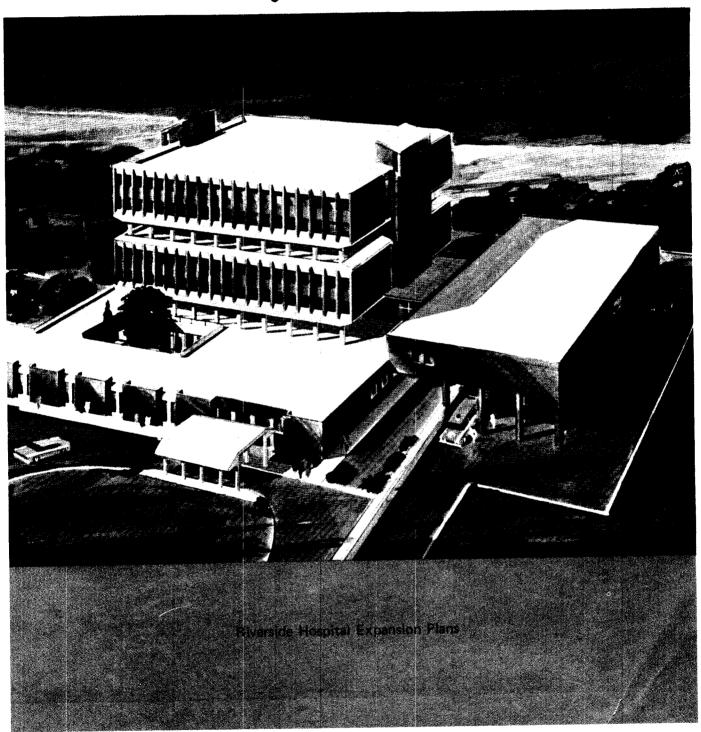
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Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital, a medical institution which has a record of long years of service to the black community of Nashville, Tennessee, and to many who come from out of town for medical care, is about to launch into a major program in the expansion of its facilities. For years the rooms and service areas of the hospital have been overcrowded and outmoded. Even though the administration has admirably carried on a consistent activity of upkeep, repair, and remodeling over the last score of years of its operation, it eventually has become evident to the Board of Trustees and to the General Conference that there was need and necessity for a new facility.

After much study of blueprints and finance by special committees and the board, the project was authorized. A campaign is now ready to be launched to raise funds in Nashville to augment denominationally generated funds with which to move ahead on the project. It is expected that within a period of eighteen months, the hospital will operate in the new building, which will also have additional modern equipment.

This issue of the Southern Tidings features this proposed new Seventh-day Adventist medical institution which, when completed, will be a credit to the overall medical ministry of the church and will undoubtedly prove to be an ever-increasing blessing to the community it serves.

H. Schnidt
President, Southern Union Conference

OUR COVER shows the proposed new facilities for Riverside Hospital, an institution of the General Conference located in the Southern Union territory at Nashville, Tennessee. Its administrator, N. G. Simons, has prepared a report on the progress of this medical center for this issue of the SOUTHERN TIDINGS.

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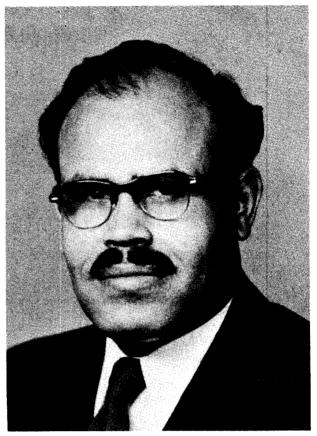
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By Norman G. Simons Administrator



Norman G. Simons

EARLY BEGINNINGS — At the turn of the century James Edson White, a dedicated self-supporting white worker, began a labor of love among Negroes in the southland. It was bold and imaginative. He and a couple of friends had a paddle boat built called the "Morning Star." With it they evangelized river towns from Nashville to Vicksburg. The boat had its own printing press, and he printed "The Gospel Herald." James White met substantial opposition, but his mother, Ellen G. White, encouraged him, saying that his work was in harmony with God's will and that He would bless.

Ellen White approved the efforts to lift and educate the black man. Her counsel recommended that a medical institution be established. She said, "A sanitarium should be established in a favorable location outside the city of Nashville. A school for colored people should be established outside the city on land

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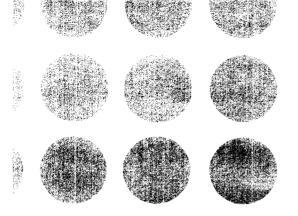
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WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

The top news story of 1969 involving Seventh-day Adventists was the Five-Day Plan to Stop Smoking. The high interest in the plan is indicated by a steady flow of people enrolling in the course, and the hundreds of news clippings describing their struggles to kick the habit. Leaders estimate that during 1969 at least 300,000 people have tried the plan in the United States. Of this number, research indicates about 75 percent drastically reduce their smoking or quit altogether. The Five-Day Plan has also received extensive radio and television coverage.

OSHAWA, ONTARIO - - -

Every Canadian Broadcasting Corporation outlet, and the stations affiliated with the network, told the Ingathering story for one month during the height of the Ingathering season. Color television movies and radio spot announcements were carried as public service features. The privately-owned CTV network also promoted the Adventist welfare work as a free public service for a period of two weeks.

WASHINGTON, D. C. - - -

"Insight" - the new Adventist youth magazine which will replace the "Youth Instructor" - will make its debut May 5. The new name was selected by a committee of nine judges from more than 3,400 entries. Winner was Kit Watts of Adelphi, Maryland, who was the first of 25 persons to submit the name "Insight." Second and third prizes were awarded to two S.M.C. students, Mike Foxworth for "Impact," and John Eggenberger for "Dimension."

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS - - -

Smoking education in the Greater Boston area received a boost when WBZ-103 radio announced that they would no longer accept advertising from tobacco interests on their network. Chaplain Walter E. Kloss, director of the Five-Day Plan at New England Memorial Hospital, was contacted to set up guidelines for a major outreach in the Boston area through the WBZ station. A major program called "Stomp Out Smoking" has been aired since January 5. The staff of approximately 25 WBZ employees is giving up smoking. Mass Five-Day Plan meetings in one of Boston's large auditoriums are planned for this spring, and a score or more regional meetings are scheduled.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA - - -

The 1969 report for the Lay Activities Department of the Southern Union shows 97 health and welfare units and 42 health and welfare centers in operation. During the past fiscal year, 117,394 persons were helped and over 100,000 hours of time were donated to welfare work. Membership of the Southern Union at the close of 1969 was 55,259.

LOMA LINDA, CALIFORNIA - - -

A CBS television documentary on the "Mystery of Pain," filmed in part at Loma Linda School of Dentistry, is scheduled for showing Tuesday, March 10, at 10:00 p.m. The documentary emphasizes the dental "pain killing" technique developed by Dr. Niels B. Jorgensen, emeritus professor of oral surgery. The "Jorgensen Technique" does not put the patient to sleep but into a tolerant and pleasant twilight state where time passes pleasantly and two to three hours of operating seems to be but a few minutes.

ANNIVERSARY

COVINGTON, KENTUCKY, CHURCH



The Covington, Kentucky, church is located in the growing suburb of the city—Taylor Mill. The congregation moved into this new structure three years ago and late in 1969 celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Adventist Church in that area.

n December 20, 1969, members of the Covington, Kentucky, First Seventh-day Adventist Church marked the end of their first 50 years and the beginning of the second. With their eyes on the future, the Covington people recently completed a new church complex valued at \$150,000. The congregation was happy to welcome guest speakers and other visitors for this occasion, which also celebrated the third anniversary in a new church home.

The observance began Friday evening, December 19, with a program highlighted by interesting slide pictures taken by Kimber Johnson, Kentucky-Tennessee conference president, on his tour of the Far East. His narration of the scenes vivified the realities of mission life.

With some participants in old-fashioned dress and others in mission costume, the Sabbath school 13th Sabbath program, under the direction of Mrs. LaVon Shafer, contrasted the year 1919 with 1969 in the local church and in the world field. A budget of \$1,259,514.13

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for 1919 contrasts sharply with the \$46,985,537.51 voted for the 1969 world mission budget.

Special music was a feature of all the services. Members as well as visitors shared their musical talents. Oscar Heinrich, public relations director of the Southern Union, delivered a timely and challenging sermon. Basing the thoughts on Matthew 28:18-20, he stressed the great need the world, in its perplexing dilemma, has for Christian witness. He emphasized the fact that God has infinite power to offer through His Spirit working in man.

Visitors and friends enjoyed the noon meal together in the fellowship room. The anniversary program was presented at 2:30 p.m. Interspersed with special music, it consisted of greetings through letters and telegrams from former members and pastors, reading of the church history, a tribute to former members now sleeping, a thank offering, and the anniversary sermon by Elder Kimber D. Johnson.

J. D. Dobbs, pastor of the London, Kentucky, district, brought vesper meditations to close the Sabbath and 50th Anniversary observance. Thirteen years ago he pastored the Covington church. At his call for rededication to faithful and holy living, the congregation responded freely.

Attending most of the afternoon program and expressing appreciation and commendation to the church were Mayor Afton Kordenbrock of the Covington suburb of Taylor Mill and Pastor Raymond Gibson of the local Methodist Church.

Many expressions of appreciation for the services were heard. Doubtless the programs helped spur the membership toward greater attainments for God as they participated in commemorating the 50 years through which God has led His people in Covington, Kentucky. Two of the 19 charter members, Mrs. Inez Dickson Murchison and Mrs. Beulah Daniels Simpson were in attendance. Another charter member, Mrs. Goldie Dickman Harding, was ill and unable to attend. These ladies were children at the organization 50 years ago and are still local members.

One adult laymember in 1919, Mrs. Dorothy Squiggle, sent her greetings. Aside from being one of the primary founders of the Covington church, she has since helped in getting a new church started near her home in California.

The first efforts to gain converts in Covington began with Bible work in 1915. By 1917 a company was meeting in the Kentucky *Post* Hall. In 1919, a church was organized. The first pastor was W. A. Ralls, who with his wife came from the Mt. Vernon school. The fledgling church group

spent about three years near 21st and Madison, then purchased and renovated a brick dwelling near 15th and Greenup for the years 1922-1927. They bought a Methodist church building at 18th and Greenup in 1927 and remained there for 30 years until moving to the present suburb of Taylor Mill on December 24, 1966.

Forward-looking founders opened a church school in January, 1919, before the church was officially organized. First teacher was Miss Vienna Biven, now Mrs. Zalasak of Dixon, Tennessee. This was six years before Cincinnati began its school, although that church had been in existence since the 1880's. Among the first students was Inez Murchison, who as a child served as church pianist and presently serves as church organist.

Irvin H. Ihrig, manager of Southern Publishing Association, attended the Covington church school, as have other ministers, educators, and medical personnel who now serve the Adventist world field. Several former students are members of the present Covington congregation. Two prominent educators who sent greetings were Drs. Cecil and Robert Woods whose father was a local elder of the church in the 1920's. Dr. Robert Woods served as president of Union College from 1946-1950.

Looking to the future, Covington officers and members have rededicated themselves to the task of giving the gospel to the rapidly-expanding metropolitan area of Covington, Kentucky, and helping to finish God's work throughout the world. With a present membership of 270, special effort is being made to reclaim those who have been slipping away. Plans are being laid for all members to join together in active work for souls. The old school building is for sale so a new school can be built on the new church property.

This northern Kentucky area has been a fruitful field in soul winning. Within the last five years, more than 150 persons have united with the Adventist Church. Because of moves and deaths, the church's high point of 306 members in early 1968 has declined to 270. An intensive effort conducted by the Johnson-Church evangelistic team will open March 21 - April 18 in a rapidly-expanding community next to the metropolitan area of Florence, Kentucky. The Covington church looks forward to having new members to help make a stronger and more effective church, thus hastening the finishing of God's work.

A. J. ISEMINGER
Public Relations Secretary

Present pastor of the 270-member congregation at Covington is E. E. Shafer who led the church group through the construction of the beautiful \$150,000 structure where they now worship.

Theme of the Sabbath school program for the anniversary event was progress in world missions. Rose Marie Shafer, little sister Becky, and David Colvin, dressed in mission costumes, presented part of the thirteenth Sabbath program.

Ladies in early 1900 costume who took part in the 50th anniversary program—From left, Mrs. Bertney Brown, Mrs. Sadie Brooks, Mrs. Inez Murchison, Mrs. Beulah Simpson, Mrs. Edna Gee, and Mrs. Irene Burger. Mrs. Murchison and Mrs. Simpson joined the organizing congregation as charter members.







ARISE AND RULLD



Decatur, Alabama



Dothan, Alabama



Florence, Mississippi



Greenville, Mississippi

More new churches have been erected in the Alabama-Mississippi Conference in recent years than at any other time in the history of the conference. The ten churches most recently constructed represent a total value of almost three quarters of a million dollars.

DECATUR, ALABAMA — This church group met in the Frank Guier home for many years while paying for a very well-located and spacious lot. They then built a very representative church in which they have been worshipping for about a year. A church school was opened in September, 1969. Current membership is 51.

DOTHAN, ALABAMA — Many years this congregation dreamed of a new church, but it seemed impossible for a small group to raise sufficient funds to build. They launched out in faith, and the Lord mightily rewarded. Not only do they now have a new church building completely paid for, but their membership has consistently grown, almost doubling since the church was erected. Current membership is 105.

FLORENCE, MISSISSIPPI — When the Florence church decides to work on a particular project, they really get in earnest. After deciding to build a new church, they took down the old building almost over night and began construction of a new sanctuary. In a very short time they had completely paid for their church and dedicated it to the Lord. The present membership is 79.

GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI — When the Greenville church was organized, the members purchased a building from another church congregation. Realizing the need for more parking space, they purchased a lot in a nice residential area and built a new sanctuary. The membership is 35.

GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI — The Gulfport congregation spent many months looking for a new location to erect a sanctuary. After months of searching and not finding a

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suitable site, they decided it must be the Lord's plan for them to stay in their present location. They completely remodeled the church, inside and out, and added an educational wing. Present membership is 78.

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI — The church here purchased an ideal piece of property, built a school and made plans to build a new church. The interstate highway system came through this property and left no choice but to relocate. They were able to acquire other property, move their school and erect a very beautiful sanctuary. Current membership is 181.

OWENBY CHAPEL — Located in Northeast Alabama, this congregation was organized by the missionary zeal of the Floral Crest, Alabama, church. Desiring to branch out and more effectively witness for the gospel, a church was built and named in honor of Dr. R. E. Owenby. This church holds a unique record in that it was dedicated debt free on the day of organization. Membership is 77.

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA — A few years ago this church accepted an attractive offer from the Baptist Hospital to purchase the Adventist Church property. After several months of searching, some acreage was secured in a newly-developed residential area, easily accessible by the interstate highway and main arteries through the city. Today this church and school are a spacious and complete facility. Membership is currently 229.

ST. ELMO, ALABAMA — Members purchased a frame church building from another denomination and completely remodeled the inside and bricked the outside. Since this remodeling, the membership has consistently increased and now numbers 57.

QUITMAN, MISSISSIPPI — This is known as the "miracle church" because of the many miraculous evidences of God's hand of beneficence during construction. The Laymen's Church Development Foundation provided funds, on a loan basis, which greatly assisted in completion of the church. Membership is 23.

MOBILE, ALABAMA — This is the largest church in the conference. Recently the members extensively remodeled and redecorated the church, installing a large pipe organ and a central air-conditioning system.

Gilbertown, Alabama, Columbus, Mississippi, and the First church in Birmingham, Alabama, have new buildings under construction. Montgomery and Jackson, Alabama, and Vicksburg, Mississippi, are planning construction in the near future. Through these monuments to God thousands of people will find their way to God's truth.

total has now exceeded 200. Among those baptized were an ordained Church of God preacher and nine members of his family, several ex-Adventists and husbands of members of the church, one of whom has been prayed for over forty years.



Gulfport, Mississippi



Jackson, Mississippi



Owenby Chapel -Northeast Alabama



Pensacola, Florida



St. Elmo, Alabama

Quitman, Mississippi



visit the Longview Heights Seventi-tay Atventist Courch, you will find over 500 members, new and old, still in spiritual orbit, and still basking in the sunlight of the miracles of God—all very happy indeed that it happened in Memphis!



W. W. Fordham, associate secretary of the North American Regional Department of the General Conference, was one of the guest speakers at the annual workers' meeting held this year at the Paschal Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The meeting, which was held January 19-21, opened the celebration for the 25th anniversary of the conference.

C. B. Rock delivered the morning devotion on Wednesday, January 21.



ANNIVERSARY

WORKERS' MEETING

The workers of the South Atlantic Conference gathered at the beautiful Paschal's Motor Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia, on Monday, January 19, through Wednesday, the 21st, 1970. This meeting was almost exactly twenty-five years later to the date when workers gathered in 1946 to or-

Dr. R. M. Ritland of the Biological Science Department of Andrews University gave two lectures to the South Atlantic workers, setting forth the principles of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in its relation to science. The study of amalgamation of man and mammal was a high point in the lectures.

ganize the South Atlantic Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. H. D. Singleton was present to celebrate this historic date. He is now an associate secretary of the General Conference and secretary of the North American Regional Department, Singleton was the first South Atlantic conference president. W. W. Fordham, associate secretary of the North American Regional Department, was also with us to help recall those days of small beginnings. Elder Fordham did extensive soul winning work in South Atlantic prior to its organiza-E. E. Cleveland, who spent years before and after the conference organization in fruitful soul winning, also attended this workers' meeting. L. S. Follette, Sr., was chosen as the first conference secretary-treasurer in 1946. Today he serves as field secretary of the conference association. C. B. Rock, who served for years as a pastor-evangelist in the South Atlantic territory and later as an associate secretary in the Ministerial Department of the Southern Union, was also present. This meeting was a happy reunion for workers of years past and present.

W. S. Banfield, president of the conference, was called to this field as an intern shortly after the conference was organized in 1946. He is also celebrating twenty-five years of service to the field. Elder Banfield gave the welcome message Monday morning. From his remarks, these words were remembered, "The work of South Atlantic is manifold and far-flung in its relationship. Our churches have their particular programs and interests, but beyond the borders of the local church field looms the larger cooperative tasks. To achieve this united endeavor takes a minister of many abilities.

"He must be able to grace the pulpit of the largest or the smallest church, to think in terms of the problems of the local congregation as well as the world field, to be a diplomat and an administrator, to deal with organizations without becoming a mere organizer, to be a man of vision as well as of practical pursuits, and possess spiritual depth without being self righteous.

"We welcome you, who are a personification of this ideal, to the twenty-fifth South Atlantic Conference annual workers' meeting."

One of the highlights of this meeting occurred Monday afternoon when the ministers gave reports of the work in their districts for 1969 and plans for 1970. We were thrilled to tally a report of 1,022 baptisms for 1969. This makes a total of 2,279 new members over a two-year period in nearly 100 churches across the vast four states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. We almost reached our goal to cross the 11,000 membership mark for 1969.

Three pastors received special awards for outstanding soul-winning activities for 1969. C. D. Henri of the Atlanta, Georgia, Berean church baptized 113 persons. L. G. Rahming's award was for conducting a major evangelistic effort in the Winston-Salem district this past summer, adding 125 new members. J. L. Williams teamed up again with Joseph Hinson, and God gave them 104 souls. Elder Hinson, one of our departmental men, also received an award for service beyond the call of duty. 1969 was the second year in succession he ioined in evangelism with J. L. Williams in Charlotte. F. W. Parker had an outstanding year in his church. He was blessed to add 89 new members in Savannah, Georgia.

When the baptismal tally was taken by states, the closeness of figures was remarkable. Georgia was first with 319 baptisms. Florida came in second with 307. North Carolina had 293 additions, and South Carolina added 100, making the total of 1,022. Elder B. Cummings of Columbia, South Carolina, had an outstanding year with 39 baptisms in South Carolina and 18 in his Augusta, Georgia, church. In Sumter, South Carolina, where held his summer crusade, God gave him 35 baptisms which doubled the membership of a church which had just been dedicated free of debt. Each worker pledged to go all out in soul-winning for 1970. A record goal of 1,716 baptisms was pledged.

We did not quite reach the goal of one million dollars tithe for 1969; however, we did reach \$975,891.02, a gain of \$123,042.82. This was the second year we have gained well over \$100,000 in tithe. Our aim for 1970 is \$1,100,000—a goal we feel will be reached and surpassed.

Other goals set for 1970 were—1. To build a new campground pavilion to replace the big tent we have used for twelve years. This tent and other equipment were destroyed in a fire that razed the old welfare building on the campgrounds. The new pavilion is estimated to cost \$60,000. 2. To reach a \$30,000 evangelism offering goal. 3. Message magazine subscriptions were set at 7,000 to be turned in by the close of April. 4. The Publishing Department set \$300,000 as its literature goal. 5. Atlanta Berean, Atlanta Boulevard, Tampa, Orlando, and a number of other churches plan to dedicate their churches in 1970.

We go into the soaring seventies confident that God goes with us. In His strength, we will march on to victory in every phase of His work in the great South Atlantic territory—four great states with over four million people to warn and win for heaven.

F. L. Jones
Treasurer and Public Relations Secretary

Temperance



The temperance secretary of the Carolina Conference, P. A. Kostenko, right, directed the presentation of a temperance program throughout many public schools in North and South Carolina. They also visited many of the church schools in the conference. Against an appropriate backdrop of posters, Smoking Sam "did his thing" at the Banner Elk church school. Melissa Edwards held a sophisticated ashtray while an unidentified student cared for Sam's other needs.

AT RIGHT—Students from the two senior academies in the conference organized and presented several of the requested temperance programs to the public schools. "Sam" received a great deal of attention as the Mount Pisgah Academy students prepared for action.

The Temperance Action team at Fletcher Academy convinced the principal of Mills River public school in Greenville, South Carolina, Robert B. Pryor, left, that his school would benefit from the temperance demonstrations and program. Part of the team included Bob Moore, center, and Carolyn Coleman, right. Sponsor of the academy project was James Peel, Jr., second from right.



There he stands—Motionless . . . Silent . . . Speechless! He can't talk, but he says a lot . . . just like he is! That's Smoking Sam, who had a full itinerary last fall and winter "performing" for audiences in North and South Carolina—in both private and public schools. In his "show," Sam's message goes out loud and clear—"Any dummy can smoke!" And he's invited everywhere.

But how does one get into such a prominent predicament as Sam's? It started well over two years ago when a local Seventh-day Adventist doctor and minister teamed up for a Five-day Plan to Stop Smoking. The place is Greenville, South Carolina. The real performers are Dr. Burton Keppler and Elder D. G. Anderson. The community was suddenly made aware of this

Work Opens Doors

public service offered by the Adventist Church through the Five-day Plan. Soon, the influence found its way into the Ladies Auxiliary of the Greenville Medical Society. Dr. Keppler continued furnishing the society president with information and anti-tobacco films.

By now "the ball was rolling" with several new people getting into the game! Mrs. Louise Bowers picked up the "ball" and really started running with it. Being the health consultant for the Greenville School District, and also a staunch Baptist, she knew a good thing when she found it. She saw the films and other tools which the Seventh-day Adventist team was using and requested their use in the county public schools. The Greenville pastor, D. G. Anderson, contacted the Carolina Conference Temperance Department for an appointment with "Sam," the smoking manikin.

By the way, you should be introduced to Sam. He represents a typical 12-year-old boy, but this boy is made of paper mache. He appears healthy enough, but you should see his lungs—two glass jars filled with spun glass, discolored with tobacco smoke!

Two years ago Sam filled three chapel appointments in the Greenville school system. Apparently he made a "hit" because in a subsequent letter from Mrs. Bowers, there was an invitation for two full weeks of appointments in the following year's anti-tobacco program. This involved all of the seventh and eighth grades in the Greenville district.

Obviously, two weeks of appointments could hardly be arranged by one person so help was requested from the Temperance Action teams at Fletcher and Mount Pisgah academies. The students and their sponsors responded immediately with a youth-to-youth program. A schedule was planned so that each team made four presentations during the two-week period. What an adventure for the teams! And what a vivid lesson for the youthful audiences!

Within a few weeks, the following letter from Mrs. Bowers arrived at the conference of-fice—

Dear Mr. Kostenko,

On behalf of the students and faculties of the schools you visited, let me say thanks to you and "Smoky Sam" for helping make our smoking program so successful.

The response from the schools has been overwhelming. The film provided by you

proved to be very effective, and we have had many requests for repeat showings.

We have been genuinely impressed and touched by the interest, kindnesses, and help shown to us by the Seventh-day Adventist Church and by the other good things you are doing . . .

Thanks again for your kindness.

Sincerely, (Mrs. Louise C. Bowers) Health Consultant

The door to service in the Greenville, South Carolina, community is not closing. In fact, another subsequent letter is throwing the door wide open.

Dear Mr. Kostenko:

The Executive Committee of the 1970 South Carolina Health and Science Fair would like for your exhibit on "Smoking, Drinking and Drugs" to be a part of our Fair on April 23, 24, and 25, 1970.

Your fine exhibit and good work has been described to us by Mrs. Louise Bowers of the Greenville County School System.

The Fair last year was attended by 60,000 people. There is no charge to exhibitors or visitors.

I hope that you will be able to be with us.

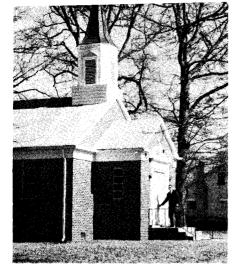
Cordially,

(Eston Rodgers, Jr.) Director, Health and Science Fair

There is something familiar about all this! Turning the pages of Seventh-day Adventist history, we come to another "letter"—

I have been informed by my guide that not only should those who believe the truth practice health reform but they should also teach it diligently to others; for it will be an agency through which the truth can be presented to the attention of unbelievers. They will reason that if we have such sound ideas in regard to health and temperance, there must be something in our religious belief that is worth investigation. If we backslide in health reform we shall lose much of our influence with the outside world.

—Temperance, p. 242 Ву Р. А. Kostenko Temperance Department

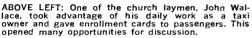




FAR LEFT: The Seventh-day Adventist Church at LaGrange, Georgia, has become an evangelistic center for the people living in west central Georgia.

LEFT: Members of this church systematically called upon the homes in the entire city of 24,000 people with enrollment cards for the Family Bible Plan Bible course. One of the first cards to be returned was that of Mrs. Lois Eunice. Four and one-half months after she enrolled, she was baptized into the Adventist Church.





ABOVE CENTER: Mrs. Brenda McCormick was a taxi passenger who became interested in the Bible course. Through the Family Bible Plan and consistent encouragement from Mr. Wallace, she became a member of the LaGrange church. Now her husband, mother and a friend are studying.

ABOVE RIGHT: John Wallace took advantage of every opportunity to place the claims of Jesus upon the heart of Mrs. Luanna Tumlin. Today she rejoices in her new-found-faith. Her daughter-in-law is now studying the Bible lessons.



By A. C. McClure Public Relations Secretary





he combination is bound to succeed. When the pastor harnesses the energies of the laymen, utilizes the time-proved tools available and prays for the power of the Holy Spirit, things will happen. And happen they did in the small cotton mill town of LaGrange in west central Georgia.

This town of 24,000 people has had a Seventh-day Adventist Church since 1955, but the church has seen little growth. Sabbath privileges do not come easily in the mills, and prejudice makes soul winning difficult. These handicaps only served to challenge Pastor and Mrs. Deward Edgmon when they arrived in their new district in June, 1968. This being their first district they began to cast about for a soul-winning plan that had worked in other places and prayed that God would honor their efforts with souls.

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Upon seeing evidence that the Family Bible Plan was producing results elsewhere, Pastor Edgmon inspired his church to saturate their city with Bible Plan enrollment cards. Almost the entire church membership turned out to participate in this evangelistic thrust. Not content to cover the city with enrollment cards just once, they went to every home at least three times during the course of several weeks and some areas were covered still another time.

Although this plan had worked elsewhere, there were questions in the minds of the members but they labored ever so diligently to make sure no one missed an opportunity to enroll. "Will the people of our town respond?" "I wonder which of these cards that I am leaving will result in a soul won?" "Is it really worth all this effort?" The answers to their questions began to be revealed as cards were soon returned by mail requesting the Family Bible Plan.

Not every card returned has materialized into an active Bible study. There have been the usual number of casual inquiries and those that dropped out after the first lesson or two. But there have also been the seekers for truth and the faithful who have followed through the entire course plus the advanced course, and for many there have been Bible studies by filmstrip in addition. And things

have happened. The LaGrange church has suddenly come alive with enthusiasm for soul winning. Members of long standing are rejoicing in the joy that comes with winning a soul. New members now occupy pews long vacant and have joined in the search for others.

So successfully has the plan of evangelism worked in LaGrange that during 1969 twenty-two persons were baptized, almost doubling the number of church members.

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Lest you have missed the thrill of soul winning, let me share with you some of the experiences from this book of modern-day miracles —

One of the first cards to be returned and the first person to be baptized as a result was Mrs. Lois Eunice. Although it was necessary for the pastor to make several trips before he found her home, it was well worth the effort. Mrs. Eunice had no previous contact with Adventists but readily accepted truth as it was unfolded to her. She said, "It's in the Bible so I can't help but believe it." Four and one-half months from the time she enrolled, Mrs. Eunice was a baptized Seventh-day Adventist.

Mrs. Kirby saw the Adventist pastor delivering lessons to her neighbor. Curious as to what they taught, she introduced herself and requested the lessons. She has now finished the series and is preparing for baptism during evangelistic meetings scheduled for the near future.

In November, 1968, John Wallace, a cab driver and former member, returned to church and was rebaptized. Although he works for a franchised taxi company, Mr. Wallace owns his own cab and takes a special interest in talking to his customers about the Lord. In fact, his Bible and a stack of enrollment cards ride on the dashboard of his car for ready access. One recipient of a card and invitation to study was Mrs. Brenda McCormick. She was enthused with the lessons but was studying the doctrines of another church at the same time. About half-way through the advanced course, she decided to drop the Family Bible Plan. Six weeks later she found herself in the cab of John Wallace again. He began talking earnestly about her need for the Lord. Brenda's heart was touched and she promised to return to church and the study of God's truth. She is now a baptized member of the Adventist Church. But that is not all of Brenda's story. Her husband, mother and another friend are studying the lessons

Mrs. Luanna Tumlin found a Bible Plan enrollment card on her door but hesitated to send it in. However, after seeing the pastor show some filmstrips at the home of a neighbor, she decided to request the studies. Her progress was not as rapid as some and it appeared as though she was wavering in her decision to accept Bible truth. Once again John Wallace, the cab driver, used his few minutes of opportunity while she was his customer to place the claims of Jesus Christ upon her heart. Mrs. Tumlin was baptized during the Holley evangelistic meetings last summer and now her daughter-in-law is studying.

Tommy Patterson and his sister had joined the church as children several years ago, but he had drifted away. Having since married, Tommy began to think seriously of his responsibilities and decided that he and his wife should go to church. Pastor Edgmon seized his opportunity to make their acquaintance on their first Sabbath visit and arranged for studies. They have both been baptized.

Some of the most active missionary workers in the La-Grange area are Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foote of the Pine Mt. Valley church. Both in their middle eighties, they have untiring energy when it comes to soul winning. Some of their trophies are Mrs. Mary Marsh and her family, Janice, Terry and Charles Williams.

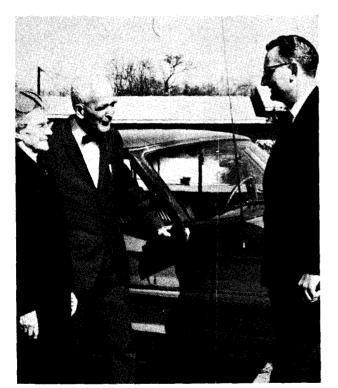
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The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson became a neighborhood center when as many as sixteen persons sometimes came to see the Bible filmstrips being shown. From this one contact three other studies have now begun with prospects for several baptisms.

The husband of one of the members is a state patrolman. He was at the hospital one day recently visiting an attorney. During their conversation each mentioned that his wife believed the Sabbath to be God's holy day. Although the patrolman is not a member, he told his wife of the prospective interest and the pastor was immediately notified. As a result, the attorney's wife is now studying the Family Bible Plan at the rate of four lessons per week and recently stated, "When a person learns what is right, they have a responsibility to do something about it."

Many more stories could be told of how the Lord is blessing. Pastor Edgmon states that he regularly has 15 to 20 Bible studies per week and presently has 15 first-class interests as prospects for baptism.

Perhaps this is sufficient to show that when the pastor harnesses the energies of the laymen, utilizes the time-proved tools available and prays for the power of the Holy Spirit—things do happen.



Both in their middle 80's, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foote of the Pine Mountain Valley church, near LaGrange, have displayed active and untiring energy in soul winning. It was their joy to participate in the Family Bible Plan with Pastor Deward Edgmon, right, and members of the LaGrange church.

In the home of Mrs. Mary Marsh, the Footes conducted Bible studies. From left, Charles Williams, Gerald Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Foote, Mrs. Mary Marsh, Terry and Janice Williams.





Construction on the new \$650,000 library on the SMC campus is scheduled for completion about May 1. It will have an individual seating capacity of 516 and will accommodate 100,000 volumes.

Financing for SMC's new library is proceeding as planned, according to Charles Fleming, Jr., general manager for finance and development.

A goal of \$650,000 has been set for the library fund campaign, which will end at the close of 1970. Part of this figure was solicited through offerings during the years 1965, 1966 and 1967.

Another significant amount of this total of \$650,000 has been given by SMC alumni, alumni who are faculty, SMC faculty and employees. Chattanooga businesses have given \$34,220; foundations, \$57,220; constituents and local conferences of the Southern Union, \$69,829; special gifts, \$145,800; foundations—matching funds, \$1,500.

The grand total now comes to \$365,894, leaving a balance of \$284,106 to be raised from among the above groups.

Several delays have been encountered in obtaining building materials and waiting for cold and wet weather to clear up, but Charles E. Davis, librarian, still hopes to move into the new facility around May 1.

Work is now being done on the entranceway, air conditioning, and electricity installation. Davis, Fleming, and Mrs. Charles Fleming are working jointly on interior decoration ideas.

Tentative library decor includes gold walls, charcoal shelving, walnut paneling, and heath-colored carpet.

The building was designed by Bianculli & Tyler, Architects, Inc., of Chattanooga. Davis drew a floor plan for the entire library interior with exact locations for all furniture and shelving. He also made basic specification sheets from the drawings.

The library will have an individual seating capacity of 516. This includes casual seating for about 200 and study carrels for 316. Instead of study tables as are now used in

the present library, carrels will allow for individual, undisturbed study. Students who wish to study together will have access to the Student Association lounge, which is supplied with tables.

Several carrels will be sound-proof to allow for typing. Two or three typewriters will be supplied by the library; other rooms will be provided where students may bring their own typewriters.

Facilities are planned to accommodate 100,000 volumes, compared with the present library's 60,000. Expansion provisions allow for a total of 300,000 volumes.

A feature of the basement level, according to Davis, is an area which will provide housing for the Seventh-day Adventist book collection. This space will specialize in the history of SMC and SDA work in the South. A vault for rare books is also to be located here.

Two large storage rooms, a library science classroom, and a library staff lounge make up the remainder of the lower floor.

Two areas—quiet and semi-quiet—are located on the main floor. The quiet area is the reference and study section with stacks for bound periodicals. The semi-quiet area involves the circulation desk, card catalog, current periodicals, and browsing collection.

Also on the main floor is a glass-enclosed office for the public services librarian, special carrels for micro-form and audio-visual equipment, a technical services area, receiving room, and loading dock.

Located on the main floor are offices for the head librarian, secretary, cataloger, and periodicals librarian.

A new Xerox 720 is being installed to take the place of the old 914. During November, two 3M micro-form readerprinters with attachments for all types of micro-form materials were put into operation.

SIDENT MASIONARY PROBLEM

wo students associated with Southern Missionary College are well into their second term teaching English at the 720-student Seventh-day Adventist English Language Center, Seoul. Korea.

Miss Tana Christiansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Christiansen of Altamonte Springs, Fla., attended SMC in 1967-68 and was majoring in elementary education. Last year she attended Newbold College, Berkshire, England.

Miss Jacquie Zytkoskee, daughter of Elder and Mrs. A. E. Zytkoskee, graduated from the Far Eastern Academy in 1969. Her father currently is chaplain at the Korea Union Servicemen's Center in Seoul.

These two students are among several others from Adventist colleges in the United States who volunteered to pay their own passage to Korea to teach English at the language center.

Prior to entering the classroom, these teachers were given special training in the science of teaching English as a foreign language. Since English is the medium of instruction, the student teacher, using his native language as his principal tool, "becomes effective immediately and very quickly develops into an excellent teacher," according to Elder L. Hubbard, director of the English center.

This new institution has been selected by the Korean government Educational Department as operating a model program and has been featured throughout the country on educational bulletin boards.

Dr. Karl Bartz, cultural attache at the United States embassy in Seoul has pledged his support to the program and is "thoroughly satisfied that our program is academically sound and capable of meeting a pressing national need," says Elder Hubbard.

Dr. Bartz is not alone in his admiration of the center. When the city educational committee, prior to issuing a license, sent an inspector to visit the school, she turned in amazement to the government official escorting her and said, "There is no reason for me to come here. There's nothing like this in all Korea!"

Although the government has generously approved of the program, the English Language Center's popularity with the general public has been overwhelming. When classes began on September 29, the instructional staff expected about 300 students. After registering 723, they halted registration and turned away 200 to 300 more hopeful applicants.

Among the school students are 5 non-SDA ministers, 10 doctors, 34 nurses, 8 pharmacists, 53 teachers, 40 merchants, and 121 office workers of various types.

Four hundred ninety-one of the students profess no religious belief. "Never before in the history of our work in Korea has our church had the opportunity of influencing such a group of people," says Elder Hubbard.

When Bible classes were introduced, 122 enrolled within the first three days. One class used English Bibles and "The Bible Says" lesson guides; another uses a bilingual copy of the book "Steps to Christ." Still another class—called a translation class—has the students practice translating Adventist evangelistic sermons.

Most of the teachers are student missionaries—young people willing to take a year out of their own college program to devote to the Lord's work in the mission field.

Elder Hubbard refers to Ellen White's words: "With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and sooncoming Saviour might be carried to the whole world!" Ed., p. 271.

"The day for the realization of that vision has arrived," Elder Hubbard says. "Could it be that God has placed this great desire to learn English within the hearts of the peoples of Asia in order to open up another door for the spreading of the gospel? We believe it to be so."

Tana Christiansen, SMC student missionary, is instructing Koreans at the SDA English Language Center in Seoul, Korea. Tana is from Altamonte Springs, Florida.



PICTORIAL STORIES

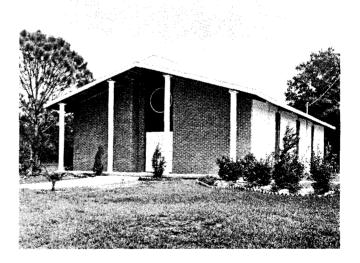


MORGANTON, NORTH CAROLINA — Fourteen persons joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church as a result of a series of meetings in Morganton, North Carolina, conducted by W. D. Brass and N. K. Shepherd. From left, Carl Walker, Mrs. Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bracket, Steve Bracket, Marty Braswell, Janet Brown, Mr. Jack Brown, Franklin Brown, Mrs. Jack Brown, Mr. and Mrs. McNeely, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bracket.



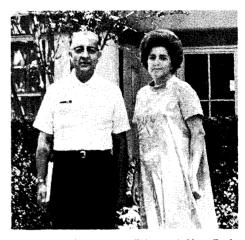
WOODBURY, TENNESSEE — The Shawnee Pathfinder Club featured an Indian theme in their annual Christmas parade, Serving as Indians, from left, Melissa Smith, Mark Smith, Becky James, Norma Parker, Marilyn Parker, Dick Bullock, Brenda Bedwell, Carol Bedwell, Susie Dunbar, and Kim Turner. The club color guard composed of Shane Hollis, Floyd Walterhouse and Brenton Bullock marched ahead of the float.

VERO BEACH, FLORIDA — Construction now complete, this modest, yet beautiful sanctuary is now officially opened. Guest speaker for the ceremony was W. O. Coe, conference president. Other guests included W. H. Smith, conference treasurer, A. W. Ortner, past pastor; and R. A. Kurth, pastor under whose leadership the church was built. W. P. Lawrence is the present pastor. The air-conditioned sanctuary is valued at \$40,000 and has a seating capacity for 150 persons. Overall carpeting lends to the ultimate in reverence.





ATLANTA, GEORGIA — The upper grades of the Cascade Road church school recently simulated outdoor conditions for a program which they presented. Director was Robert Taylor, assistant pastor.



ORLANDO, FLORIDA — Elder and Mrs. E. A. Marinkovic, shown, serve the Montemorelos Mission in Mexico. The C. R. Craig family of Orlando heard of the urgent need in the mission and during 1969 took 1,117 articles of clothing to the poor in Mexico with their utility trailer. Two daughters of the Craigs, Donna and Ruth Ann, are attending school in Mexico to prepare for mission service. The Marinkovics wish to thank the Spanish church members in Florida who have helped with this mission work.

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA — Using as a theme, "It Can Be Done," K. M. Mathews, standing, inspired members of his congregation in Montgomery to raise funds for a new church building. Present plans call for occupancy of a new sanctuary in 1971.





FLETCHER, NORTH CAROLINA — Late in 1969 about one hundred church and community leaders gathered at Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital to witness the dedication of a new building in honor of Dr. John Brownsberger. The institution will continue to be known as Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital, but this one unit will be called the Brownsberger Building. At left is Dr. Brownsberger, his granddaughter, and Elder D. G. Anderson, chaplain of the hospital.

PADUCAH, KENTUCKY — Juniors in Paducah believe in Investment. The class leader, Mrs. Jean Freeman, led the class in reaching a goal of \$500 during 1969 and then they "continued to work for a large overflow." Mrs. Freeman's enthusiasm, coupled with her ability to make delicious candy, makes Investment enjoyable. Front row, from left, Gary Dunbar, Marty Cornwell, David Stevens, Darrel Stevens, Mark Stevens, Kimberly Keeling, Sheila Wallace. Back row. Mrs. Marie LaNeave, Debra Mathis, Mrs. Helen McClurg, Pastor A. C. McClurg and Mrs. Jean Freeman.

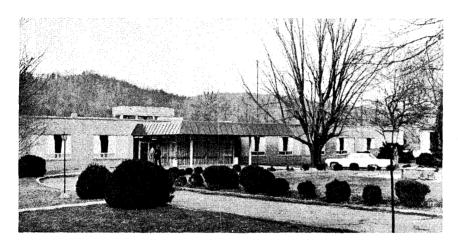


ORLANDO, FLORIDA — W. H. Smith. conference treasurer, signed a check for \$293.586.73, an all-time high for Florida Ingathering and reported by the General Conference to be the second highest conference amount in the United States. From left, S. L. Dombrosky, newly-elected lay activities secretary; C. R. French, former lay activities secretary; W. H. Smith; W. O. Coe. conference president; and H. J. Carubba, conference secretary. conference secretary.

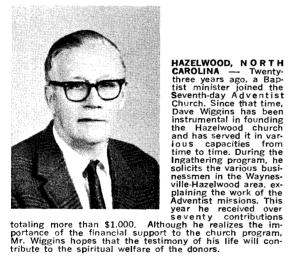




CRENSHAW, MISSISSIPPI — Believers in Crenshaw were organized into a company on Sabbath, January 24, at a special service conducted by T. H. Bledsoe, conference secretary, and Pastor A. E. Schleif. This was previously a dark county. The mobile chapel was purchased by the Laymen's Church Development Foundation.



FLETCHER, NORTH CAROLINA — Sunday, January 18, was a very special day at Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital. Dr. Edgar Beddingfield, president of the North Carolina State Medical Society, was the guest speaker to over 300 people who were present for the ribbon-cutting ceremony which opened the fifty-bed addition to the hospital. This \$919,000 addition is a modern, extended-care facility used to care for patients who no longer require specific hospital and medical care.





LIVE OAK, FLORIDA — Boys at the Florida Sheriff's Boys' Ranch and their director and assistant director examined the gifts presented to the boys from the Seventh-day Adventist Churches of Florida. The weekend bags replaced paper bags and boxes that the boys had been using for visits to their homes.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE

The ONEIDA MOUNTAIN HOSPITAL BOARD met in the Oneida church on Sunday, February 22. Herbert Davis, administrator, presented an encouraging summary of the 1969 patient and financial activities. Board members noted the vital role of Doctors Caleb Chu and Ira Wheeler in the success of the institution. Highlight of the meeting was a visit to the sight of the new hospital under construction in Manchester, Kentucky. Completion and moving dates are set for the spring of 1971.

MADISON AND RIVERSIDE HOSPITALS launched a Greater Nashville Five-Day Plan on Sunday, February 22, in the new American Red Cross auditorium. Reports show an enthusiastic audience. Chaplains Laue and Butler plan to hold other clinics at Riverside Hospital the first part of March.

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS met at Greater Nashville Junior Academy for a conference-wide workers' meeting just before the opening of the second semester. Working policies, classroom planning and instruction highlighted the one-day gathering.

Members of the COVINGTON, KENTUCKY, CONGREGATION are expressive of the blessings they are receiving as they venture into the "Testimony Countdown" program. Pastor E. E. Shafer is leading his church in this spiritual preparation for evangelistic meetings which will follow.

A. J. Iseminger, conference stewardship and development director, is assisting the BOULEVARD AND MADISON CAMPUS churches in a special stewardship guidance canvass for co-ordinated financial plans for the year. Included in the budget and goals are church school and Sabbath school expenses, building funds and conference evangelism needs. The Madison Campus goal is \$65,000, and the Boulevard church has set commitments to reach \$46,925.

The BORDEAUX, BOULEVARD, NASHVILLE FIRST, MEHARRY BOULEVARD and RIVERSIDE churches of the Nashville, Tennessee, area have joined in a "Testimony Countdown" series. As members study the Spirit of Prophecy messages, attendance and interest have greatly increased.

FLORIDA

1. Hialeah Hospital's new Pediatrics Department with 34 beds has been opened. The unit is in the newly-remodeled and redecorated West Hall section. Over 30 tons of ceiling-unit air conditioning was installed, and the interior decor was done in bright multi-colored paints and wallpapers. New equipment includes electric beds, overbed tray tables, night stands, draperies and cubicle curtains, and a little red wagon — used to transport young, ambulatory patients to radiology and other departments. The department also features a large waiting room for parents. The nursing personnel will exchange the traditional white uniforms for pastel-colored smocks to lend a more cheerful atmosphere. Twenty-seven physicians of the active and courtesy staffs serve the hospital in this area.

- 2. On January 30, the M. V. and Sabbath School Departments of the conference sponsored a "Youth Symposium" for the churches of the Greater Orlando area. The meetings were held at the Florida Sanitarium and Hospital assembly room.
- 3. A new congregation known as the Orlando North church was organized on February 14. Most of the 53 charter members are from the Forest Lake church. Present for the organization were W. H. Smith, conference treasurer, and L. R. Mansell, pastor of the Forest Lake church. Pastor of the new congregation is Marvin Lowman.

ALABAMA MISSISSIPPI

100,000 pieces of literature were distributed on Sabbath, February 7, through the united effort of all church members of the conference. This was the second conference-wide Literature Day conducted in recent weeks.

117 laymen gathered in Birmingham, Alabama, February 13-15, as delegates met for the first Adventist Men's Seminar to be conducted in the Southern Union. Emilio Knechtle, outstanding Adventist layman, and V. W. Schoen of the General Conference Lay Activities Department, were the featured speakers.

8 literature evangelists conducted a group canvass in Birmingham during the week of February 15-20. An estimated \$2,000 worth of literature was delivered, and more than 100 persons enrolled in the Bible correspondence course. The churches of Birmingham are preparing for a city-wide evangelistic campaign.

February 22 — A Laymen's Advisory committee met in Meridian, Mississippi, to study the various phases of the work in the conference, including a review of the financial statement.



Charlotte, N. C. A tithe increase of more than \$144,000 above 1968 was turned

in for 1969, and over \$150,000 was raised for Ingathering

funds.

Fletcher, N. C. A branch of the Carolina Book & Bible House is being set up on

the grounds of Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital.

Elizabethtown, N. C. Evangelist W. D. Brass and Pastor J. P. Priest held a successful

series of meetings in Elizabethtown.

Morganton, N. C. W. D. Brass and Noble Shepherd baptized fourteen persons

from the Morganton evangelistic meetings.

Churches in the Morganton district have started construction on

a new church school building.

Winston-Salem, N. C. Successful evangelistic meetings by Evangelist A. D. Livengood

and Pastor Duane Peterson have just been concluded in this

area.



The Kentucky Youth Federation held its first meeting in Lexington, Sabbath, January 24. J. L. Butler, pastor of the Riverside church, spoke on "Reality and Responsibility." Activities for the day included promotion of LIBERTY and LISTEN magazines, One-to-One evangelism, and the temperance oratorical contest. Frances Hudson of Bowling Green, Kentucky, was awarded the first-place honor for her oration. Beatrice Stoner from Louisville, Kentucky, was selected to serve on the conference youth advisory committee. The program was concluded Saturday night with basketball games between Huntsville and Louisville.

Scores of Missionary Volunteers of the South Central Conference have experienced the thrill of One-to-One evangelism at rallies held throughout the conference. Pastors of the host churches have received 299 names for Bible study follow-up.

The Temperance and Better Living Department of South Central has recently conducted four speech, four poster and four essay contests.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA — "The Living Word" crusade with Leighton and Betty Lynn Holley opened in Savannah with Pastor Wayne Bolan. There were 150 in attendance on opening night with 27 non-Adventists present.

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA — The "Christ for Today" evangelistic team with Roger Holley and H. V. Boling opened a three-week crusade in Augusta on Sunday night, March 1. Pastor is R. H. Shepard.

LA GRANGE, GEORGIA — Pastors Rex Ward and Deward Edgmon baptized three persons on Sabbath, February 21, as a result of the Pulpit Exchange meetings held in La Grange. Pastor Ward was the speaker. Several others plan for baptism soon.

SOUTHERN UNION

TITHE in the SOUTHERN UNION for the month of DECEMBER, 1969, passed the MILLION DOLLAR MARK — a new all-time record. Total for the entire year for the 55,259 members of the SEVEN-CONFERENCE FIELD was \$9,679,595.43, an increase of more than \$958,000 over 1968. SABBATH SCHOOL OFFERINGS for 1969 exceeded the million-dollar mark for the THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR.

The SOUTHERN UNION SKI CLUB had its first organized outing in GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE, the weekend of FEBRUARY 6-8. Sixty-five persons participated in the new venture. Special accommodations were arranged for the SABBATH SERVICES by the Mountain View Hotel. Elder Don Winger of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference was in charge of the Friday evening vesper hour, and Elder H. F. Roll, secretary of the Southern Union, spoke on Sabbath morning. Sunday was spent in SKIING on the mountain slopes. Trips are planned for Sugar Mountain, North Carolina, the FIRST AND LAST WEEKENDS OF MARCH. Ronald Becker, O. D., of Marietta, Georgia, was elected president of the club.

SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

STAN MIDGLEY, ONE OF AMERICA'S MOST RENOWNED NATURE AND TRAVEL PHOTOGRAPHERS, PRESENTED THE FILM "ARIZONA CHUCKLELOGUE" ON TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 17. HIS ORIGINAL HUMOR AND TRICK PHOTOGRAPHY, CHARACTERISTIC OF ALL HIS FILMS, KEPT THE AUDIENCE LAUGHING AND AWARE OF THE REASON WHY MIDGLEY IS KNOWN AS "THE MARK TWAIN OF THE CAMERA."

BRUCE ASHTON, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MUSIC AT SMC, PRESENTED A PIANO RECITAL RECENTLY IN THE MILLER FINE ARTS HALL. MR. ASHTON IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON HIS DOCTORATE AND IS STUDYING PIANO WITH RAYMOND DUDLEY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

W. MELVIN ADAMS, ASSOCIATE SECRETARY OF THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY DEPARTMENT OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE, CONDUCTED RELIGIOUS LIBERTY WEEKEND AT SMC, JANUARY 15-17.

SMC HAS AN ALL-TIME RECORD SECOND SEMESTER ENROLLMENT OF 1,233, ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED BY DR. C. F. W. FUTCHER, DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS.

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ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI

Evangelistic Meetings — Scottish Rite Temple, 6th Avenue at 19th Street, Birmingham, Alabama. March 7-28, nightly at 7:30 p.m. Lecturer: J Crews, AMAZING FACTS radio speaker and evange-



FLORIDA

Dorcas Federations -

Gold Coast - Miami Springs church, March 15, 1970.

Ridge - Winter Haven church, March 16, 1970. Gulf Coast - Brandon church, March 17, 1970. Central - Forest Lake church, March 22, 1970. Northern - Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, March 23, 1970.

Youth Rally — Forest Lake Academy, Maitland, Florida, March 20, 21, 1970. Special guest: Emilio Knechtle, director of School for Boys,

New Jersey.

Pathfinder Camporee — Highlands Hammock State Park, Sebring, Florida, March 27, 1970.

Kulagua, High Springs,

Outdoor Club — Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, Florida, April 3-5, 1970.

Camp Meeting -

Orlando area, Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, March 20, 7:30 p.m. - March 21, 9:30 a.m. West area, Curtis Hixson Hall, Tampa, March 28, 9:30 a.m.

North area, Camp Kulaqua, High Springs, April 18, 9:30 a.m.

South area, Dade County Auditorium, Miami, May 16, 9:30 a.m.

Elementary Church School Music Festival — Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, April 23-25, 1970. Clinicians—Mrs. Patricia Silver of Forest Lake Academy and Don Crook of Collegedale Academy.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND

Conference Session — Georgia-Cumberland Academy, Calhoun, Georgia, March 8, 1970. Special Attraction: Pictorial report of conference growth. Constituency invited.

Evangelistic Meetings —
Atlanta, Georgia Cascade Road church, April
18 - May 16, 1970. Speakers - Holley-Boling team.

Columbus, Georgia, April 18 - May 16, 1970. Speaker - Leighton Holley.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

Church Dedication — Tampa, Florida, church, 3111 East Wilder Avenue, March 14, 1970 - 11:00 a.m. Guest speaker - F. L. Jones, secretarytreasurer of South Atlantic.

Special Opening of Church — Jacksonville, Florida, church, 2760 Edgewood Avenue, March 21, 1970. Guest speakers - W. S. Banfield and F. L. Jones of local conference.

SOUTHERN MISSIONARY COLLEGE

Literature Evangelism Emphasis - March 3 and 4, 1970.

Servicemen's Tribute - Collegedale church, March 6, 1970 - 7:30 p.m.

Lyceum — "Norse Adventure" by Hjordis Kittel Parker, Physical Education Center, March 7, 1970 - 8:00 p.m.

Fine Arts Presentation — Jon Robertson, piano, College Auditorium, March 8, 1970 - 8:00 p.m.

Spring Week of Religious Emphasis — March 8-14, 1970. Speaker: W. A. Fagal. Lyceum — "Man Looks to the Sea" by Stan Wa-terman, Physical Education Center, March 21, 1970 - 8:00 p.m.

OAKWOOD COLLEGE

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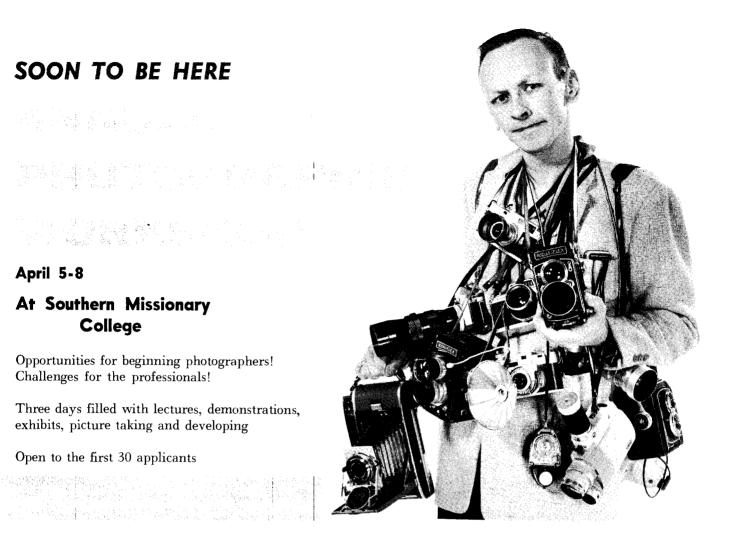
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LOUISIANA-MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given of the regular biennial meeting of the Louisiana-Mississippi Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists to be held at Camp Alamisco, Dadeville, Alabama. The first meeting of this session is called for 2:00 p.m., March 15, 1970. The delegates to the Alabama-Mississippi Conference session are the constituency members of this corporation.

W. D. Wampler, President A. J. Hess, Secretary

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Mississippi Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists to be held at Camp Alamisco, Dadeville, Alabama, on March 15, 1970, at 2:00 p.m. The delegates to the Alabama-Mississippi Conference session are the constituency members of this corporation.

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ALABAMA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of a regular session of the Alabama Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists to be held at Camp Alamisco, Dadeville, Alabama. The first meeting of this session is called for 2:00 p.m., March 15, 1970. The duly accredited delegates to the Alabama-Mississippi Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituency members of this corporation.

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ALABAMA-MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the nineteenth regular biennial session of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Camp Alamisco, Dadeville, Alabama. The first session is called for March 15, 1970, at 10:00 a.m. This session is called for the purpose of receiving reports, the election of officers for the ensuing term, and for transacting any other business that may properly come before the conference. Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization and an additional delegate for each ten members or fraction thereof.

W. D. Wampler, President T. H. Bledsoe, Secretary

SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given that the regular session of the South Central Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet at the Longview Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church, 685 East Mallory, Memphis, Tennessee, on Sunday, March 29, 1970, at 2:00 p.m. The delegates to the South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituents of this corporation.

C. E. Dudley, President J. A. Simons, Secretary

SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the twelfth biennial session of the South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at the Longview Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church, 685 East Mallory, Memphis, Tennessee, on Sunday, March 29, 1970, at 10:00 a.m. This session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the session. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for each ten members or major fraction thereof.

C. E. Dudley, President J. A. Simons, Secretary

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE SESSION

Notice is hereby given that the nineteenth regular biennial session of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Highland Academy Auditorium, Highland Academy campus, Highway 109, twelve miles north of Gallatin, Portland, Tennessee, Sunday, April 12, 1970. The first meeting is called for 10:00 a.m. This session is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term and for transacting any other business that may properly come before the conference. Each church in the conference is entitled to one delegate for the organization and an additional delegate for each ten members or major fraction thereof.

K. D. Johnson, President J. P. Rogers, Secretary

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Notice is hereby given that the nineteenth regular session of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, is called to meet in the Highland Academy Auditorium, Highland Academy campus, Highway 109, twelve miles north of Gallatin, Portland, Tennessee, on Sunday, April 12, 1970. The first meeting is called for 2:00 p.m. The delegates to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituency for the corporation.

K. D. Johnson, President J. P. Rogers, Secretary

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION OF KENTUCKY

Notice is hereby given that the thirty-ninth regular session of the Seventh-day Adventist Conference Association of Kentucky, a corporation, is called to meet in the Highland Academy Auditorium, Highland Academy campus, Highway 109, twelve miles north of Gallatin, Portland, Tennessee, on Sunday, April 12, 1970. The first meeting is called for 2:30 p.m. The delegates to the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventists are the constituency of the corporation.

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