

Midsummer Offering for Missions

H. E. SCHNEIDER, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Southwestern Union Conference

FOR MANY YEARS the Midsummer Offering has been taken up in our churches. We wish to take this opportunity to thank our loyal members for their generous Midsummer Offerings, which has made it possible to carry forward the world-wide mission program.

The purpose of the Advent people of the great Southwest is to keep God's work progressing. We are endeavoring to carry the wonderful tidings of God's love into every corner of the world. The financial load of the world task rests heavily upon us here at the home base, and we believe that until this task is finished the load will not become lighter, but rather, heavier.

Are you doing all you can? Let us strive to avoid the sand bed and build for eternity. Mission lands are calling with outstretched arms for help. Today is ours; tomorrow may not be ours. To give that others may have life and blessings is one of the attributes of God's character, and one that He would have all His children to cultivate and practice. All that we have to enjoy in this world and in the world to come is given by a loving and merciful heavenly Father. God does not need our gifts, for, "The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." However, through the ages God has always expected His children to bring gifts to Him, and He has always been pleased when they have so honored Him.

Quite frequently we find members who feel that the burden of supporting our mission program is too heavy. They question the promotion that is



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given to missions, and especially to the offerings. They remind us that the needs are just as important in the homeland as in the mission fields. However, continually before us is the Lord's command, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel," and this command has not been altered in any way. God's command still stands. If Christian missions fail now, surely God will hold us accountable. May He help us to realize and sense our responsibility and to give our hearts and funds for the finishing of the great work of God in the world.

The General Conference has designated July 14 as the time when the Midsummer Offering will be taken up in all our churches. May it be a large one, is my prayer. "Brethren, remember the cause, and when you have means at your command lay up for yourselves a good foundation

against the time to come, that you may lay hold on eternal life. Jesus for your sakes became poor, that you through His poverty might be made rich in heavenly treasure. What will you give for Jesus, who has given all for you?" —*Testimonies*, V. 5, pp. 154, 155.

"Thank You Very Much"

This is the word that comes from our men in uniform to you for your part in making it possible for us to send literature to them. Following is one of the many letters of appreciation which come to us:

"I am very glad to be a Seventh-day Adventist, to have the truth of God. I thank God so much for my deliverance through the many trials and conflicts while serving in the armed forces. It helps to strengthen my faith. I thank each of you dear brothers in the War Service Commission for your loyalty to the men in uniform. I thank you very much for the wonderful literature that I am receiving each week, also the Servicemen's Newsletter. Please pray for me that I will continue to stand firm for God's truth, no matter what may come. Sgt. Carl Miller."

The Servicemen's Literature Fund makes it possible for us to send to our men in uniform the following: *The Youth's Instructor*, *Review and Herald*, *These Times*, *Listen*, and the *Servicemen's Newsletter*. These periodicals follow our men, at no expense to them, through their period of military service. All we need is the man's name and complete military address. These periodicals are available to servicemen who are not members of the church, as well as to those who are. In either case, the men themselves, or their relatives who are church members, should send the serviceman's name and address to the conference War Service Commission

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secretary, who will copy it for the conference records, and then pass it on to us for our literature mailing list. If there is a question whether or not the man involved wants the literature, please indicate this in your letter so that the man can be contacted before his name is placed on the mailing list.

Again, on behalf of our servicemen, we say "Thank you very much."

G. W. CHAMBERS, Secretary
War Service Commission.

C. M. E. Conducts Health Survey Among Navajos

A health survey among the Navajo Indians is being conducted this summer at Monument Valley, Utah, by CME School of Medicine junior Alan King (of Luling, Texas) and Dr. Frank Lemon, instructor in preventive medicine and public health at the College of Medical Evangelists.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has awarded King a \$600 fellowship to assist in carrying on the investigations; CME is providing an equal amount for other expenses connected with the study.

Seeking information on child birth and death rates, numbers of mentally and physically defective children, and occurrences of hospitalized illness and injuries. Dr. Lemon and Mr. King will make their headquarters at the Monument Valley Clinic.

South America Is Depending on You June 30

THEODORE G. SAMPLE, Assistant Treasurer

South American Division

Our ship anchored out in the bay and we looked toward the beautiful island of Trinidad. The mountains, covered with the many types of foliage common to the tropics, thrust their sharp peaks up into a sky half-filled with clouds which in a moment's notice could pour out torrents of water or leisurely float away.



Theodore G. Sample

It was difficult to shake off the multitudinous taxi drivers who seek their livelihood by escorting passengers through the winding streets of Port-of-Spain. One taxi driver was rather disappointed in that our destination was not too far, so he made up for it by circling around through some of the nice parks and the beautiful residential section of the city before arriving at the mission office. The flowers were blooming at their best and even around the smallest homes were the most gorgeous arrays.

One of the medical units in Port-of-Spain is established especially for the poorer class of people and is a small frame building of the army barracks style about one hundred feet long by twenty-four feet wide. Two doctors have their meager, unimposing and very unpretentious offices on one side of each end of the building.

The operating and X-ray rooms appear to have rather up-to-date equipment to meet the many emergencies which arise, but it is still not what one would be accustomed to or per-

haps would relish if we seriously were thinking of having an operation. However, it does fill the purpose, and the people are so happy that we have such an institution to help meet their needs.

A great many people in the West Indies are from India. The very wholesome and delightful dinner that day was prepared largely by a girl whose parents were from India. It is very hard for these people to break away from their customs and take upon themselves a new religion. This girl, however, is very much interested in the Adventist way of life. Her mother is still a devout Hindi and resents her daughter's desire to become a Seventh-day Adventist. Her mother insists that she be married to someone, especially to a Hindi, but she won't marry unless her husband is an Adventist — to find one that is an Adventist creates a problem for the girl.

As we drove over the narrow and twisty roads we saw life as it is in this island. Small huts literally hang from the steep hillsides. Along the side of the roads there is occasionally a small stream of water running down from the hills. This water, we are told, is not safe to drink, that it is contaminated and should be boiled before drinking. Down in the little valleys are orange, grapefruit, cocoa, and cashew trees.

The Carribean Training College is situated in a little valley which is not very wide. The buildings are built on the side of the mountain. Often the second floor is on the ground level as is also the first floor. Many Adventist youth have found their way into a fuller Christian life at this school, thanks to you and your good offerings. A recent Thirteenth Sabbath Offering is providing a new dining room and additional classrooms at this school (they certainly needed them, too). The dormitories were meagerly furnished, but there is an eagerness to excel even under primitive conditions.

Much of the work is done by hand. When one sees the wonderful accomplishments by hand he just wonders how much more could have been accomplished if they had the machinery to do the work. The modernization of

the printing industry has caused them to compete sufficiently well and to make an over-all profit in addition to aiding many students in earning their way through school. There is also a large broom industry which is flourishing, but when one sees how they are produced with hand machines one's heart aches for sufficient funds to carry on the work. Excavation was just beginning on the building which could be used as a meeting place — a chapel for the students.

The huge statue of Christ overlooking the city of Rio de Janeiro is supposed to represent the fact that the city recognizes that Christ is truly the Redeemer and Saviour of the world. As one stands at the foot of the statue, which is more than two thousand feet above the city, and looks over that large city which lies along the beautiful bay and creeps up into the little valleys amidst the steep mountains, he realizes the immensity of the work which lies before him. The symbol, however, has become common; beneath the statue with its outstretched arms are multitudes awaiting for a fuller knowledge of the power of the gospel. To have Christ lifted up before them in a personal way is the greatest need, and then He will be able to draw them to Him.

We have but ten churches in that large metropolis. It is very difficult to have evangelistic meetings since adequate halls or auditoriums are very expensive. Holding meetings in an over-crowded church is possible, but there is no place for visitors to attend. The Spirit of prophecy tells us that we should have representatives at work in all the large centers of the world, and especially where there is a tourist attraction. Just recently a site has been located in Cococabana, suburb of Rio de Janeiro, on which a church may be built. This large section of the city does not have a Seventh-day Adventist church. One of the projects to which you will be contributing on June 30 for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering is for the building of a church and office for the Portuguese Voice of Prophecy headquarters. At the present time building costs are going higher and higher and the present place which is now rented for the Voice of Prophecy headquarters is inadequate. The site which has been selected is very well located — a new light in a new place. Every dollar you contribute will produce four times what it will

in the states, but unless we act promptly, it will cost a great deal more. Your help at this time is appreciated.

The church we attended in Sao Paulo was so crowded that we could scarcely get in the door. We were told that all of our churches were in a similar condition. Funds were needed for additional churches, but they were unavailable. Meetings could not be held to bring more to church since there was no place for members they already had. How tragic!

Our Brazilian college is located in the rolling hills several miles from Sao Paulo. School was just beginning and on the campus were many students seeking a closer walk with God and perhaps upon the completion of their training they could find themselves helping others in one of the many services for God. Your funds have aided in the establishment of this school for the young people of Brazil. Their ever-present problems of having sufficient funds to carry on their program of Christian education will be alleviated as you give to foreign missions.

There is also in the "hump" of Brazil, near Recife, one of the best operated schools you will find anywhere. It is to this school you will also contribute when you give your Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. There is a desperate need for additional dormitory space to house the many students who seek a Christian education. This academy serves all of the northern part of Brazil and is

the only school of its kind in a section as large as one-third of the United States. There your dollar will accomplish five or six times more than it will do in the United States. Invest in missions where your money will really count!

May the Lord bless abundantly all who give liberally and willingly from Sabbath to Sabbath in order that the gospel may be proclaimed to all the world and that Jesus may soon come. We are looking for a better land; that day will not come until we have given our all. When we have given our lives for God's service, then funds will come to finish it.

In behalf of the South American Division, we thank you for your very liberal offering.

New Nutrition Magazine Soon To Reach "Record" Readers

Today's Food, a new eight-page nutrition magazine especially published for Seventh-day Adventists, will soon be sent free of cost to RECORD readers, according to word just received from the publishers.

Since the first issue of the quarterly magazine was distributed last March to SDAs in the Pacific Union Conference, so many requests for the journal have been received by the publishers that it seemed best to add the entire membership of the church in the Southwestern and Columbia Union Conferences. Publishing and distribution costs are being met entirely by our church-owned International Nutrition Research Foundation and the Loma Linda Food Company.

The purpose of the magazine, as stated in its editorial policy, is to "portray a better knowledge of healthful nutrition among Seventh-day Adventists, confirm Spirit of prophecy standards for the use of basic foods, educate readers as to the simplicity of maintaining a healthful dietary balance without the use of animal proteins, and give factual reports on the latest in nutrition research which support Adventist health principles."

In this Summer Issue, soon to be mailed out, recipes are given for vegetarian barbecuing, articles feature healthful meal planning, practical shopping tips for Adventists, and scientific news on the subject of nutrition.

The publication originates at the offices of the International Nutrition Research Foundation in Arling-ton, California, and is edited by Fred-

— NOTICE —

ALUMNI OF WISCONSIN,
BETHEL AND WALDERLY
ACADEMY:

An Alumni Association has been formed. You can become an active member by paying \$2, or if husband and wife are both Alumni, \$3. All members sending their dues within the next 30 days will be considered as charter members. Send your present address to receive the complimentary copy of *Alumni News*. Send dues to:

WISCONSIN ACADEMY
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION,
Columbus, Wisconsin

rik W. Edwardy, former publication editor of the College of Medical Evangelists. The well-known nutritionist, M. Dorothea Van Gundy is associate editor. H. E. SCHNEIDER, Secretary-Treasurer
Southwestern Union Conference.

Food Service Manual For MV Camps

Thousands of children attending MV Camps this camping season will be partaking of foods that were planned by the Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association.

The Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association has published and distributed free of charge a 50-page Food Service Manual for MV Camps.

The prime objective of the Manual is to make the work of providing adequate food in quality and quantity for our children more enjoyable and less difficult.

Major features of the Manual include a fourteen-day nutritious menu with purchasing instructions for 50 and 100 portions in the fresh, frozen, and canned state. The nutritional requirements for growing boys and girls received careful attention in planning these menus. Variety, production aspects and moderation in costs were other factors considered.

Other sections included in the Manual are vegetable cookery, management pointers, and a host of other interesting features of value to the camp Food Director.

Anyone desiring a copy of this Manual for Pathfinder outings, church groups, academies, et cetera, may obtain one by sending two dollars to Paul S. Damazo, La Sierra College, Arlington, California.

PAUL S. DAMAZO, *Publicity Sec.*
Seventh-day Adventist
Dietetic Association.

A Clarion Call

A clarion call to medical evangelism and health education is due at this time. The history of the advent movement has been characterized by a dual ministry. Health and temperance work has always been a part of world evangelism.

But again there rings in Adventist ears the command, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that My house may be filled." A forward step is imperative; a new note must be struck. Thousands of laymen must now hear and repeat the call to medical missionary evangelism.

"Every gospel worker should feel that the giving of instruction in the principles of healthful living is a part of his appointed work. Of this work there is great need, and the world is open for it." —*Ministry of Healing*, p. 147.

If gospel workers are to give this type of instruction then they must be trained for it. Both at home and at school, the principles of healthful living must receive positive emphasis. Every church should foster an active program of health instruction, such as cooking schools, home nursing and first aid classes, and health study groups. Too long have we rested on past glory and knowledge. We do not know and practice the principles of healthful living to the extent that we are qualified as gospel workers to teach health principles to others.

On Sabbath, July 7, the emphasis of the Medical Missionary Day program is on health education and medical evangelism. Prepare to receive this clarion call and to study more deeply into the health message given to us as a people. Read again *The Story of Our Health Message*, using the newly prepared outline as a guide. Accept the call and arise to the challenge. JOYCE WILSON.

Announcing A Denominational Roadside Sign For Seventh-day Adventist Churches

Many of our pastors and churches have long-awaited a denominational roadside sign that would instantly say, "Seventh-day Adventist" wherever it might be seen throughout the land.

For more than a year and a half conference leaders, pastors, and experts of some of the largest sign manufacturers in the United States have been cooperating with the General Conference Bureau of Public Relations in developing a sign that would be truly denominational — a sign that could be used from coast to coast as a symbol of the church.

Now, after a long but fruitful trail of experimentation and research we are able to announce that the new signs are available to all our churches.

The sign's open Bible design highlighting the simple, clear words, "The Seventh-day Adventist Church" is sure to become a familiar part of your national landscape as congregations act to post the new markers liberally in their areas.

The low prices offered through the mass production facilities of a great sign company will be a real attraction, too. Full details are in the hands of the conference public relations secretaries and they are passing them on just now to the churches.

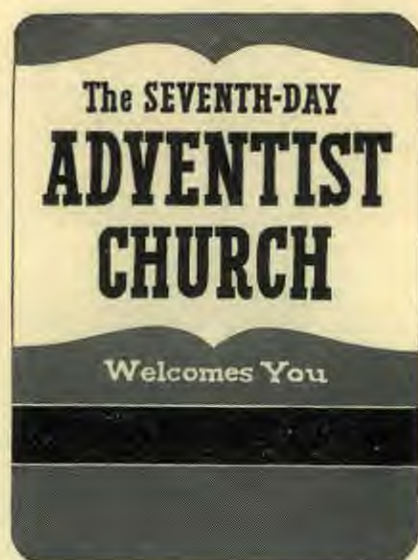
The quality of the new signs will be unsurpassed. Five applications of flexible, baked enamel and clear coating on heavy gauge metal will assure long life and good appearance. Genuine Scotchlite will be used where ordered for maximum reflection at night. Steps will be taken to prevent rust formation on the back and edges, the downfall of many signs.

Two sizes are being offered to meet a wide variety of needs: the standard size used by most other churches, 22"x30" and a larger size, 35"x48". If enough churches are interested in even larger sizes, arrangements can be made for economical production.

A tribute must be paid to the several aggressive laymen and conference leaders who have produced various signs in the past. Their pioneer work has helped to pave the way for this important step and we all owe much to them.

Your support is solicited when your pastor presents the plan to your church.

HOWARD B. WEEKS, *Secretary*
Public Relations Bureau
General Conference.



ARTIST'S SKETCH of the new Seventh-day Adventist roadside sign now available from the General Conference. Dominated by an open Bible design, the marker provides space for individual imprint on the lower part.

★ Arkansas - Louisiana

1215 Marshall St., Little Rock, Ark.
I. M. Evans, President
C. H. Gerald, Sec.-Treas.

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

Camp Meeting Highlights

The Arkansas-Louisiana Camp Meeting was held this year at Gentry, Arkansas, on the campus of the Ozark Academy. It was well attended from the beginning to the close.

More than \$4,000 was given to missions through our Sabbath school. Book and Bible House sales totaled more than \$2,500.

Each meeting throughout the day from 6:30 in the morning until the last meeting at night were all well attended.

We felt especially blessed with the splendid help from the union. W. B. Ochs, president of the North American Division, gave excellent help during the eleven o'clock hour each day and also at the night meetings. W. P. Bradley, associate secretary of the General Conference, D. A. McAdams, associate secretary of the publishing department of the General Conference; J. M. Jackson from the periodical department of the Review and Herald; H. M. S. Richards, J. O. Iversen and the Kings Heralds Quartet of the Voice of Prophecy; William A. Fagal and the Faith For Today Quartet; A. A. Leiske, moderator of the American Town Hall Forum program, were with us. Dr. C. N. Rees, Southwestern Junior College; D. H. C. Hartman, president of Union College, also M. S. Culver, dean of men from Union College; William H. Taylor, Southwestern Junior College; I. H. Ihrig from the Southern Publishing Association, and the heartiest cooperation on the part of all local ministers gave us an outstanding spiritual camp meeting long to be remembered.

Those elected to serve as conference committee members are: I. M. Evans, C. H. Gerald, W. G. Larson, R. B. Thurmon, R. E. Callicott, E. H. Lehnhoff, R. H. Wood, Perry Green and J. S. Jamison.

W. W. Welborn was elected to fill the vacancy in the Book and Bible House. V. J. Rice, former publishing secretary of the Texico Conference,

was called to be the publishing secretary of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference.

One of the most impressive and interesting meetings during the entire camp meeting was the ordination service which took place on the last Sabbath afternoon, June 9, when three of our promising young men were ordained to the gospel ministry.

Donald M. Winger, J. J. Millett and C. L. Beason. These men have served this conference faithfully and are well known and greatly loved by both the ministerial group and the laity.

Plans were completed for evangelistic efforts in practically every district. The six teachers listed in the next paragraph will assist during the summer months in these evangelistic endeavors.

James F. Ott of Little Rock, Elmer Black of Pocahontas, Gaston Wallace of Baton Rouge, Mark Dickinson of Hammond, Louisiana; Glendon Sibley of Texarkana, Arkansas; and M. M. Gutman of Shreveport, Louisiana.

George Green who taught school at DeQueen last year, is being placed on internship, assisting R. B. Thurmon of the Little Rock district, where efforts will be held in Pine Bluff, Stuttgart and Helena before the beginning of our year-around evangelistic effort in the new evangelistic center in Little Rock.

The Benton, Arkansas church, also in the Little Rock district, has a daily radio program with good response and splendid interest. We are looking forward to an increased membership throughout the entire conference as a result of the evangelistic program for this summer and the faithful follow-up of the growing interest as a result of our new union Bible school, Voice of Prophecy and the good work being done by our colporteurs and lay members.

At this time we would like to express our appreciation for the services and splendid work that has been carried on in this conference by Brother and Sister Carson Adams who had charge of our Book and Bible house for eight years.

The work grew and prospered under the leadership of Brother and Sister Adams who were well known throughout the entire conference as a result of their faithful ministry. Our prayers go with them as they enter into heavier duties and larger responsibilities in filling the call to take

charge of the Book and Bible House in the Indiana Conference which is located in Indianapolis, Indiana. Our prayer is that our ministers, colporteurs and our lay members will give the same hearty cooperation to V. J. Rice in behalf of the literature ministry as they have given to Brother Adams and W. W. Welborn.

In the little book, *Life and Teachings of Ellen G. White*, page 109, we read: "It is the very essence of all right faith to do the right thing at the right time. God is the great Master Worker, and by His providence He prepares the way for His work to be accomplished. He provides opportunities, opens up lines of influence, and channels of working. If His people are watching the indications of His providence, and stand ready to cooperate with Him, they will see a great work accomplished. Their efforts, rightly directed, will produce a hundredfold greater results than can be accomplished with the same means and facilities in another channel where God is not so manifestly working."

One of our greatest needs at this time is the continuation and completion of the new boys' dormitory at Gentry, Arkansas. Though we have launched forth by faith on this building program we were richly rewarded Sabbath morning, the last Sabbath of our camp meeting at Gentry, with an offering that will total close to \$3,000 when it is all in.

Surely God's people will be willing in the day of His power. Remember us as leaders in this great and worthy field. I. M. EVANS, President.

Over \$4,000 Given to Missions Through the Sabbath School At Camp Meeting

Each year at camp meeting it has been demonstrated that our dear people here in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference are "keeping faith" with the missionaries in the far flung mission fields. At these annual feasts, our people always contribute liberally to the mission program through the Sabbath school offerings. But this year the Sabbath school offerings were the best yet. Over \$4,000 was given on the two Sabbaths this offering was received. It hardly seems possible that so much could be given at one camp meeting when we consider the size of our conference. Surely God's people "shall be willing in the day of His power."

I think of two of our faithful be-



Mr. and Mrs. A. Conrad of Baton Rouge, Louisiana contributed \$750 to Missions at camp meeting recently held at Gentry, Arkansas. Brother Conrad is a faithful literature evangelist.

lievers who contributed almost 20% of this entire offering. They are Brother and Sister Conrad from Baton Rouge. Brother Conrad is a faithful literature evangelist who saves all year from his earnings in order to have a good offering for the Lord. They placed in the mission offering at this camp meeting \$750. Surely a sacrificial offering like this should make us all feel very humble indeed. I feel that many of us have gained an inspiration as we have seen such wonderful faith put into action. We know that the Lord of the harvest will pour such a blessing upon all those who give sacrificially that we shall not have room enough to receive it.

There are thousands and thousands of people in the far-flung mission fields with hands outstretched, seeking funds to carry on the great soul-winning program. Our own dark counties and parishes cry for the message. To the great constituency in the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference, let us accept the challenge to arise and finish that great work in this our day of unbounded opportunities.

W. G. LARSON, *Secretary*
H. M. and S. S. Depts.

"For I Was An Hungered, And Ye Gave Me Meat"

"For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in; I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me." (Matt. 25:35-36)

Someone went from door to door leaving truth-filled literature with

an enrollment card lovingly tucked inside. That card was sent in to the 20th Century Bible Course in Little Rock. The first two lessons were studied, the test papers filled out and on their way back to the office with the following note: "I suppose I will never know who left that little card in my door one day, and I suppose eternity alone can tell how thankful I am to that person whoever it might have been, that gave me my start with the 20th Century Bible Course."

Back in March of this year a letter came to us from a lady saying she had received the first two lessons and a letter inviting her to enroll in the Bible course. She wrote: "I know nothing about my name being on your list. However, I am returning the test papers which I have prepared. I would like to know how this came about and the full details." Today she has only to return the last two lessons for grading, to receive her Certificate of Award. She has been a very fine interest and now asks for prayer that she would understand the lesson on the Sabbath and added that by His help she wanted to keep the commandments.

Robert H. Wood of Baton Rouge wrote about news from Baton Rouge a few weeks ago which was of much interest relative to a Baptist minister who was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Someone gave him an opportunity to enroll in the Bible course; he attended Sabbath services. An excerpt from a letter we received a few days ago tells how others had watered the little seed that was planted in his heart. "... I was just baptized May 12. I made my decision sometime ago, but only joined the church last month. I wanted to know more about the precious Word of God. ... I have enrolled others with me. You see, I have been a Baptist since my early youth, having preached the gospel in the Baptist Church for about 20 years. I. M. Evans sent me a book, *The Great Controversy*, last summer while I was still very definitely a Baptist. ... I only say that as God leads, I'll follow. Whenever, wherever, however He leads, I want to follow."

John 4:37 tells us that one soweth and another reapeth. Many are hungry, thirsty, strangers, sick in sin and in prison. Others are seeking, searching for truth — willing at all cost to say as our brother, "As God leads, I'll follow." MAUDE E. HENDRIXSON.

S. O. S.

If many Seventh-day Adventist churches here in our conference would hold a Vacation Bible School



W. G. Larson

this summer, we would reach hundreds of children whom it would be difficult to reach in any other way. The months of July and August are the months especially suited here in our conference for conducting Vacation Bible Schools. There will be other denominations right in your own town who will be having a Vacation Bible School this summer, and I am very pleased that we, too, are becoming alerted to this very fine type of Christian service.

Vacation time is a challenge to the church, because thousands of children pour out of the public schools and many of them have no place else but the streets to go to spend their time. Police authorities tell us that juvenile delinquency problems increase in vacation months. The reason is that the idle minds and hands of the children will have activity; and if good activity is not provided for them, the devil quickly tempts them to go in the wrong way. We should tempt them with good by giving them the privilege of attending one of our Vacation Bible Schools. When this is done, this Vacation Bible school may become the nucleus for a branch Sabbath school. The branch Sabbath school often grows into a regular Sabbath school, and the Sabbath school into an organized church.

The supreme objective of the Vacation Bible School, as well as of all Sabbath school activities, is the winning of souls to Christ. The Vacation Bible School offers a very enticing type of evangelism because the children enjoy singing, story telling, scripture lesson, nature study, handicraft, games, exercises and demonstrations. The various age groups should be catered to, with the instruction and activities adapted to the proper age level. All this, of course, requires good organization by the church and the choosing of leaders and teachers capable for this varied program.

We trust that your church will have a Vacation Bible School this

summer. We stand ready to help you in every way that we possibly can. The Sabbath school and the Missionary Volunteer departments join hands in the Vacation Bible Schools. The Missionary Volunteer department has a long list of useful things to do and make. They can also provide a wide field to choose from in planning for the activities of the Vacation Bible Schools. The Master Guides in your church and Missionary Volunteer leadership will gladly join with the Sabbath school leadership in making these schools a success. The Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer departments will supply you with a list of recommended hobbies and crafts and tell you where to get the materials. Because the children are asked to pay for all craft materials used for the individual's work, this type of instruction pays for itself. However, we are asking the church to pay for the workbooks and the other material that go along with the Vacation Bible School, and the conference will subsidize them 50% of all materials purchased.

The question is sometimes asked, "Where can we hold a Vacation Bible School?" They have been held successfully in connection with the church building, using the various children's rooms for the different groups. Some have been held in the church school building. You may decide that yourself as to the best suitable location.

Another question is asked, "How long should they be held?" These schools have been held successfully with very good interest from one to six weeks. The length of time depends on the condition of the community as well as the availability of leadership, etc. We feel that a good time would be from ten days to two weeks. In fact we would like our Vacation Bible Schools here in our conference to be at least ten days. In most cases the time the school has been held is in the morning from 9:00 to 12:00, but of course you can arrange the hours that are most convenient.

Now, "How to begin?" Call together the Sabbath school council, which is composed of the pastor and/or elder and the Sabbath school officers. It would be well also to invite the Sabbath school teachers, the Missionary Volunteer leader and the home missionary leader to attend, because their help and leadership will be needed in planning for and in conducting the Vacation Bible School.

Pray that the Lord will bless and guide in this work. Choose the leaders and other personnel for the various age groups that you expect to come. Also choose sufficient teachers to give instruction and to lead out in the different activities which may be decided upon in connection with the school. Decide what crafts or activities will be taught, and purchase the necessary materials. Decide on the date to begin and the length of time the school should be held.

Prepare a nice banner or poster to put in front of the church or place where the Vacation Bible School will be held. Have some announcements and invitations printed. Take them from house to house, giving a personal invitation to the parents to send their children. Tell them of the beautiful songs, the nice stories, and the interesting character-building activities and crafts. The children will come, for experience has demonstrated that personal invitations extended in a sufficiently wide territory will bring plenty of children. The Sand Springs, Oklahoma church has a membership of only 58 but they conducted a Vacation Bible School last summer with an enrollment of 116 — thanks to the leadership of Sister Bond who led out in the school.

It is recommended that we set aside the last Thursday night as graduation night. Invite the parents of the children to attend. Display the things the children made and have them tell some of the things they have learned. You will see how much the parents will appreciate this.

Just as sure as you hold a Vacation Bible School, you will find an interest springing up in this message on the part of both the children and parents. Of course, you will plan to follow it up with either a branch Sabbath school, Sunday school or a weekly story hour or some other recognized missionary endeavor such as a Pathfinder Club.

Where possible you should not miss the opportunity to invite the boys and girls to the regular Sabbath school. Doors will also be opened for Bible studies in the homes where both parents and children might be led to accept the truth.

REMEMBER, PASTORS, a good time to hold evangelistic meetings is following a Vacation Bible School.

Why not place your order for your Vacation Bible School material right

away. Place this order through your church missionary secretary. She will send this order on to the Book and Bible House. And remember, the conference will pay for half of the material. A turtle will never get anywhere unless he first sticks out his neck.

The Lord has instructed us, "We may bring hundreds and thousands of children to Christ if we will work for them." — *Counsels to Parents, Teachers and Students*, page 172.

In view of this counsel, we are calling upon our churches here in the conference to put on a great evangelistic program to win scores of children to Christ this summer through Vacation Bible Schools. We stand ready to help you in every way.

W. G. LARSON, *Secretary*
H. M. and S. S. Depts.

★ Oklahoma

525 N. W. 13th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
W. A. Dessain, President
E. L. Moore, Sec.-Treas.

Welcome to Oklahoma Panhandle

We are happy to welcome Dr. R. W. McMullen to the Oklahoma Panhandle. He has just recently opened his office in Guymon, Oklahoma. Dr. McMullen comes to us from the Takoma Hospital at Greeneville, Tennessee, with a wealth of experience behind him. After graduating from CME in 1944, he spent two and one-half years in the army, stationed at Siapan. His wife and family were among the first group allowed to go overseas after the war. They later accepted a call to foreign mission service in China. They had been there but a short time when the communists



Dr. R. W. McMullen

SPECIAL SPEAKERS

FOR

Oklahoma Camp Meeting

August 16 - 25

Voice of Prophecy Group	August 17-19
(Friday to Sunday noon)	
W. R. French	August 19-25
N. F. Brewer	August 18-25
W. P. Bradley	August 18-25
W. L. Barclay, returned missionary . . .	August 20-25
L. C. Evans, Southwestern Union Conf. Pres.	August 16-25
J. M. Jackson	August 18-20
Dr. Lawrence Joers, Ardmore San. and Hosp.	August 21-25
W. A. Scharffenberg	August 17-19
Detamore Evangelistic Team	August 23-25

W. A. DESSAIN, President.

took over and the doctor and his wife and son, Ronnie, were forced to flee for their lives, escaping death by only a matter of minutes. After returning to the homeland, the McMullens settled in Greeneville, Tennessee where the doctor was connected with the Takoma Hospital. They have been located there for five years.

We give Dr. and Mrs. McMullen, Ronald, Dennis, and Gerald, a hearty welcome to the great Southwest and to the many missionary opportunities for service here. We pray that God may richly bless the doctor as he makes his home in our midst.

EARNEST A. LEMON,
District Leader.

The Lord Is Coming!

"My brethren, the Lord is coming, and we need to bend every energy to the accomplishment of the work before us. I appeal to you to give yourselves wholly to the work. Christ gave His time, His soul, His strength, to labor for the benefit and blessing of humanity." *Gospel Workers*, p. 115.

Should we do less? Is not Christ our example? Are we not to be like Him? Yes, the Lord is coming! We agree to that. Then, dear fellow believers, let the urgency of the hour be impressed upon our minds that we may respond to the call to put forth extra effort.

I want to tell you about a family that has proved by its actions that



Sgt. and Mrs. Layton Gentry

each one believes the above statements. In the accompanying picture is Sgt. Layton Gentry and his wife. He is active in the U. S. Army serving his country. They became Seventh-day Adventists while he was in the Army and as a result they have had many difficulties to overcome for their faith. It has only served to make them stronger. While they are earnestly awaiting the day when they will be free to spend their entire time in the Lord's army, they are not idly waiting until that day to get started.

Shortly after arriving in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, from Japan, Sgt. Gentry expressed a desire to canvass. He was sent a prospectus and canvass for the *Drama of the Ages*. This was just before he had to leave on the Louisiana Sage Brush Operation. Not having had any help or experience as yet, he wondered how he could use this material to share his faith while active in this army operation. After praying earnestly over

the matter and asking the Lord to open the way, he waited patiently to be used. Soon he noticed a Lieutenant reading his Bible. Feeling this to be the answer to his prayers, he engaged the officer in conversation and canvassed him on the *Drama*. The officer gave him an order and paid cash. With this encouragement, Sgt. Gentry continued his progressive work and as a result he had over \$200 in cash orders before he returned to Fort Sill.

In addition to his work for the army, Sgt. Gentry is a very active missionary leader in the Lawton church. He sets a real example with the many Bible studies he conducts each week as well as the strong literature evangelist program he carries on. Yes, this fine Christian family believes the Lord is coming soon and that extra efforts to this end are not fruitless. Souls are being baptized and they will surely have many stars in their crowns as a result of their influence and efforts.

How about you, dear reader; do you have extra time that should be used for the benefit and blessing of humanity? If you feel impressed to use this time in the work, why not contact your local publishing secretary for information regarding the literature ministry? Do it today!

M. L. MOOERS.

★ Texas

2838 Hemphill St., Fort Worth 4, Texas
N. R. Dower, President
O. J. Bell, Sec.-Treas.

Four Ministers Ordained At Camp Meeting

Four young Texas workers were ordained to the gospel ministry the last Sabbath of camp meeting, June 9. Ordained were Henry Barron, pastor of the Grand Prairie district, H. M. S. Richards, Jr., pastor of the Wichita Falls district, W. S. Hancock, pastor of the Austin district, and Ralph Pueschel, pastor of the Paris district.

N. R. Dower, conference president, led out in the ordination service. He was assisted by H. E. Schneider, secretary-treasurer of the Southwestern Union Conference, H. M. S. Richards, Sr., Voice of Prophecy speaker, and L. K. Dickson, vice-president of the General Conference.

All of the young ministers ordained are graduates of Seventh-day



H. A. Barron



W. S. Hancock



Ralph C. Pueschel

H. M. S. Richards,
Jr.

Adventist colleges, and have had at least four years pastoral and evangelistic experience since graduation.

ALTUS E. HAYES.

"Wonderful Texas Camp Meeting"

From my porch I look out over Putnam Field where nearly 3,000 individuals have gathered together under the Big Tent at SWJC for the Texas Camp Meeting during the past week. Many visitors from other worlds and from the glorious realms beyond the stars have walked here among us, impressing hearts to choose life we cannot know, but that they walked among us we are assured by His Word and by the evidence of their association with us.

The ground has been holy. "When earthly things shall have passed away . . . these dwellers in the eternal tabernacles will not be strangers." *C.O.L.*, p. 373. For we have associated with them at the "Wonderful Texas Camp Meeting" of 1956, and the best part of it all is they still accompany us wherever we are.

INEZ STORIE CARR,

Keene Publicity Secretary.

Biennial Session Recommendations

The following actions were taken by a unanimous vote at the recent Texas Conference Biennial Session held on the campus of Southwestern Junior College, Keene, Texas:

WHEREAS, The last days of this earth's history are here, and

WHEREAS, The Master has told us this gospel of the kingdom shall be



Two circus type tents were pitched side by side and joined to provide an auditorium for the Texas Camp Meeting, May 31 to June 9. The tent was filled nearly every night during the week with a seating capacity of 2,500. In years past, Turner Auditorium has been used, but with a seating capacity of 1,700 it is now too small for weekend and evening crowds.

preached . . . and then shall the end come, it was

VOTED To recommend that we address our thinking, planning and working to the finishing of the work, and that every Seventh-day Adventist church in the Texas Conference be a lighted church every Sunday night, and that at least two series of revival or evangelistic meetings be held in

each church each year, and that the laymen be encouraged to lead out in a strong way.

VOTED To recommend that during the next biennial period a new church be established in each district throughout the conference.

VOTED To recommend that every church in the district be strengthened by encouraging the strong churches



This picture shows the primary children at camp meeting. Just visit one of the young people's departments, and it is easy to understand why the children like to go to camp meeting. The primary department under the leadership of Mrs. O. J. Bell had their own children's choir. The 35-member choir was under the leadership of Mrs. Ruth Hancock, wife of the pastor of the Austin church.



Adding to the atmosphere of camp meeting were 55 family tents pitched on the campus of Southwestern Junior College to help provide accommodations for those attending. All tents were used. Also filled were all dormitories, and in addition the citizens of Keene provided accommodations for hundreds more. L. F. Webb, assistant conference treasurer, was locating chairman. Finding accommodations for the growing camp meeting crowds gets to be a bigger problem each year.

and strengthening the weak ones. That we make membership mean much, and

That we renew our endeavors to get people into the church — that we get them all the way into the church — and that we manifest love, tact and interest in them and keep them in the church.

That we cooperate with our Maker and enlarge the membership in all the small churches.

That we look with favor upon missionary minded families to leave if possible the larger churches and move into areas where our weak churches need help.

Winning Souls the Story Hour Way

Mrs. Billie Smith of Pharr, and Mrs. Mildred Virgin of Alice, related outstanding soul-winning experiences during the Home Missionary Hour at



Mrs. Billie Smith and Mrs. Mildred Virgin

camp meeting. Last summer Mrs. Smith and the Pharr church launched a full scale Vacation Bible School. The attendance was nearly 100 with most denominations in the area represented. This was followed by a Story Hour with success. Mrs. Virgin has been conducting a Story Hour in the city of Alice with over 40 chil-

dren attending regularly. Nearly all of these children are from non-Adventist homes. The newspaper gave the Story Hour a feature write-up, and pictured the school and teacher. Parents of the children attending know the Story Hour is sponsored by Seventh-day Adventists. The soul-winning program on this particular day of camp meeting was under the direction of M. H. Jensen, conference home missionary secretary.

Conference Depot

The first box to arrive at our newly opened conference depot was brought in by the Keene society. We are happy to report that the first box was properly packed, labeled and sealed. We congratulate the Keene society.

I am sure that all our societies in Texas are justly proud of their new building. It represents an investment of about \$12,000. Our societies have given willingly and freely to this worthy project. And the men of Cleburne, Keene, Valley View, Mineral Wells, Waco, Fort Worth and Grand Prairie donated many long, hard hours. Now that the job is finished we are ready to receive clothing. Boxes and labels have been sent out. Also instructions as to how the boxes are to be packed. When our building is filled we will have many tons of food and clothing in case of disasters which we know are coming.



The Keene Dorcas Welfare Society was the first society in the conference to bring a box to the new Texas Conference Welfare Depot. From left to right: Mrs. G. K. DeLaune, leader of the Keene society; Mrs. Byron Alexander, chairman of the conference welfare depot committee; Mrs. M. H. Jensen, secretary; John Hindbaugh, and M. H. Jensen.

Our societies have voted to pay from \$2.00 to \$5.00 a month for the upkeep of the depot and to build up an emergency fund. A number of our societies have already sent in the full amount for the entire year. Our churches are proud of their building and they want it to be the best in looks and efficiency. And at this end we are endeavoring to make it just that. In this project we believe we are following the example of our Lord, carrying out the instruction given us in the Spirit of prophecy and doing our part as American citizens in the field of civil defense.

M. H. JENSEN.

Another Evangelistic Team Added

N. R. Dower, conference president, announced at camp meeting that the Barron Brothers team would be added immediately to Texas' growing program of evangelism. This makes two teams devoting their full time to evangelism in the Texas Conference.



The Barron Brothers

According to present plans, the new team will open their first meeting in Beaumont the night of July 8.

Henry has been a Texas Conference worker for the past four years, and is an experienced singing evangelist, having worked with Stanley Harris and others. Richard has just come to the Texas Conference from Texico where he was a successful pastor-evangelist. According to present plans, Richard will preach all but one night a week when Henry will take over.

Those who have friends in the Beaumont area who are prospects for this message should send names and addresses to J. H. Wardrop, 770 Pipkin, Beaumont, Texas. Pray for these talented young men as they launch in this new program to help finish the work in Texas.

ALTUS E. HAYES.

It Happened In Texas

★ The Texas Conference 20th Century Bible School will be closing as of July 1. On that date, the local

conference school will be incorporated in the Southwestern Union Conference school that is to serve the entire Southwest territory. The new school will be called TRUTH FOR TODAY. The Texas Conference school has operated since 1946, and has been an effective soul-winning agency during this time. During the past year 122 Bible school interests were baptized in Texas. Any Bible school enrollments received at the office after July 1 will be forwarded to the Southwestern Union Conference office.

★ Sabbath school offerings taken at camp meeting totaled \$2,329.46. During the eleven o'clock hour each Sabbath, special offerings were taken for Texas Evangelism and Missions. For missions, the offerings totaled \$5,214.95, and for Texas Evangelism \$4,924.79. Camp meeting expense taken each evening totaled \$1,759.45, bringing the total offerings during the meeting to \$14,228.65. It is through the sacrifice and liberality of our people that the work continues to go forward.

★ The Detamore-Turner-Holley evangelistic team is on loan to the Oklahoma Conference for the summer months. During this time they will conduct three major efforts, the first meeting opened in Tulsa, Sunday evening, June 17. The team will return to Texas in the fall to resume its program of evangelism in this field.

★ W. E. Burns, conference educational secretary, reports that 786 students were enrolled in local church schools during the school year just ended. He also announced that three new schools will be added next year.

ALTUS E. HAYES,
Publicity Secretary.

★ Texico

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

Book and Bible House News

"Signs of the Times"

Have you renewed that *Signs* subscription to your loved ones, neighbors, or friends? There is still a little time left to get in on the special campaign price. Until the end of June you can send individual subscriptions for only \$1.70 or get a club of *Signs* to one address for \$1.60 each. Be sure to continue bombard-

ing your mailing list with the messages of love that will eventually bring them into a knowledge of the truth. Place your order with your local church missionary secretary today or mail direct to the Texico Book and Bible House, 410 West 16th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas. Time is at a premium, so respond today!

Sacred Recordings

Are you taking advantage of the many beautiful sacred recordings that are now available to you through CHAPEL RECORDS? Record speeds in 78, 45, and 33-1/3 RPM are available as well as recorded tapes. If you wish to have a CHAPEL RECORD catalog, just write to your Texico Book and Bible House today for a free copy. Make your own vesper service in the home more enjoyable.

News Item

Every Sabbath school officer and teacher will want a copy of the new handbook for the Sabbath school entitled, *Sabbath School Manual*. This little book in cloth is compact and very concise but presents an authoritative history and comprehensive survey of the organization of the Sabbath school. The function of each officer is analyzed in detail and every phase of the Sabbath school work is explained. Just off the press and now available for only \$2.00 plus 15c mailing. Order today.

Joe-Joe The Monkey

Yes, another new animal story is yours just for the asking. Just now available and in a very attractive orange cloth cover is this story of Joe-Joe. Youngsters will thoroughly enjoy the story of this monkey who was first the center of attraction at a world-famous circus and later became a little boy's pet. You will find the story full of humorous antics. Twenty-four full-page illustrations by Harry J. Baerg complete this excellent new book. The author is Bonnie K. Tillman. Order a copy today at only \$1.50 plus 15c mailing.

Farm Animal Color Book

Another member has been added to the Adventist color book family! Yes, this time it is entitled *Farm Animals Color Book* and the price is 30c. Harry and Ida May Baerg have added a new feature to this attractive color book — a miniature in four colors of each picture to be used as a color guide. Send for yours soon.

Key in the Hand

From the pen of one of the vice-presidents of the General Conference,

Elder Louis K. Dickson, comes this discussion of prayer and its practical application to today's living. Elder Dickson draws from his background of experience as a minister, and although much has been written on this subject of prayer, he is quick to express his convictions that it is impossible to place too much emphasis upon communication with God through prayer. Do you desire a more abundant prayer life with the Master? Why not obtain a copy of *Key in the Hand today?* \$1.75 Kivar bound, plus 15c mailing.

Julie Otis, Student Nurse

A very interesting and well written story on the many excellent possibilities of the nursing profession are told in the new book *Julie Otis, Student Nurse*, by Betty Stirling. This volume will inspire many young people to prepare for a life of service in the field of nursing. Those who have taken training to become a registered nurse will live again the many humorous and sometimes very embarrassing situations which confronted them in their training. The author, in her unique way, has been able to capture the sacredness of the calling of both the relief of the sufferings of humanity and the privilege of pointing the way to a better life, bringing them together in such a way that they seem as one calling. This is the calling of *Julie Otis, Student Nurse*. Kivar bound, the price is \$2.75, plus 15c mailing. This is a book you will enjoy. Order today!

The Tiny Tots Library

Have you taken advantage yet of the new set of three books made available especially for pre-school children? We have been shy on books for the tiny tots but we believe you will thoroughly enjoy reading these little volumes to your little ones. The books are filled with color that has an eye appeal to the children. The three books in the set are *Bible A B C's*, *Bible Firsts*, and *Boys and Girls of the Bible*. They are written by Charles L. Paddock. These books sell for \$7.75 but they carry a subscription discount to our membership. This means that you can have the entire set of 3 books for \$4.65 plus 15c mailing. Be sure to add this delightful set to your library today. Texico Book and Bible House, 410 West 16th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas.

D. E. LATHAM,
Manager.



Faith For Today Portable Display

Ready for use at fairs and expositions immediately.

The time for fairs and expositions will soon be here. Already some of you are planning how best to take advantage of these assemblies to impress visitors with the work and ministry of Seventh-day Adventists.

In response to repeated requests, Faith For Today this year has prepared a ready-made exhibit. Our artist has designed an attractive and easy-to-use unit that we hope will help to draw visitors to your booth. The following particulars may help you in your plans for your displays.

Dimensions — 48" high, 36" wide, 10" deep; additional few inches for easel at back.

Design — Stands on table (surface should be about 24"x36"). Built-in racks for TV logs and enrollment cards. Space provided for listing time and channel of local station. No setting-up necessary; just plug in cord for florescent light.

Shipping — Comes set up in own shipping case. Shipping weight: 26 lbs.

This exhibit is ready for immediate shipment. Please send your orders in early so that the routing can be planned for maximum efficiency.

D. N. HARTMAN, Treasurer.

Important Notice About "Desire of Ages" TV Lessons

Many people are writing to the Faith For Today office to ask which edition of *Desire of Ages* to use with the new Life of Christ TV Bible Lessons. The answer is: use any edition!

The new lessons are paged in harmony with the new dollar book of the year edition of *Desire of Ages* that is now coming off the press. However, each lesson is titled exactly like the chapter headings of the book. These are identical in every edition.

So what do you do if you decide to use your old copy of *Desire of Ages*? Simply ignore the page ref-

erences as listed in the lessons, and instead, follow the chapter headings. The answers are all there waiting for you.

We do think, though, that you will wish to buy from your Book and Bible House two copies, at least of *Desire of Ages* in the new colored cover edition, even if you do already own a copy or two. Give one copy to a friend, and send another to Faith For Today, Box 8, New York 8, N. Y., for use in the Bible School.

You'll be glad you had a part in demonstrating to the world that Seventh-day Adventists do believe in Jesus Christ and that salvation comes only through His sacrifice on the cross. Let's roll up the biggest record in our history for this wonderful 800-page commentary on the Life of Christ. This project is one of the best things we have ever attempted for a dying world. Let's study it ourselves and give it away by the dozen.

FAITH FOR TODAY,
D. N. Hartman, Treasurer.

Along the Free TV Trail

As Faith For Today passes the end of the first quarter in 1956, the number of TV stations giving free time to our program is increasing. Don Roth, public relations department of the Columbia Union, has contacted TV stations that formerly carried the Adventist telecast on a pay basis. His experience in Atlanta, Georgia, is a thrilling example of God's power to spread the gospel on TV.

Accompanied by O. D. Wright, pastor of the Atlanta church, Brother Roth called on the program manager with the request that Faith For Today be carried free instead of paid as before. To their surprise and delight, the program manager agreed, saying he would open up a time slot for the program. He told of the public reaction when Faith For Today cancelled its paid contract and was discontinued. A flood of mail came in to the station from all over the state, requesting that the program be reinstated. In a few weeks time Atlanta will again be seeing Faith For Today.

The free TV trail has been blazed into new areas in Canada, notwithstanding local pressure for exclusive United Church of Canada television privileges. One station that discontinued our kinescope program is now

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Parents' Exchange

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

Parents Have Every Advantage

The best sources of instruction known to man are available to the home.

1. What is an unfailing source of instruction and delight to the little child?

"To the little child, . . . nature presents an unfailing source of instruction and delight." —*Edu.*, p. 100.

2. What is the best kind of school-room?

"For the first eight or ten years of a child's life the field or garden is the best schoolroom, the mother the best teacher, nature the best lesson-book." —*Ed.*, p. 208.

3. Why should nature be used as a textbook?

So far as possible, let the child from his earliest years be placed where this wonderful lesson-book shall be open before him. . . . In no other way can the foundation of a true education be so firmly and surely laid." —*Edu.*, pp. 100, 101.

4. What will give your child mental power?

"In childhood, youth, and manhood, Jesus studied the Scriptures. . . . And since He gained knowledge as we may gain it, His wonderful power, both mental and spiritual, is a testimony to the value of the Bible as a means of education." —*Edu.*, p. 185.

5. How often should parents study the Bible with their children?

"Parents should take time daily for Bible study with their children." —*Ed.*, p. 186.

6. How can we interest the child in the Scriptures?

"In order to interest our children in the Bible, we ourselves must be interested in it." —*Edu.*, p. 187.

7. What should act as a guide in teaching children the Bible?

"In teaching children the Bible, we may gain much by observing the bent of their minds, the things in which they are interested." —*Edu.*, p. 188.

8. What portion has the greatest educational value?

"As an educator, no part of the Bible is of greater value than are its biographies." —*Edu.*, p. 146.

Child Guidance



Photo by H. A. Roberts

"Worship can be made the most interesting activity of the day."

"The child's first teacher is the mother." —*Edu.*, p. 275.

Did You Know —

—That families should be together on Sabbath?

—That Sabbath can be the most delightful day of the week?

—That Josephine C. Edwards has a most heart-warming story in the *Review* on "Keeping Sabbath With the Children"?

Prisoners Plan Bible Reading Program

Prisoners at Western State Penitentiary in Pittsburgh, Pa., have made plans for a Bible-reading campaign. The men planned the Bible-reading crusade themselves and distributed several hundred daily reading bookmarks, furnished by the American Bible Society, to fellow inmates.

A Pet In My Garden

Bobby, guess what I saw in our garden last evening. A four legged creature, dark brown in color with a long, sticky tongue fastened to the front of its mouth instead of at the back as ours is. It can force poison out of its pores at its pleasure or anger, and, if it wants new clothes it simply peels off its old suit and swallows it. Most astonishing of all, it sometimes pushes its food down its throat with its eyeballs! Now here is a clue that may help you guess. It has wart-like humps on its back and hops along on the ground. Yes, you are right. It's a toad. Toads are most helpful. They render valuable assistance to gardeners and flower lovers. It is true, Bobby, their old wrinkled skin can be taken off about like a boy takes off his sweater. If Mr. Toad is hungry, and he usually is, he may eat his cast off suit. His new coat has a rich gloss for a while, then it slowly loses its luster.

If a puppy or an inexperienced cat picks up a toad in its mouth the glands along the side of the toad's head exude a poison that causes the saliva to become bitter and foamy. Mr. Toad is seldom molested twice by the same animal. If you take your belt in one hand and flip it at some thing you may see how a toad's tongue works. It is a marvel of speed and accuracy. Toads are absolutely harmless. They can't even give anybody warts. They become used to their surroundings and will stay many years in the same locality if not molested. Some gardeners regard them as pets. Not many people have seen toads run. Of course, it is not running as we know it but they can cover the ground about as fast as you can for several yards. Mr. Toad raises his body from the ground as far as he is able and travels along at astonishing speed in a succession of rapid hops with only his toes touching the ground. Always be careful not to harm Mr. Toad. He is humble and harmless and best of all, very useful. God made him to be a friend to farmers and gardeners.

T. E. BANKS.

Along the Free TV Trail

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favorably considering the new filmed series.

Another area now opening up to telecast is Alaska, which boasts four TV outlets in two cities, Anchorage and Fairbanks. Three of the four stations have now requested Faith For Today — on a free basis, of course.

Amazing in its implications is the continuing expansion of the Air Force Faith For Today TV network. Starting on one pioneer station in Limestone, Maine, this network has grown to 14, spanning both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. The Advent message now reaches servicemen and their families and civilian employees stationed in the far north as well as those located in the tropics, the burning Arab deserts and islands of the seas. The wings of the United States Air Force by means of TV films are flinging the last warning message to the far corners of the world — places often closed to the living preacher.

Yes, the free TV trail laces the airways in an ever-extending search for the lost. May the day soon come when the gospel will have reached the last honest heart, that our Lord may return to claim His own.

Excerpts From Bible School Letters

"I have always believed that Saturday is the Sabbath day, but how can we keep it when there is not a church near here to go to? We can still keep the seventh day in our homes. How can I teach my seven-year-old son that Saturday is the Sabbath when he has always been taught that Sunday is the right day?"—Ohio

"I never realized that Saturday was the Sabbath until I studied these lessons. I am going to try to observe the Sabbath from now on, although, as you pointed out in a previous lesson, it will be harder to unlearn something than to learn something new."—Pa.

From a prisoner due to be electrocuted this summer. "Mrs. McKay: I guess you know I am a real happy fellow now since my pastor's visit. There aren't any words that express just how much better it made me feel. Now when someone talks about his pastor, I can tell about mine, and he said he was glad to be my pastor, too.

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LITERATURE EVANGELISM

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1956

Bruce M. Wickwire, Union Publishing Secretary

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA

Wayne W. Welborn, Pub. Sec.

Glenn Cox, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Frank Davis, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Delmar Cook, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Name	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Alverdo, Mrs. E.	8	60.75	60.75
Barnum, Geo. R.	145	544.70	1275.20
Bragg, Peter	35	165.00	526.10
Butler, Mrs. Ida	8	35.20	35.20
Chaney, M. H.	158	927.05	805.45
Conrad, Mrs. A.	141	1680.40	668.85
Cook, Mrs. Delmer	5		124.50
Cook, Marjorie	12	91.75	
Cox, Mrs. Blanche	61	233.85	233.85
Cox, Glenn	47	504.00	504.00
Fitzner, Henry	96	85.00	85.00
Galljour, Luke	155	890.40	630.15
Galljour, Mrs. Luke	128	605.15	605.15
Gaspard, Felix	77	266.35	411.00
Gifford, Mrs. Annie	10	35.00	35.00
Green, Jon	11	53.85	74.80
Gurley, Mr. and Mrs.	42	296.65	24.25
Hinesley, E. E.	161	773.95	457.25
Kunze, Paul	141	943.55	877.35
Long, C. W.	140	694.80	694.80
McKee, Orvis	97	199.95	71.70
McMurry, E. J.	146	898.00	898.00
Purcell, Mrs. Bertha	47	61.75	60.75
Riddle, Larry	190	1026.00	1026.00
Ruckstuhl, Leo	142	1119.11	140.45
Sampson, Clarence	140	2273.15	88.00
Sherrard, Raymond	15	25.00	25.00
Uhrig, Mrs. Pearl	121	555.10	555.10
Wilkin, Roy C.	236	946.20	1280.05
Wimpy, James	35	135.70	267.95
Welborn, W. W.	3		160.75
Zacharias, D. W.	3	51.75	51.75

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OKLAHOMA

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Frank Miller, Asst. Pub. Sec.

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Name	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Cagle, Mrs. C. B.	125	173.76	173.76
Caldwell, James R.	142	272.65	272.65
Caldwell, Rosa	6	6.40	6.40
Cavin, Enid	127	342.62	342.62
East, Lucille	26	72.95	72.95
Fraser, D. C.	80	207.70	207.70
Gentry, Layton	50	432.51	432.51
Greenwood, T. R.	168	535.47	535.47
Hart, Azalee	11	19.45	19.45
Hart, Bessie	92	81.37	81.37
Hill, Ruth	31	162.20	162.20
Kasiska, D.	175	202.08	202.08
Kirkpatrick, Mrs. J.	28	90.62	90.62
Krueger, Esther	6	54.10	54.10
Magazine Workers		210.00	210.00
Neprash, Eden	127	192.46	192.46
Obst, Bernice	47	105.79	105.79
Okie, F. L.	47	46.75	46.75
Pearson, Neil	34	87.74	87.74
Qualls, Earl	98	472.30	472.30
Robbins, Verna	40	242.53	242.53
Rowe, Carl	92	232.32	232.32
Schilt, Mrs. M. L.	76	165.41	165.41
Shaw, Edith	42	72.95	72.95
Sullivan, Constance	102	101.16	101.16
Todd, Christine		28.96	28.96
Wayland, Bernice	56	107.71	107.71
Narcotics Education	180	1095.12	1095.12

STUDENTS

Caldwell, Dianne	8	16.30	16.30
Caldwell, Sheryle	8	16.30	16.30
Kasiska, Carolyn	5	35.00	35.00
Quindt, Richard	74	183.45	183.45

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TEXAS

J. T. Mason, Pub. Sec.

W. B. Hunt, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Herbert Morgan, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Leona Sackett, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Name	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Allmen, Mrs. Grace	22	38.25	38.25
*Baker, Fern	280	467.10	467.10
Biles, Mrs. J. F.	39	98.70	98.70
Billingsley, Mrs. H.	109	205.00	205.00
Blakeway, Mrs. O.	57	75.55	75.55
Brown, Leta	60	324.60	324.60
Cone, Nora L.	56	75.25	45.00
Crews, J. M.	35	116.70	116.70
Davis, J. H.	122	558.75	558.75
Davis, Mrs. R.	34	85.90	95.05
Decker, W. H.	6	39.70	39.70
Domondon, Cornelia	3	23.00	11.25
Fenske, H. E.	93	145.50	145.50
Gilmore, Mrs. W. D.	16	3.50	3.50
Guthrie, Mrs. Edythe	113	414.50	414.50
Holmes, R. D.	2	53.95	53.95
Huenergardt, A. B.	12	51.00	58.00
Jones, Margaret H.	25	28.70	28.70
Kaser, Kathleen	58	236.00	236.00
Kelley, Mrs. A. H.	152	229.50	229.50
Kenyon, Mrs. O.	50	128.45	128.45
*Langford, Mrs. M.	499	658.10	658.10
McCormick, Mrs. D.		48.90	48.90
McGee, Maye	142	219.70	219.70
Martin, Mrs. Fred	6	65.50	65.50
Miscellaneous Mag.	240	589.00	589.00
Owens, Ruby	57	145.75	145.75
Reinholtz, Erna	8	66.55	66.55
Rettig, Mrs. Cassie	14	131.00	131.00
Sampson, D. A.	13	26.40	26.40
Sherrill, Mrs. Edgar	124	571.25	370.85
Spear, L. B.	120	223.50	145.25
Stevens, Frances	17	53.75	
*Storey, R. H.	140	101.73	101.73
Temple, F. E.	205	1547.65	1547.65
Tidwell, M. L.	165	739.90	739.90
Tidwell, Mrs. M.	142	542.90	542.90
Trager, Katherine	20	101.20	101.20
Underdown, Plez	202	1140.00	1140.00
Weaver, Bob	40	268.30	268.30
Wickwire, B. M.	8		378.70
Williams, Earl	182	1297.30	1297.30
Williams, Mrs. Earl	84	536.65	536.65
Woodall, A. R.	2	36.25	36.25

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TEXICO

Victor J. Rice, Pub. Sec.

J. D. Spiva, Asst. Pub. Sec.

Name	Hours	Orders	Deliv.
Abilene District			
BH Sublett			
Appenzeller, Ronald	149	1023.35	1023.35
Horton, C. W.	187	1037.30	1037.30
Mrs. J. Marshall	38	33.75	33.75
McMurray, J. O.	42	330.30	330.30
Rutledge, Dale	158	1144.20	1144.20
Sublett, Bill	59	682.70	682.70
Totals	633	4251.60	4251.60
Amarillo			
M. D. Starr			
Beavers, Mrs. V.	15	117.70	117.70
Brown, Mrs. Sam	48	244.50	244.50
Harper, J. C.	33	331.90	331.90
Prindle, R. V.	39	119.20	119.20
Sinclair, H. E.	118	465.25	465.25
Smith, Vivian		10.65	10.65
Starr, M. D.	115	351.20	351.20
Stephens, Lyman	148	551.70	551.70
Trammell, E. R.	162	666.55	666.55
Totals	678	2858.65	2858.65
Albuquerque District			
E. E. Steels			
Steele, E. E.	171	168.75	168.75
Walters, Albert	105	493.75	493.75
Totals	276	662.50	662.50

El Paso District			
R. L. Spiva			
Cox, Johnny	101	889.95	889.95
Cox, Kenneth	139	1174.95	1174.95
McCarty, C. M.	4	33.75	33.75
Pyle, Reuben	18	154.05	154.05
Rinderknecht, F. H.	4	67.50	67.50
Spiva, R. L.	56	477.15	477.15
Tunnell, W. R.	11	131.40	131.40
Totals	333	2928.75	2928.75
Magazines		289.50	289.50
TOTALS	1920	10,991.00	10,991.00
GRAND TOTALS	10,508	45,757.67	42,453.29

Bible School Letters

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"Say, will you answer a question for me? How does a person join a church? Do they take instructions or a test? You know I can't go to church, but I was just wondering how it was done.

"You know, Mrs. McKay, I came here to die, and had no knowledge of the Bible. I found the seventh-day Sabbath and have had no trouble at all. I've studied and prayed for understanding and God truly blesses me more than I deserve. I would like my friends to share God's blessing for keeping His seventh-day Sabbath. Give my love to my pastor. God's blessing be upon you all, my friends. By God's grace, Sam."

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SERMON TOPICS

July 1—A Prayer-Hearing God

July 8—Stories of Prayer

July 15—Answers to Prayer

July 22—How to Pray

July 29—Hindrances to Prayer

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Los Angeles, Calif.

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Radio's Rose Garden

It was a beautiful Friday evening. The perfect harmony of the King's Heralds had thrilled our hearts as they had sung

"I come to the garden alone,

While the dew is still on the roses . . .

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,

And He tells me I am His own . . ."

Sabbath morning when I awoke, the words were still ringing in my ears. I hastened to dress and hurried out to the rose garden on the hillside. Since my childhood this song has been

a favorite, but it has only been in recent years that I have enjoyed a rose garden of my own, where I have learned what it means to have fellowship with my Saviour in the early morning hours. How near He is then!

On this particular morning there were no roses. It was early spring. A few days before, my daughter and I had gone into the garden with our pruning shears. This year we had particularly hesitated to prune for no frost had nipped the bushes — no wind had stripped them of their foliage. They were still covered with roses and buds. With reluctance we had done our work, knowing that in the spring we would be rewarded with more and larger blossoms.

Happiness filled my soul on this Sabbath morning, even though there were no roses with their gracefully curled petals and soft fragrance, for on each stem so covered with thorns new shoots were bursting. In a matter of weeks fragrance and beauty would again greet me. The thorns would be hidden with the green of the leaves and I would marvel at the perfection of each blossom. "O Lord, how great are thy works!"

While I stood meditating in my garden I thought of the writers of the many letters that pass through my hands, as one of the office workers at The Voice of Prophecy. So often their lives, like the bushes, are stripped of their beauty by sorrow and sin. Yet, along each "stem" so covered with the ugly "thorns" of ignorance and sadness the "buds" of sincerity and eagerness to know the truth are bursting. Yes, from our desks, we can see developing the

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Until Morning Dawns

McADAMS, Mrs. Willie, was born January 26, 1880, and passed away May 11, 1956. Sister McAdams leaves to mourn her passing one son, four daughters, one brother, and many other relatives and a host of friends.

Sister McAdams was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and we believe she rests in the blessed hope of the resurrection.

C. B. Messer.

PHILLIPS, Mrs. Lettie, was born October 27, 1873, at Highland, Texas, the eldest of eight children. At the age of twenty-four she married Edgar E. Phillips, at Highland, Kansas. There were three children born to this union.

Sister Phillips joined the church at the age of twenty-five and was a faithful member for fifty-seven years. She was a charter member of the Sapulpa, Oklahoma Seventh-day Adventist Church and was home missionary secretary the last two years preceding her death.

She had been in ill health for the past five months, and arrived at her daughter's home on February 5. From that time on she was confined to her bed until she fell asleep in Jesus on April 16, 1956. She is resting in the hands of a just God awaiting the second coming of Jesus, which was her constant and never-ending hope.

She leaves to mourn, her three children and their companions; one brother, one sister, four grandsons, three great-grandchildren, many other relatives and a host of friends.

Services were held at the First Seventh-day Adventist Church at Dallas with interment at Restland Memorial Park.

L. R. Holley.

SCHULTZ, Bertha Amelia Meyer, was born in Bloomington, Illinois, September 7, 1872, and passed away in San Francisco, California, March 14, 1956. With her husband (deceased March 9, 1945) she accepted the truth in Hartley, Iowa, in 1896. For many years she and her husband were active in church work in Iowa, South Dakota, and Keene and Dallas, Texas. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons, a foster daughter, and grandchildren.

L. R. Holley.

SIEBENLIST, Amelia Laubhan, was born in Russia on November 4, 1882, and passed to her rest on May 25, 1956, at the age of 73 years. Death came to Sister Siebenlist in her Shattuck home, following illness which had afflicted her for eight years. In the early years of her life she came to America and resided at Lehigh, Kansas, where she was united in marriage with David H. Siebenlist on July 23, 1899. This union was blessed with a happy family of sons and daughters.

In the year 1900 Sister Siebenlist was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church and remained faithful to the truth throughout the days of her life. She bore her burdens in life courageously and closed life's record in peace.

In passing, Sister Siebenlist leaves her mother, four children, seven brothers, three sisters, eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, as well as many other relatives and friends. Three children and her husband preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted from the Shattuck Seventh-day Adventist Church on May 28, and she was laid to rest to await the call of the Life-giver in the Adventist cemetery.

A. G. Striedling.

Business Notices

Send all advertisements to your local conference office for approval. Rate: Fifty words or less, one insertion, \$2.00. Payment must accompany copy.

WANTED: SDA elderly woman to live in nice home and help with semi-invalid. Salary. Mrs. Lony W. Byrd, 101 Crosby St., Mansfield, Louisiana. 25-1

Sunset Calendar

	June 22	June 29
Abilene, Texas	7:49	7:50
Amarillo, Texas	8:05	8:06
Brownsville, Texas	7:26	7:28
Dallas, Texas	7:38	7:39
El Paso, Texas	7:15	7:16
Fort Worth, Texas	7:40	7:41
Galveston, Texas	7:22	7:23
Keene, Texas	7:40	7:41
Little Rock, Arkansas	7:25	7:26
Muskogee, Oklahoma	7:40	7:41
New Orleans, Louisiana	7:04	7:05
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	7:49	7:50
San Antonio, Texas	7:37	7:38
Santa Fe, New Mexico	7:24	7:25
Shreveport, Louisiana	7:26	7:27

Southwestern •

JUNIOR COLLEGE



C. N. Rees, President; J. H. Bischoff, Business Manager.

SWJC Field Representatives Solicit Students for Coming School Year



C. N. Rees
Louisiana



George Thomson
Texas



H. L. Caviness
Texas and Texico



W. H. Taylor
Ark. and Okla.

"Student solicitation is under way at Southwestern Junior College," said Dr. C. N. Rees, president of Southwestern Junior College, last week. "Thus far," he continued, "applications and re-applications are running ahead of last year with 250 already in."

Student solicitors this year are Doctor Rees, George Thomson, H. L. Caviness, and William H. Taylor.

Doctor Rees will be soliciting in Louisiana with appointments at the colporteur rally in Bastrop, Shreveport church, Baton Rouge church, and the New Orleans church. Prospects from the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference look very good for an increased enrollment at Southwestern Junior College. Visiting in the field in the Texas Conference is George Thomson, who just recently finished a trip to the eastern section of the Texas Conference. He was enthusiastic upon return to the college because of the good interest he found for Southwestern Junior College.

Helping Mr. Thomson in Texas and also soliciting students in Texico is H. L. Caviness. Mr. Caviness has just completed a trip to the Brownwood district, the Fort Worth district, and north central district of Texas. He and R. W. Crawford plan to attend the colporteur rally that will be held at the Texas junior camp shortly. Mr. Caviness also will at-

tend the regional meetings in Texico and solicit for students in that conference.

Recently returning from the Arkansas-Louisiana Camp Meeting and the Lake Murray junior camp in Oklahoma is William H. Taylor, who will solicit students in Oklahoma and Arkansas. His present itinerary includes Texarkana, El Dorado, Hot Springs, Little Rock, Jonesboro, and Fort Smith in Arkansas. He will also attend the colporteur rally that will be held at Muskogee, Oklahoma, June 29 and 30.

Anyone who is interested in coming to Southwestern Junior College, or if the readers of the RECORD know of anyone who should be in Southwestern Junior College this next year, please write Dr. C. N. Rees, president, Southwestern Junior College, Keene, Texas.

W. H. TAYLOR, *Director*
Public Relations.

SWJC Alumni News

Reunited in an alumni gathering on the campus of SWJC during the Texas Camp Meeting were many former students and teachers of the College. Alumni were present from California, Missouri, Washington, Nebraska, and many parts of the great State of Texas.

All periods of the history of the school were represented by those in

attendance, from before 1900 to this year's graduating class. Three were present who had attended before 1900: Grace Bahler Corwin Wilcox, Joe Winn, and Jessie Casey Belz.

Two well-known former teachers who were enthusiastically welcomed to the reunion were Letha Taylor and Clarence Dortch. Professor and Mrs. Dortch plan to return soon to Keene to retire.

Dr. Rees, president of SWJC, in his remarks stated that he believed that one of the things that has helped so much to make SWJC great is the very loyal and firm support it receives from its alumni scattered throughout the world.

As a part of the evening's program, H. L. Caviness showed the moving pictures he had taken of various school activities during the past year; and Elder and Mrs. Raymond Turner sang "Cool Water."

To close the evening's activities, Morris Lowry, alumni president, presented the names of the new nominees for office. The election resulted in the following new officers:

President—William Taylor
Vice President—George Thomson
Secretary-Treasurer—Mildred Yanicky Virgin
Publicity Secretary—June Nickle

And that's why I wrote this report!

JUNE NICKLE,
Publicity Secretary.

Radio's Rose Garden

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beauty of souls to be saved by the blood of the Lamb.

Our hearts go out in gratitude to those who support The Voice of Prophecy by their offerings and prayers. It is our longing that each one who gives will see in the kingdom the souls who have grown into the full likeness of the "Rose of Sharon" as a result of the pruning, watering, and feeding of the radio ministry and of the workers in the field.

HELEN L. JEFFERSON.