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On the evening of July 9, more than one hundred of us saw the first showing of LIKE STREAMS OF LIGHT, a new film program produced for the Publishing Department of the Southern Union. Those in attendance at this preview included union and local conference administrators; General Conference, union, and local conference publishing leaders; representatives from Southern Publishing Association and Southern Missionary College; and several laymen.

It was the general feeling that this is the finest over-all view of the publishing work which the denomination has ever put together. The might and power of the printing press is emphasized, and one is impressed anew with the way God has blessed the publishing work around the world.

Our Southern Union publishing leaders want to show this new spectacular to all of our people, therefore, plans are being made to schedule showings in about fifty key places over the next several months. I am confident our people will say with the ancient prophet and with us who have already viewed the program, "What hath God wrought!"

H. V. Schmidt
President, Southern Union Conference

OUR COVER was photographed with a fish-eye lens by Photo Sound International of Atlanta, Georgia, producers of the new multi-media program for the Southern Union Publishing Department. It shows the Southern Union Conference office where the lower level is occupied almost completely by the Home Health Education Service for the Southern Union territory.

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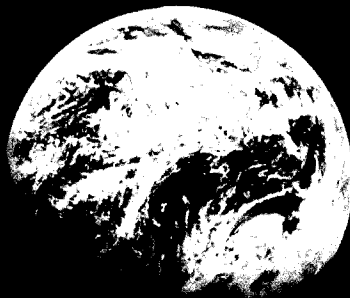


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... LIKE STREAMS OF LIGHT

The Publishing Department of the Southern Union Conference recently sponsored the premier showing of a new multi-media spectacular. The program utilizes three screens, stereo sound, rear projection, nine slide projectors and one movie. Hundreds of slides and some movie footage, all computerized to show at given commands, tell the story of the Adventist publishing work. With pictures from a dozen of the 47 publishing houses belting the globe, the production vividly portrays its title, "LIKE STREAMS OF LIGHT that went clear 'round the world."



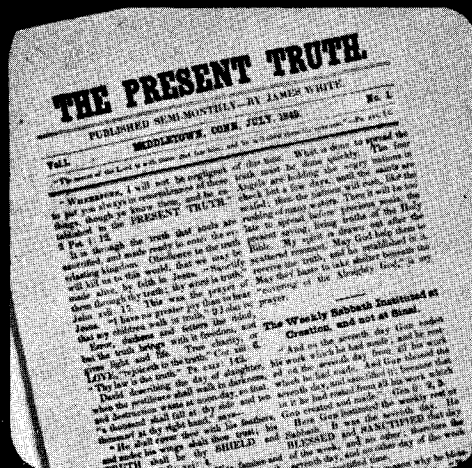
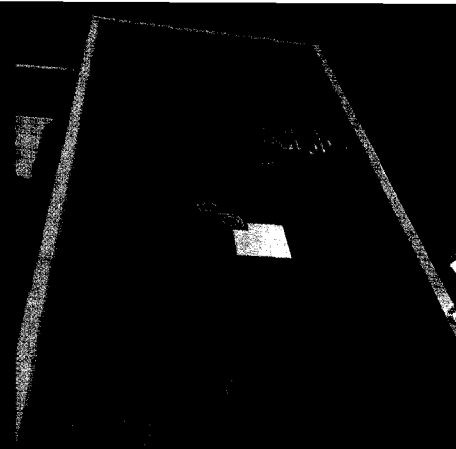
More than one hundred specially-invited guests were hosted at convention rooms in Atlanta's Marriott Motel on July 9, by the Southern Union Home Health Education Service, which is headed by Elder Eric Ristau.

The occasion was the premier showing of a production which is a new dimension in the field of communications. The story of the Seventh-day Adventist publishing work unfolded so graphically during twenty-six minutes that no one dared take his eyes from the massive screens, ten feet high and totalling thirty feet



in width. The method employed to achieve such rapt audience attention is known to communications people as multi-media. It utilizes rear-view projection and stereo sound. This particular program requires nine slide projectors and one movie. The program is computerized for the slides to drop or the movie to begin on a split-second command of the tape. Perception of the subject is intensified as slides slip rapidly into the program format. The imagination of the audience is quickened, for narrative is cut to extreme minimum.

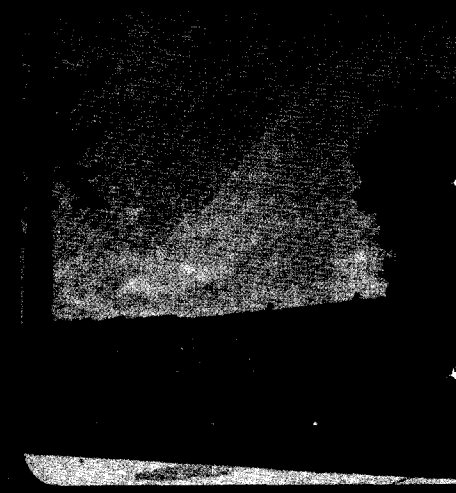
Opening minutes portray today's world with its restless youth and irresponsible parents, then it turns to God and the concern He has for man. With the church at hand, it brings to memory that oft-repeated line spoken by Ellen G. White 121 years ago — "You must begin to print a little paper and send it out to the people. Let it be small at first . . . it will be a success from the first." Pioneers of Adventist truths believed this, and they started out on faith. Thirty-two years later came the first colporteur, George King. With sales of sixty-three cents in

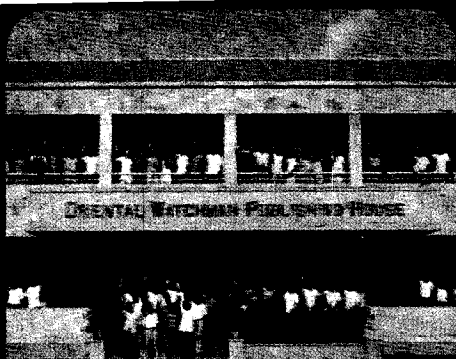
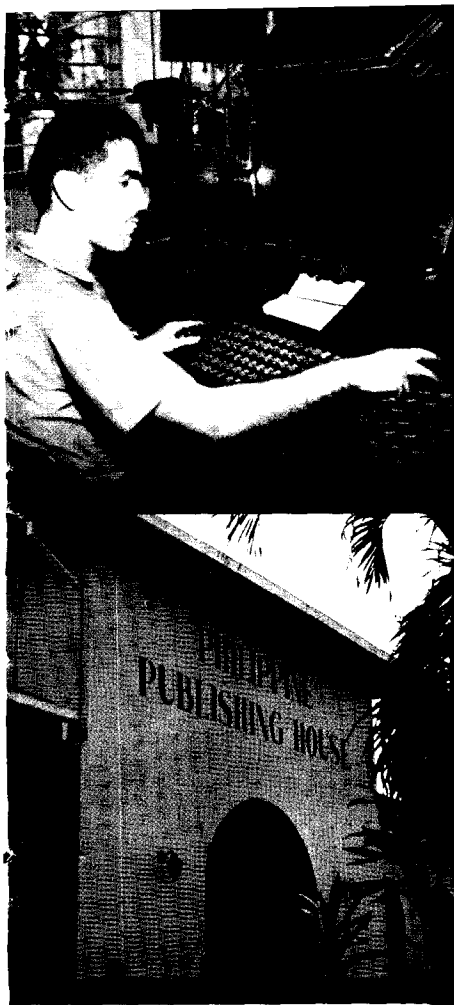


one week, he considered himself a success. Since that time one pair of feet has exploded to 6,000 pair.

Mrs. White envisioned the publishing work to be "like streams of light that went clear 'round the world."

On a world map, the forty-seven Adventist publishing houses dotting Earth are quickly located. But adding even more to the impact are the pictures from more than a dozen of these houses. Typical, beautiful scenes from the countries give it a flavorful atmosphere. In eight minutes the presses of

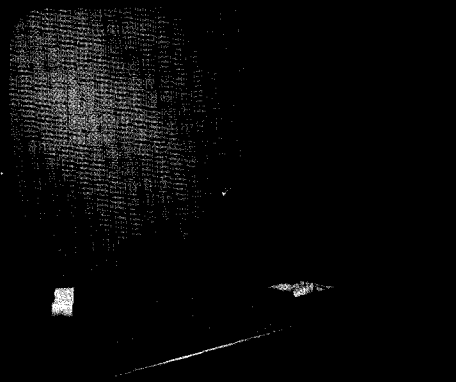




the Adventist world come to a quick review.

Then a date — 1957 . . . a muted metal desk . . . a small file . . . a battered typewriter . . . a part-time employee . . . a single colporteur . . . a new time-payment plan — It was the birth pangs of an idea. And for twelve years it has grown until today it takes a large office area with scores of employees operating computers, electric typewriters, and all types of machines to tabulate sales.

With almost a human sense of admiration, the camera caught the



Acceptance of the production by those attending the premier was overwhelming. Among the guests were the presidents, treasurers and publishing secretaries of the local conferences within the union, Elder D. A. McAdams of the General Conference, and officers and departmental secretaries of the Southern Union.

Plans are in motion for the production to be shown in fifty key centers throughout the union field. With it will be an exhibit of original Adventist art. Special booths will be

set up by auxiliary organizations of the church. The Book and Bible House managers in each conference will have special purchases to offer when the tour of their conference is made. This promises to be such an exciting attraction that all Seventh-day Adventists and their friends will want to plan to drive to the nearest showing.

"LIKE STREAMS OF LIGHT" was produced by Photo Sound International of Atlanta, Georgia.

facial expression of scores of literature evangelists carrying their torch of dedication at this year's great convention. The earnestness of the prayers ascending constantly for these ministers of the printed page, and of the prayers by them for the people they meet, is portrayed on the screen so as to leave no doubt as to the reason hundreds of men and women choose to give that "personal touch" to their life work.

The audience who saw this premier showing swelled with pride as youth of the church were shown joining the

selling forces for the summer months.

There can be only one reason for the Publishing Department of the Southern Union to invest in such a production, and that is to advance the message of salvation. This opportunity and invitation is open to every Seventh-day Adventist. The power of the printed page will never be determined. Its thrust has reached out and touched men and women everywhere. The closing part of the multi-media production attests to the miracle-working power of the printed word.



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DATELINE DATA

IBADAN, NIGERIA - - -

A new king, recently crowned ruler of the Otun-Ekiti kingdom in Western Nigeria, has broken a number of traditions because he is a Seventh-day Adventist. He was elected from among heirs to the throne by kingmakers representing 50 sub-chiefs and 40,000 citizens. The coronation was held on Friday instead of Saturday. He broke with tradition when he refused to marry the former king's many wives.

LOMA LINDA, CALIFORNIA - - -

A survey taken recently in California revealed that up to 50 per cent of the children in the fourth grade have experimented with cigarette smoking. The Loma Linda University School of Public Health has developed a Three-Day Plan for educating elementary students concerning the dangers of smoking. Currently 26 university students are involved in presenting 276 programs to three thousand children in the Redlands school district.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

President Nixon received a specially bound New Testament symbolizing the one billionth Scripture distributed by the American Bible Society. The volume given the president was hand-bound in blue goat-skin with the name, Richard Milhous Nixon, engraved in gold on the cover. Edmund F. Wagner, president of the Bible Society made the presentation and noted that when Mr. Nixon was vice-president, President Dwight D. Eisenhower accepted the 500-millionth copy of Scripture in 1957 from the American Bible Society.

MIAMI, FLORIDA - - -

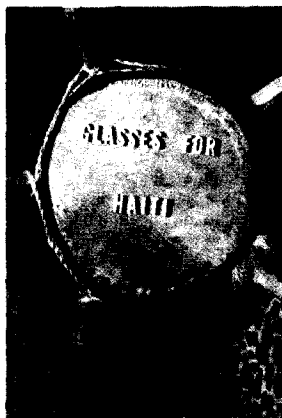
Headquarters offices for the Inter-American Division report 24-thousand baptisms last year. Laymen won two out of every three of these converts. Besides house-to-house visitation, many of the laymen are capable speakers and hold public evangelistic meetings.

SPAIN - - -

Four new Seventh-day Adventist churches were recently dedicated in Spain. As the result of new religious freedom now enjoyed by the Protestants in that country, church groups are allowed to erect church buildings and identify them as such. The Spanish government has also allowed Adventists to purchase land in the church's name to be used as the site for a new seminary.

BERRIEN SPRINGS, MICHIGAN - - -

A major in journalism has been approved by the Andrews University Board of Trustees and is scheduled for introduction at the beginning of the 1970-71 school year, according to Dr. Warner E. McClure, dean of the school. Only one other Adventist college, Walla Walla, offers a journalism major. Dr. C. A. Oliphant, associate professor of journalism at the university, is in charge of the program.



Editorial Comment: Lying to the southeast of Florida in the tradewinds of the Caribbean Sea are the islands of the West Indies. Second largest in size and centrally located between Cuba and Puerto Rico is the

Republic of Haiti with a bursting population of almost four million people. The populace is desperately poor.

The country is gripped by politicians who care little about education or the economy of the people. Island culture is made up of a dozen ethnic strains—a composite of Europe, Africa and the East.

For several years the need for medical aid in these tropical areas has been a mission on the heart of Dr. R. F. Swanson, an optometrist in Orlando, Florida. SOUTHERN TIDINGS has carried other accounts of his mission trips to the island of Haiti. The trip made recently by a group of physicians, dentists, optometrists and ministers is described in this issue by R. J. Ulmer, public relations secretary of the Florida Conference.

FOR HAITI

By R. J. ULMER
Public Relations Secretary



Dr. R. F. Swanson, O.D.—the man behind the project—examining patients on the island of Haiti.



Dr. William Severs of Orlando helped serve the dental needs of scores of patients on the 1969 trip to Haiti.

On the evening of April 17, all of the folk scheduled to make the Haiti trip, met at Dr. Swanson's house. They finished packing glasses and drugs and then made last-minute plans. Dr. Floyd Pichler and Dr. Glen Linebarger had driven to Orlando from Jacksonville. Dr. Bill Severs, Dr. Ed Olsen, and other members of the families helped with final preparations.

Friday morning the group drove to Miami and started checking boxes of glasses, drugs and luggage at air terminal ticket office. The total baggage for the ten persons leaving in this particular group came to over 700 pounds. After the dilemma of getting it all on board the plane, they breathed a sigh of relief as they became airborne and were on their way. After a pleasant two hours in the air, they landed in Port-au-Prince. Several Seventh-day Adventist missionaries were there to meet them. Oren Nelson, one of the missionaries, had a pickup truck to carry the boxes and the luggage, so it wasn't long before they were on their way to the Adventist school. After being shown their places for lodging and dinner, they began to unpack the drugs and glasses.

Sunday morning they were all down at the clinic bright and early. Already a small crowd of patients were waiting to see them. The doctors were soon busy taking patients. Drs. Linebarger and Severs were pulling teeth in the dental room. Dr. Pichler was seeing medical patients in an examining room, and Drs. Olsen and Swanson were refracting in two other rooms.

Elder Ed Barnes, educational superintendent of the Florida Conference, and Mrs. Barnes flew in from Puerto Rico and they, too, set to work in the clinic helping with the dispensing of glasses. Working through interpreters is not too efficient in processing patients, but even so several hundred patients were being cared for every day.

Elder Coe, president of the Florida Conference, made a visit to the island during this time and also helped in the

clinic. The missionaries were so gracious in giving of their homes and of their time and hospitality to the visiting doctors and workers.

At mid-week the group packed to go across the island to Cap-Haitien where they expected to set up a clinic in the North Haiti Seventh-day Adventist union office. There were twelve making the trip, five in a jeep and seven in back of a pickup truck. These trips are not like ones we make here in the states. The first mishap was simply a flat tire, but it took two and a half hours to get it repaired and back to the vehicle. Going through the Artibonite Valley, it had been raining heavily the day before and so the ditches and roads were flooded. Each town they passed through had police check points. Many times they had to stop and submit their safe conduct passes to the soldiers. After leaving Gonaives the roads were cobblestones, and these were so rough they had to slow their speed down to ten miles per hour. The folk in the back of the truck and jeep were really taking a physical beating. It was after dark when they finally pulled into Cap-Haitien and checked into the Beck Hotel which seemed like an oasis in the desert after riding for ten and a half hours.

Early the next morning they headed down to the union mission office and set up their equipment. It wasn't long before patients were flowing through the doors. Elder Coe was chief pharmacist for Dr. Pichler, and he also assisted

Drs. Severs and Linebarger in pulling teeth. Dr. Olsen and Dr. Swanson each set up their room for eye examination. Through interpreters they learned that by the end of the day they had examined two district judges, an attorney and many soldiers among the folk who came through the line. Late in the afternoon the crowd realized that there was no chance of being seen, and they started to push and pound on the door. Such actions, however, are not unusual under the circumstances, and it did not annoy the doctors too much.

One of the patients that came had glaucoma and was blind. There was nothing that could be done for him, so Dr. Swanson gave him an aluminum cane with a red tip and reflectorized finish that the Presbyterian Retirement Home in Winter Park, Florida, had donated. He seemed delighted with the gift and went about tapping his way.

I'm sure that such a mission of love and service brings a sense of satisfaction and concern to those who participate. The life of each person who gave their time and talent can never be the same after seeing the poverty, sickness and need of the masses of people they attempted to help. I'm sure they trust that next year they will be able to return and give even more aid.

Readers who wish to contribute old frames and glasses to this project, may do so by sending them to Dr. Reynold F. Swanson, P.O. Box 6186, Orlando, Florida 32803.



Preparing months in advance for the annual trip to Haiti, Mr. E. R. Swanson, father of the doctor who sponsors the project, repairs frames and temples of the glasses that are taken. . . .

. . . and keeps a good account of the medicines that are made available to the physicians who go along.



Dr. Swanson has a special storage area organized to keep the glasses sorted and in readiness for the annual visit to his mission island.



At the Adventist Clinic the doctors take over, but natives often take advantage of the crowd that gathers and set up their own shop to sell vegetables and other produce.

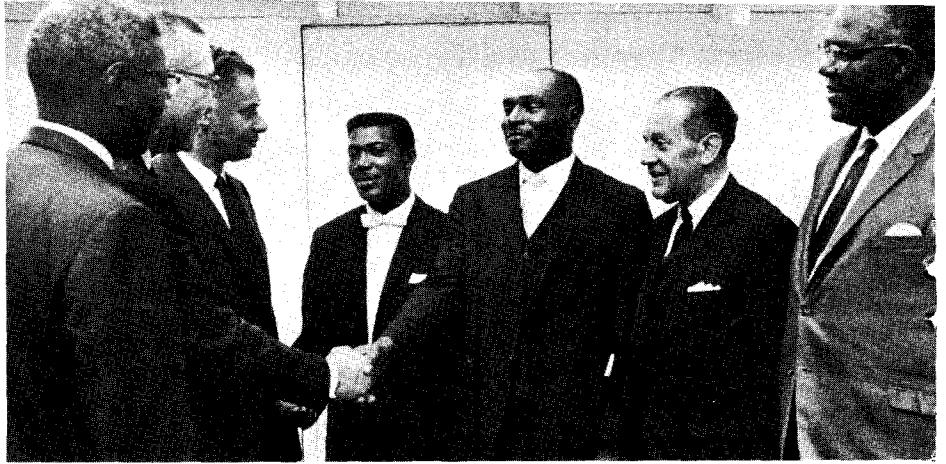


Inside the clinic, Dr. Floyd Pichler, M.D., left, and Dr. Glen Linebarger, D.D.S., take time to sort through the medicines and supplies which they have brought with them.



It was necessary for an interpreter, right, to assist the doctors in their examinations. Dr. Oluf Olsen, Orlando ophthalmologist, is shown with one of the patients.

CAMP MEETING 1969



Two young ministers were ordained on Sabbath, June 14, at the South Atlantic camp meeting held on the campgrounds in Hawthorne, Florida. At left, C. D. Henri, F. L. Bland and W. S. Banfield welcome K. S. Smallwood, pastor of the Atlanta Boulevard Drive church, and D. M. Jones of Ocala, Florida, to the gospel ministry. At right is A. V. Pinkney and G. N. Banks, who gave the ordination sermon.



Special guest at the camp meeting this year was Elder Herman Vanderberg, a former worker in the South Atlantic Conference. He is on leave from Liberia, West Africa, following a serious automobile accident in which his wife was killed.



Nellie Clark of Jacksonville, Florida, was awarded a \$225 scholarship to Pacific Union College for her outstanding temperance oration which she delivered on Youth Night, June 19, at the camp meeting. Her sister is the student missionary for Oakwood College and is spending the summer in Thailand.

From left, Mrs. E. D. Grayson, health leader of Savannah, Georgia, Dr. E. E. Richards, dental secretary of the South Atlantic Conference, Dr. J. Mark Cox, medical secretary for the conference, and Dr. L. S. Follette, Jr., health and welfare federation president, led out as a team for the Health Hour on Sabbath, June 21, at the camp meeting session.



The membership of South Atlantic has taken the word of the servant of God to heart. "It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp meetings. Strengthen the meetings all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gatherings of God's people. It would be far better to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible." *Testimonies*, volume 6, page 39.

Camp meeting 1969 was a great blessing and a season of spiritual refreshment for the hundreds who attended. Sixty-five new family cabins were built this past spring to replace old, worn tents. Only 28 family tents were pitched for this year's encampment. Nearly 1,500 campers stayed for the ten days, which was the largest attendance in our camp history. Every facility of the campground was taxed to its capacity.

With a membership of 10,500 and over 1,200 new members being added each year, we face a real problem in housing the thousands of members who seek to attend camp meeting.

A new swimming area was developed on the lake front with a dock and crib for young swimmers. The weather was very hot and dry during the encampment, and this new facility was used to capacity. A new play area was developed for the little children. Swings, merry-go-rounds, and other play equipment was installed. The medical cabin was rebuilt and air-conditioned. The Book and Bible House and the conference office at the campgrounds were refinished, and the Georgia-Cumberland Conference provided air-conditioners to cool the building. A new cabin was built for the ministers to assemble before the services. This cabin was also used for counseling and committees. These improvements made camp meeting 1969 run much smoother and more effectively.

Camp opened Thursday night, June 12. E. S. Sumpter and L. R. Hastings and their loyal work crew had the camp ready for the opening meeting. The grounds were beautiful and ready for service. Elder H. M. S. Richards, Jr., and the King's Heralds were the opening night attraction. A number of visitors from the community attended and the big pavillion was full.

We were blessed with outstanding help from the Southern Union, the General Conference and several institutions. On Sabbath afternoon a very impressive ordination service was held for two successful young pastors. D. M. Jones of Ocala, Florida, held his first tent effort in 1968 and was blessed to baptize 101 new members. K. S. Smallwood of the Atlanta Boulevard church was also ordained. In his first hall effort, 65 new members were baptized.

From the very outset of the ten-day encampment, it was apparent that it would be a great refreshing season of fellowship with God and man. Each message brought listeners a step nearer to the heart of God. The early morning devotion through the evening service were well attended. The departmental hours were helpful and highly informative. W. M. Starks, secretary of the General Conference Stewardship Department, gave some helpful lectures on stewardship for three days at the departmental meetings.

Thursday night was a highlight of the camp season. This was Youth Night when Elder S. E. Gooden and scores of young people took charge of the service. A 40-voice youth choir, under the leadership of Mrs. D. E. Davis, gave excellent music. Two talented young ladies were speakers for the oratorical contest. Nellie Clark of Jacksonville, Florida, was chosen to receive a \$225 scholarship to Pacific Union College in Angwin, California.

On the last weekend, it was a thrill to have as our guest Elder Herman Vanderberg who accepted a call to serve in Liberia, West Africa. A few months ago the Vanderberg

family was involved in a serious automobile accident in Africa. Mrs. Vanderberg was killed and Elder Vanderberg was in critical condition for days. As he spoke Sabbath morning, we saw a miracle of God's power to save.

The last Sabbath was *\$30,000 Evangelism Report Day*. Never have we seen such enthusiasm and excitement as this offering created. In less than forty minutes, the pastors of 29 districts reported the goal in hand—\$30,000 plus for 1969 evangelism expansion. C. D. Henri and H. M. Mouzon of Atlanta Berean reported \$3,350 to lead the way. O. H. Paul of the West Palm Beach district reported \$2,336.50 for 337 members, a per capita of \$7 per member. This was a thrilling report, and it electrified the audience. R. L. Woodfork reported \$2,090 for the Miami-Bethany district. Many districts were in the \$1,000 range. It was a total conference victory with all 100 churches in the conference taking part in a remarkable way. Conference workers led the way with pastors, teachers, secretaries, and literature evangelists contributing more than \$5,000. Elders H. D. Singleton and W. W. Fordham of the General Conference Regional Department were present to rejoice with us as this milestone was reached in South Atlantic history.

Reluctantly our faithful members started for home Saturday night and Sunday morning. Camp meeting 1969 was history! But the blessings and memories gained will linger on through the years.

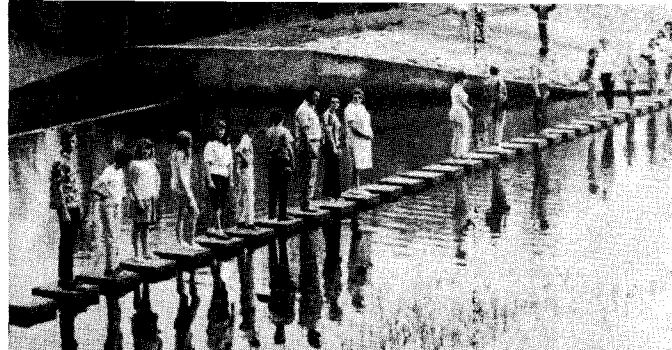
F. L. JONES

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Nashville Bordeaux Pathfinders on a weekend camp-out atop the Silo Overlook, Land-Between-the-Lakes.



These were the first "steps" of a three-mile hike around a small lake where the Pathfinders observed live beaver, nesting ducks, countless birds, flowers and trees. Other sight-seeing trips from their headquarters included the historic ruins of iron smelting furnaces and a "Farm" with numerous fascinating exhibits.

FOR GRANDPARENTS AND FRIENDS OF PATHFINDERS

Did you ever wonder what the Pathfinders do when they go off on weekend camp-outs? We did, so recently we went along. It opened our eyes and sore up muscles we didn't know we had!

We didn't ride with the Pathfinders in the "transports," but when the cars, station wagons and trucks stopped and the children started piling out, we could hardly believe our eyes. Surely the leaders have some secret shrinking device they apply before loading.

The way the camp was set was a lesson in "togetherness." The leaders and the big boys had tents, cook and dining shelters up and ready for business before you could say "Jack Robinson"—well, almost. Six big boxes were placed on the dining tables along with several ice chests, camp stoves and storage chests. Being especially concerned about how thirty-five growing children would be fed, we snooped a bit. We found that the six big boxes were labeled, "Friday night supper," "Sabbath morning breakfast," "Sabbath dinner," etc. We decided we'd watch those boxes. You know, it worked just like a charm. There was abundant food Friday night through Sunday noon.

Carefully typed schedules, with the names of those in charge, were laid on the table. The various persons and groups found their duties and came without pressure or ado. The boys took turns at kitchen helping in a way that would have made their mothers a bit surprised. When meals were served, it was with gusto on the part of those serving and those receiving. What had seemed like mountains of food went like snow in July. The director announced the portions available for the desserts—such as apples, candy bars, cookies, etc., with second helpings possible when all had been served once. Noticeably absent was complaining. Everyone seemed to have all they wanted and enjoyed it all.

That schedule was not for K.P. only. It listed program schedules, too. For everyone there was morning and evening worship, with plenty of group singing of favorites chosen by

the children. There was a campfire evening and morning, that seemed to take the chill off the soul as well as the body, as worship was conducted. There were so few "don'ts" as to make us feel that these were perfect boys and girls.

There was Sabbath school and church. The same atmosphere of reverence and interest was manifest in the group, from leadership to the small children who were there only because their fathers and mothers were involved with counseling. The background music of bird songs helped make a sanctuary of the area selected for Sabbath services. The view took in the lake and distant shore line. All this had been thoughtfully considered by the leaders.

Hikes had been planned—place, time and all details before they happened. Games were planned with proper equipment. There were alternate activities so everyone had something he especially liked to do, such as swimming, canoeing, rock hunting or bird watching.

If we had been asked to give the key reason for the success of the camp-out in one word, it would likely have been "organization." There was never a question about what to do next, what to eat next, what to see next, or even when the time came to leave for home. We all agreed that the time came too soon, but it was inevitable, and we had to go so that we could plan another camp-out as soon as possible.

The records Bryson Johnson has been keeping over the years of planning these camp-outs have really paid off. He knows just how many cans of beans he used last year and just what they cost. He knows how to select his counselors with the help of the church. They are men and women who are dedicated to one thing—the loving care and the salvation of our boys and girls. We need to thank God for this kind of Pathfinder leadership!

MRS. G. A. SWITZER (Grandmother)
Bordeaux Church, Nashville, Tennessee



Navy Chaplain Commander Robert L. Mole was speaker for the Friday evening consecration service at the recent Madison College homecoming. He was presented the Alumni of the Year plaque by the Association. Accepting the honor with him is Mrs. Mole.

Madison young people modeled Vietnamese costumes furnished by Commander Mole.



Dr. Agatha Thrash, enthusiastic medical evangelist from Columbus, Georgia, told a conversion story at the Sabbath evening meeting of the homecoming weekend.

Madison College Homecoming

An excellent program combining social and spiritual renewal and practical planning characterized the three-day homecoming of Madison College Alumni Association, June 19-22.

The more than 200 registered guests heard prominent speakers urge the members to advance the work along medical, educational and lay evangelical lines. A more-than-usual urgency attended the meetings.

Featured were a number of eminent speakers. U. S. Navy Chaplain Commander Robert L. Mole (class of '44), holder of the Bronze Star Medal and Navy Commendation Medal, spoke at the Friday evening consecration service, drawing spiritual lessons from his three tours of duty in Vietnam.

Southern Missionary College president, Dr. W. M. Schneider, at the early morning service, outlined problems in education today and urged SDA educators to remember the objectives for which our schools were founded. He was proud, he said, of being a "son of the soil," for on a farm one can get close to the Creator. The mysteries of the universe are open to man's study throughout eternity.

Elder James Lee, presently researching on true education in the archives of the Ellen G. White Estates, Washington, D.C., gave the Sabbath sermon. He traced religious schools

from Moses and the schools of the prophets down to the time of Jesus, then to the Madison school. This school, he said, gave the type of education approved of God. Trials are ahead, but our schools must follow the divine plan.

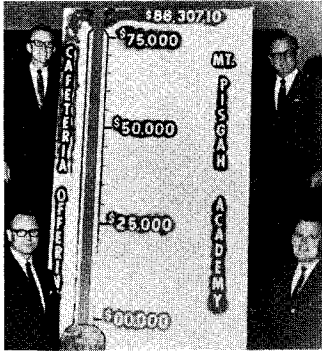
Other interesting and inspiring speakers were Kentucky-Tennessee Conference president, K. D. Johnson; Drs. Calvin and Agatha Thrash, husband and wife physician and enthusiastic lay evangelists from Columbus, Georgia; and Dr. John Leland of Peewee Valley. On Sabbath afternoon Mary Jo Pippin, National Honor Society member and daughter of Mrs. Mary Owens, was presented with the Association's annual scholarship award of \$100.

The three-pronged workshop Sunday morning, chaired by Mr. Roger Goodge of Little Creek school, featured panels and discussions on medical missionary work, education and rural living. The morning devotional, "The Eleventh Hour Workers," was given by Dr. Julian Gant. "Rehabilitation must be added to medical, evangelical and educational work," he said. We must have workers who will "love the unlovable."

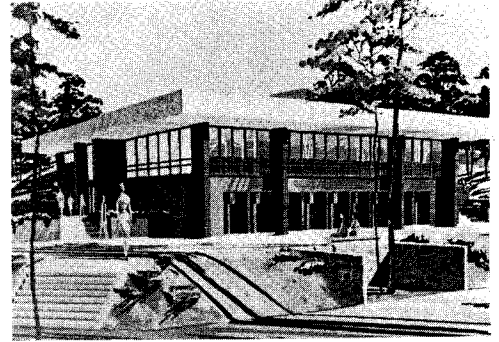
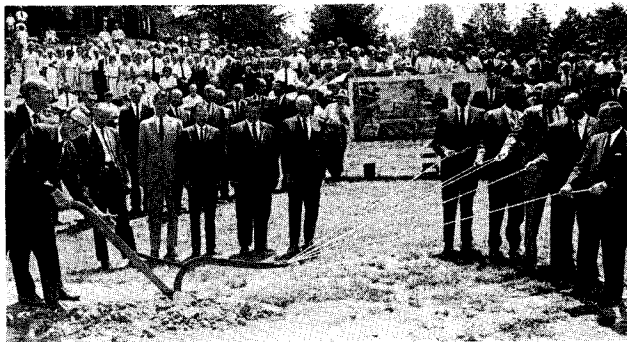
New officers for the coming year are Mr. Gene Sellars, '61, president; Mr. Otis Detamore, '58, vice president; Walter Kohler, '51, treasurer; and Mable H. Towery, executive secretary and custodian.



A new congregation was organized into a church in Clinton, South Carolina, and property located in the center of the city was purchased for \$15,000 from a Lutheran congregation.



"THY PEOPLE SHALL BE WILLING. . ."



CAROLINA

CAMP MEETING . . .

CENTER LEFT

The \$75,000 goal toward the Mt. Pisgah Academy cafeteria building was surpassed. Rejoicing over the \$86,000 received are Elders Rausch, bottom left, Reile, top left, and Schmidt, top right. Dr. Robert Addison of Spartanburg is at the lower right of the device.

BOTTOM LEFT

Following the financial reports from the districts of the conference, the camp meeting crowd moved to the site of the new cafeteria structure for ground-breaking ceremonies. Elder E. S. Reile, conference president, and Dr. Carl Mundy of Asheville are at the plow. Holding the ropes are, from left, H. F. Roll, secretary of the union; Robert Tyson, Mt. Pisgah Academy principal; Dr. Lewis Sommerville of Asheville; J. H. Whitehead, treasurer of the union; and O. H. Rausch, conference secretary-treasurer.

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Architect's drawing of the cafeteria and music building for Mt. Pisgah Academy. The ground-breaking services were conducted on June 8 during the camp meeting session.

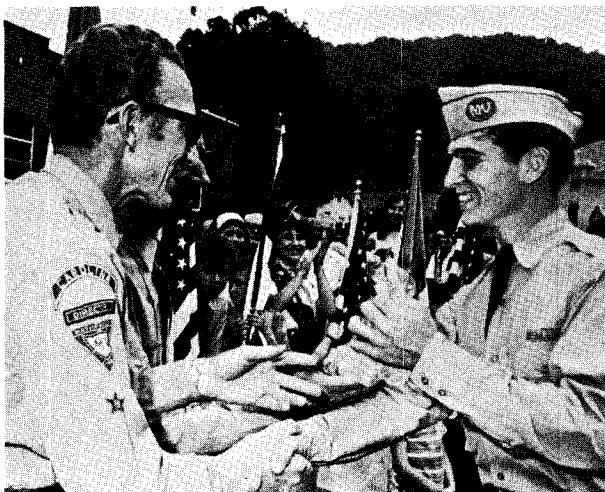
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Highlighting the Sunday afternoon activities at camp meeting was the Pathfinder Fair. Grand trophy for the 1969 club went to Don Crabtree, right, of Fletcher, North Carolina. It was presented by the conference president, E. S. Reile, left, and the conference youth leader, P. A. Kostenko, center.

BOTTOM RIGHT

Mrs. Irene McLaughlin, right, accepted an award for the Columbia Pathfinder club for an outstanding drill team. Presenting the award is E. S. Reile and P. A. Kostenko.





Accepting an award for the Charlotte club from Elders Reile and Kostenko is Burney Culpepper, right.



A part of the Pathfinder Program was the presentation of the Pathfinders of the Year as selected by their own clubs. From left, Mary Henson of the Morganton-Table Rock club; Juanita Miles of the Old Fort club; Terith Bagshaw of Greenville, South Carolina; Bobby Thor of Charlotte, North Carolina; Lonnie Anderson of the Fletcher club; Joey Cooper of Columbia, South Carolina; and M. Catheart from the Spartanburg club.

The last twelve months have been months of great blessing for the Carolina Conference. God has been good to us, and we are very thankful.

EVANGELISM

Evangelism has taken first place in our planning, and many souls are being added to the church. Carolina closed its records for 1968 with 342 baptisms, and thus far in 1969 over 280 persons have been baptized in our conference.

Elder Fordyce Detamore will be coming to Columbia, South Carolina, for a series of meetings in August. The church members are enthusiastic about this meeting. They are making plans to beautify the school auditorium and use it for church services because present facilities are too small.

H. M. S. Richards, Jr., will hold meetings in Asheville the last of September. The daily broadcast is now being aired over one of the Asheville stations. The Asheville, Mt. Pisgah and Fletcher churches have organized to make the meetings a real success.

Every minister is planning a series of meetings in his district during the last half of the year. The conference evangelists, A. D. Livengood and W. D. Brass, will be holding four series of meetings each, and several of the office men will conduct meetings. With such a program and the blessings of heaven, we feel this will be the greatest year for baptisms in the history of the Carolina Conference.

We have a new congregation at Clinton, South Carolina, that was organized into a church on May 24 with twenty charter members, and there are prospects for two more new churches being formed before the end of the year.

We are proud of our self-supporting institutions, Mountain Sanitarium and Fletcher Academy. Under the leadership of Elder Jack Williams, the work at Fletcher, North Carolina, has grown at a rapid pace.

CAMP MEETING

Thousands of people attended the 1969 camp meeting held on the campus of Mt. Pisgah Academy. The Barron-Turner evangelistic team had charge of the night meetings, and more than twenty souls made their decision for baptism. The early morning meeting was changed from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. The very large attendance at these meetings proved the wisdom in making this change.

Sunday, June 8, proved to be a camp meeting high day. District pastors brought in their reports for the cafeteria offering. A GOAL of \$75,000 had been set by the conference and lay advisory committees. What a thrill it was to see a grand TOTAL OF OVER \$86,000 when the last pastor gave his report! The congregation moved from the auditorium to the cafeteria building site for the ground-breaking ceremony. J. H. Whitehead and H. F. Roll from the Southern Union assisted in the service along with a number of laymen.

Sunday afternoon was the time for the annual Pathfinder fair. Enthusiasm was high. The Fletcher Club won the grand trophy with Columbia coming in for second place. Seven young folk were honored as the "Pathfinders of the Year" by their clubs.

On the last Sabbath of camp meeting, a \$35,000 evangelistic offering was received for the advancement of God's work in the Carolinas.

Adding the two main offerings, we see that our people gave over \$121,000.00 for these two projects.

Construction is soon to start on the new cafeteria and music building. Open house is planned for March, 1970. When we attend camp meeting in July, 1970, we know every heart will be thrilled with the use of these new facilities.

OUR GOALS

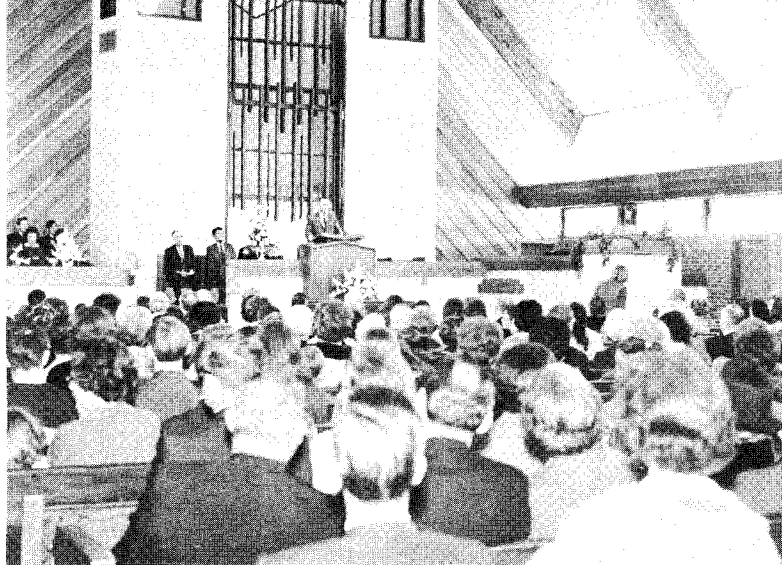
Psalms 110:3—"Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Surely there has never been a more willing people than the Seventh-day Adventists of the Carolina Conference. They are cooperating in every phase of God's work.

We face a great challenge in evangelism and the building program. We have 419 towns and cities with populations of over 1,000 which are yet unentered. We have 90 dark counties.

We thank God for the past blessings but, above all, we pray that He will give us faith and courage to meet the tasks before us.

E. S. REILE

President, Carolina Conference



Opening day services at the church in Marietta.

What is A CHURCH?

Mention of the word "church" conveys the idea to some of a denominational organization. To others it may mean a local congregation or the building in which they worship. Scripture refers to the church as the body of believers who have accepted the atonement of Christ in their behalf and are anticipating His imminent return for them.

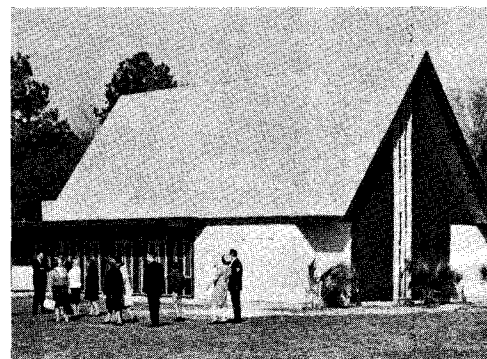
No matter which shade of meaning has more appeal to you, they are all encompassed by the activity of Seventh-day Adventists in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. It is first and foremost a body of believers accepting and preaching righteousness by faith and salvation through Christ in His soon return. It is a highly-organized denominational structure, ministering to the spiritual needs of its constituents and endeavoring to communicate its tenets of love and saving faith to non-believers. It is eighty-two local congregations, ranging in size from the 2,068-member Collegedale group to the seven members at Fitzgerald, Georgia. And it is a multitude of buildings which have been erected and dedicated to the worship of God. The majority of these buildings in Georgia-Cumberland have been erected in recent years and effectively represent the work of God and His people.

Maintaining an accurate record of the new church buildings and congregations requires constant attention. In fact, since the beginning of 1969, four new church groups have been organized; six new church buildings opened; and one building dedicated. Each one of these events is a story in itself of the dedication and generosity of individual members, a concentrated and determined effort by the denominational organization and the blessings and miracles which God hath wrought. Space will permit only a brief sketch of these milestones for God's work—

MARIETTA, GEORGIA—January 18 marked the grand opening of the new \$250,000 church building situated on a high knoll overlooking U.S. 41 on the

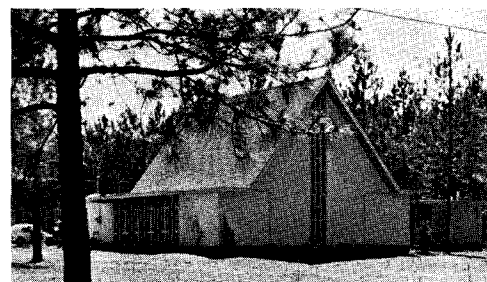
north side of Marietta. Organized as a church group in 1955, the forty-seven charter members recognized the importance of Christian education and, therefore, set about to build and operate a church school. The rapid growth of the school and church group made urgent the need for worship facilities. Therefore, it was with great rejoicing that the 215 members moved into their beautiful new church home and celebrated the occasion with a baptism. Soon after occupying their new quarters, it became an evangelistic center featuring the Holley evangelistic team and helping to bring the total number baptized in the new church to thirty-one.

LAKELAND, GEORGIA—For eleven years the Georgia-Cumberland Conference had operated a hospital in Lakeland, Georgia, but its Adventist employees found it necessary to drive twenty miles to Valdosta for church and school activity. This became a thing of the past on March 1, when an official church of twenty-five members was or-

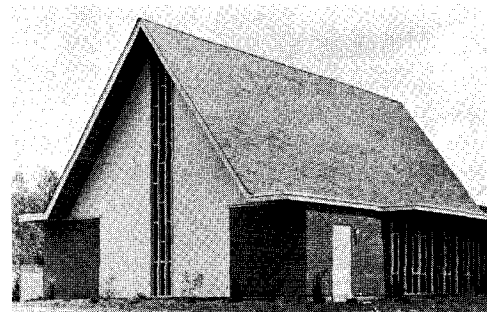


Lakeland church members admire their new church home.

A lovely setting accentuates the beauty of the Tifton church.



Americus members now enjoy worship in this lovely new building.





Warner-Robins members lay plans for their new church home.



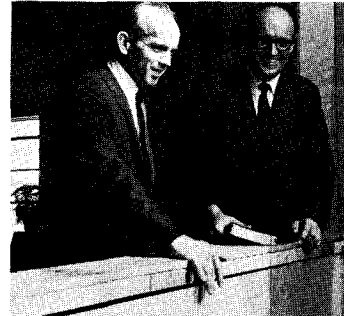
Charter members at Madison.

ganized and simultaneously occupied a brand-new sanctuary complete with Sabbath school rooms, air-conditioning, carpeting and pews. The Lakeland members have already organized a church school and are making their church an active part of community life. The new building is situated next door to the hospital on a beautiful and spacious lot.

TIFTON, GEORGIA—For many years the work of the Adventist Church went slowly, hampered by the lack of representative facilities to which members could invite their friends for worship. This picture was drastically changed on March 15 when the forty-one members occupied their new church home located in one of the finest sections of the city. Built on a plan similar to the church in Lakeland, the Tifton structure blends tastefully with the wooded area in which it sits. It, too, has already been used as an evangelistic center with Elder James Wyckoff joining Pastor Bruce Boyer for meetings during June.

AMERICUS, GEORGIA—The persistence and dedication of a few faithful ladies was rewarded April 19 with the organization of their church body as well as the official opening of a new church home. In spite of adversity and opposition, Elder Lewis Wynn had led out in the work in Americus as dark county evangelist and successfully established a body of believers securing

Pastor John Robbins and Desmond Cummings, conference president, discuss the plans for baptism in the new Newport, Tennessee, church.



property for the sanctuary directly across from a beautiful multi-million dollar nursing home and adjacent to the country club. The erection of this church building, along with those at Tifton and Lakeland, was assisted by the Georgia-Cumberland Business and Professional Men's Association with representatives from the group present for each of the openings.

WARNER-ROBINS, GEORGIA—A recent TIDINGS story featured the formation of a church group in this important city. Official church organization took place May 17, and they are now in the process of securing property for their church home.

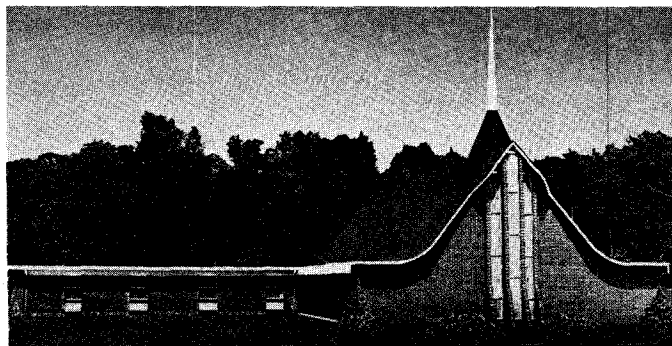
MADISON, GEORGIA—The vast territory between Atlanta and Augusta was without an Adventist Church until June 14, when the organization of twenty-two charter members brought reality to the dream of Mrs. M. H. Cochran, a faithful Seventh-day Adventist and resident of Madison for forty years. A unique feature of the work in Madison was their purchase of a building site before they were officially organized as a church. Helping to develop this new work was a group from the Atlanta Belvedere church directed by Mr. James Crabtree.

NEWPORT, TENNESSEE—Utilizing some of the materials salvaged from the former chapel at the School of Bible Prophecy in Atlanta, Pastor John Robbins erected a beautiful church building in Newport and opened it on June 28. A group of fourteen members constitutes the Newport church, but they were aided in their building erection by numerous friends both from the city and their sister church in Morristown.

OLTEWAH, TENNESSEE—The dual desire to establish the work in new areas and to create opportunities for service through smaller churches, led to the formation of the Ooltewah church on July 12. On this date they also took possession of their lovely new facilities located in a rural setting between highways U.S. 11 and I-75. Forty families from the Collegedale church became charter members of this church with tremendous potential for growth.

And so, you see, the church is many things in Georgia-Cumberland. But no matter what may be your definition of a church, it is a dynamic, growing part of God's work.

The new \$100,000 church building at Ooltewah, Tennessee.





Dr. Jerome L. Clark, Professor of history at SMC and author of **1844**

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1844: More Than a Disappointment

by MIKE FOXWORTH

Editorial NOTE:

This article was written in partial fulfillment of the requirements in the class Communicative Writing at Southern Missionary College and at the request of Elder Orval L. Driskell, associate manager, Book Department, Southern Publishing Association.

Mike is a senior communications major and an English minor. He plans to graduate from SMC in May, 1970.

This article is intended to show the readers of the **Tidings** why Dr. Jerome L. Clark, professor of history at SMC, wrote his set of books entitled **1844**, what he has done in the way of research to produce these books and something about his personal background.



MORE THAN A DISAPPOINTMENT

1844—an interesting date for Seventh-day Adventists. It's also the interesting title of a three-volume set of books written by Dr. Jerome L. Clark, professor of history at Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tennessee.

If you should examine Dr. Clark's books, which were published just last year by Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, you would immediately become aware that 1844 is much more than merely the October 22 date of 'The Great Disappointment.' Dr. Clark reveals that 1844 is the focal point in America's Age of Reform—an era marked by dramatic changes in religion, society and politics. 1844 gives an absorbing account of people, places and events which fashioned American life during the first half of the 19th century.

"Behold the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him," Matthew 25:6, becomes the key text of Dr. Clark's narrative. He notes that these ten words changed the lives of thousands of Americans in 1844 because they foretold earth's greatest event—the return of Christ! Would He come? Thousands believed He would and out of their unshakable hope grew a great spiritual revival. Bible study and particularly the study of prophecy increased while prominent theologians preached Christ's return.

One of the best-known of these Advent ministers was a New England farmer named William Miller. A converted deist with little formal schooling, Miller overcame his skepticism about God through personal study of the Bible and as he studied he became convinced of Christ's imminent return. His sermons attracted thousands—some just curious bystanders; others, sincere God-fearing people who were impressed with Miller's sincerity and fervent zeal. Many of these joined him in proclaiming the Advent message. In fact, Miller and his followers were so sure about their interpretation of prophecy that they actually predicted the exact day of Christ's return—October 22, 1844. The world waited . . . but Christ never came.

The Advent believers acknowledged their mistake, and from this experience arose a new kind of religious thought. Beginning with the viewpoint that a feeling for religious reform accompanied the October 22 Disappointment, Dr. Clark explores the emergence of other reform movements which came out of this period. In informative detail, he draws parallels and traces developments which he believes "clearly show a Divine plan at work during this era."

What made Dr. Clark want to explore 1844 in such detail?

Twenty-five years ago Dr. Clark, then a theology student at Atlantic Union College, read the book *Midnight Cry* by the late Francis D. Nichol. He was particularly intrigued by the twentieth chapter of Nichol's book concerning the setting in which the Millerite movement began. Twenty years later, after continued reading and study, Dr. Clark began research for his own book on the 1844 period. As his research progressed he discovered that the era's religious developments, while important, were actually equalled and complemented by reforms outside the religious sphere.

With this thought in mind, Dr. Clark developed an out-

line for his proposed book—an outline covering the social and intellectual reforms of the period as well as the religious. "I was prompted to write this book because of my interest in the reforms and also because of my ministerial training," say Dr. Clark.

Volume I discusses religious movements; Volume II focuses on social reforms; and Volume III deals with intellectual happenings during the 1844 period.

Intensive research for the book began in January, 1963, and continued through the first half of 1964. During that time Dr. Clark, with the assistance of several associates, read, copied and took notes from hundreds of books, periodicals, and original manuscripts found in nine college and public libraries and the Library of Congress. He completed the entire 1200-page manuscript with lightening-like speed in a seven-week period during the summer of 1964.

Mrs. Clark, the former Ann Rorabaw, took on the responsibility of typing the final draft of the manuscript while also fulfilling the duties required for the mother of three small children. Dr. Clark says that his wife, now an instructor in English at SMC, also helped him out by suggesting more precise wording for some of the book's passages.

Even though they usually worked at least nine hours a day on their project, the Clarks still found time for some recreation during the 21 months that the book was in process. On the days when he had no classes to teach at the college, two of Dr. Clark's favorite hobbies, bicycle riding and swimming, provided a break for him and his family. Dr. Clark's other hobby, visiting historical places, continues to benefit both his college lectures and his writing.

Dr. Clark's informative and objective analysis of historical events clearly reveals his complete familiarity with his subject and thorough educational background. After graduating with a theology major and history minor from Atlantic Union College, Professor Clark took graduate work in secondary education at the University of Maryland and in systematic theology and church history at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. He later completed his doctoral work in history at the University of Southern California.

In discussing his desire to write 1844 and his interest in the period of America's history, Dr. Clark says that "the setting in which the Millerite movement arose has world significance and if we examine this setting we might better understand the movement itself. God, in His providence, provided a climate of change out of which He built His final church. At the same time when God was creating this atmosphere of reform and raising up true movements to accomplish His work, the opposing forces of Satan were working at bringing out counterfeit movements to hinder the cause of God."

Why should you read 1844?

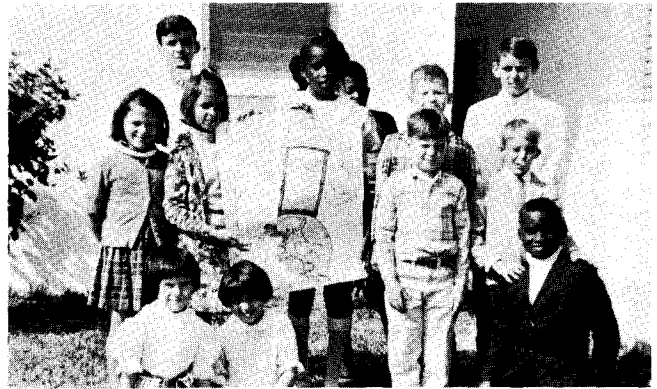
The author gives this reason: "I think that these books present a message for our people—a message giving strength to our movement and showing God's providence in this movement."

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COLLEGEDALE, TENNESSEE — Dr. Frank A. Knittel, academic dean at Southern Missionary College, was the speaker for the commencement service at Andrews University. He told the 275 graduating students that "greatness is conceived by faithfulness in the minute; it is born of duty; and it is nourished by service." Before coming to SMC in

1967, Dr. Knittel served as a teacher and administrator at Andrews for eight years.



KEY WEST, FLORIDA — Children of the Key West church school set a goal of one LIBERTY magazine subscription for twenty-five ministers of their city, thus helping their church go beyond the set subscriptions. Involved in the project were Lydia Castro, Diane Castro, Vickie Cruz, Sunny McCarter, Kenneth Cruz, Terrance Butler, Michael Cruz, Robinetta Butler, Richard Hansen, Randy Cruz and Oscar Gunn. Not pictured, Ramon Ragel.



CLINTON, SOUTH CAROLINA — Twenty charter members and friends gathered at the Clinton Adventist Church on Sabbath, May 24, to organize into a church congregation. E. S. Reile, conference

president, delivered a sermon on the beliefs of the church, and H. D. Colburn, pastor, presided at the organization activities.



WINTER PARK, FLORIDA — Michael Scott King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill King of Winter Park, was recently dedicated at the Kress Memorial church. Mr. Thomas Layman, right, an active member of Kress Memorial, is the oldest of the five generations who were present for the dedication service. Morgan Layman, second from right, is his son; Mrs. Bill Grier is the third generation; Bill King, left, is Mrs. Grier's son; and the baby made the fifth generation.



CANDLER, NORTH CAROLINA — Members of the Mount Pisgah Academy Association met in June and elected officers for the board of directors. From left, E. S. Reile, conference president; O. H. Rausch, conference secretary-treasurer; M. D. Howard, executive secretary for MPAA; Dr. L. Sommerville, secretary-treasurer for MPAA; Dr. L. Waller, vice-president for MPAA; Robert Tyson, principal of the school; and Brian Wilcox, president for the MPA Association.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The degree of Doctor of Humanities was recently conferred on Eugene A. Anderson by his alma mater, Columbia Union College, Takoma Park, Maryland. Mr. Anderson is a member of the Douglasville, Georgia, church. In the more than fifty years history of the college, this is the first time this degree has been conferred. This rare honor is in recognition of forty years of generous, unselfish service to his fellowman. Mr. Anderson is the owner of Southern Saw Service of Atlanta. Making the presentation is the president of CUC, W. H. Beaven.



AUGUSTA, GEORGIA — Sergeant M. A. Gartman, center, and Pvt. Charles Craze distributed enrollment cards for the Gift Bible Evangelism plan in the trailer park where the Gartmans live. Six persons requested the lessons. Mrs. Carolyn Sumner, second from right, and Mrs. Marsha Porter, right, completed the course. When Evangelist James Wyckoff held meetings in Augusta, these families attended. On May 10, both ladies and three Sumner children were baptized. Mr. Sumner is planning for baptism, and the three children will attend the local church school when it opens this fall. Between the two servicemen is Mrs. Gartman.



ORLANDO, FLORIDA — L. R. Mansell, pastor of the Forest Lake church, presented his son, Leslie Ralph, Jr., a Serviceman's Bible Kit just before his induction into the Service. Private Mansell was inducted at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina, and is now stationed in San Antonio, Texas, at Ft. Sam Houston.



ORLANDO, FLORIDA — Four young men were ordained to the gospel ministry at the Florida camp meeting. The ordination sermon was delivered by Elder Harold Metcalf, ministerial secretary of the Southern Union. The dedicatory prayer was given by Elder Stanley Dombrosky, pastor of the Orlando Sanitarium church.

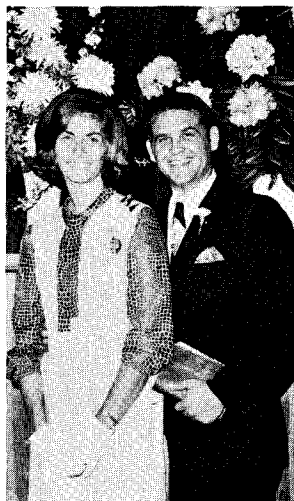
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Dwight Hilderbrandt



Elder and Mrs.
H. Arthur Swinson



Elder and Mrs.
David D. Osborne



Elder and Mrs.
Robert E. DuBose



HAWTHORNE, FLORIDA — The Columbians from Columbia Union College presented a full concert during the Sabbath vesper hour, June 14, at the South Atlantic camp meeting. Director of the group, John Bradshaw, is a native of the South Atlantic Conference and a member of the Jacksonville church. The group left in early July for an extended tour of Africa and then to the Youth Congress in Zurich, Switzerland.



ATLANTA, GEORGIA — Mrs. Dorothy Mants, welfare leader of the Atlanta Berean church, welcomed R. J. McKinney, new conference Inner City Affairs secretary, to the inner city welfare program presented at the Berean church on Sabbath, June 7. Pastor McKinney is a native of Ohio and formerly a worker in the South Central Conference. Over 200 church members volunteered to give time establishing and operating the new Atlanta welfare program which will be known as "Assistance in Depth."



ATLANTA, GEORGIA — What is a jerbil? Young people who attended the Beverly Road church Vacation Bible School found out. Mrs. Harold R. Perry showed Tommy Tengstrom, Kim Jones and Jeannie Azpell the nature surprise of the day.

PORTLAND, TENNESSEE — Three Kentucky-Tennessee pastors were ordained to the ministry at the 1969 camp meeting. From left, Harold E. Metcalf, ministerial secretary of the Southern Union; J. O. Gibson of the General Conference; E. E. Duncan of Faith for Today who gave the ordination sermon; K. D. Johnson, president of the conference; and newly-ordained Jerry Gladson, Terry McComb and James King.



FT. SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS — John E. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fay L. Robinson, was promoted to army first lieutenant while attending the army medical field service school. He received his B.S. degree in nursing from Southern Missionary College.



CANDLER, NORTH CAROLINA — Two men were ordained at the Carolina camp meeting. Participating in the ceremony were B. J. Liebelt, left, of the Southern Union; E. S. Reile, left center, president of the Carolina Conference; H. H. Schmidt, second from right, president of the Southern Union; and O. H. Rausch, right, secretary-treasurer of the conference. Ordained were Robert L. Hallock, second from left, and Duane Ferguson, center right.



LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI — W. C. Arnold, left, Alabama-Mississippi youth director, presented a trophy to Kirby Gray for the Birmingham Crusaders Pathfinder club who took top honors at the camp meeting Pathfinder Fair. Other honor trophies were presented to Kenneth Reeves for the Floral Crest club, Mrs. Agnes Long for the Montgomery club and Elder Arl Voorheis, right, for the Prichard Pathfinders. In center background is Elder Don Holland, youth leader for the Southern Union Conference.



MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI — W. D. Wampler, president of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, watches Elders W. D. Brown and G. N. Kovalski sign the scroll which made them members of the Committee of 100 for Bass Memorial Academy. Members of this committee have pledged to contribute \$10 or more each month for one year to the school.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA — R. N. Hubbartt represents the services of the Christian Record Braille Foundation in the Southern Union. He was ordained at the Nebraska camp meeting in June. His work involves recruiting and training field representatives who search for and assist blind and visually handicapped children and adults in every possible way. Elder C. G. Cross, left, and Elder A. A. Esteb congratulate Elder and Mrs. R. N. Hubbartt at the time of the ordination service.



LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI — Presented at the time of the Pathfinder Fair for the Alabama-Mississippi Conference were these girls who comprise a Pathfinder unit in Montgomery, Alabama. They dress in special uniforms and make regular visits and render assistance to nursing home patients.

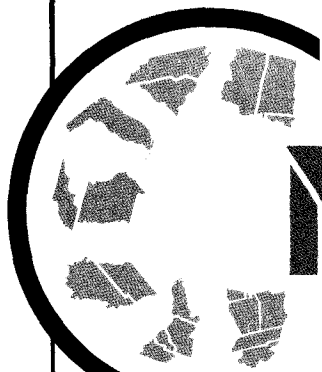


NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE — Garland J. Millet, editor of MESSAGE magazine, is on an extended fact-finding trip through Europe, Africa and the Middle East. An in-depth study of the feelings of minority groups and black churchmen in various countries is a primary purpose of the trip. He anticipates an extensive exchange of ideas and experiences with church leaders in many of the large cities of the world. MESSAGE is published by Southern Publishing Association and has an international circulation of more than 150,000. Editorially, the magazine endeavors to interpret current social problems

and world conditions in the light of Bible teachings. Dr. Millet was president of Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, for nine years, and prior to assuming his editorial position with MESSAGE in 1967, he was assistant to the president of Fisk University in Nashville.



RIDGE MANOR, FLORIDA — Mr. Alf M. Berggreen told the marvelous story of his conversion just prior to his baptism by Elder W. B. Johnson. He is a civil engineer in Oslo, Norway, and president of his own firm known as Norwegian Inventors Association. Nineteen years ago he rented a home in Oslo from Mr. Odd G. Hem of Ridge Manor, Florida. One day Mr. Hem made a trip to Norway and after meeting Mr. Berggreen it was the burden of his heart to win this man to the Adventist message. Letters and a few occasional visits with Mr. and Mrs. Hem kept the contact through the years, but prayer brought about the decision for baptism. Mr. Berggreen made the trip to Ridge Manor so that the Hems and others who had been praying for him could witness his baptism.



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FROM THE CONFERENCES OF THE SOUTHERN UNION

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FLORIDA

1. Ground-breaking ceremonies for a 108-bed nursing home at Florida Living near Orlando were held Friday, June 13.
2. The conference airplane traveled 120,000 miles during the past year. Only one trip was cancelled for bad weather. Dave Grove is pilot of the Twin Aztec.
3. R. A. Kurth held a series of meetings in Ft. Pierce during May and June. Eight persons, representing four families, were baptized. Many others stated their belief in the Adventist truths and are continuing studies.
4. W. O. Coe, conference president, canvassed in the southern part of Florida during Big Week and delivered \$1,380 worth of books and literature.
5. Hialeah Hospital's new Medical Education Auditorium, specially designed for stop-smoking, stop-drinking, and weight-watching clinics, was inaugurated June 22 with a Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. The auditorium, which seats 200, will serve as a community health education center.

CAROLINA

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| Charlotte, N. C. | — Baptisms for the conference for the first half of 1969 — 292.
— Book and Bible House sales largest in history of the conference.
— First six months of literature sales — \$210,216.13, an increase of \$40,000 over same period in 1968. |
| Marion, N. C. | Meetings at Old Fort closed with a baptism of fourteen. |
| Camden, S. C. | Four members were recently added to the Camden company from meetings held by A. D. Livengood and H. T. Anderson. This company is soon to be organized into a church. |
| Raleigh, N. C. | Fifty girls attended the underprivileged camp conducted by R. H. Ammons and P. A. Kostenko near Raleigh. |



GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Newport, Tennessee — Opening of a new church building took place in Newport on Sabbath, June 28. Of modern design, the building was constructed by the pastor, John Robbins. An overflow crowd was present for the opening services.

Meister Hills, Tennessee — "Friendship Day," an annual event for this Adventist community, was observed Sabbath, June 28, with a capacity crowd. Guest speakers were E. E. Cumbo of the local conference and W. M. Abbott of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference.

Jasper, Tennessee — The Holley-Strickland evangelistic team reports sixteen persons took their stand at the first altar call of the series of meetings.

Austell, Georgia — An excellent attendance is reported at the meetings being held in Austell by Leighton Holley.

Gainesville, Georgia — An evangelistic crusade opened July 26 in Gainesville with Evangelist James Wyckoff and Pastor Bob Miller.

Madison, Georgia — The July TIDINGS omitted the name of the church which was organized on Sabbath, June 14. This took place at Madison, Georgia.



KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

Evangelistic meetings are in progress at —
LAWRENCEBURG, TENNESSEE — Johnson-Church team
WOODBURY, TENNESSEE — Phil Neal and James King
LIBERTY, KENTUCKY — Jerry Gladson and Terry McComb
JACKSON, TENNESSEE — Gordon Collier
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY — Claude Steen

The new church building at LAWRENCEBURG, TENNESSEE, was recently completed and a house warming was held on Sabbath, June 21. The church members and Pastor Clarence Southard are to be commended.

\$60,000 in cash and pledges for evangelism was received on the last Sabbath of camp meeting.



SOUTH CENTRAL

Seventy-five underprivileged boys and girls attended the first of two camps sponsored by the conference Health and Welfare Department

S. T. Lewis was ordained on the last Sabbath of camp meeting. He is pastor of the Columbus, Mississippi, district.

Ten candidates were baptized on the last Sabbath of camp meeting.

SPECIAL NEWS FLASH

WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND
THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1969

VIA TELEX TO SOUTHERN TIDINGS
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MORE THAN 600 SOUTHERN YOUNG PEOPLE JOINED 12,000 DELEGATES FROM 100 COUNTRIES IN OPENING CEREMONIES OF THE WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS IN ZURICH ON TUESDAY, JULY 22.

BY 7:00 PM THE HUGE CROWD HAD BEGUN TO FILL THE HALLENSTADION, ZURICH'S GIGANTIC SPORTS ARENA, TRANSFORMED INTO AN AUDITORIUM FOR THIS SPECTACULAR EVENT. AT 8:00 A DRAMATIC TRUMPET FANFARE OPENED THE LARGEST CONCLAVE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST YOUNG PEOPLE EVER HELD.

SOUTHERN DELEGATES WATCHED THE PARADE OF NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESENTATION OF FLAGS. THEY HEARD GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT ROBERT H. PIERSON OFFICIALLY OPEN THE CONGRESS WITH THESE WORDS: "HERE IN ZURICH THE CREAM OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST YOUTH ARE TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME. THESE YOUTH MUST DO SOMETHING FOR GOD AND FOR HIS CHURCH."

THE AUDIENCE HEARD MUSIC OF INFINITE VARIETY: A QUARTET OF GERMAN NURSES, A CHOIR FROM THE PHILIPPINES AND INDONESIA, A SOLOIST FROM SOUTH AMERICA, AND MOST DRAMATIC OF ALL, A POLISH YOUTH CHOIR WHO SANG IN ENGLISH:

"WE WILL JOIN TOGETHER WITH YOU HAND IN HAND
TO PROCLAIM THE MESSAGE FULLY IN OUR LAND."

CONGRESS KEYNOTE SPEAKER, GC VICE PRESIDENT THEODORE CARCICH, TOLD THE 12,000 YOUNG PEOPLE: "BLOWING YOUR MIND WITH ACID IS NO ANSWER. THE ESTABLISHMENT WAS HERE BEFORE WE WERE. WE CAN LEARN FROM THEM."

"FOLLOW ME" WAS THE CONGRESS THEME AND THIS MOTTO WAS DRAMATICALLY PUT INTO ACTION THROUGH THE NEW ONE-TO-ONE EVANGELISM PLAN. EACH SOUTHERN UNION REPRESENTATIVE WILL BRING TO HIS HOME CHURCH THE EXCITEMENT OF YOUTH IN ACTION THROUGH THE ONE-TO-ONE PROGRAM. THE INSPIRATION OF THE ZURICH WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS WILL LAST A LONG TIME IN THE SOUTH.

PAULA BECKER
SOUTHERN TIDINGS REPORTER AT ZURICH

REMEMBER OAKWOOD COLLEGE AUGUST 9 1969

DR. FRANK W. HALE, JR.
President
Oakwood College



We cannot overemphasize the financial needs for promoting and producing a superior educational program at Oakwood College. To claim that we need money to produce educated men and women is an obvious oversimplification. Long ago we have learned that it is good business for the denomination to support education, for Christian education is still the greatest evangelistic tool of this denomination.

In the most rapidly-moving and far-reaching era of change—catapulted by the great gifts and grants of government and foundations to the support of higher education, never before has there been so great a need for more and better education for Seventh-day Adventist institutions of higher learning in their ever-continuing struggle “to keep up” academically.

Available data indicate that governmental agencies, federal, state, and local, now provide about one-half the funds employed in American higher education. Tuition, together with student fees and other charges, account for nearly forty percent and private philanthropy the remainder of about ten percent.

The federal government’s support of institutions of higher education is rising rapidly and constitutes considerably more than half of the annual budget of many schools. Even smaller undergraduate schools, and particularly black institutions, are reaping a rich harvest of government funds. Institutions are literally “popping up” overnight with such liberal support. As a denomination, we have taken the position that we cherish our independence—doing what Emerson called, “Walking with our own feet, working with our own hands, and speaking with our own minds.” Yet, I would remind you that every year now we see private schools, committed to this philosophy, absorbed by tax-supported schools. It takes philosophy and finance to support an institution, and when either runs out, there “ain’t no more institution.”

It is not our intent here to be a purveyor of doom, but rather to introduce you to some very realistic considerations that we must face in our quest for survival and superiority at Oakwood College.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools has asked us to participate in a campus-wide college self-study program beginning in September of this year. Long before that study is completed, we will be aware that it will be necessary for us to make some substantial investments in the training of personnel, the acquisition of new equipment, and certainly, in the expansion of our facilities. Total annual operating costs, including capital expenditures must, of necessity, be increased.

The increased cost of goods and services, the labor and materials which go into the construction and maintenance of the physical plant, and the salaries of faculty and staff—all give us a part of the explanation.

Student fees remain a major source of institutional income. However, it begins to look as if increasing tuition is approaching a practical ceiling. Whatever the increase in student fees, economists tell us that they will not be proportionate to increases in institutional expenditures.

None of us have any question about the value of Christian education. We have no question about the importance of this institution in providing the manpower we need to further the program that we are operating within our denomination. We are committed for every practical and philosophical reason to the advancement of higher education at Oakwood College.

But, very frankly, we have to be sure that we are willing to “put our money where our mouth is.” A profile of our educational needs at Oakwood College is as follows:

<i>Scholarships for Students</i>	\$ 250,000
<i>Faculty Development (Advanced Education)</i>	250,000
<i>Development of Basic Operational Resources</i>	
<i>including teaching materials, research, and plant maintenance</i>	1,000,000
	\$1,500,000

Therefore, it has become necessary for us to intensify our program aimed at private gifts. It is clear that unless there is some major increase in the funds available for the operation of Oakwood College, we will find ourselves in the most difficult of circumstances in the days ahead. We are calling upon our members everywhere to continue to invest in Christian education. This is the most important operation that we have in this denomination. Remember to give liberally at the time of the Oakwood College Offering on August 9, 1969.

CAROLINA

Evangelistic Meetings - W. D. Brass

August 1 - Winston-Salem, N.C.
September 12 - Wilmington, N.C.
October 17 - Charleston, S.C.
November 21 - Greenwood, S.C.

Evangelistic Meetings - A. D. Livengood

August 1 - Kinston, N.C.
October - Greenville, N.C.
November - Kingstree, S.C.

Evangelistic Meetings - Departmental Secretaries

October 5 - Salisbury, N.C. - H. V. Leggett
October 5 - Orangeburg, S.C. - R. H. Ammons

Summer Camps

August 10-17	Teen Camp	Ages 13-16
August 17-24	Junior Camp	9-12

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Medical-Dental Retreat — Camp Cumby-Gay,
August 22-24

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

Cedartown, Georgia — August 30 - September 27,
Leighton Holley.

Ellijay, Georgia — September 5 - October 4, James
Wyckoff.

OUT-OF-THE-UNION

Oak Park Academy — Alumni Weekend, Sep-
tember 19-21. Honor classes—1919, 1944 and
1959. Special alumni speakers.

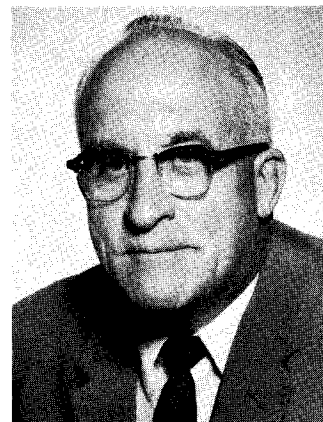
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WANTED: Names of Hebrew Christians—We are
eager to share our blessed Adventist faith with
Hebrews who have accepted Christ. Therefore,
we ask our ministers, teachers, institutional
workers, church officers and members to please
send us names and addresses of Jews who
have accepted Christ and have joined Christian
churches of all faiths. We desire to send them
literature that will appeal to them since they
have already taken the first step in accepting
Christ as their Saviour.

Send complete names and addresses to
NAMCO Secretary, General Conference of
SDA, 6840 Eastern Avenue, N.W., Washington,
D.C. 20012.

Attention Adventist Dietitians — Andrews Uni-
versity Home Economics Department is in the
process of learning the location, activities and
addresses of all Seventh-day Adventist dieti-
tians. Please write in for an information sheet
immediately. If you are an active, part-time
or retired Seventh-day Adventist Dietetic Asso-
ciation member, this notice need not apply to
you. Clinton A. Wall, A.D.A., Andrews Univer-
sity, Department of Home Economics, Berrien
Springs, Michigan 49103.

"please"



R. J. CHRISTIAN, *Manager
Periodical Department*

Before me, as I write this little article,
is a letter from the chaplain of one of our
sanitariums and hospitals overseas. The last
paragraph of the letter is this—"So, won't
you please increase the number of the pieces
of literature and the frequency of your mail-
ing? For lo, our stack of literature is growing
low, and we have to be stingy with them. We
have to apportion these reading matters to
the very minimum until the anticipated ship-
ment arrives. So, please help us."

We, in the publishing house, have no
choice as to how to finance *Message* magazine
for those fields—and *These Times* in *These
Times* territory—except to appeal to you
through the union papers for funds for our
Literature Fund. Our World Literature ac-
count, as of today, is nearly \$5,000 over-
drawn. I had the conviction that our people
would gladly send in funds to provide for
the many hundreds and hundreds of requests
that come in from overseas.

Shall we cancel some of the gifts that
we're making, or will you come to the help
of this house in meeting its overseas commit-
ments? The chaplain goes on to state, "We
believe that if there is any time that our
truth-filled literature should be in the hands
of the people, *it is now*. So please help."

Checks should be made out to World Lit-
erature Fund, Southern Publishing Associa-
tion, Box 59, Nashville, Tennessee 37202. On
behalf of our overseas fields, let me say,
"Thank you."

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ADVERTISEMENT: (1) Have a local church leader write "Approved" and his signature on the sheet of paper containing the advertisement, (2) write your name and address on the same sheet, (3) specify how many times the ad is to run, (4) send the approved ad to your conference office and (5) don't forget to enclose payment in full.

RATES: \$5 for each insertion of 50 words or less and 7 cents for each additional word including the address. Make checks and money orders payable to SOUTHERN TIDINGS.

SOUTHERN TIDINGS makes every reasonable effort to screen all advertising, but in no case can the periodical assume responsibility for advertisements appearing in its columns.

POWERHOUSE PROTEIN—The perfect protein that builds healthy hair, skin and fingernails, plus immediate energy. Its lower calorie high nutritional properties curtail the nibbling habit and its smooth, easily digested bulk foods provide the necessary ingredients for normal elimination. Contains Hi-Potency Yeast food, Wheat Germ, Rice Polishings, Dulse, Fenugreek, Sunflower, Sesame, Pumpkin, Chia Seed, Rose Hip Powder, Malt, Calcium, all finely ground for easy assimilation. Directions: 2 tablespoonsful daily stirred into juice or water. Protein content 31%. \$3.95 per lb. Processed and distributed by VITAL FOOD PRODUCTS COMPANY, 3286 Morris Street, N., St. Petersburg, Fla. 33713. (1fn)

NEW CHAIN SAWS—lightweight—5-7½ hp. Farm Tractors. Rebuilt. Ford, Ferguson, Massey Ferguson, International, etc. Gas or diesel available in all brands. All kinds new and used farm implements, Farm and Machinery Trailers, also riding lawn mowers all sizes. We can deliver. Ted's Tractor & Implement Co., 4430 Roosevelt Highway, Rt. 1, College Park, Ga. 30022. Phone: 758-6585 or 766-7220. (1fn)

FOR SALE: 33 acres adjoining city limits of Keene. Sewer and water available. Ideal for housing addition. Will also sell my church furniture business. Reason for selling, age and health. R. E. Bascom, Box 585, Keene, Texas 76059. Telephone (817) 645-9611. (8)

LEARN SURVIVAL SKILLS at the FALL FESTIVAL SEMINAR on Pine Mountain, near Marion, Virginia, October 19-26, 1969. For information, write: International WILDERNESS CLUB, Route 3, Portland, Tennessee 37148. (Membership, films, and equipment also available). (8,9)

DO YOU NEED MATERIAL for an MV program? The one hour sound-color film PREPARE FOR THE STORM, depicting family survival in the forest with general information on wilderness living is your answer. For rental or purchase price, information on memberships and equipment, write: International WILDERNESS CLUB, Route 3, Portland, Tenn. 37148. (8,9)

WANTED—Active retired lady or couple. Lovely Avon Park, Fla., home near Walker Memorial Hospital available to share with retired gentleman and lady in return for light housekeeping and minimal care. Arrangement, including modest salary. Available October to May or year round. Call or write Joyce Cracy, 5019 Paulson Road, McFarland, Wisconsin. Phone 608 838-7565. (8-11)

JOIN THE HELPING HAND — An SDA Mutual Burial Assistance Plan. Members in 48 states and 6 foreign countries. For brochure write: Elder F. E. Thompson, President, THE HELPING HAND, P.O. Box 7171, Orlando, Fla. 32804. (6-9)

DISCOUNT ON MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS: Save 40%. New, high quality band and orchestral instruments, marimbas, vibraphones. Terms available. Request free price list, brochure. Indicate kind of instrument desired. Quick service. Satisfaction guaranteed. In business 30 years. Hamel Music Company (formerly Arpin, Wisconsin). New address: Box 184, Berrien Springs, Mich. 49103. (8-10)

SOY PROTEIN is an economical true substitute for meat that is highly digestible; being a tasteless powder made from soybeans by an electrolytic process. No refrigeration or cooking required. Use in blender or with cereal. 2 lbs. for \$5.00 delivered. Natural Living, P.O. Box 2070, West Palm Beach, Fla. 33402. (8-10)

DEDICATED CHRISTIAN WORKERS: Male or female. Urgently needed. Registered Nurses, L.P.N.'s, Registered Medical Technologists, Supportive Health Care Workers. In a modern 250 bed suburban hospital. Top salary, qualified personnel, steady year-round employment, church school and academy on campus. Full incentive plan and generous employee benefits. If you have a real desire to be of service please write to Madison Hospital, Office of Personnel, Madison, Tenn. 37115. (8-10)

WANTED IMMEDIATELY: Qualified Limb and/or Brace Maker. Good salary. Steady employment, excellent working conditions in modern facility. Opportunity for advancement. Send resume to Horne Orthopedic and Medical Services, 2514 West Kennewick Avenue, Kennewick, Washington, or Phone Collect weekdays—658-2184. (8)

FOR SALE—30 acres of mountain land. Other Adventists own land on three sides. Ten miles from Dunlap, Tennessee. One hour and thirty minutes drive to Collegedale. Need to sell immediately. \$1,900 cash. Contact—Edwin Sammer, P.O. Box 127, Collegedale, Tennessee 37315. Phone: 396-2904. (8)

EUROPEAN FACTORY or West Coast deliveries. Save now! Exciting new Mercedes-Benz and Volvo. Gasoline or Diesel powered. Full line Datsun economy cars, pickups, campers, 4W/D. Licensed sales and service here since 1933. Bonded direct factory franchises. Telephone or write now—Free information. Robert C. "Auto" Martin, Box 1881, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526. (7-12)

SECRETARIAL POSITION AVAILABLE: Diversified, interesting, and challenging denominational work. Need dedicated personnel to work with mass communications media. Opportunity to learn. Experience or degree in education or the arts desirable, but not necessary. Send complete resume and references with letter to P.O. Box 42, Loma Linda, California 92354. (8)

WANTED—Missionary-minded Seventh-day Adventists to take up residency in Amory, Mississippi. Believe town could use a dentist. Only three (3) dentists to population of 8,000. Contact John Hanson, Pastor, 1405 Bristow Dr., Tupelo, Miss. 38801. (8)

WHY NOT RETIRE on beautiful Cumberland Plateau. Quiet, relaxing, cool summers, mild winters. Beautiful new church, good roads, electricity, telephone, low taxes. Acre-size lots available, all on road front. Desirable place to live in a wooded country home. Write for complete information. R. H. Wentland, Deer Lodge, Tennessee 37726. (7,8)

FOR SALE—Medium size masonry home. 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths, high corner lot, heat pump for economical cooling too. Built-in range, refrigerator, paneled living room, carpet, water softener, utility, carport, paved street and walking distance to Forest Lake Academy. Assume \$8,800. 6% mortgage, \$3,700 cash, balance \$79.00 per month includes taxes and insurance. Cecil Waller, MLS Realtor, Forest City, Florida. Mail P.O. Box 3007. Phone 305 831-2002. (8)

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—Experienced body man and mechanic. Shop is Adventist owned and operated. Write Walkerton Truck Sales and Service, U.S. 6, East, Walkerton, Indiana 46574. (8)

ORGAN FOR SALE: Allen T-12A Transistor Model. Like new, 2½ years old. Walnut case. Save \$1,000. Sell for \$2,475. Also for sale, complete set 20 strip films, 10 double-sided tapes, Voice of Prophecy Bible Course. Used only once. \$40.00. Box 243, Collegedale, Tenn. 37315. (8)

FOR SALE—New 3 bedroom house in Collegedale, 2 baths, large basement, 2-car garage, dishwasher, plenty cabinets, wall-to-wall carpeting, landscaped, pine setting. Comfortable and good to look at. A good buy at \$18,500. Furnished if desired. J. Pierson, Collegedale, Tenn. Phone 396-2931. (8)

WANTED: Experienced Maintenance Man with steam boiler experience. Denominational benefits. One mile from elementary school and Mt. Vernon Academy. Loma Linda Foods, Box 388, Mt. Vernon, Ohio 43050. (7,8)

CUMBERLAND HEIGHTS—Grocery, health foods and service station on the beautiful Cumberland Plateau. Established SDA community, church and school within walking distance. Located in the vacation land of Tennessee. For information write: Cumberland Heights Grocery, Coalmont, Tenn. 37313. (8,9)

CUM LAUDE MOTEL—Located in Michigan's vacation water-wonderland. 3 blocks to Andrews University, 2 blocks to Lake Union Conference Office. 22 all new, air conditioned units and color TV. Restaurants nearby. For reservations call (616) 471-1354 or write 1223 St. Joseph Ave., Berrien Springs, Michigan 49103. (7-10)

BEAUTIFUL ½ ACRE WOODED LOTS. Located 2 miles from Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital and Fletcher Academy. Breath-taking view, good road and reasonably priced. Phone or write: Mr. Larry A. Haney, Rt. 5, Box 219, Hendersonville, N.C. 28739. Phone 692-9316. (8,9)

FOR SALE: Large brick veneer building, with 22 rooms on three floors, suitable for office rooms and home. The building is located on one acre of ground, is owned and occupied by Adventist physician, recently retired because of disability. Contact Dr. Forrest E. Bliss, Lawndale, N.C. Phone 704 538-7233. (8,9)

have you remembered

The Voice of Prophecy

this month?

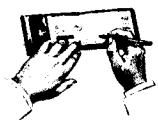




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HERE I COME... READY OR NOT

Ready for what?

. . . 1. Ready to withstand the pressures of evil surrounding him . . . 2. Ready to exhibit the love of God in his daily life . . . 3. Ready to help finish the work of God . . . 4. Ready for an invitation into God's eternal kingdom.

How does one get ready for this experience?

. . . 1. By responding to the influence of Christian parents . . . 2. By studying lessons of truth under the guidance of Christian teachers in the elementary school, academy, and college . . . 3. By submitting to the power of the Holy Spirit.

Interview with
H. H. SCHMIDT

President of the Southern Union Conference

By V. W. BECKER
Secretary of Education



Left, V. W. Becker; right, H. H. Schmidt.
Photo by Al C. McClure

EDUCATION IN THE SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

A. Most assuredly so. If "schools of the prophets" were ever needed for youth of the church, they certainly are needed now. In these last troublous days of earth's history, wouldn't it be tragic if we had no Christian-education system where our boys and girls can be sheltered from the subversive forces which are apparent in today's society. Can you imagine the heartache that could come to both parents and youth as the result of the children being caught up in the insidious and deadly philosophy of public education, and also in the social permissiveness which is rampant on campuses? God help us to hold on to our schools until the end of time!

A. Yes. We have three—a son and twin daughters. All of their education has been acquired in our own Seventh-day Adventist school system.

A. Our son, H. Lane, is a teacher in music at Mt. Pisgah Academy in the Carolina Conference. This spring he was awarded his Master's degree in music. He teaches instrument and voice and conducts both the band and chorus. One of the twins, Barbara, is married to Gary Fowler, a church school teacher in Orlando, Florida. She holds a B.S. degree in nursing. Beverly, the other twin, is married to Julius Garner, M.D., a graduate of SMC and Loma Linda School of Medicine. They, too, are located in Orlando. Beverly is a trained medical secretary. Of course, both girls are also efficient housewives and mothers.

A. Yes, but we have always considered this overall expense to be relative. Through the years we needed to plan carefully and sacrifice many earthly comforts to pay the educational bills, but the Lord

blessed and helped by giving us good health and earning power.

A. Most certainly. The investment we made in Christian education in behalf of our children is the best investment we ever made.

A. By all means. Statistics show that many baptisms are products of our church schools. Furthermore, a large percentage of those who remain in the church are products of Christian education.

A. I think this has been proven by the denomination's Department of Education. Some of our finest and best trained professional people have received their entire education in our own schools. No one needs to attend public schools to get quality education or obtain professional degrees.

A. Yes, indeed. Our senior colleges, including Southern Missionary College, and our two denominational universities offer the very finest course work. Our teachers are well trained, holding the degrees necessary to make our schools of higher learning meet the requirements of the accrediting body or bodies in which these schools are located.

THEIR BRIGHT FUTURE . . .

. . . depends upon what we do for them NOW. What we fail to do today can't always be altered tomorrow.

Give your children and youth a bright future, by sending them to Seventh-day Adventist schools.

SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE

Achievement tests indicate that SDA schools in the Southern Union rated consistently higher than area public schools.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Surveys reveal that 97 percent of the students educated exclusively in SDA schools remain members of the Adventist Church.

QUALIFIED TEACHERS

Keeping right up-to-date are approximately 175 Southern Union elementary teachers who are currently in summer school.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS

Weeks of prayer are held each fall and spring in the church schools of the Southern Union.

INDIVIDUALIZED TEACHING

While public schools generally have a teacher-pupil ratio of 1 to 31, Southern Union elementary schools average only 16 students per teacher.

Take a LOOK

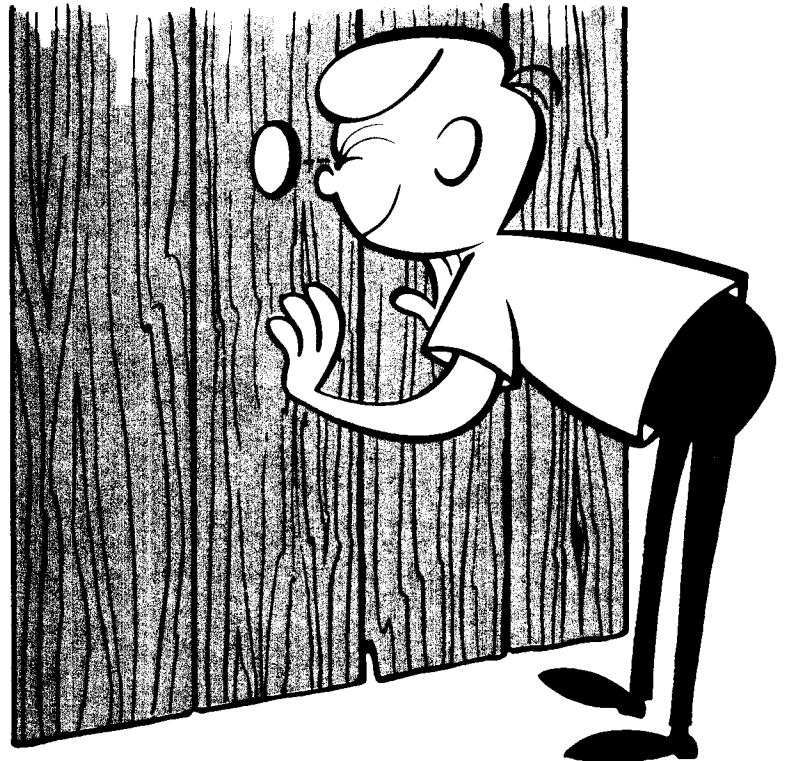




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WHO CARES IF THESE KIDS MISS A CHRISTIAN EDUCATION?

WE CARE. Those of us in the Department of Education of the local and union conferences spend our time making sure Seventh-day Adventist schools are the very best. We spend days and nights figuring out ways to convince you that church schools pay—spiritually, mentally and physically. We hire the finest Christian teachers and check up on their certification as well as their dedication. We insist that church schools surpass local state requirements. We outline a curriculum that is Christ-centered, classes that make religion come alive. We join the teachers in praying daily for the success of our Seventh-day Adventist schools.

Why all this? Because we care. We care about the salvation of

YOUR CHILD