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*The year swiftly draws to its close,
Autumn is winter once more
And Christmas returns to the world
As it has done centuries before.*

*May that love overflow your heart
And the ones of those you hold dear
To bring you its peace and good will
Each day of the forthcoming year.*

These words penned by Marian L. Moore express in part the sentiments of our hearts as we contemplate the approaching holiday season and the beginning of a new year.

God has been good to all of us; He has blessed His work in the Southern Union. To our fellow workers in the conferences, institutions, and the dear people in the churches of our great union, we extend our best wishes this holiday season. May your lives and those of your families be precious in the sight of our heavenly Father.

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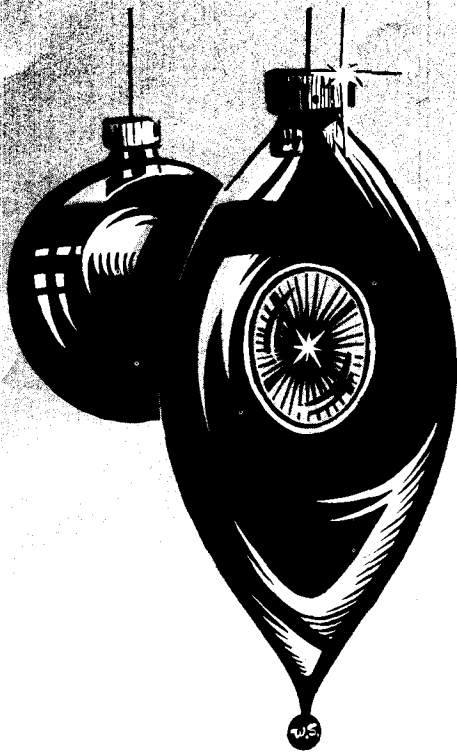
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 The wind blows the first ruffle of snow onto the porch steps. Lights in the window next door blink red and green greetings to the neighborhood. Traditional evergreens turn strange colors, but white, pink, blue or gold, they all say the same thing: IT'S CHRISTMAS!

The sounds of the season mingle in dramatic symphony. A dozen different bells play the rhythmic background for children's excited squeals, the crunch of the postman's footsteps as he brings greetings from everywhere, and the cheerful crackle of logs in the fireplace.

The aroma engulfs you the minute you open the door. Spicy pumpkin pies and heady fruitcakes blend with sage-y cornbread dressing and tangy sweet potatoes, all delicately overcome with the fragrance of bayberry candles.


Christmas is a special way of feeling. It's that look in Sissy's eyes when she sees the puppy in the pet store window; it's the lump in your throat when you hear the children's choir sing "Away in a Manger"; it's the whole world saying, "I love you."

But even though all the essential ingredients are there, Christmas, 1968, will be like no other you have known. The birth of the world's Redeemer may be relegated to insignificance as our nation considers the imminent landing of astronauts on the moon, a new administration in Washington, and the ever-tragic Vietnam war. This year, the keeping of Christmas will demand a special kind of devotion.

If you plan it that way, however, Christmas can become a perpetual state of mind to you and all those you love. Perhaps you've always thought of the New Year as a time for resolutions, for settling old accounts, for squaring things up with God. But

this season, when giving becomes the focal point of everyone's thinking, is a perfect time to make sure your personal books are balanced.

"It is pleasant to receive a gift . . . from those we love. It is an assurance that we are not forgotten, and seems to bind us to them a little closer. It is right to bestow upon one another tokens of love and remembrance if we do not in this forget God, our best friend." (Ellen G. White, "The Adventist Home.")


 What will you give your best friend this Christmas? Perhaps there are some church building fund pledges to be fulfilled, or the Ingathering goal that you didn't quite make. You promised to give something to the school this year, and you've been neglecting your church expense sometimes too. That Christmas light inside your heart would glow just a little bit brighter if those things were all taken care of.

And when those past obligations have all been met, think in terms of a tangible expression of your deep-down thankfulness for God's blessings to you. Does your heart say, "What can I spare?" or "What can I share?"

Giving offers us many choices. You can select one way, or many. A thank offering at church on Christmas, a sumptuous food basket to some needy family, or a scholarship to some young person who really WANTS a Christian education—those are some ways of giving. But there are ways that go even further than these.

Food baskets are nice, but you could try to really DO something about the problem of poverty in your city. Donations to charitable causes might give you a nice warm feeling inside, but have you given any of your time to help some of those underprivileged people learn to help themselves? Don't stop at being a do-gooder; try saying "us" instead of "you people." Give yourself.


But maybe we're being a bit melancholy. Should we tarnish the golden joy of the season by re quoting those tired old maxims about how it is more blessed to give than to receive? Perhaps a contemporary parable would help to bring the Christmas spirit into focus:

 The Brown family was getting all worked up about Christmas. Even by the first of December that special air of secrets and surprises had already infected the household. This was Janet's first year away at college, and since she'd be home for the holidays, the excitement was automatically doubled.

The Browns were above-average Adventists, of course. Nancy was president of the Home and School, and Jim led the Home Missionary Society and taught a Sabbath School class every week. Jimmy and Larry were avid, active Pathfinder and MV Society members, and little Karen knew her memory verse every single Sabbath.

Nancy really breathed an inward sigh of relief when the Home and School agreed to have their program early this year. She did so want to get that out of the way in time to put all her energy into the family celebration. They had already taken some canned food to the church for the Christmas baskets. Thank goodness, she wouldn't have to get involved in that. The Dorcas ladies would have plenty of time to make them up.

Why, she'd barely have time to help Karen with her part for the Thirteenth Sabbath program. Maybe Jimmy could help her memorize that poem. But she knew Karen would make an adorable angel!


 Only 19 more shopping days until . . . She really better get with that Christmas shopping today, Nancy decided. Her lists had all been carefully made out. Mentally she reviewed them as she slipped into her warm winter coat.

They had promised Janet a stereo if she got all A's and B's the first quarter. And she did, of course, bless her heart! And she did need a couple new skirts and sweaters. Or maybe one of those darling plaid jumpers, with knee socks to match?

Jim had already ordered the motor scooter for Jimmy. It took Nancy a long time to say yes to that idea, but after all, he could use it on his paper route, and to ride back and forth to school.

And Larry! He would have a ball with his new football outfit. And the whole family could have fun with that Figure Eight Racetrack they were getting him.

Little Karen got such a kick out of going to see Santa. But everyone would have been better off if she hadn't seen that "Baby Secret" doll. The only way Nancy could get her out of the store was to promise that "Baby Secret" would be under the tree on Christmas morning. They had promised her a Susie Homemaker kitchen last Christmas, so that was a must this year too. Well, after all, she's the baby.

 At last all the loose ends seemed to be fitting together. The cards were all addressed (there must have been 200 this year) and most of the presents were wrapped and stashed in closets or the basement. How carefully they planned the special Christmas dinner menu. They had invited three of Nancy's old girlfriends from high school, and Grandma and Grandpa would be there too. It would be fun to have everyone together again. The children seemed certain that Christmas would never come. "Daddy, is it tomorrow?" for at least the four-hundredth time.

Finally, it is today. The tree looks elegant. It's the biggest one they ever had, and the extra ornaments and twinkle lights that Nancy got this year add to its perfection. Karen is enchanted, and even the unsentimental male faction of the family seems impressed. The piles of mysteriously beautiful packages are the ultimate, of course. They all agree to wait until Grandma and Grandpa get here at noon to open presents.

Right after Christmas breakfast, Janet heads for the car. She has a dozen friends she hasn't seen since September and she's just got to say hello.

She's almost out the door when Jim calls her back. "Hey, wait a minute, Janet. We forgot to have worship."

"Oh, sure, Daddy. We shouldn't forget that, not on Christmas anyhow."

So the family gathers in the living room. Jim reads the familiar story from the second chapter of Luke and everyone says a short prayer. Nancy's turn comes last.

"Please, Lord, be our guest today," she prays. "Help us always to keep the spirit of Christmas in our hearts."

Worship over, the family scatters. Janet will drop Jim at the office to pick up some important papers. Larry and Jimmy are scheduled for a snowball battle with the kids next door, and Nancy has the last minute kitchen things to take care of. Karen turns on the TV and fidgets noticeably.

Just before noon the noise level intensifies as the family comes back in, one by one. Nancy goes upstairs to put on her new dress—a beautiful and unexpected present from darling Jim. Just as she's enjoying her reflection in the mirror, she hears Jim running up the stairs. Instantly he's inside, and there's something close to panic in his eyes.

"Nancy, there's a guest downstairs!"

"Well, of course, honey, we're expecting a houseful. Who is it?"

"Nancy, I don't quite know how to tell you this, but I don't think we were expecting this one."

"Jim, who—I mean, don't keep me in suspense!"

"Nancy, it's Jesus Himself! I heard the doorbell and when I opened the door, He said you invited Him."

Nancy looks shocked. "Oh, I guess I did. When I prayed this morning in worship, I said something about 'Be our guest,' I think. Oh, Jim, whatever shall we do?"

"Do?"

"I mean, we mustn't let Him suspect we weren't planning for Him to come. Can't we give him some special gift?"

"Well, there's the check we made out to take to church tonight. Our usual Christmas offering. We could give Him that."

"But, Jim, that's only five dollars. And when he sees the things we got for the children, and my new dress . . . oh, honey, we should have made some special preparations for Him. We have our savings account. It must be almost two hundred dollars by now. Couldn't we give that to Him?"

"We couldn't get it today, Nancy. All the banks are closed for Christmas."

"Well, I'll run right downstairs and welcome Him, at least. And we'll think of SOMETHING. We'll have to."

There are tears in Nancy's eyes as she races downstairs to the living room. But when she opens the door, the room is empty, except for the lonely glow of the beautiful Christmas tree. The unexpected guest has disappeared.

The giving of gifts at this season should be a joyous expression of love to those you care about. But if you invite a special guest, will your gift to Him be in proportion to the one He has already given you?

DATELINE DATA

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

With the purpose of solving some of the world's future food problems, a new department, called World Foods Service, has been created at the General Conference. The new department will encourage research into more efficient ways of producing protein foods for the world's exploding population, and will also coordinate the activities of 21 Adventist food factories in 12 countries.

NEW YORK - - -

Educators across the country are bringing religion back into the public schools, and they are doing it without fanfare, according to reports from the National Council of Churches. But the religious instruction being given is not the devotional Bible reading and prayer which the Supreme Court ruled out five years ago. Religion is being introduced as an objective study and is placed on a par with science, math, social studies, and other subjects considered important to daily living.

PEGRAM, TENNESSEE - - -

The Cave Springs Home for Handicapped Children is now using the Doman-Delacato crawl-and-creep therapy to develop muscular coordination and mental abilities for selected teenagers, reports Nellie Green, R. N., who conducts physical therapy classes at the self-supporting institution. Mrs. Julie Grow, president of the organization, says the next big project is to raise \$3,000 for a Paterson Patterning Machine to assist in the revolutionary new program.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

The recent biennial world council held in Toronto approved a 46.9-million-dollar budget for 1969, the largest in the denomination's history. The figure was a 2.2-million-dollar increase over the 1968 budget. The amount does not include funds received and used by the various subdivisions of the church. Nor does it include disaster and famine relief funds, which amounted to 4.5 million dollars last year. 21 million dollars was earmarked for work in 190 countries outside North America.

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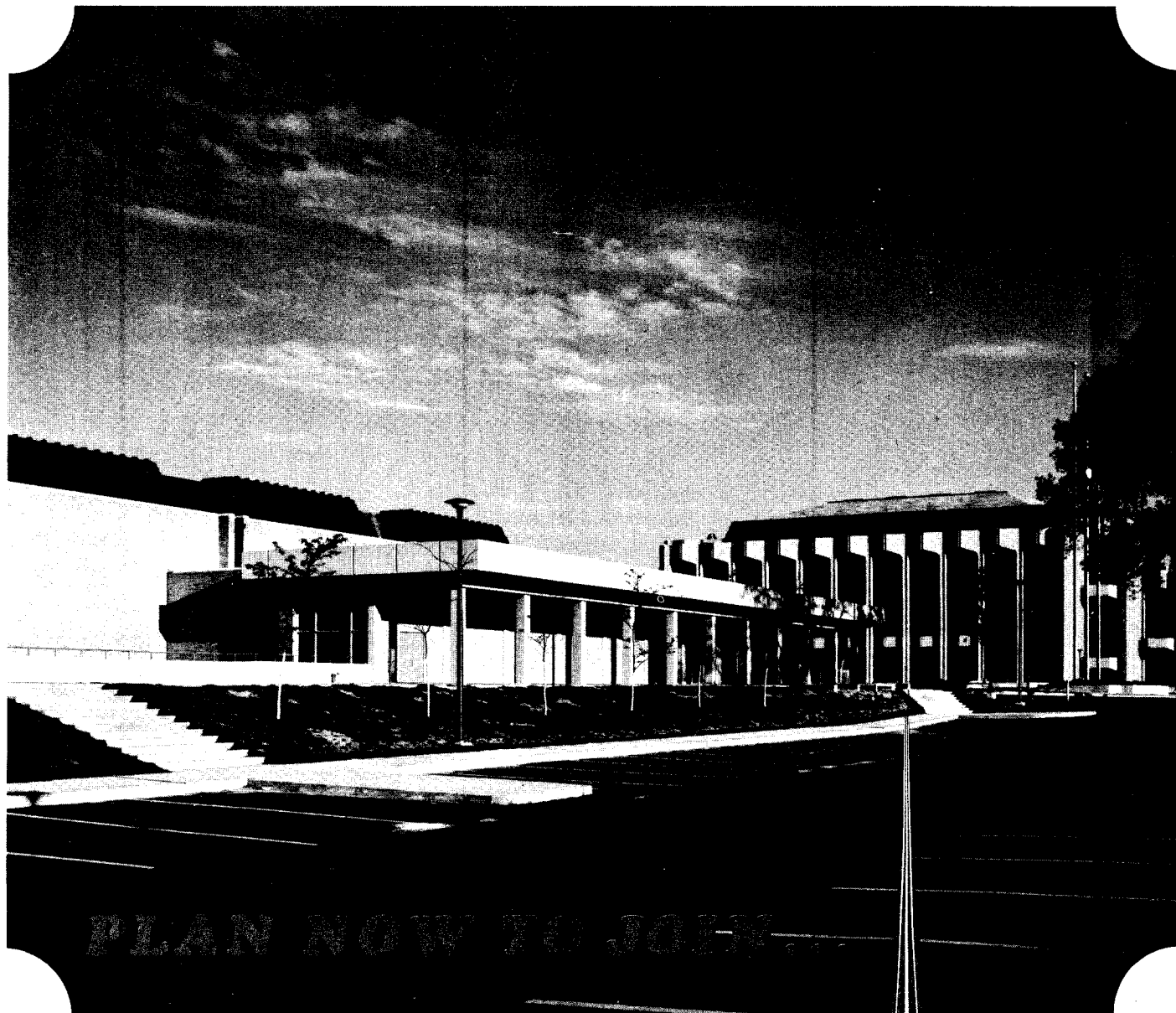
Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Frederika of Greece, recently requested a wide assortment of vegetable protein foods from Worthington Foods. A month ago, Worthington was requested to send a supply of foods to His Most Gracious Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia.

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA - - -

World hunger topped the list of current social issues in which Lutheran teenagers attending a youth gathering at Purdue University registered their choice of concern and involvement. Racism problems ran a strong second, while third and fourth places went to crime in the streets and poverty. Drugs drew the fifth spot.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

Leston Post, film director of "One in 20,000," has just completed the latest film on smoking entitled "Countdown," which is reputed to be the best film yet produced on this topic.

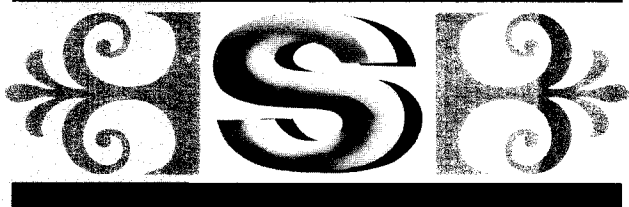


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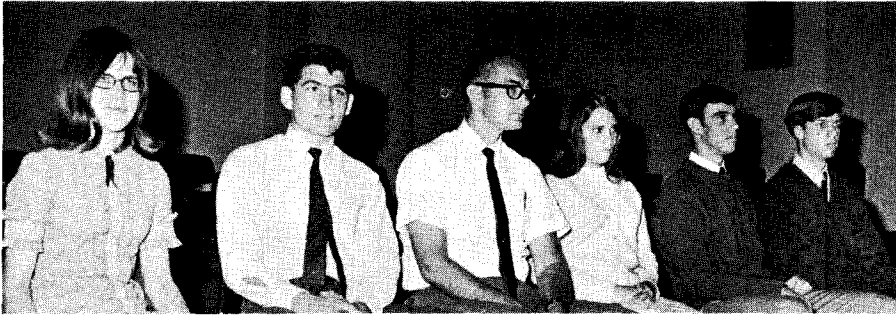
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Speakers for Maranatha Day were, from left, Myrna Taylor, John Osborne, Larry Stephens, sponsor, Meloday Olsen, Marty Vandenberghe and Ted Bosarge.

Maranatha is a Greek term meaning "the Lord is coming," and is found once in the New Testament, I Corinthians 16:22. The students at Forest Lake Academy have taken this to name their search for a way to become more actively engaged in the process of hastening Christ's appearing.

It began at the Youth Leadership Conference held at Southern Missionary College in June, 1968. A group of young people voiced their desire to become more involved in person-to-person contact with the Adventist message. They felt that what youth were doing for Christ was good but it was not enough. These times in the history of man demand more! After working out a program that seemed to answer a need, Maranatha went to Tallahassee for the summer. In council and prayer with Elder David Manzano, the pastor, Maranatha continued to develop and was given a trial run with the youth of Tallahassee. In September, Maranatha landed on the Forest Lake Academy campus. Since the goal of the program is to be led by God's Spirit in finishing the work on earth, it was to receive no high pressure promotion with the students. They were simply told

during a lay activities period to meet that afternoon if they desired to do more for Christ. Thirty young people responded.

Apopka is a small town six miles from Forest Lake. The church there is active and seemed an ideal place to begin. Pastor O. W. Bacheller enthusiastically accepted the plan, and with his church elders met with the thirty young people to plan for Maranatha in Apopka.

The plan is simple. For a few weeks before a given Sabbath a program of preparation is initiated for the students, the local church, and the public to be served. The students and church prepare through prayer and meditation. Self-examination is encouraged. In groups, prayer is offered for unity of purpose and the special blessing of God's Holy Spirit. The public is informed through an advertising media that on a given day, a Maranatha worker will contact those who share in their concern over world conditions and will bring them hope. The Friday night before Maranatha, Sabbath is spent in prayer for the outpouring of God's Spirit. The next day as much as possible of the residential area served by the church is covered with the message of Christ's second coming. The

names and addresses of those who would like to be contacted further are taken and then given to the local church to be followed up by the members.

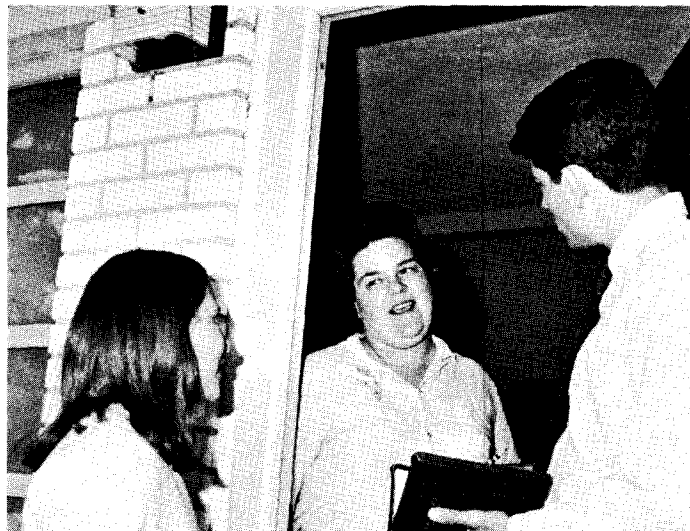
Elder Bacheller and the elders of Apopka were much impressed that God was with the young people and their program. Four of the thirty students who responded were asked to prepare sermonettes. On September 28, in Apopka, Myrna Taylor spoke on "Personal Preparation," John Osborne, "Where Will You Stand?," Marty Vandenberghe, "Now Is the Time," and Ted Bosarge, "Nothing Is Impossible." The Apopka church began to prepare for October 19, Maranatha Day. Advertisements began in the two papers and the radio station. An appointment was made with Mayor Leonard Kearst, who readily endorsed the program. On Friday night, October 18, Apopka residents and a group of students met to study and pray together until midnight. Hurricane Gladys was coming closer and as the storm intensified that night, prayer was offered for good weather the next day. God's Spirit was beautifully near that night. During the night there were severe winds and torrential rains, but the next day by 10:00 a.m. it was clear. That afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, 64 students joined with the members of the Apopka church. In each home visited, a brief Bible study on Christ's appearing and the signs of this event was conducted. Prayer was offered and, if interested, names and addresses were received. Fifty-seven names of interested people were turned in for follow up work. At vespers that night, the young people of Forest Lake Academy witnessed before the Forest Lake church in testimony, for what God had done for them in Maranatha. To say that it was a thrilling experience to see these youth lined up along the wall of the church to await their turn at the platform is completely inadequate. God had used them—they knew it—and they were letting the world know it.

The next week Maranatha went through a very trying period of evaluation and reconstruction. God had been with these youth, but they felt something was still needed. After prayer, they searched the third angel's message and realized that their purpose in the homes must be to bring man back to God's Law and warn him of the consequences of his decision. They discussed the fact that the dominant problem in the United States and the world is the terrible increase of violence and the breakdown of law and order. Therefore, the theme of Maranatha should be concern over these events, how Bible prophecy foretold them, the hope of the world in Christ's second coming, and the need to return to God's Word and His Law. These youth felt that they must step aside and let God meet the individuals being contacted in a direct encounter. God would then create a need for this message which is the last to man. To accomplish this the plan for the next Maranatha will include asking the people being visited to join in a moment of silent prayer that together they will be ready for the events soon to come on the world. In this way, the youth hope to be able to step out and let God step in. The pamphlet, "This May Startle You," will be

given with an invitation to a special meeting on Friday night. The next Maranatha target is Longwood, Florida.

For me, working with these dedicated young people is the greatest thrill I have ever experienced.

LARRY STEPHENS, *Registrar*
Forest Lake Academy



A person-to-person contact is made by Meloday Olsen and John Osborne.



John Osborne and Myrna Taylor explain Maranatha Day to Apopka Mayor L. Hurst.



Business and Professional Men's Association officers: front row, left - Charles Fleming, vice-president; O. D. McKee, president; Back row, left - Donald West, treasurer; Glenn McColpin, secretary.

SECOND MILERS

One hundred twenty-five laymen in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference know what it means to go the second mile in giving to the Lord's cause. In addition to the support of their local churches, conference evangelism and academy, and the worldwide mission program, these men have chosen to assume the added responsibility of helping to build adequate and representative church sanctuaries in heretofore dark counties and unentered territories. Known as the Business and Professional Men's Association, this group of laymen has already seen one new church building completed, three more in the final stages of erection, another now being started and two more already voted.

A burden for this work came from observation of the growth of God's work in areas where members are few. It was apparent that because there were few members they were unable to finance the building of a church home. And because they had no church home, it was difficult to win new members. Therefore, this vicious cycle frequently saw the group of few members grow smaller and God's work stagnate in these important though difficult cities.

After the formation of this laymen's group, the first area to receive attention was a suburb of Chattanooga where a small group of believers had been meeting in homes and rented quarters for approximately fifteen years. Known as the Saint Elmo company, the twenty-five members found it difficult to increase their number with frequent moves in their place of worship. Early in 1967 the Business and Professional Men's Association was formed and selected Saint Elmo as their first project. Erecting a beautiful house of worship in nearby Wallaceville, Georgia, this group has now grown to eighty members and is a strong and active church.

Inspired by what had been accomplished in Wallaceville, the laymen's group soon accepted the challenge of strengthening the work of God in south Georgia by voting to build three new churches at one time—in Americus, Tifton and Lakeland. Each of these areas had its unique problem but they all had one thing in common—God's work had made slow progress.

About twenty years ago, Mrs. Homer Dawson moved to Americus from Savannah and Mrs. Agnes Tanner from Albany. These ladies were Seventh-day Adventists and established their little Sabbath school but saw little growth of their number until two years ago when Elder and Mrs. Lewis Wynn took up Dark County Evangelism in this city of 13,000. God has blessed their efforts and this group now numbers 15. Undeterred by strong opposition this small group purchased property on one of the finest streets in town and just across from a million-dollar Methodist Nursing Home. God's work will soon take on new meaning in Americus as this small group moves into their own church home now nearing completion. In addition to this, the Americus group received added encouragement recently when Mr. and Mrs. Don Boyer moved there from Collegedale in response to "Operation Scatter,"—a conference project designed to encourage laymen in well-established churches to move to dark counties and help form a nucleus for church growth. Mr. Boyer is the only man in the Americus church other than the pastor.

GEORGIA - CUMBERLAND

The Tifton church was organized in 1954 with thirteen members through the faithful efforts of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hobbs in whose home the group met for some time. But due to lack of permanent quarters this group also experienced slow growth. Though excellent property in the finest section of town was given to them, they were unable to finance a building. Now membership has grown to 29, and they anxiously await the first Sabbath in their new church home.

The work in Lakeland began in 1958 when the Georgia-Cumberland Conference assumed operation of the Lewis Smith Memorial Hospital there. For years the Adventist employees drove 22 miles to Valdosta to attend church services until 1967 when Elders James Wyckoff and A. C. McClurg conducted evangelistic meetings in Lakeland and formed a church company. Townfolk now believe the Adventists are there to stay as they witness the erection of a new church building on property adjoining the hospital.

Thrilled with the opportunity to help finish God's work, the Business and Professional Men's Association has already voted to proceed with three more new buildings: Ooltewah, Tennessee, where the Collegedale church has initiated new work; Decatur, Tennessee, an area recently entered by a group from the Cleveland, Tennessee, church; and Athens, Georgia, home of the University of Georgia where a group of twenty-one Adventists have been meeting in rented quarters for five years. This group recently purchased property and plan to start their building soon.

The laymen's group operates on a basis whereby each member contributes \$50 per quarter to a revolving fund out of which amounts are loaned to small church groups. Opportunity is then presented for the church members to join in a program of systematic and sacrificial giving in order that these funds might be returned to the Association over an extended period of time at nominal interest rates. A genuine sacrificial response has been manifested in each of the groups thus far as members have caught the vision of faith so wonderfully displayed by the Laymen's Association. As these funds are returned they are reinvested in new projects for unlighted areas. Thereby, the thrill of a perpetual program of assistance to God's work is enjoyed by members of the Association.

Though still in its infancy, the Business and Professional Men's Association envisions the erection of twenty new church buildings within five years. By enabling small church groups to enjoy their own house of worship, they realize that they are bringing about a new day for what was once a discouraging situation. The spirit of enthusiasm was running high as members of this Association met for their second annual convention at Camp Cumby-Gay, October 25 and 26. As they listened to reports of accomplishments to date, they unanimously joined in thanking God that He had allowed them to have a part in such rewarding work. As stated by Association president, O. D. McKee, "This is the work the laymen should be doing if we really expect to finish the work in our day."

Though the official name is the Business and Professional Men's Association, membership is not limited to men—ladies are strongly encouraged to become members. In fact, there are no doubt many individuals throughout the conference who would like to become a member of this organization.

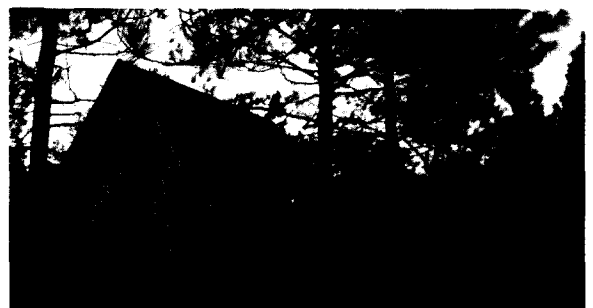
May God help the Business and Professional Men's Association to bring light to every dark county in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference that His work will be finished and Jesus may come.

A. Membership admires new church home erected on property adjoining the hospital in Lakeland, Georgia.

B. Lovely Americus church receives final touches in construction. It is situated next to the country club, across the street from a beautiful nursing home and on "the church street."

C. The Tifton church under construction on beautiful pine-studded property in finest section of city.

D. The first church building completed by the Association was this one at Wallaceville, Georgia, opened in August, 1967.





Mrs. Rosa Holmes, left, of the West Broad Street church of Savannah, Georgia, presented \$1,050 to Pastor F. W. Parker and the church treasurer, Mrs. R. Futch. Mrs. Holmes is the top Ingathering solicitor in the South Atlantic Conference. This is the second year in succession she has raised over \$1,000. Over the years she has personally raised more than \$11,000.

*I*ngathering, known for many years as Harvest Ingathering, is an annual world-wide denominational appeal for members to support the mission work of the church and give opportunity for the general public to help with the Adventist mission program. The campaign serves a double purpose: (1) It provides funds to aid a world program that includes medical, educational, welfare, and evangelistic projects which bring relief and uplift to humanity and a living Christ to the world, and (2) it is a means of making contact with millions of homes to leave literature which describes the world-wide work of Seventh-Day Adventists and offers opportunity to enroll in a free Bible correspondence course. This solicitation has been conducted every year since 1903 and has been extended to all countries where there is Seventh-day Adventist work. Solicitors are unpaid volunteers from among the church members in all walks of life.

The Seventh-day Adventist humanitarian program of welfare, medical, educational, and evangelistic projects is the church's attempt to follow the example of Jesus Christ, who went about doing good, healing the sick, teaching the people and preaching the gospel. In North America increasingly larger amounts of the Ingathering funds are being used each year for health and welfare services that extend emergency relief irrespective of race or creed.

The funds gathered in the campaign comprise only about 7 percent of the total cost of operating the Seventh-day Adventist world-wide work, the other 93 percent being met by the tithes and offerings of the church members.

The idea of giving away magazines and asking for contributions to the mission program originated with Jasper Wayne, a traveling salesman of nursery stock, who lived in Sac City, Iowa. In 1902 he ordered fifty copies of a special issue of the *Signs of the Times*. Receiving them at the post office, he unwrapped them and began to hand them out to the people standing in the lobby, saying that any money received would go for the cause of foreign missions. To his surprise he disposed of them immediately and received more than four dollars for missions. In about a year he had raised \$100 and had greatly enjoyed explaining the work of the church.

In 1905, at a joint camp meeting of the Iowa and Nebraska Conferences held at Omaha, Nebraska, he interested the president of the Nebraska Conference in his plan. Also he talked with Ellen G. White who manifested a deep interest and gave the plan her endorsement.

In 1908 the General Conference recommended the Ingathering plan to all churches, approving the use of a special Thanksgiving number of the *Review and Herald* for informing the public of the Seventh-day Adventist work, and ingathering Thanksgiving gifts for missions.

From the time the program was officially inaugurated in 1908, through the first 40 years, \$26,764,646.77 was raised. During the four years, 1958-61, the \$28,529,556.68 received surpassed the first forty years of Ingathering.

Mrs. E. G. White was a strong supporter of the Ingathering work. She said, "This ingathering of funds should be the greatest event in our financial history. It should bring into

the treasury of the Mission Board a large sum of money with which to help our work in foreign fields." *Lay Activities Leaflet* No. 28, page 8.

The loyal members of the South Atlantic Conference believe in the world Ingathering program. At a recent workers' meeting held at the campground at Hawthorne, Florida, where the 1969 campaign was launched, it was shocking to hear the ministers report 12 districts and 56 churches already over the goal. By early November the churches of Georgia were 90 percent over the goal, South Carolina 89 percent over, and North Carolina 85 percent finished. Florida started its campaign on the first Sabbath of November.

Tallahassee, Florida, was the first district to go over the top. Elder Mouzon called all six churches to Tallahassee for a district meeting Sabbath, July 27, 1968, and asked for a district report. All six churches went over the top. This is the second year in succession that Tallahassee has led the way to victory.

Savannah was the first large district to go over the victory line for 1968. On Sabbath, October 5, 1968, Savannah reported \$5,375 on the first report. This is the first time in the history of the church that the goal has been raised in one report. Mrs. Rosa Holmes, the top Ingathering solicitor in the South Atlantic Conference, reported \$1,050.50 in her first report, a new record.

Mrs. Holmes has been a great source of inspiration to the Savannah church over the past twenty years. She has personally raised over \$11,000 for missions during this period of time. F. W. Parker visited Brunswick that same Sabbath afternoon, and the church treasurer presented him with a check for the full Ingathering goal. Sunday morning, he visited the third church in the district, Ridgeland, South Carolina, and received a check for the full 1969 goal. This was, indeed, a great Ingathering victory for the Savannah, Georgia, district.

Winston-Salem district, under the leadership of L. R. Hastings, went over the goal the same Sabbath, October 5, 1968. Greensboro and Charlotte followed with their greatest Ingathering victories in the history of each church. Mrs. Daisy Jackson of Charlotte led out as lay activity leader and raised personally over \$500. Mrs. Jackson is second only to Mrs. Holmes of Savannah.

Atlanta saw a miracle worked for the Berean church. For the first time a very unusual campaign plan was presented by Pastor Henri. There were no bands, no captains, no strict plan of organization. Every member was given a personal goal to report Sabbath, October 19, 1968. To everyone's amazement, the plan worked marvellously, for \$15,000 was reached in the first report. It is very evident that God's people are ready to do great

things in South Atlantic as they see the signs fulfilling to bring time to a close.

Thousands of homes have been visited and many Bible studies have been arranged. Plans are being formulated by the conference lay activities secretary to make the last month of 1968 "Follow Up Month" for the scores of interests found during the Ingathering campaign. South Atlantic counts Ingathering as one of the blessed seasons of its yearly program. It gathers funds for missions and souls for the kingdom.

F. L. JONES



Pastor Parker and Mrs. Futch presented a check for \$5,375 to the conference treasurer, F. L. Jones, right. The entire 1969 Savannah Ingathering goal was raised in one report on October 5. Savannah was the first large district of the conference to proclaim victory.



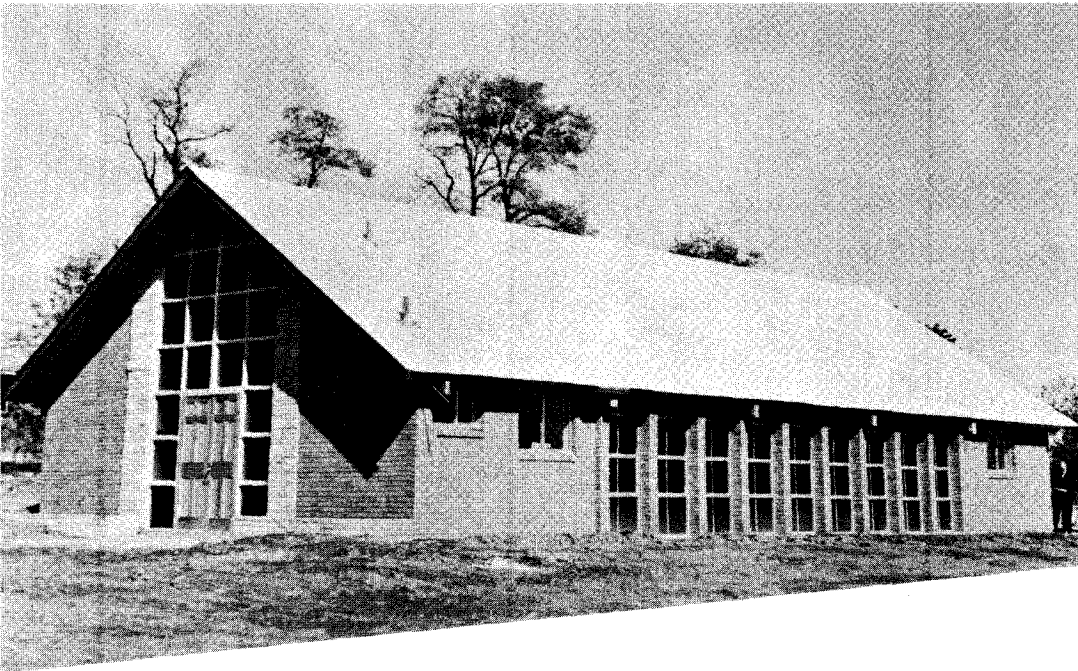
A portion of the funds raised each year in the Ingathering work are earmarked for welfare work. The Atlanta Berean Disaster Welfare Van is part of a fleet of similar vans which have been purchased by churches in Miami, Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem with conference assistance. The Ingathering program provides funds to assist in uplift and welfare work at home as well as in the mission lands.

Some of the victorious minutemen at the Atlanta Berean church gathered for this photo in front of their church. On Sabbath, October 19, the congregation turned in over \$15,000. This is the fourth year in succession that this church has raised the entire goal in one report.



In The Carpenter's Footprints

The new Richmond, Kentucky, church.



A pastor who raises his church goals, fosters evangelism in his district and conscientiously looks after the spiritual needs of his flock is an asset to any conference. But a pastor who is also an excellent carpenter and in addition to all other duties builds two outstanding churches within several years' time surely stands high on the list.

Such is Elder Merle Landis of Lexington, Kentucky, district. Anyone who visits the lovely new church at Lexington, in the very heart of the famous blue grass country, will be thrilled with the attractive, well-appointed sanctuary. Every need has been provided for. Even a church school. There is ample parking space. The members are congenial, happy and hard at work in winning souls.

And now, another church in Elder Landis' district has been constructed, this time at Richmond, some 30 miles south of Lexington. Construction was begun June 19, just after camp meeting. Almost all of the labor was donated by the pastor and church members of Richmond and Lexington, including the ladies. With only \$11,000, it was necessary to save in every way possible. Every Sunday the sound of the hammers and saws beat out a rhythmic staccato—the site is in an area where the work did not offend neighbors.

The property is one and one-half acres in area and has ample parking facilities. The building is constructed of buff brick with floor-to-ceiling windows of multi-colored stained glass. The interior is painted a mint green with doors finished in natural color. The ceiling has laminated arches. The brick and stone work was done by the pastor with help from Brother Knappe, who is visiting the Eric Schmidt family. Brother and Sister Knappe are from Germany.

The local elder, Brother V. K. Tudor, assisted Pastor Landis with much of the carpentry work. The heating system was put in by Brother Lynn Poore from Lexington. The plans were drawn up by Elder Landis and include an ample mothers' room and two classrooms. The sanctuary seats 140 members. Brother Roy Byers and son, Robert, of the Lexington church, and son-in-law, George Bowling, installed all the plumbing.

The opening service was held Sabbath, October 19, at 3:00 p.m., and the sanctuary was well filled with people coming from the area churches including Lexington. Former pastors Norman Jones and E. E. Shafer were present. Elder Everett Cumbo was invited but was unable to attend. Brother Jones led the congregation in a rousing song service and Elder A. L. Lynd, association field secretary, offered prayer. Larry Bogart, school teacher from Covington, played two trumpet solos and Mrs. E. E. Shafer sang a solo. Brother J. P. Rogers, secretary-treasurer of the conference, praised the members for the excellent work they had accomplished. He also spoke in behalf of Elder E. L. Marley, conference president, who was unable to attend. Elder Landis gave a brief history of the construction mentioning all by name who had labored so faithfully. The day before the opening it had rained hard, and many of the women of the church worked almost up till sunset cleaning up and preparing the church for the opening service. Elder E. E. Duncan, ministerial secretary, gave the message highlighting the role of the remnant church in the world today and stressing the dire need of modern Elijahs today.

It was, indeed, a privilege to be present for this occasion. It was the first time I had worshipped in a church that was so new it still had the wrappings on it, for the protective paper wrapped around the laminated beams was plainly evident. This lovely new church is truly a credit to the conference, and it is good to have pastors who are able to walk in the Carpenter's footsteps.

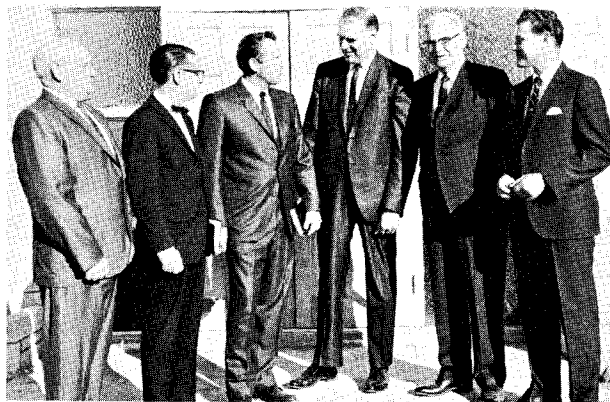
E. E. DUNCAN
Public Relations Department



The opening service was held on Sabbath, October 19. Members of the Richmond church welcomed many guests and local visitors for the occasion. After this picture was taken, many others came in and filled the sanctuary to overflowing for the worship service.



Norman Jones, former pastor of the Lexington-Richmond district, led a rousing song service at the opening service in the new Richmond church.



Discussing the opening service and some of the features of the new church building were, from left, V. K. Tudor, first elder of the Richmond church; E. E. Shafer, former pastor; Merle Landis, present pastor and builder of the new church; E. E. Duncan, speaker for the opening service and conference ministerial secretary; A. L. Lynd, association field secretary for the conference; and J. P. Rogers, conference secretary-treasurer.

GO TELL

"Go Tell with Gift Bible Evangelism" was the theme for the Carolina Conference Lay Congress which was held at Mount Pisgah Academy with over one thousand in attendance on Sabbath, October 19.

The program started Friday night with A. A. Esteb from the General Conference challenging the laymen to become more involved in the winning of souls. He gave a report of how laymen are leading in soul-winning activities in many parts of the world.

The Sabbath school was conducted by R. H. Ammons, newly elected Sabbath school secretary for the conference, with Dr. L. C. Sommerville from the Mount Pisgah church teaching the Sabbath school lesson and M. E. Northrup giving the mission appeal. Elder Northrup just recently returned from the mission field and is the new educational secretary for the Carolina Conference. His two children assisted in the mission appeal — showing a Boa Constrictor snake skin over ten feet long.

R. R. Bietz, vice-president of the General Conference, spoke at the eleven o'clock hour on Sabbath. The theme of his message was that the need is not to improve the message but the messenger. He made a strong appeal for every member to become involved in evangelism.

Sabbath afternoon was the Gift Bible Evangelism trophy hour. This was the highlight of the congress when hundreds of laymen listened to thrilling experiences of how other laymen were winning souls to Christ. . . .

There was Lloyd Knecht, employed as a draftsman. He learned of Mrs. Minnie Dale who had taken several Bible courses from the Voice of Prophecy. He called on her and started Gift Bible studies in her home. As a result, Mrs. Dale was baptized. Then, there was Mrs. Mary Walker

whose daughter was a member of the church, but she wasn't. She visited her daughter's home and while there read Bible stories to her grandchildren. She listened to Bible records. One day she attended church and Lloyd, being alert for souls, made arrangements to have Gift Bible studies in her home. She is now a baptized member of the church.

There was Mrs. Mildred Owens. Her daughter, Delome, was taken seriously ill. She rushed her to the doctor and while waiting in the lobby of the medical building, she had opportunity to read about Seventh-day Adventists and their beliefs. Later she questioned Dr. Claude Steen about Adventist doctrines. He arranged for Mrs. Blanche Tooley to give her Gift Bible studies. Today she and her son, Tim, are members of the Waller Memorial Seventh-day Adventist Church at Mount Pisgah Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Vester Mitchell have had a thrilling experience in soul-winning. Brother Mitchell went to his pastor and requested a name for Bible studies. The pastor told him to try his next door neighbor. After earnest efforts, the Mitchells began to hold studies with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fridell. Both have now been baptized into the remnant church.

Another outstanding layman in the Carolina Conference is Mr. I. B. Porter from the Columbia church, who is the lay activities leader. He has been responsible for leading thirty souls to Christ since he came into the message. One of his latest converts from Gift Bible studies is Mrs. W. B. Head. After she was baptized, she went to work on her daughter and a friend, Mrs. Novice Hyler. She invited Brother Porter to give them Gift Bible studies and now they, too, have been baptized into the church.

For five years, R. L. Blanton worked, prayed

Over a thousand laymen attended the Carolina Lay Congress held at Mt. Pisgah Academy during mid-October.





Trophy hour at the Congress was the highlight of the weekend. Thrilling experiences were related by laymen who had won others to Christ through the "Go Tell With Gift Bible Evangelism" program. Shown in these pictures are some of the laymen with the souls they have won to the church. From left, Mrs. Mary Walker, Mrs. Minnie Dale and Mr. Lloyd Knecht.

and labored to give the three angels' messages to Mr. and Mrs. John McSwain, members of the Baptist Church. Mr. McSwain was the Sunday school superintendent and choir leader. One day Pastor Henry Fowler was invited to give them Gift Bible studies. They have recently joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

The last story report comes from the Table Rock church. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Acuff led four people to the message last year through Gift Bible evangelism and have won twelve so far this year. These sixteen people were baptized as a result of many prayers and much dedication. Mrs. Acuff is a church school teacher and a number of studies are given each week on her way home from school. She also does emergency nursing when she is not teaching. She leaves at night in time to give a Bible study before she arrives at the hospital for the eleven o'clock shift. . . .

The congress continued until Sunday noon. A number of workshops were held during the morning hours. One of the outstanding ones was conducted by Dr. Agatha Thrash of Columbus, Georgia. She reported in detail how the Health and Welfare group in her city served lunch to over five hundred people in less than four minutes.

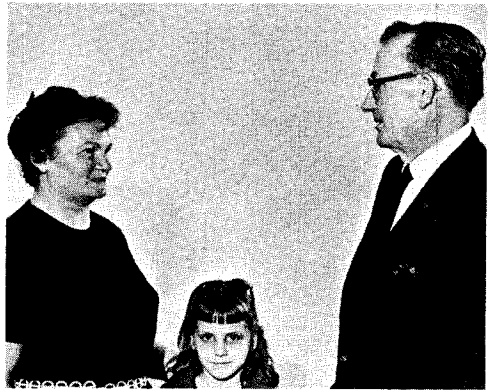
J. R. Spangler, ministerial secretary for the General Conference, closed the congress with a challenge that the work will never be finished by the ministry alone and that the "men and women comprising our church membership should rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of the ministers and church officers."—G.W. page 532. As a result of this congress, Carolina laymen will increase their endeavors for God, and souls will be won for the Kingdom of God.

HUGH V. LEGGETT



From left, Mrs. John McSwain, Mr. John McSwain and Elder Henry Fowler.

From left, Mrs. Evelyn Head, Kathy Porter and Mr. I. B. Porter.



From left, Tim Owen, Mrs. Mildred Owen, Mrs. Peggy Woody, Dr. Claude Steen and Delome Owen.

From left, Mr. Robert Fridell, Mrs. Vester Mitchell, Mr. Vester Mitchell and Elder Henry Fowler.





seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." These words of Jesus recorded by Matthew did not represent a new doctrine, for supreme allegiance to God has always been man's privilege and duty.

One of the most significant ways we can demonstrate our allegiance to God is by faithfully returning a tithe of all our increase to Him.

"God has a claim on us and all that we have. His claim is paramount to every other. And in acknowledgment of this claim, He bids us render to Him a fixed proportion of all that He gives us. The tithe is this specified portion. By the Lord's direction it was consecrated to Him in the earliest times

"When God delivered Israel from Egypt to be a special treasure unto Himself, He taught them to devote a tithe of their possessions to the service of the tabernacle. This was a special offering for a special work. All that remained of their

property was God's, and was to be used to His glory. But the tithe was set apart for the support of those who ministered in the sanctuary. It was to be given from the first fruits of all the increase, and, with gifts and offerings, it provided ample means for supporting the ministry of the gospel for that time.

"God requires no less of us than He required of His people anciently. His gifts to us are not less, but greater, than they were to Israel of old." —C.S., p. 71

This matter of giving is not left to impulse. God has given us definite instruction in regard to it. He has specified tithes and offerings as the measure of our obligation. And He desires us to give regularly and systematically . . . Let each regularly examine his income, which is all a blessing from God, and set apart the tithe as a separate fund, to be sacredly the Lord's. This fund should not in any case be devoted to any other use; it is to be devoted solely to support the ministry of the gospel. After the tithe is set apart, let gifts and offerings be apportioned, "as God hath prospered" you.

Not only does the Lord claim the tithe as His own, but He tells us how it should be reserved for Him. He says, "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase." This does not teach that we are to spend our means on ourselves, and bring to the Lord the remnant, even though it should be otherwise an honest tithe. Let God's portion be first set apart.

"We are not to consecrate to Him what remains of our income after all our real or imaginary wants are satisfied; but before any portion

is consumed, we should set apart that which God has specified as His."—C.S., p. 81

The claims of God for tithe and offerings are not without reward. "Prove me now herewith," says the Lord, "and I will pour you out a blessing." The following testimony from a faithful layman illustrates God's interest in us.

"I had attended a church meeting where faithful tithing had been discussed. I left this meeting with the conviction that I had some back tithe to return to the Lord.

"I did not know where the money was coming from. I receive a social security check each month and faithfully tithe this check. I had received a gift amounting to several dollars and had not paid tithe on it. I had part of what I needed, but lacked about \$5.00.

"I went to pick up some groceries, and upon leaving the store I was impressed to go back and have my advertising contest card punched. I was immediately informed that I had won \$5.00. I was very happy that I had enough to pay my back tithe. The Lord has been so good to me, and I thank Him for it."

God has, indeed, been good to His followers in supplying material needs. Realizing the security we have in God's promises, should we not make the same resolution Jacob made as recorded in Genesis 28:20-22 — "And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God: And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee."

ONE TENTH OF OUR INCOME AND ONE SEVENTH OF OUR TIME ARE HOLY UNTO THE LORD

"The very same language is used concerning the Sabbath as in the law of the tithe: 'The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God.' Man has no right nor power to substitute the first day for the seventh. . . That specified portion of time, set apart by God Himself for religious worship, continues as sacred today as when first hallowed by our Creator.

"In like manner a tithe of our income is 'holy unto the Lord.' The New Testament does not re-enact the law of the tithe, as it does not that of the Sabbath; for the validity of both is assumed, and their deep spiritual import explained . . . While we as a people are seeking faithfully to give to God the time which He has reserved as His own, shall we not also render to Him that portion of our means which He claims?" — C. S., p. 66

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Nursing Program at S.M.C.

— ON THE COLLEGE DALE CAMPUS

It is now possible for a registered nurse, trained in a hospital program, to obtain an accredited B.S. degree in nursing—with around two years of study—at Southern Missionary College, according to Miss Catherine Glatho, chairman of SMC's baccalaureate program in nursing.

The Board of Review of the National League for Nursing, the national accrediting agency for nursing education, granted "initial accreditation to the plan for the admission of the registered nurse student into the accredited baccalaureate program in nursing" on the basis of the self-evaluation report submitted by the faculty and the visiting board members' report.

State boards "approve" schools of nursing for the preparation of students qualified to take the state licensing examination to practice as nurses. The criteria that must be met for "national accreditation" are over and above the requirements for legal recognition within a state, and they are established by the schools themselves.

The amount of time required to obtain the professional B.S. degree varies with the individual's previous preparation and experience, for example, those RN's who have already taken such pre-nursing courses as Chemistry, Anatomy and Physiology, and Microbiology would be farther ahead than those who had not.

"SMC, however, grants permission for RN students to take 'challenging examinations' over any course content in which they feel competent—one of the few schools in the nation to do so. We are unusually generous in this area and will work with the student to try to meet their needs," said Mrs. Doris Payne, associate chairman of SMC's B.S. nursing program.

She continued, "The broad educational preparation, which includes liberal arts and professional courses, assists you in meeting today's increasingly complex responsibilities. Most responsible positions in nursing require at least a B.S. degree, not for the sake of the degree, but for the competence and skill in nursing care it signifies. Experience in public health and community nurs-

ing are also provided. If you desire to become a teacher, administrator or clinical specialist in one field of nursing, the B.S. degree program makes you eligible to seek admission for graduate study. For those interested in an overseas appointment, a master's degree is highly recommended by the General Conference Mission Board.

"Every professional nurse is a leader. Nursing is a team approach. The professional nurse needs special skills in working with people and in planning the work of others concerned with patient care. You are the leader of the nursing team," Mrs. Payne concluded.

— ON THE ORLANDO CAMPUS

The second in a series of four "Nursing Forums," organized by the faculty on the Orlando campus of Southern Missionary College's Department of Baccalaureate Nursing, was presented Thursday, November 14, at the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital.

The series was given as an educational service with an aim to present a variety of disease conditions which reflect progress in medical science and in which nursing assumes increasing roles of responsibility for treatment and nursing care.

It is the hope of the faculty that graduates and students will be made aware of the needs of patients afflicted with the conditions presented and with local city, county and state efforts to provide help for those families affected by the disease.

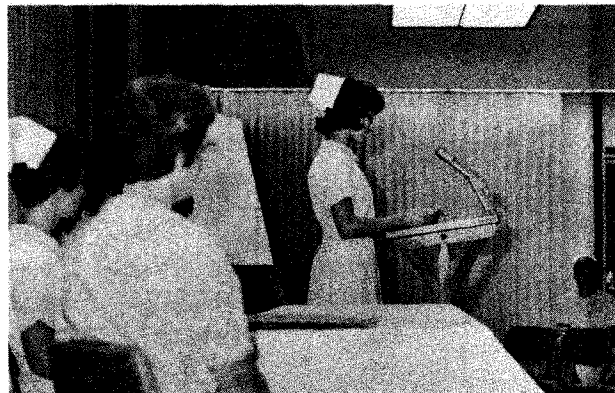
Junior students of nursing on the Orlando campus and resource specialists from the community participated in the forums.

The first forum on Cystic Fibrosis was presented in September to an audience of approximately 175. Dr. N. A. Helfrich, director of the Orlando Cystic Fibrosis Clinic, was the resource specialist. The highlight of the forum was his presentation of a child clinic patient who cooperated as he and physical therapy and inhalation therapy technicians demonstrated the use of special equipment used in treating the disease. A 28-year-old cystic fibrotic mother and her four-year-old daughter were a living witness to the brighter future for cystic fibrotic children, their parents and their siblings.

Kathryn Wooley, assistant professor of nursing, center, instructs Judy Fessler, seated, Virginia Platt, left, and Kate Schneider, right, on some of the techniques in charting patient's care. Their clinical experience is being realized on the Orlando campus at the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital.



Speaking at the "Nursing Forum," Carol Johnson, junior student of nursing on the Orlando campus, told listeners at the September meeting about cystic fibrosis.



Board Names Three Buildings on Campus

The Board of Trustees of Southern Missionary College met recently and took action concerning names of three of the new buildings on the campus.

The three buildings that were named include the recently constructed administration building, which the Board named the Kenneth A. Wright Hall in honor of a former president.

The new women's residence hall was named Thatcher Hall after James and Grace Thatcher on whose farm Southern Missionary College is now located.

The men's residence hall, formerly the women's residence hall, is named Talge Hall after Mr. John H. Talge of Indiana. He was a benefactor of the college, but is now deceased.

The group listened to reports from the president, Dr. W. M. Schneider; the academic dean, Dr. Frank Knittel; the general manager for finance and development, Mr. Charles Fleming, Jr.; and the director of admissions and records, Dr. C. F. W. Futcher.

The Board also approved the purchase of an IBM 1130 Computer to be installed in September, 1969.

A fund raising plan for the new library that is presently under construction was also approved.

Don Holland, youth leader for the Southern Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, was elected to the Board of Trustees.

Kenneth A. Wright, for whom the administration building was named, served as president of SMC from 1943 to 1955. During President Wright's administration, Southern Junior College took senior status, and became fully accredited. Many of the major buildings on the upper part of the campus were built during his term as president. President Wright guided the college through twelve years of adaptation, development and progress.

James and Grace Thatcher, whose name is used for the new women's residence, owned the old Thatcher mansion or the "Yellow House" which existed as a main part of the college's facilities for many years. It was built during the Civil War, and after being owned by James Thatcher, it was put to use by Southern Junior College. The southern style mansion served as both men's and women's dormitories, married couples quarters, dining room, and various other purposes until the landmark was torn down in 1957.

Mr. John H. Talge, whose name is now transferred to the present men's residence, was known for his generous gifts during the early days of the college. Through Elder S. E. Wight, Mr. Talge became interested in Southern Junior College and donated all the furniture, flooring, and bathroom fixtures for the women's dormitory, and all the furnishings for the men's residence hall. Mr. Talge also supplied \$1,300 for laundry equipment, helped purchase a piece of land, and supplied part of the kitchen equipment, plus many other donations. Most of these gifts were given at a time when Southern Junior College was struggling to survive. His interest in the growth and development of the school greatly helped in its future success.

STATE OFFICERS

Two SMC students—Judy Bentzinger, sophomore, and Susanne Underhay, junior, were recently elected second vice president and treasurer, respectively, at the state TASN (Tennessee Association of Student Nurses) convention held this year in Chattanooga. This was the first time SMC had ever been co-host of the state session, which was attended by 300 TASN members. Of significance is the fact that the convention, which is usually held Wednesday through Saturday each year, was changed to meet on different days in order to make it possible for SMC students to attend.

At the Thursday night talent show, first prize went to Jan Crews, SMC sophomore, for her piano medley and third prize went to Ann Cruise, junior, who sang "Impossible Dream."

ANNUAL TEMPERANCE CONTEST WINNER

Alan Lawrence, sophomore business administration major from Westchester, Illinois, captured the \$30 top prize for his talk on smoking in SMC's annual Temperance Speech Contest. He is a 1963 graduate of Broadview Academy near Chicago. Other contestants, who received \$15 each for entering were Jeff Chaney, Jay Gallimore, and Bradley Galambos.

DEFENDS THE FAITH

H. W. Lowe, a seasoned British theologian and chairman of the SDA Defense Literature Committee, spoke at the Collegedale church November 4-7 on divisive theological movements of today.

"FOCUS ON FREEDOM"

J. V. Scully, director of youth activities for the General Conference's Religious Liberty Department, was the featured speaker for the series entitled "Focus on Freedom," sponsored by SMC's Religious Liberty Club, October 31 to November 2. His opening talk was entitled "The Great Confederacy of Our World." Also speaking during the special series were John R. Loor, pastor of the Collegedale church, and Americo Ciuffardi, SDA minister on leave at SMC to study communications, moderating an information session on the status of religious liberty in South and Central America.



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ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Layman's Congress—Meridian High School Auditorium, December 6 and 7. Guests: H. H. Schmidt, W. L. Mazat, B. J. Liebelt of the Southern Union; C. H. Lauda of the General Conference; Emilio B. Knechtle of New York.

Million Penny Victory Day—Camp Alamisco Site, Dadeville, Alabama, Sunday, January 5, 1969.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Evangelistic Meetings

Columbus, Georgia, November 30 to December 14. Lewis Wynn and Earl Prest.

Albany, Georgia, January 11, Holley team.

Warner Robins, Georgia, January 11, James Wyckoff.

Valdosta, Georgia, January 11, John Fowler.

Elders and Deacons Convention—Camp Cumby-Gay, December 6 and 7. Guest speaker, Elder Robert Spangler of the General Conference Ministerial Department.

MV, Pathfinder and Public Relations Officers' Convention—Camp Cumby-Gay, December 13-15. Guest speakers, Elder Marvin Reeder of the General Conference Public Relations Department and William Taylor of Southern Missionary College.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

Workers' Meeting

Charlotte, North Carolina, December 10

Ocala, Florida, December 12

Guests, Union departmental secretaries and officers.

Church Officers' Convention

Greensboro, North Carolina, January 4, 1969

Columbia, South Carolina, January 11, 1969

Atlanta, Georgia, January 18, 1969

Tampa, Florida, January 25, 1969

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH FOR TODAY RELEASES

December 1—"Below the Sahara" — A presentation of Africa's Congo is given by Pastor and Mrs. J. N. Hunt, veteran missionaries, as they are interviewed by Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Fagal. Here, too, war has taken its toll. The Hunts tell of a Christian worker lined up with a group of 15 accused rebels. They were to be shot. When it came time for the Christian's life to be taken, he was told to write a note home to his family. In it he said: "I won't see you again in this life. But don't worry. Don't be afraid. In a little while Jesus will come, and we will be together again." Miraculously, the soldiers decided to release him.

The Hunts served in the Congo at the time of the Mau Mau problem. They tell of how Christians stood firm for God in the face of tremendous opposition and persecution.

December 8—"Esther Gets Involved" — To what extent is any individual involved in the problems of others? Should a person avoid entangling contacts? Esther Robbards had first refused to listen to Olga's troubles. After all, she had plenty herself. And the recital might be a lengthy one. But when her best friend was suddenly taken to the hospital, seriously ill, she blamed herself. "Esther Gets Involved" highlights a significant object lesson that can be applied to daily living.

December 15—"A Young Man at Sea" — The lure of the sea had long intrigued Roland Osborn. His opportunity came when he had a

chance to sail as a mess boy on a Nassau cruise. His mother is much opposed to the idea and is convinced that nothing but trouble can result. He does sail, and the results make interesting televiewing.

December 22—"From Bethlehem to Calvary" — If you ever wanted to travel to the Holy Land, but haven't had funds to do so, here is your chance in the program "From Bethlehem to Calvary." Dr. W. A. Fagal, a careful Bible student, takes you to significant scenes in Palestine that constitute a documentary on the life of Christ. You will appreciate his perceptive observations. The environment of Jesus 2,000 years ago comes alive in this program.

December 29 - Biafra's Agony—"This Century's Nightmare" — Biafra's agony, with famine and starvation striking multiplied thousands, is portrayed as Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Fagal interview Dr. S. A. Nagel, veteran missionary to Nigeria.

Nagel points out that 5,000 are dying daily from starvation, with hundreds of others being killed or maimed by the ravages of war. He tells the tragic story of little children dying even as they call for food; of families being divided in the tragic aftermath of war and a political situation so turbulent it defies analysis.

Nagel describes a brighter side, too. He tells of food and clothing and help afforded by Christian missions. He describes men and women risking their lives to bring help to those facing desperate need and privation.

Dr. and Mrs. Fagal skillfully draw from Dr. Nagel a magnificent picture of heroic self-sacrifice in this situation. The program is a portrayal of unstinting sacrifice and Christian nobility against the stark background of man's incredible inhumanity to man.

SOUTHERN UNION ASI MEETINGS

We are fortunate, indeed, to have Elder C. H. Lauda, the new General Conference ASI secretary attend the Southern Union ASI meetings.

Something new is being tried this year. Usually three unions unite in ASI sectional meetings, and the meetings last several days. With the exception of Kentucky-Tennessee, the meetings this year are only one day in length and spread into several conferences. Here is the schedule.



C. H. Lauda

Kentucky-Tennessee—November 14, 7:30 p.m. to November 17, 12:00 noon — A combined Laymen's Foundation and ASI meeting at the Madison campus.

Carolina—December 1, 10:00 a.m., Fletcher Academy and Hospital, Fletcher, North Carolina.

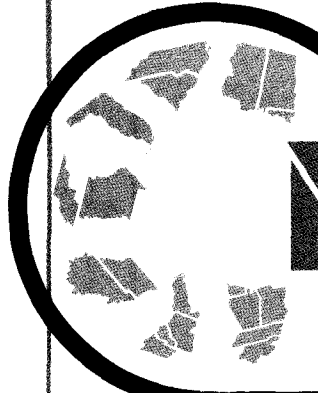
Alabama-Mississippi—December 8, 10:00 a.m. Conference office, Meridian, Mississippi.

Florida—December 11, 10:00 a.m., Orlando Central church.

If no meeting is scheduled for your conference, please feel free to attend the one of your choice.

IMPORTANT: Not only do we urge the staffs of institutions, industries, clinics, and businesses who are members of ASI to be with us for an inspirational day, but we also warmly invite and urge any who are not ASI members and are interested in how they can help finish the work through their respective institutions to be present.

We are anxious to meet you and fellowship with you. Ben J. Liebelt, Secretary, Southern Union ASI Department



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NEWS

FROM THE CONFERENCES OF THE SOUTHERN UNION

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GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

A Lay-Youth Congress packed the Collegedale Auditorium with 2200 persons on the weekend of November 16. Guest speakers included Elder Ted Lucas, world youth leader, and Elder Neal Wilson, General Conference vice-president for North America. A thrilling panorama of conference growth and soul-winning experiences occupied the afternoon hours.

The Holley Evangelistic Team opened an Atlanta crusade Sunday night, November 17. Despite heavy rain and tornado warnings, there was an excellent crowd.

A Conference-Wide Sabbath School and Lay Activities Workshop was held November 22 and 23. Carol Pettingill, student missionary from SMC, gave a stirring mission appeal with first-hand experiences. Other guests included Elders D. W. Hunter of the General Conference and B. J. Liebelt of the Southern Union.

Fair Booths were recent projects in the Montezuma, Griffin, Portal and Savannah churches. The Portal booth was at the Ozeechee fair in Statesboro and served to create a favorable image for the Adventist Church in this community that presently has no Adventist Church.

The Atlanta Cascade Road church recently enjoyed their largest Sabbath School Visitors' Day with an overflow attendance.

Graysville, Tennessee, Evangelistic Meetings—eleven baptisms reported by Evangelist James Wyckoff and Pastor William Stringfellow.

CAROLINA

Albemarle, N. C. Pastor Robert Hallock is conducting a series of meetings in this city. Three Protestant ministers have participated in the program.

Charleston, S. C. Over 400 members from four districts attended the departmental meetings which were held in the Charleston church on Sabbath, November 16. Conference officers and departmental men were present. Elder O. L. Heinrich from the Southern Union was the guest speaker.

Columbus, N. C. The telephone company in Tryon, N. C., has written an article in their monthly news bulletin about the "Dial Your Family Bible" program.

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| Florence, S. C. | Six individuals attended church as a direct contact from literature ministry. Several baptisms are expected to result from these contacts. |
| Greenville, S. C. | The Home and School Society sponsored a talent program in connection with the Thanksgiving school program and raised over \$100 for the school. |
| Hickory, N. C. | Evangelist Ronald Halverson is holding meetings here and eighteen persons came forward on the first altar call. Burton Maxwell is district pastor. |
| Lawndale, N. C. | A. D. Livengood and Pastor Henry Fowler opened a series of meetings on Saturday night, November 16, with a good attendance. |
| Lumberton, N. C. | Pastor Prestley Lowry is conducting a three-week meeting in the Waccamaw church—seven nights each week. |
| Statesville, N. C. | Six baptisms resulted from the evangelistic meetings conducted by Burton Maxwell. |
| Charlotte, N. C. | Eighty new highway signs have been placed throughout the conference in recent weeks. |



SOUTH ATLANTIC

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| Devotions | W. W. Fordham, associate secretary of the North American Regional Department, recently conducted the Week of Prayer for the Miami Bethany church. J. W. Allison, Jr., pastor from Los Angeles, conducted the fall Week of Prayer at the Atlanta Berean church, November 8-14. |
| Baptisms | 1,165 baptisms have been reported for the first ten months of this year. |
| Tithe | For the first time in its history, the South Atlantic Conference has passed the \$100,000 mark in tithe gain for one year. |
| Ingathering | The Ingathering campaign came to a close on Sabbath, November 16. The goal for 1969 in South Atlantic was \$105,874. To reach this amount, the conference experienced the shortest campaign in its record. |



KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

A. L. INGRAM and J. C. GREENE joined forces in a weekend LITERATURE EVANGELIST RALLY and BOOK SALE at LEXINGTON and FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY. Many thrilling experiences were related. JERRY HIGGS told about a lady who was ready to commit suicide but remembered a visit that was made by two literature evangelists. Instead of taking her life, she called for a visit with them again. Book sales at LEXINGTON totaled \$715 and at FRANKFORT, \$178.

EVANGELIST KENNETH McCOMAS has won 34 converts since coming to Kentucky-Tennessee. He specializes in two-week series and has held meetings in WINCHESTER, WHITEHAVEN and DICKSON, Tennessee, and will conclude the year at LEXINGTON, Kentucky.

A new church of thirty charter members has just been organized at COLUMBIA, Kentucky, following a five-week series of meetings by the JOHNSON-CHURCH team. Eighteen new members have been baptized with others scheduled for successive Sabbaths. MRS. HAZEL BLAIR and MR. AND MRS. CHARLES PIRES, with other church members, deserve much credit for the success of the work in Columbia.

L. A. WATSON and E. E. DUNCAN report twelve added to the church at POWDERLY, Kentucky, where they conducted a three-week series.

The Ingathering Field Day at HIGHLAND ACADEMY brought in \$2,300.

LITERATURE EVANGELISTS in the conference delivered \$25,947 for the month of October, gave away 602 pieces of literature, and enrolled 368 in the Bible course.

PASTOR EDWIN SHAFER and HAROLD METCALF, of the Southern Union, are holding meetings in COVINGTON, Kentucky. A series of five-minute radio messages designed to create interest, answer problems and announce the meetings have appeared on several stations. A good response is coming from the use of the telephone machine covering the Covington area.

"A NIGHT OF MIRACLES" is scheduled for the Vesper Hour at the Madison Boulevard church on Sabbath, December 14. A combined choir from the Nashville churches will make the presentation.



A number of Adventist educators visited the Oakwood College campus during American Education Week. Taking part in the program were the union and local conference educational leaders, and I. U. Stonebrook of the General Conference Department of Education.

Definite plans are now under way to construct new schools in Mobile and Montgomery, Alabama; Nashville, Tennessee; and Louisville, Kentucky.

The Murfreesboro, Tennessee, congregation plans to hold "first services" in their new church on Sabbath, December 7.

The membership in the South Central Conference has now reached the 6,000 mark.



1. A conference-wide Gift Bible Evangelism rally was held Sabbath, November 16, at the Orlando Central church. Ministers and laymen from all over the state brought "trophies" won to the church this year as a result of this type of evangelism.

2. The Orlando area ministers recently met with Elder Harold Metcalf of the Southern Union to discuss plans for a new evangelistic approach in 1969. It was voted to invite Elder Metcalf to conduct a dialogue-type meeting beginning sometime in April.

3. Evangelistic meetings began in Lakeland on Monday night, November 11, with Elder Henry Carubba as a guest speaker. On the opening night a reporter from the local paper was present. He devoted an entire page of the newspaper to a report on the message he heard.

4. To the end of October, 684 individuals have been baptized in the conference thus far this year. Florida is striving to reach the 12,000 membership mark.

5. R. E. Pleasants, Sabbath School Department secretary, reports a substantial overflow in the Investment offerings throughout the conference.

6. A Bible Conference for children in grades 8 through 10 was held October 31—November 2 at Camp Kulaqua. It was an inspiring meeting with gratifying results for the Florida youth.

7. Elder Rainey Hooper is presently conducting a series of evangelistic meetings in the Miami Temple church.



ALABAMA—MISSISSIPPI

Formal grand opening of the new Decatur, Alabama, church was held Sabbath, November 16. H. H. Schmidt, union conference president, was the speaker for the morning worship service.

"One Million Pennies" was a challenge the ministers enthusiastically endorsed at a meeting in late October. By late November enthusiasm had mounted high, and district reports indicated success for "Penny Day" on December 21. The project will raise funds toward the dining room at the new youth camp site on Lake Martin.

The Bass Memorial Academy concert choir and band presented a program of sacred music in the Huntsville, Alabama, church, Sabbath, November 16. A secular concert was given on Saturday night.

Opening services for the newly-acquired Natchez, Mississippi, church were held Sabbath, November 23. W. D. Wampler, conference president, spoke at the worship service.

W. D. Brass and Raymond Roberts have just completed successful meetings in the Sheffield and St. Elmo, Alabama, churches.

A tornado recently touched down in Chilton County, Alabama, doing extensive damage. Within hours, the conference disaster van was on the scene giving assistance.

Pastor Clark Acker reports eight baptisms as a result of evangelistic meetings conducted in Anniston, Alabama, with Evangelist Raymond Roberts.

The son of the President of Turkey was a recent guest at Sabbath services in Huntsville, Alabama. Dr. and Mrs. Sunay were visiting the Marshall Space Flight Center as guests of Dr. Werner VonBraun. The Sunays, both physicians, spoke highly of the Adventist welfare work rendered their people during the recent earthquake.



SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

THE INITIAL MEETING OF THE "CHRISTIAN WRITERS' ASSOCIATION" WAS HELD NOVEMBER 12 AT SMC. DR. GORDON M. HYDE, CHAIRMAN OF SMC'S DIVISION OF RELIGION, WAS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER.

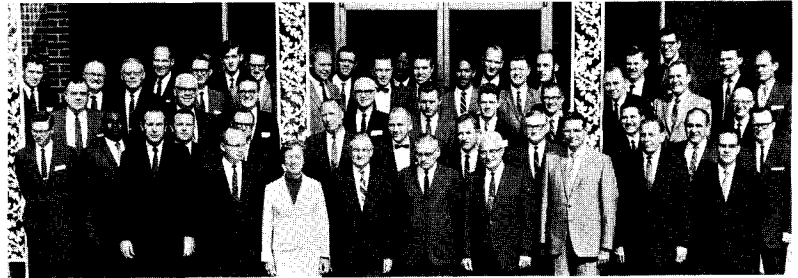
THE MEN'S RECEPTION—MAIN SOCIAL EVENT OF THE 1968-69 COLLEGE YEAR—TOOK PLACE NOVEMBER 24.

I. V. STONEBROOK, ASSOCIATE SECRETARY OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, WAS THE GUEST SPEAKER FOR CHAPEL DURING THE THREE-DAY TEACHER EDUCATION RECRUITMENT SESSION, NOVEMBER 12-14. EDUCATIONAL SECRETARIES FROM THE LOCAL CONFERENCES AND SOUTHERN UNION VISITED CLASSES AND HELD INTERVIEWS WITH STUDENTS IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.

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ATLANTA, GEORGIA — Elder Don Aalborg, left, conference temperance and Missionary Volunteer director, and Mrs. Aalborg give personal counsel to a participant in the Five-Day Plan recently conducted in the Greenbriar Shopping Center. Local Pastors William Henson and William Ambler assisted in the program.



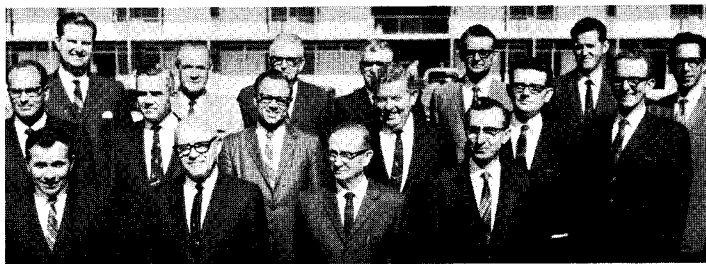
MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP — October 13-16 a number of ministers of the Southern Union attended the 14th annual Institute on Mental Health jointly sponsored by the Theological Seminary and the Harding Hospital. Purpose of the Institute was to provide ministers with information and experience in understanding people and their feelings and to aid them in handling the emotional problems that they encounter in their ministry. Faculty for this year's Institute included Dr. George T. Harding, medical director of the Harding Hospital; Dr. Charles Anderson of the Hinsdale Sanitarium; Dr. L. Harold Caviness of the Battle Creek Health Center; Charles E. Wittschiede of the Theological Seminary; and the staff of Harding Hospital.



FLORIDA CONFERENCE — "Finest group of teachers in the South," says E. J. Barnes, extreme right, superintendent of education for the Florida Conference. This group attended the Teachers' Convention, October 6-9, at Camp Kulaqua.



CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE — Dave Everts, left, self-employed food broker of Cleveland, Tennessee, and Pastor James Madson display some of the \$2,416 worth of new children's coats and jeans donated to the church welfare society by local manufacturers as a result of Ingathering contacts. As church missionary leader, Mr. Everts took three weeks from his work and organized the church for an all-out Ingathering drive. The 275 business firms in the city were contacted and made contributions totaling approximately \$2,000. Young people from the church visited every home in the city. The Ingathering goal was reached in three weeks rather than the normal three months.

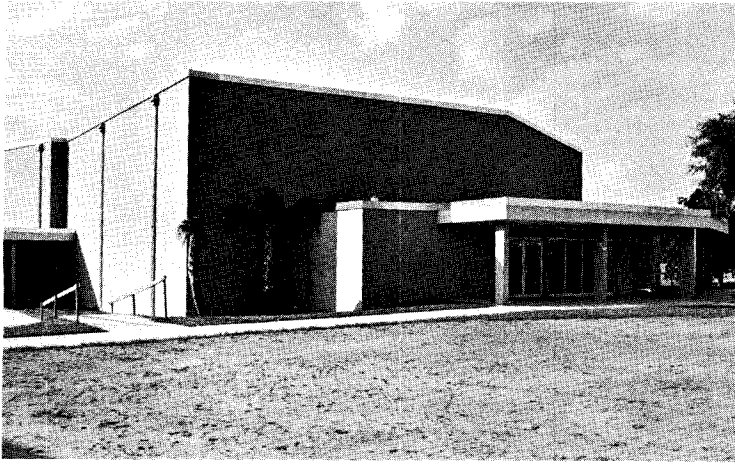


CAROLINA CONFERENCE — A large number of the Laymen's Advisory Committee met with the conference officers at the Quality Courts Motor Lodge in Morganton, North Carolina, to give study to evangelism, the educational program and the location of a youth camp site. From left, front row, Howard Pendleton, M. D. Howard, George Case and P. A. Kostenko; second row, H. D. Sanderford, J. W. Goodbrad, O. H. Rausch, L. C. Waller, Warren Lovett and E. S. Reile; third row, Herbert Tate, O. D. McAlpine, C. T. Saunders, Harlan England, R. Tyson, Carroll Shoffner and M. E. Northrup.



CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE — One of the best and most successful efforts ever conducted in Cleveland was recently held by Elders James Wyckoff and James Madson. Shown are some of the 23 individuals who were baptized at the conclusion of the meetings.

Naming and Dedication of Buildings at Forest Lake Academy



H. H. Schmidt Fine Arts Building, named and dedicated to Elder Schmidt who was Florida Conference president and Forest Lake Academy board chairman from 1957-65.



Elder and Mrs. Schmidt read plaque that is to be installed on the Fine Arts Building.



Memorial Hall, the new girls' dormitory, has been dedicated to the memory of the four girls who lost their lives eleven years ago in an auto accident during an Ingathering Field Day —

— Mr. and Mrs. Don Rees, parents of Donna



— Mr. and Mrs. Henry True, parents of Claire

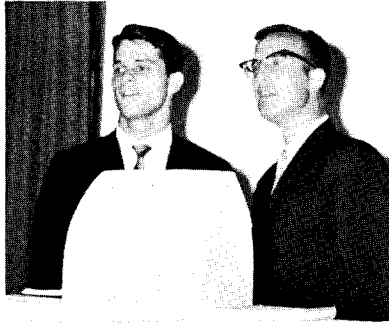


— Mr. and Mrs. McMasters, parents of Linda Hardy

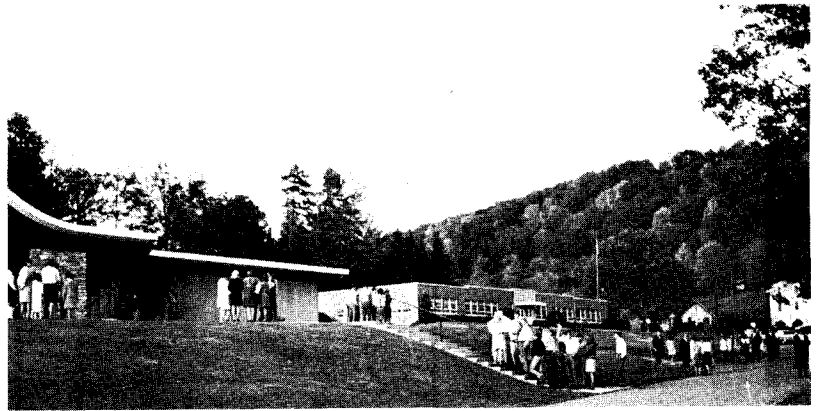
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Blanchard, whose daughter Carolyn lost her life in the accident, were unable to attend the special dedication services on October 27.

Elder and Mrs. K. A. Wright look at the plaque to be installed on the K. A. Wright Library on the campus of Forest Lake Academy. Elder Wright was principal of the school from 1937-1941.





WINCHESTER, TENNESSEE — Don Watson and James King teamed together for a series of meetings at Winchester and baptized ten souls. Plans for a church building in this area are being studied.

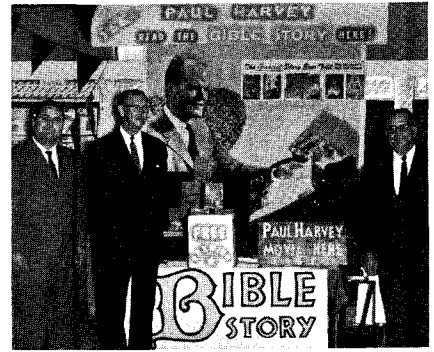


CANDLER, NORTH CAROLINA — Don Holland, MV secretary for the Southern Union, conducted a successful Week of Prayer at Mt. Pisgah Academy. Each evening, just a few minutes before the meeting and before sundown, the students met along the road to the church in groups for prayer circles. Four students made the decision to join the church.



HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA — Mrs. C. H. Rhoney, lay activities leader of the Hickory church, has been ingathering for over twenty years, but this year was her best. She solicited, or helped to solicit, more than \$1,000.

MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI — W. C. Arnold and his secretary, Mrs. Ruth Brass, are counting pennies for the dining hall at Camp Alamisco. Conference goal is ONE MILLION PENNIES by December 21.



JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI — Manning the fair booth exhibit at the Mississippi State Fair were George Gager, left, Raymond Ward, center, and Herbert Koch, right. The Paul Harvey BIBLE STORY film was shown three times daily. One thousand one hundred forty-six individuals signed the request cards for further information about the BIBLE STORY books. Winner of the free set was Mrs. Rheba Teasley of Jackson.



CAROLINA CONFERENCE — One of the outstanding features at the Carolina Lay Congress was the display of the new disaster van. R. H. Ammons, conference lay activities secretary, is shown with health and welfare leaders from the Asheville-Mt. Pisgah area.



WOODBURY, TENNESSEE — Audrey Walterhouse and Brenton Bullock, Jr., received their baptismal certificates on the annual Pathfinder Day, October 5, at the Woodbury church.



(Photo by George Adams)

SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE — SMC students are engaged every Sabbath afternoon in sunshine bands to various rest homes, prisons and orphanages. Over half the student body is actively engaged in missionary activities each week including Bible studies, evangelistic meetings and missionary bands. In the foreground talking are Carl Koester and Dennis Millburn.



SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE — The Southern Missionary College Board of Trustees met recently at the college and voted to name some of the new buildings. (See article in SMC section, pages 18 and 19). Officers of the board are in the front row, from left, W. M. Schneider, college president; H. H. Schmidt, union president; J. H. Whitehead, union secretary-treasurer.

PORTLAND, TENNESSEE — As a result of the recent Week of Prayer at Highland Academy, students and faculty prepared to toss into the flames tangible and intangible items that would hinder spiritual progress. E. E. Duncan, ministerial secretary of the conference, led out in the evening meetings with a series of illustrated doctrinal topics and spiritual, decision topics during the chapel periods.



WOODBURY, TENNESSEE — On Pathfinder Day, October 5, Nancy Bryant, third from right, presented a painting of Christ to Mrs. Daniel Smith, left, librarian of the Woodbury Adams Memorial Public Library. Mrs. William Bryant, second from left, is the Pathfinder director. To the right are Audrey Walterhouse and Brenton Bullock, Jr.

POWDERLY, KENTUCKY — L. A. Watson, pastor of the Hopkinsville, Kentucky, district, and E. E. Duncan, conference ministerial secretary, teamed together for a series of meetings in the small Powderly, Kentucky, church. Interest ran high for the three-week series and as a result twelve persons were added to the church membership. Eleven of these folk are shown below.



Pastor Watson and Mrs. Watson, shown at the left with the church group, are following the interest created in the meetings with Bible studies and a Bible marking plan. Teamwork and the soul-winning drive is strong in this district, and plans are being studied for a city-wide crusade in the city of Clarksville.

Miss Paula Becker is in the Advertising Department at the Southern Publishing Association. Her column appears regularly in the *TIDINGS* and serves to inform readers of some of the many fine books available for good reading pleasure.



It's not easy to get a teenager turned on about anything these days. The younger generation is geared for a sock-it-to-me world where only the super-spectacular is effective. But one of my teenage friends got excited about a book last week. It only took her a few hours to devour *HAND IN HAND*, an unusual biography of Drs. Daniel and Lauretta Kress by Pearle Peden.

Mrs. Peden tells a tale of romance and dedication with just enough old-fashioned flavoring to make it really unique. Daniel Kress was barely seventeen when he fell head-over-heels in love with the sparkly, brown-eyed Lauretta. Falling in love was one thing, but getting to the altar was something else again. How it all came about, and the whole adventure of the Kresses' lives thereafter, make exciting reading for everyone. Southern Publishing Association is proud to offer this attractive new book to the reading public.

In this year's Missionary Volunteer Book Clubs, there's one book, a junior category selection, that really stands out

WHITE SUGAR VERSUS HONEY

QUESTION:

"I have read that white sugar is a poison, but that honey and raw sugar are good. Please discuss this. Is it true that honey will not cause tooth decay because of its high mineral content?"

ANSWER:

White sugar is sucrose (a disaccharide or double sugar) which has been refined from cane and beets by man. Honey was formerly sucrose in flower nectar which the bee collected and refined, removing water and beginning the process of digestion. When sucrose is digested, it is broken apart into glucose and fructose (monosaccharides or single sugars). Thus, honey is a mixture of glucose, fructose, trace substances from the nectar and substances added by the bee during the refining process.

White sugar is not a poison and honey is not a miracle food. Both are concentrated "empty" calorie sources which furnish none or only minute amounts of other essential nutrients. The basic choices between these two forms of sugar are (1) whether the individual prefers this high-calorie food to have been concentrated by man or by bees, and (2) the taste difference. Honey may be presented as the better choice because it is more flavorful and sweeter tasting than white sugar, thus it tires the sense of taste more quickly and one might eat less.

| | White Sugar 1 T. | Honey 1 T. | Recommended Daily Amount for Men Age 35-55 |
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| CALORIES | 45 | 65 | — |
| MINERALS | | | |
| CALCIUM, MG. | 0 | 1 | 800 |
| PHOSPHORUS, MG. | 0 | 1 | 800 |
| IRON, MG. | trace | 0.1 | 10 |
| VITAMINS | | | |
| A, INT. UNITS | 0 | 0 | 5000 |
| B ₁ , MG. | 0 | trace | 1.3 |
| B ₂ , MG. | 0 | 0.01 | 1.7 |
| NIACIN, MG. | 0 | 0.1 | 17 |
| C, MG. | 0 | trace | 60 |

above the crowd. We're referring to *THE SECRET CHURCH*, by Louise A. Vernon. This is a dramatic tale of three children who became involved with the Anabaptist Church during the sixteenth century. Richard, Otto, and Trudi became part of a continuous adventure when Richard's and Otto's parents decided to follow personal conviction rather than the decrees of their church. *THE SECRET CHURCH*, published originally by Herald Press, is an exciting lesson in the meaning of religious freedom.

We'd like to indulge in just a word or two of personal opinion expression right here, relative to the changed appearance of many of our denominational periodicals. We note the more frequent use of color in *REVIEW AND HERALD*, for instance, and the overall improvement in the appearance of this important church journal. *THESE TIMES* is another magazine which has really stepped into the 20th century in both content and design in recent months. The use of contemporary art and the discussion of topics which are of current interest and importance to the world in general make *THESE TIMES* an excellent tool for evangelism as well as enjoyable reading for church members.

We've already mentioned the proposed new concept in both looks and articles which will come to *THE ADVENTIST HOME* in January. This new magazine will definitely mark a milestone in denominational publishing, and we hope it will be found in every Seventh-day Adventist home.

Last, but certainly not least, we want to compliment the new look being sported by many of our Union papers. The use of color, especially the attractive photographic covers, gives them a definite professional appearance, and provides a definite service to every church member. Congratulations!

As can be seen in the table at left, honey is a poor source of minerals, especially when one considers the number of calories it contains. As for not causing tooth decay, honey's sugars are no different from any other sugar in that respect. Any sugar in the mouth encourages bacterial growth which in turn produces decay-causing substances.

White sugar is raw sugar with the molasses removed; brown sugar is white sugar with a controlled amount of the molasses returned. Whether the sweetness is granular or syrupy, dark or light, it is still sugar—a simple carbohydrate and a concentrated calorie source which should be limited in the average individual's diet.

Research data are accumulating which show that diets rich in simple carbohydrates such as sugar, honey and syrup increase the level of lipids (complex fat-like substances) and cholesterol in the blood. Increased blood lipids lead to degenerative changes in blood vessels and may precede a heart attack or stroke. Diets which furnish carbohydrates in the more complex starch form do not tend to increase the blood lipid levels providing the total calories of the diet do not exceed the individual's energy requirement.

Carbohydrates should be eaten mainly as starches in such foods as potatoes, root vegetables and whole grains. The simple sugars that are eaten should be chosen from fruits that also supply minerals and vitamins. Sugars of any kind should be eaten in small amounts. Of the sugars, honey is an excellent choice.

Members of the Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Association, Eastern Chapter, are offering to reply to written queries on food and nutrition. Mail your questions with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the headquarter's address below. You will receive a reply from a participating dietitian who is qualified to respond to your inquiry. SDA DA dietitians will not diagnose or prescribe therapeutic diets.

WRITE-A-DIETITIAN
Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Michigan 49104

Obituaries

Submitted to the SOUTHERN TIDINGS office during September and October, 1968.

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God." Revelation 21:7

ALEXANDER, Mrs. Marguerite Berl, was born April 7, 1902 and died September 27, 1968, in Batesville, Mississippi. She was buried at Mount Vernon Garden, Memphis, Tennessee. She is survived by her husband, A. A. Alexander; two sons, Charles of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, and Richard, at present in Vietnam; and one sister, Blanch Cianciola, Delmar, California.

ANDERSON, Mrs. Esther Fox, was born in Watauga County, North Carolina, on March 2, 1915, and died October 25, 1968, in Asheville, North Carolina. Survivors are her husband, Alton; five sons; and three daughters.

ASHER, Fred E., was born July 29, 1881, in Cass City, Michigan, and moved to Florida in 1956. He died May 24, 1968, at the Clermont Nursing Home in Clermont, Florida. Surviving are his wife, Grace; one son, Galen; three daughters, Mrs. Reva Smith, Mrs. June Fowler and Mrs. Margaret Gemmill.

BAILEY, Fred Moultnier, born August 21, 1893, died October 15, 1968. He had been an evangelist in the Holiness movement for forty years and was baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1967. Surviving are his wife, Viola M.; four daughters, five sons and one step-son. Funeral services were conducted in Covington, Kentucky.

BROMBACK, Porter, was born October 23, 1891, and died August 9, 1968, in Covington, Kentucky, where funeral services were conducted with burial in Mt. Moriah, Kentucky. He is survived by one son, Jerald; and one grandson.

BYLASKA, Mary M., was born June 5, 1871, and died August 20, 1968, in a rest home in Fort Myers, Florida. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Maude Woodson of Fort Myers; three sons, Paul of Bradenton, Florida, Ted of Boca Grande, Florida, and Joe of Fort Myers, Florida.

CHARTERS, Mrs. Dorothy L., was born July 31, 1908, in Walhalla, South Carolina, and passed to her rest May 31, 1968, at Winter Park, Florida. Survivors include her husband, Arthur B.; one son, Arlan E. of Los Angeles, California; three brothers; five sisters; and her mother, Mrs. Ella Nesmith. Services were conducted by Dwight P. Herbert of Hendersonville, North Carolina. Interment was at Highland Memorial Gardens.

DeNEYER, Andrew John, passed to his rest September 5, 1968, in the Louis Smith Memorial Hospital at Lakeland, Georgia. Mr. DeNeyer was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on November 9, 1879. He is survived by his wife, Mary; Mrs. Margaret Gooch and Ella Saxe. A. C. McClurg officiated at the service.

DUFF, Mrs. Edna Mae Trammell, was born October 19, 1903, in Alpharetta, Georgia, and passed to her rest October 19, 1968, in Atlanta, Georgia. Much of her life was spent as a church school teacher. She was teaching in Douglasville, Georgia, at the time of her death. She is survived by her husband, Harry Duff. Officiating ministers were Glenmore Carter and C. M. Wolff.

ELZA, Miss Tahlana, was born December 8, 1888, in Knoxville, Tennessee, and died September 15, 1968, at Madison, Tennessee. Burial was at Lynchhurst Cemetery.

ENGLAND, Bertha A., was born in Maysville, Missouri, and died October 7, 1968, in Orlando, Florida. She was an ardent welfare worker in the Orlando Sanitarium church before moving to Inverness where she was a charter member of the church there. Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Roy, of Inverness; and a son, Roy, of West Palm Beach, Florida.

GERBER, Tommy Vernon, was born in Sheridan, Indiana, on November 1, 1884, and died September 28, 1968, at Canton, North Carolina. Survivors include three sons, Allen Vicior, William Daniel and Thomas Leland; and three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Ward, Mrs. Margaret G. Zarro and Mrs. Elanora Mae Sprague.

GROTH, Raymond, was born June 30, 1897, at Rockville Center, New York, and died September 23, 1968, at Orlando, Florida. He was baptized into the Adventist Church by Elder William Fagal in Brooklyn, New York, in 1946. In 1963, upon his retirement from the Long Island police force, he and his wife moved to Forest City, Florida, where they became members of the Forest Lake church. Survivors include his wife, Lillian; and three daughters, Mrs. Richard Hayes, Randolph, New York; Mrs. Robert Milk, Gary, New York; and Mrs. Raymond Smalley, Falconer, New York.

HARTLOFF, Mrs. Inez, born April 22, 1887, in Knoxville, Tennessee, died August 17, 1968, at Covington, Kentucky. She had been a loyal, faithful, and productive member of the Covington church for about fifty years. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Sadie Brooks of Walton, Kentucky; three sons, Melvin Grout, Springfield, Ohio, Gene Hartloff, Louisville, Kentucky, and Robert Hartloff, Independence, Kentucky; twelve grandchild-

ren, and sixteen great-grandchildren. Services were conducted in the Covington Seventh-day Adventist Church.

HOLLAND, Glenn, 68, was born in Kansas City, Kansas, and died in Zephyrhills, Florida, August 7, 1968. Survivors include his wife, Gertrude; a foster son, W. E. Freeman; and two foster daughters, Mrs. Ann Dean and Mrs. Betty Hannifin.

HOWARD, M. L., was born August 13, 1873, in Central City, Kentucky. He became a Seventh-day Adventist about 1917, and very soon thereafter quit his job as a railroad conductor and entered into the colporteur work. He was faithful in this work for forty years. He passed to his rest after a short illness in the Harrison Memorial Hospital at Cynthiana, Kentucky, June 2, 1968.

HUFF, Birdie, died in Covington, Kentucky, June 17, 1968. She was past 80 years of age. She had united with the Covington Seventh-day Adventist Church in July of 1967.

LEGROW, Lena T., was born in Wales, October 12, 1888, and died in Orlando, Florida, October 1, 1968. Her husband, Edward, survives.

MABRY, Mrs. Ina Wood, born December 14, 1889, in Holly Springs, Mississippi, died October 12, 1968, in Danville, New Jersey. She was buried in Memphis, Tennessee. Mrs. Mabry was a long-time teacher and a devoted member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Wallace C. Gilbertson and three grandchildren.

MANSSELL, Ira L., was born June 5, 1878, in Monterey, Michigan, and died July 3, 1968, at Orlando, Florida. He was a very active lay worker. The Huntington, West Virginia, church was organized in his home. Survivors include a son, Leslie R., pastor of the Forest Lake church; a foster son, James F. Osborne, Lodi, California; two brothers, Elder Ernest P., Washington, D.C., and Donald, Inglewood, California; two sisters, Mrs. Lillian Shaner, Casselberry, Florida, and Mrs. Lila Krupp, Venice, California.

McCASKILL, Sara Frances, 54, long-time member of the Vicksburg, Mississippi, Seventh-day Adventist Church, passed to her rest on September 8, 1968. She is survived by her husband, Mark P. McCaskill; one daughter, Mrs. Peggy Perkins; two grandchildren; two brothers, Eugene Dudley, Jr., of Vicksburg and Tom Dudley of Florence, Mississippi. Services were conducted by Donald Lund with interment at Green Acres in Vicksburg.

MULFORD, Pearl West, was born January 3, 1878, at Norton, Kansas, and passed to her rest October 1, 1968, in Collegedale, Tennessee. Mrs. Mulford was born in a pioneer Seventh-day Adventist home. The first church school in the state of Nebraska was organized by Miss West. She married Braden N. Mulford and together they began school and sanitarium work at Fountain Head, Tennessee, in 1907. Mrs. Mulford is survived by her daughter, Eileen Drouault; three grandchildren; two sisters, Edna Edmister and Bessie West; four great-grandchildren; and many relatives and loving friends.

PAIGE, Julia E., was born November 11, 1884, in Montgomery County, Virginia, and died October 20, 1968, in Orlando Florida. She was a member of the Orlando Central church. A son, Dustin E., of Forest City, Florida, survives.

ROSE, James, Sr., was born July 18, 1891, at Clyde, Ohio, and died at the Walker Memorial Hospital in Avon Park, Florida, September 3, 1968. Those who survive are his wife, Edna, and four sons, all of Ohio. Services in his honor were held at Avon Park, Florida, with burial at Clyde, Ohio.

ROSEBERRY, Robert C., was born September 18, 1907, at Wessington, Alabama, and died September 14, 1968, at Orlando, Florida. He was a member of the Sanitarium church. Surviving are his wife, Gertrude; and two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Bledsoe and Mrs. Lulu Watson.

SEIBERT, Maude, was born in Newberry, South Carolina, on December 7, 1905, and died August 23, 1968, at Columbia, South Carolina. Survivor is a sister, Estelle Seibert.

VILCOFSKY, Sam, age 73, died October 18 in Dayton, Kentucky. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was a member of the Covington Seventh-day Adventist Church. Services were conducted in Dayton, Kentucky, with burial at Milford, Ohio. His wife, Icy Mae, one brother and one sister survive him.

WERTZBAR, Lila Belle, was born May 4, 1892, in Charlevoix County, Michigan, and died September 12, 1968, at Avon Park, Florida. She was one of the first to attend Cedar Lake Academy. Survivors include her husband, Carl, and three children. Funeral services were held in Avon Park, Florida, with burial in Mechanicsburg, Illinois.

WOLFE, Mrs. Lilah, was born June 8, 1898, in Lowndes County, Georgia, and passed to her rest July 12, 1968, in Valdosta, Georgia. Survivors include her husband, Mr. George Wolfe, and a daughter, Mary Louise Griner. A. C. McClurg officiated.

WRIGHT, Horace, was born in Spring Bay, Illinois, October 17, 1874, and died at Clermont, Florida, September 4, 1968. He was a member of the Battle Creek Tabernacle church for more than fifty years. He is survived by his wife, Anna; two daughters, Mrs. Peggy French and Mrs. Lillian Lawrence; two sons, Laverne and Arthur.



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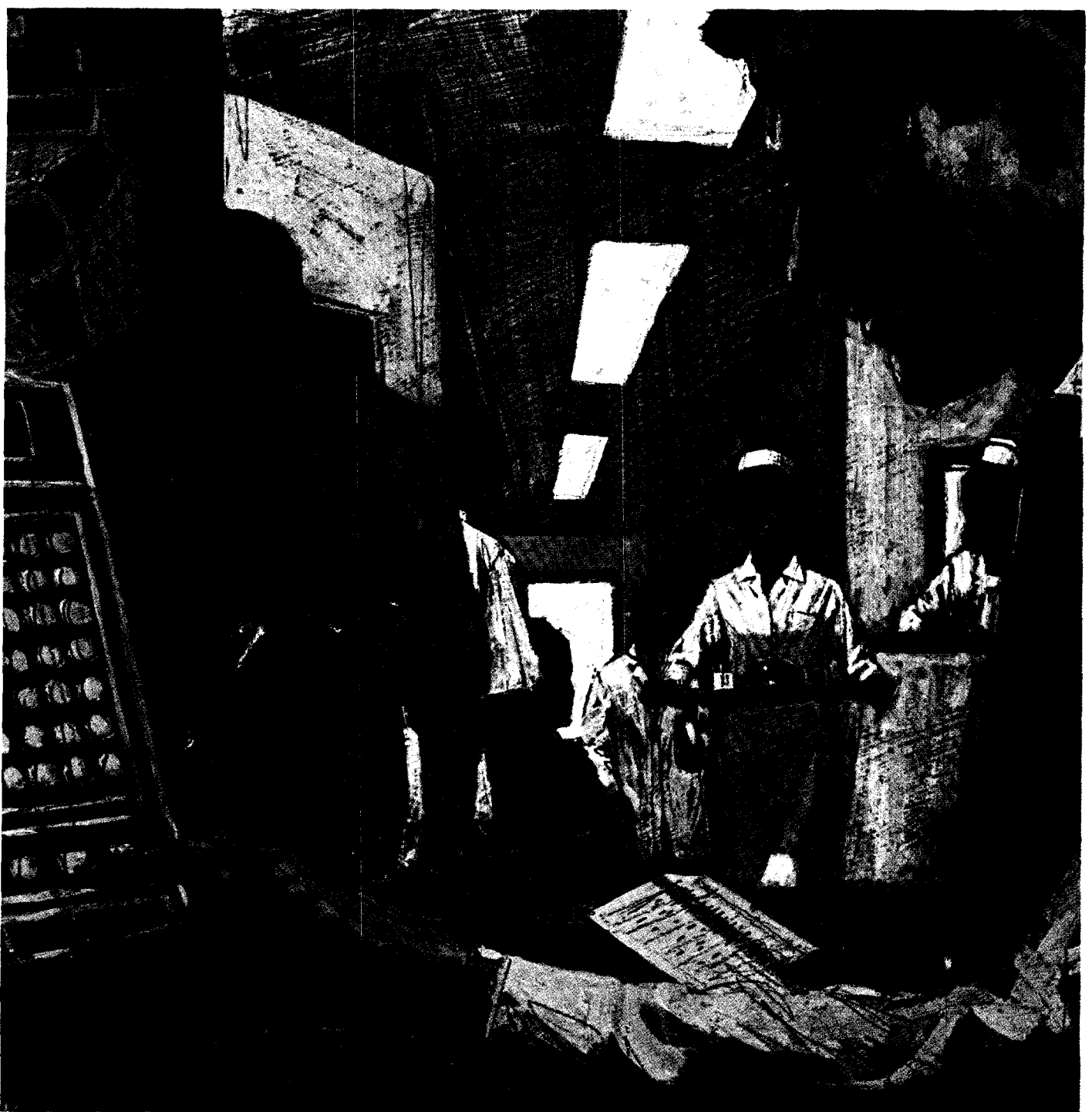
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