which is now under construction on the Loma Linda campus.

To avoid a possibility of being forced to slow down on this and other necessary projects and to meet the current cost of the new White Memorial hospital addition, the General Conference has authorized the temporary borrowing from church members.

Seventh-day Adventists who are able to lend the school \$500 or more for three to five years will be paid three per cent interest and be issued a regular Building and Loan Note signed by officers of the organization. Make checks payable to the College of Medical Evangelists in care of Controller J. C. Shull, Loma Linda, California.



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